

## MOULDY MUTTON TOURS

Adrian Kenworthy, Jason Hackett and Ollie Burgess were already playing together in the league. Mouldy Mutton Tours was formed when Alan Mould joined the team to renew his partnership from the previous year's English Premier League with Ollie.

The team name is the inspiration of Adrian - a combination of the obvious play on Alan's name and the sobriquet for dinner with Jason being a "mutton tour".

The team played well and in good fortune (opponents were not at their best against them), winning every match and finishing over a match clear of the field.

The most entertaining deal of the season was the following:

	AJxxxx	
	x	
	x	
	AQJxx	
x		KQ10x
KQ10x		AJxxx
Q109xx		x
xxx		Kxx
	xx	
	xxx	
	AKJ8xx	
	xx	

NS can defeat 4H if they lead a C before declarer can lead a S, but that may be difficult in practice, and in may be difficult to defend 4H with all that distribution.

With the cards so badly placed N/S are booked for 500 in 4Sx.

However, neither table got close to that...

After a series of what might politely be called "unfortunate views" Ollie and Alan alighted in 5Dx and this horrendous contract went for 1400.

In the other room after P, P, 1S, Jason, for whom this is not close to an overcall, passed for a couple of rounds and then sprung his trap, doubling 2S for penalties.

That this was not much of a trap was demonstrated by the result of -870 when he did not lead the heart ace (not surprisingly).

Jason made the comment of the year when we announced -1400 which was "We have got you covered here! 20 out".

In the second half we had a 16 in when Alan & Ollie made 4S and Jason and Adrian made 5Hx. All good fun.

Showing what a tart he is, Alan has now won the 1st division of the league with 4 different teams (Isolated Menaces, Curry Eaters, St. Titus, Mouldy Mutton Tours).

Can the MCBA historian Rodney Lighton come up with anyone who can beat that?

*Alan Mould*