



The Lurcher football club to Cologne in May 09 was a resounding success. We had booked through Burleigh Travel and found them extremely helpful in the booking and organisation of the trip and all of our requests during the booking process were dealt with very promptly and efficiently.

This was our first trip to Cologne and found it to be a very beautiful and cosmopolitan City. Our hotel was superb and was situated right in the centre which was brilliant!

We had asked for two fixtures to be arranged for our trip with similar quality opposition and we were not disappointed.



The first fixture was a very convincing win against our German opposition FC Klettenburg with us coming out 5-2 winners! The atmosphere was great with the opposition providing us with hospitality (Food and beer!!) after the game and some banter including some good pointers were to find the best nightlife in the city. This

filled in the day brilliantly and we went on to explore the delights of the city in the evening.



After a fantastic night we had to get up bright and early (about 1pm) to play our next fixture against FC Koln who we were told by their manager Hans that we were just playing for fun and to take things easy (As if an England v Germany game was ever taken easy!!). The game ended up being really competitive with one of the German team being sent off and us winning the game on penalties. (Must be a first for England to beat the Germans on penalties)

The opposition were very sporting in defeat and again provided us with after match hospitality and banter about the game and trip.

All in all it was a very successful excursion. The lads have no hesitation in having their security deposits used as a deposit for next year's trip. We plan to make this an annual event and will be booking through Burleigh Travel. (Bring on the Belgians and the Dutch next year!)



I personally would have no hesitation recommend Burleigh Travel to anyone thinking about booking a sports tour. The hotel was top notch as was the coach they provided. The driver was brilliant and couldn't do enough for us. We shall be requesting the same coach company and driver for next year's trip. **It will add to the occasion being world cup year Bring it on!!!**

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