

## GREVILLE ARMS WIN WORLD CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

**GREVILLE ARMS** are the 2019 World Club Champions after defying the odds to defeat local favourites, Lower Hopton (Yorkshire), on home turf at Spen Victoria CB & AC.

Sponsored once again by **GROUNDS TRAINING**, the Warwick & Worcester side defeated Lower Hopton by eight chalks in the final having earlier ousted Ecclestone (Merseyside) by 24 and Dudley Dell (Staffordshire) by 41. In qualifying for finals day, they recorded two comfortable victories, over Bradfield (South Yorkshire) by 38 and Marton Institute (North Lancs & Fylde) by 24.

In the final, Greville got off to a dream start with Darren Plenderleith and Carl Fielding handing in 21-5 and 21-7 winning cards respectively. 'Hopton' hit back to claim the remaining two jacks from the first four to leave Greville Arms holding a ten-chalk advantage at the half-way stage.

With Simon Walder turning a 13-7 deficit into a 21-18 victory for the Yorkshire side and team captain, Ashley Tattersley, handing in a timely 21-7 card it was 'game on' but almost immediately Lower Hopton's advantage was wiped out by Ross Dunkley's 21-9 card leaving just five chalks between the sides with Robert Hitchen (Lower Hopton) and Andrew Nuttall (Greville Arms) to decide the destination of the trophy. Despite a late comeback by Hitchen, Nuttall secured a 21-18 victory to ensure the trophy made its way down the M6 motorway.

All results can be viewed via the [BCGBA website](#) and further details can be found in the BCGBA Newsletters.

