

## **The Lincolnshire Handicap – 30 July 2014**

On a cloudy morning, with a gentle breeze providing relief from the previous week's heat, 18 players from 7 clubs competed for the Lincolnshire Handicap tournament run by Branston & District U3A's croquet group. Players' handicaps ranged from 4 to 12 so there was a wide range of abilities and experience. Six rounds were played throughout the day. As we went into the last two rounds, the sun came out and it was clear it was going to be a close fight for the winner. In almost the last match of the tournament, Roy Donner (Woodhall Spa) managed to win his game against Mike Bilton 7-6 making Roy the winner, closely followed by Martin Wroughton (Ashby) and David Arrowsmith (Torksey). Branston intend to run the tournament again next year.

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Roy Donner receiving the Lincolnshire Handicap winner's cup from Ralph Timms



The Players with Match Manager Ralph Timms second from right and refreshments organiser Mary Timms seventh from right