Kent won 9.5-6.5, but it was very close right up to the end, as it was 7.5-6.5 to Kent with only two games to finish. If Herts had managed to score 1.5/2 in the final games then not only would the match have been tied but so could have the board count!

Herts were not helped by a 10-mile tail back over the QE2 bridge and many players arrived very late, even though we delayed the start a little. Indeed, despite their late arrival, Herts got a quick lead which they held on to for over 2.5 hours and it was only as the final boards were finishing that Kent took the lead

- David Lettington