

Sussex Mens Winter Super League 2014/15

A new name will be engraved on the "Dave Miles" Cup after Littlehampton won the Sussex Mens Winter Super League Championship at the Roffey Club, defeating Brighton Rileys by 6-3 in a match which featured 83 tons, 23 ton pluses and 7 maximums together with two ton plus game shots. The Coco Lounge based team had previously won the West Division by 21 points from last year's winners Worthing, losing just one match in twenty-one. They now hope to go one better in August, when they represent Sussex in the British Champions Cup. The Rileys Club side lost only twice in this season's Super league and they won the East Division by three points from Lewes.

Mick Rodgers got the ball rolling for Littlehampton with a close fought 3-2 win against Bak Ko. Team captain James Stephenson made it 2-0 for the Coco team, another 3-2 win including eight tons and two maximums, this against Anthony Harding. Andy Macintosh defeated Craig Salvage 3-2 and with a 3-1 win for Craig Stoner over Lee Jennings, making it 4-0 to Littlehampton, the outlook was not bright for the Rileys team. Graham Harris stopped the rot for Brighton with a 3-1 win against an off form Tony Ayres but, needing one more win for the title, Gary Blackwood faced Riley's Dave Fleming and it was the Littlehampton player's finishing prowess that proved decisive. Gary checked out in fifteen, twenty and fifteen dart legs to win 3-0 with two maximums and a 108 finish registering a Man-of-the-Match average of 30.06 to secure the Championship, the "Dave Miles" Cup and the £600 prize money for Littlehampton. Playing for pride the Riley's pair Steve White and Tom Rymer brought the match score to 3-5 with wins against Greg Upton and Nathan Warren, but Littlehampton's Courtney Wilson put the final touch to their night, notching twelve tons in the 3-2 win over Liam Kipling. The 6-3 win reflected the winning team's scoring power, with Littlehampton registering 62 tons and four maximums and Riley's 44 tons and three maximums.

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