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Haslingden 2 v LanCon 2 (that's Lancashire Constabulary to you)

Won [19-6](#)

Almost a clean sweep tonight but I let the side down.

Dave Sherrington is the most unorthodox left handed player I have come across, and I include Neil in that.

I just couldn't figure out a way to serve to his backhand so couldn't get any run of points together.

Yes I did try serving to his forehand.

Yes I did try serving behind him.

Yes I also tried serving high or hard or wide and none of them worked.

I should have won but lost 3-2 with the three games he won all being to 2 points. Grrrrrr.

Fortunately Simon Foster is made of sterner stuff and despite a mental aberration in the 3rd game came back with a bang in the 4th to win 3-1.

Steve M was never really under pressure and had a comfortable 3-0 win. If he hadn't there would have been a stewards enquiry as his opponent wasn't even a policeman. (He was a tax inspector which is even worse apparently).

Andy stepped up to play his second game in 2 days and only his second game since winter league. Looked comfortable in first two games, then fell behind in 3rd and decided he needed to take a breather. Good job he did cos he only scraped the 4th, [16-14](#). A fifth game would have been interesting. But it doesn't matter, and we don't care cos he brought home the bacon despite being a vegetarian.

(Apologies from his teammates for eating all the cheese and onion pies and chips before he got to pub. But mushy peas are good for you I'm told. Next time we will make sure he is catered for.)

So, with the match won Simon W enters the arena at #1. He hasn't played much recently and spent the first game trying to bludgeon his opponent to death with power but little precision. Some soothing words from Simon F between games to calm down a bit and play simple lengths did the trick and he ran out a 3-1 winner against an opponent who chased everything down and needed a bit of subtlety to beat him.

So a magnificent win for the boys, 19 points is a fine return for a good night's work.

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