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# English Table Tennis Association.

### 1. OFFICIALS AND MEMBERS, 1928-9.

**President and Chairman:**—Hon. IVOR MONTAGU.

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#### AFFILIATED LEAGUES:—

Aylesbury and District League.  
Birmingham and District League.  
Bournemouth and District League.  
Bristol and District League.  
Civil Service Sports Council (T.T. Section).  
Dudley and District League.  
Exeter and District League.  
Folkestone and District League.  
Hastings and District League.  
Hull and District League.  
Liverpool and District League.  
London League.  
London Business Houses League.  
Luton and District League.  
Manchester and District League.  
Maidstone and District League.  
Nelson (Lancs.) and District League.  
North Staffordshire League.  
Plymouth and District League.  
Reading and District League.  
St. Helens (Lancs.) and District League.  
Runcorn and Widnes League.  
Scarborough and District League.  
Southend and District League.  
Stoke-on-Trent League.



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Sunderland and District League.  
Swindon and District League.  
West Riding of Yorks League.  
Whitby League.  
York and District League.

**DIRECTLY AFFILIATED CLUBS:—**

Ashville Y.M. Social Club (Leyton).  
Bell's Sports Club (Uxbridge).  
Birmingham City Club.  
Bristol (Comity) Club.  
Brighton Y.M.C.A.  
Cambridge University T.T.C.  
Croydon (High School Old Boys).  
Eastbourne T.T.C. (Devonshire Park).  
Gonville T.T.C.  
Hastings and St. Leonards T.T.C.  
Herne Bay T.T.C.  
Norwich City Y.M.C.A.  
Oxford (Harefield) T.T.C.  
Prince Albert (Golders Green) T.T.C.  
Rickmansworth T.T.C.  
St. Albans T.T.C.  
St. Bride's (All England) T.T.C.  
St. Peter's (Forest Gate) T.T.C.  
Street (Somerset) T.T.C.  
St. Peter's (Dulwich) T.T.C.  
Tunbridge Wells (Oulverden Park) T.T.C.  
Watford T.T.C.  
1917 Club (London).

**OTHER AFFILIATED ORGANISATIONS:—**

London Federation of Boys' Clubs.  
London Congregational Union.

The following Area Committees are set up in accordance with Articles 9 and 15 of the Constitution:—

**YORKSHIRE COUNTY**—Secretary: Mr. B. L. HOOKINS, 25, Ropergate, Pontefract, Yorks.—

Hull and District League.  
Scarborough and District League.  
West Riding League.  
Whitby League.  
York and District League.

**LANCASHIRE COUNTY**—Secretary: Mr. G. C. BAGGLEY, "Alvanely," Lambton Road, Worsley, Lancs.—

Liverpool and District League.  
Manchester and District League.  
Nelson and District League.  
St. Helens and District League.  
Runcorn and Widnes League.

**BERKSHIRE COUNTY**—Secretary: Mr. ASHBY NEWELL, 17, Waldeck Street, Reading.

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**2. HISTORY.**

In 1921-2, the Ping-Pong Association was revived by Messrs. P. Bromfield, A. F. Carris and J. J. Payne, after having been dormant for some 15 years. It was dissolved by resolution in 1922-3, and its successor, the Table Tennis Association, was formed by a majority of the members of the then Executive Committee. In 1924-5, a National Delegate Conference authorised the overhauling of this latter body, and in 1926 the books and papers were handed to a representative emergency committee. In the same season, a constitution was approved by a National Delegate Conference and the present body inaugurated under the title "English Table Tennis Association."

**3. CONSTITUTION.**

1. The Association shall be called the English Table Tennis Association and shall be affiliated to the International Table Tennis Federation.

2. The objects of the Association are:—

- (a) To secure the adoption of uniform laws in England.
- (b) To decide all doubtful or disputed questions as to the laws.
- (c) To relate players in England to the players of other countries.
- (d) To decide all matters in connection with the game in England.

3. The Association shall consist of recognised leagues, clubs, and individual players, duly affiliated or registered, willing to conform to the rules of the Association.

4. Any league or club composed entirely of amateurs, and playing the game under the Laws of the Association, shall be eligible for affiliation subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.

5. A player who is not registered with the Association through club affiliation (as in Rule 4) may register direct with the Association, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee. Such registration does not carry the right to attend meetings of the Association.



6. The annual subscription shall be as follows:—

FOR LEAGUES.—2s. 6d. for each club affiliated to the league.

FOR CLUBS.—5s. for clubs not members of leagues.

FOR INDIVIDUALS.—2s. 6d. for individuals not members of affiliated clubs.

7. All subscriptions become due and shall be paid to the Hon. Secretary of the Association between October 1st and November 1st each year. Affiliated leagues, clubs, or individuals shall be held liable for their subscriptions for the succeeding season if they shall not have given notice of withdrawal from the Association before September 1st in any year.

8. The affairs of the Association shall be managed by an Executive Committee consisting of the Chairman, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Treasurer, one representative appointed by each affiliated league, and three representatives selected by directly affiliated clubs, who shall:—

- (a) Decide all questions of law.
- (b) Select international teams and delegates and representative teams.
- (c) Appoint the time and place of international and other representative matches and sanction open tournaments.
- (d) Decide all other matters relating to the game save those involving an alteration in the rules or laws of the Association

and shall be appointed and elected annually at the Annual General Meeting to be held in London not later than the 30th April in each year.

9. The Executive Committee may delegate all or any of its functions to its duly appointed local and other sub-committees.

10. The financial year of the Association shall end on April 15th.

11. Each affiliated league shall be entitled to send two and each directly affiliated club one representative to be present at the Annual General Meeting. Each directly affiliated club shall be entitled to one vote, each affiliated

league to a number of votes equal to one-half of its affiliated clubs, or to the nearest higher whole number. Any proposed amendments or additions to the rules or the laws, and any proposed resolution reviving a matter dealt with by the Executive Committee in the season, shall be submitted in writing to the Hon. Secretary of the Association by March 1st, and circulated by him to affiliated leagues and clubs not less than one fortnight before the meeting.

12. Proxies will only be recognised if they have been given in writing and refer to a specific decision in a specific resolution proposed.

13. A majority of two-thirds of the votes represented in person or in proxy shall be necessary to carry any proposed amendment or addition to the rules or laws.

14. A Balance Sheet of the accounts of the Association duly audited shall be presented at the Annual General Meeting.

15. Where it is mutually desired by leagues or clubs, a district or county body may be formed for administering the game in the locality, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee. This body may function and have complete autonomy in organising and administering the game in its area but shall have no power to alter the rules of the game decided upon by the National Association or to over-ride the decisions of the National body. For such local administration the National body may allow a grant not exceeding 50 per cent. of the annual affiliation fees paid by the constituent leagues and clubs.

#### 4. REGULATIONS, DEFINITIONS & INSTRUCTIONS, 1928-9.

1. No registered or affiliated player or club may take part in competition with any player or club not registered or affiliated to the International Table Tennis Federation without the sanction of the Executive Committee.

2. No registered or affiliated player may permit a cinematographic record of himself or herself to be taken in connection with Table Tennis without first having obtained permission from the Association.



3. No Table Tennis player may procure directly or indirectly any pecuniary reward from the playing or pursuit of the game.

4. No Table Tennis player may accept money (travelling or hotel expenses) for playing the game in a tournament, match or competition, except when officially selected to represent the Association in an International Competition recognised by the Federation, or an area or club in a representative team competition recognised by the Association, and then only provided that:—

(a) Permission to pay such expenses shall have been obtained by the paying association from the Federation or by the paying area or club from the Association.

(b) Permission to receive such expenses shall have been previously obtained by the player or his club from the Association.

5. The following rules apply to Open Tournaments:—

(a) No Open Tournaments to be held without the sanction of the Executive Committee.

(b) 12½ per cent. of all Entry Fees must be remitted to the Association.

(c) After each Open Tournament the responsible Secretary must, within 14 days, furnish the Executive Committee with a complete list of the entrants and their addresses.

(d) All Open Tournaments sanctioned by the Executive Committee before October 1st each year shall be included in the E.T.T.A. Handbook.

(e) No player may receive, nor club award, any prizes for open competition other than medals or trophies, and in no case may such medal or trophy exceed £20 in value unless it be a permanent trophy that cannot be won outright.

(f) No seeding shall be permitted in any open competition, except that, by permission of the Association, not more than four entries nominated by a National Association in any event may be drawn in separate quarters.

6. Any breach of the foregoing regulations renders the offending player or club liable to suspension.

7. At all tournaments and matches the decision of the referee appointed by the committee in charge shall be final on a question of law, the decision of the umpire shall be final on a question of fact, and the decision of the end umpire, if appointed, shall be final on questions of fact relating to the position of the racket relative to the end of the table.

8. All matches in all events at the National championships shall be the best of five games.

9. Players are requested not to wear white or light-coloured clothes that might tend to unsight an opponent.

10. Umpires are particularly requested to enforce:—

Law 9, relating to serving behind the table.

Law 12 (e) relating to keeping the free hand from touching the table.

11. Players and clubs are particularly requested to make trial of the following practices, differing from the present laws of the Association or customs of most English centres:

(a) Serving from right and left courts alternately in Doubles.

(b) A lead of three points instead of two in the final game of a match.

(c) Change ends at score ten in the final game of a match. (See Proposed Laws in appendices at end of book).

(d) Penalising a player for stopping the ball with his racket even after it has passed the limits of the table.

(In response to an unanimous decision of the the A.G.M., 1928, a law will be proposed at the A.G.M., 1929, bringing this practice 11(d) into conformity with International Code).

12. Two makes of ball, Tema and Villa, were approved at the A.G.M., 1928, as conforming to the laws. Reports expressing satisfaction with the lasting qualities of the Villa ball were received from all leagues.

The Villa ball has been selected for use in all championships and trial matches organised by the Association until further notice, and its use is recommended to clubs.



13. Clubs are requested to give all practicable hospitality to visiting players affiliated to member nations of the I.T.T.F.

14. In season 1928-9, and annually, a county championship will be held between teams of three-a-side. All recognised county committees will be entitled to nominate teams. Regulations to be promulgated.

## 5. THE LAWS OF TABLE TENNIS (ENGLISH).

(a) The Laws of the Game in force at the National Championships and all other open competitions under the control of the Association shall be those adopted by the International Table Tennis Federation (see page 52), except that Law 15, Definition 7, shall read as amended.

(b) Law 15, Definition 7, shall read as follows:—

"If, before the ball in play shall have passed over the end lines or side lines not yet having touched the playing surface on one side of the net since last being struck on the other side, it comes in contact with the racket or racket hand below the wrist, it shall be said to have been volleyed."

(It should be noticed that this ruling permits a player in England, except in International play, to stop the ball with his racket after it has passed the limits of the table without being penalised; a practice which is prevented in International play by Definition 7, Law 15, of the international code in conjunction with Law 13 (b).)

## 6. RECORDS.

### (a) REPRESENTATIVE AND NATIONAL MATCHES.

#### CHAMPIONSHIP ROLL:—

#### Men's Singles—

1921-2	A. Donaldson (Durham).
1922-3	M. Cohen (London).
1923-4	P. Bromfield (Kent).
1924-5	P. N. Nanda (India).
1925-6	R. G. Suppiah (India).
1926-7	R. G. Suppiah (India).
1927-8	1.—Dr. D. Pecs (Hungary).
	2.—Z. Mechlowits.
	3.—A. A. Haydon, C. H. Bull.

#### Ladies' Singles—

1921-2	Mrs. Scott (London).
1922-3	Miss K. M. Berry (Surrey).
1923-4	Miss K. M. Berry (Surrey).
1924-5	Miss K. M. Berry (Surrey).
1925-6	Miss G. Vasey (Whitby).
1926-7	Miss D. Gubbins (Wales).
1927-8	1.—Miss Erika Metzger (Germany).
	2.—Miss J. Ingram.
	3.—Miss W. H. Land, Miss Emdin.

#### Men's Doubles—

1926-7	P. Bromfield and L. S. E. Farris.
1927-8	1.—C. H. Bull and F. J. Perry.
	2.—L. Bellak and S. Glancz.

#### Ladies' Doubles—

1926-7	Miss D. Gubbins (Wales) and Miss J. Ingram.
1927-8	1.—Miss W. H. Land and Miss B. Somerville.
	2.—Miss Wood and Miss Emdin.

#### Mixed Doubles—

1926-7	L. S. E. Farris and Miss J. Ingram.
1927-8	1.—Dr. D. Pecs (Hungary) and Miss Metzger (Germany).
	2.—L. S. E. Farris and Miss J. Ingram.

#### INTERNATIONAL MATCHES V. WALES.

(These matches were, until 1927-8 inclusive, carried out under the rules of the Welsh T.T.A., except that in 1922-3 all players on each side played against all on the opposite side—one game, 31 up—and in all years the English players were permitted to use any kind of racket).

1922-3	England beat Wales in London.
1923-4	England beat Wales at Cardiff.
1924-5	England beat Wales in London.
1925-6	Wales beat England at Cardiff.
1926-7	Wales beat England in London.
1927-8	England beat Wales at Cardiff.

The following players have represented England against Wales:—

C. W. Allwright (London), 1924-5, 5-6, 6-7, 7-8.
M. Armstrong (Sunderland), 1926-7.
G. Belsten (Bristol), 1922-3.
H. A. Bennett (London), 1923-4, 4-5, 5-6, 6-7.
B. Bernstein (London), 1926-7.
R. H. Berry (London), 1924-5.
P. Bromfield (Kent), 1922-3*, 3-4*, 4-5*, 5-6*, 7-8*.
A. C. Brown (London), 1924-5, 5-6.
C. H. Bull (Kent), 1927-8.
F. J. Burls (London), 1926-7.
A. F. Carris (Manchester), 1922-3.
M. Cohen (London), 1923-4, 4-5, 5-6, 7-8.
G. W. Decker (London), 1922-3.
A. Donaldson (Sunderland), 1923-4, 6-7.
E. Emery (Bristol), 1923-4.



L. S. E. Farris (London), 1924-5, 5-6, 6-7.  
 A. A. Haydon (Birmingham), 1927-8.  
 W. Hewitt (Bradford), 1925-6, 7-8.  
 C. Hindmarch (Sunderland), 1923-4.  
 T. Hollingsworth (Wednesbury), 1922-3.  
 B. L. Hookins (Pontefract), 1925-6.  
 F. S. B. Lawes (Birmingham), 1926-7, 7-8.  
 C. G. Mase (London), 1924-5, 5-6, 6-7.  
 E. G. Nye (London), 1925-6.  
 F. J. Perry (Ealing), 1927-8.  
 G. J. Ross (London), 1923-4, 4-5.  
 J. W. Swann (Manchester), 1922-3.  
 C. Tanner (Birmingham), 1923-4.  
 E. Tapper (London), 1922-3.  
 J. Thompson (Bristol), 1923-4, 6-7\*, 7-8.  
 W. Tucker (London), 1924-5.  
 F. H. D. Wilde (Harrow), 1927-8.  
 E. Woods (Manchester), 1922-3, 3-4.  
 \* Captain.

The following players have represented England in the Swaythling Cup Competition:-

C. W. Allwright, 1926-7, 7-8.	A. A. Haydon, 1927-8.
B. Bernstein, 1926-7.	C. G. Mase, 1927-8.
P. Bromfield, 1926-7*.	F. J. Perry, 1927-8.
C. H. Bull, 1927-8.	J. Thompson, 1926-7.
F. J. Burles, 1926-7.	

\* Capt.

In addition, the following players were nominated to represent England at the Stockholm Congress, 1927-8:-

I. Montagu (Non-playing Capt.), B. L. Hookins (Vice-Capt.), F. H. D. Wilde, A. E. Stillwell, Miss Joan Ingram, Miss W. H. Land, Miss B. Somerville.

#### "Daily Mirror" Nation-Wide Competition, 1922-3.

Men's Singles, Winner-

J. Thompson (Bristol).

Ladies' Singles, Winner-

Miss K. M. Berry (London).

#### Trial Match, 1922-3.

London beat Rest of England in London.

#### All England Team Championship.

1923 Birmingham City beat Ealing 14-7.

1924 London beat Birmingham City 16-9.

#### E.T.T.A. Tour in Berlin, 1925-6.

E.T.T.A. team lost to Germany and to Hungary.

#### Inter-City Match, 1927-8.

London (I. Montagu (Capt.), C. H. Bull, W. Ernest, F. H. D. Wilde, Miss J. Ingram) beat Paris 15-1.

#### (b) OPEN TOURNAMENTS SANCTIONED BY E.T.T.A.

##### London Championships at Indian Students' Hostel.

##### Men's Singles-

1924-5 P. N. Nanda (India).  
 1925-6 B. Bernstein (London).  
 1926-7 B. Bernstein (London).  
 1927-8 A. A. Haydon (Birmingham).  
 2 R. G. Suppiah.  
 3 T. Coles.  
 4 A. W. Catty.

##### Ladies' Singles-

1926-7 Miss K. M. Berry (London).  
 1927-8 Miss D. E. Gubbins (Wales).  
 2 Miss D. Emdin.  
 3 Miss N. Wood.  
 4 Miss J. Ingram.

##### Men's Doubles-

1927-8 P. Bromfield and L. S. E. Farris.  
 2 B. Bernstein and N. Rosenbaum.

##### Ladies' Doubles-

1927-8 Miss N. Wood and Miss D. Emdin.

##### Mixed Doubles-

1927-8 F. H. D. Wilde and Miss W. H. Land.  
 2 A. W. Catty and Miss J. Ingram.

##### Middlesex Championships at Herga Club (Harrow).

##### Men's Singles-

1923-4 M. Cohen (London).  
 1924-5 P. N. Nanda (India).  
 1925-6 R. G. Suppiah (India).  
 1926-7 R. G. Suppiah (India).  
 1927-8 C. H. Bull (Kent).  
 2 F. H. D. Wilde.  
 3 M. Cohen.  
 4 C. W. Allwright.

##### Ladies' Singles-

1923-4 Mrs. Spiring (Harrow).  
 1924-5 Miss K. M. Berry (London).  
 1925-6 Miss K. M. Berry (London).  
 1926-7 Miss K. M. Berry (London).  
 1927-8 Miss J. Ingram (Harrow).

##### Men's Doubles-

1926-7 P. Bromfield and L. S. E. Farris (London).  
 1927-8 C. H. Bull and F. J. Perry.  
 2 R. G. Suppiah and R. M. Khan.

##### Ladies' Doubles-

1926-7 Miss W. H. Land and Mrs. Spiring (Harrow).  
 1927-8 Miss J. Ingram & Miss B. Somerville (Harrow).



Mixed Doubles—  
 1926-7 H. A. Bennett and Miss W. H. Land (Harrow).  
 1927-8 C. H. Bull and Miss A. M. Danger.  
 2 H. A. Bennett and Miss W. H. Land.

#### Kent Championships at Bromley.

Men's Singles—  
 1925-6 R. G. Suppiah (India).  
 1926-7 R. G. Suppiah (India).

Ladies' Singles—  
 1925-6 Miss K. M. Berry (London).  
 1926-7 Miss K. M. Berry (London).

Men's Doubles—  
 1925-6 H. A. Bennett and L. S. E. Farris (London).  
 1926-7 P. Bromfield and L. S. E. Farris (London).

Ladies' Doubles—  
 1926-7 Miss K. M. Berry (London) and Miss J. Ingram (Harrow).

Mixed Doubles—  
 1925-6 R. H. Berry and Miss K. M. Berry (London).  
 1926-7 R. H. Berry and Miss K. M. Berry (London).  
 (No championships were held in 1928).

#### City Championships at St. Bride's Club (London).

Men's Singles—  
 1926-7 R. G. Suppiah (India).  
 1927-8 1 C. H. Bull (Kent). 2 F. J. Perry.

Ladies' Singles—  
 1926-7 Miss W. H. Land (Harrow).  
 1927-8 1 Miss J. Ingram (Harrow). 2 Miss W. H. Land.

Men's Doubles—  
 1926-7 R. G. Suppiah and R. M. Khan (India).  
 1927-8 C. H. Bull and F. J. Perry.

Ladies' Doubles—  
 1926-7 Miss W. H. Land and Mrs. Spiring (Harrow).  
 1927-8 Miss W. H. Land and Miss B. Somerville (Harrow).

Mixed Doubles—  
 1926-7 H. A. Bennett and Miss W. H. Land (Harrow).  
 1927-8 C. H. Bull and Miss J. Ingram.

#### Northern Counties Championships.

Men's Singles—  
 1922-3 J. H. Johnson (Whitby).  
 1923-4 J. H. Johnson (Whitby).  
 1924-5 W. Hewitt (Bradford).  
 1925-6 J. H. Johnson (Whitby).  
 1926-7 W. Hewitt (Bradford).  
 1927-8 W. Hewitt (Bradford). 2 B. L. Hookins.

Ladies' Singles—  
 1922-3 Miss B. Roberts (Whitby).  
 1923-4 Miss B. Barker (Whitby).  
 1924-5 Miss G. Vasey (Whitby).  
 1925-6 Mrs. E. B. John (Whitby).  
 1926-7 Miss G. Vasey (Whitby).  
 1927-8 Miss B. Roberts (Whitby).

#### Hull Championships.

Men's Singles—  
 1923-4 Captain Marshall (Hull).  
 1924-5 H. Wilburn (Hull).  
 1925-6 J. H. Johnson (Whitby).  
 1926-7 J. H. Johnson (Whitby).  
 1927-8 C. H. Bull (Kent). 2 J. H. Johnson.

Ladies' Singles—  
 1923-4 Miss Wilson (Cleethorpes).  
 1924-5 Miss Wilson (Cleethorpes).  
 1925-6 Miss G. Vasey (Whitby).  
 1926-7 Miss G. Vasey (Whitby).  
 1927-8 Mrs. John (Whitby).

#### Whitby Championships.

Men's Singles—  
 1924-5 A. Donaldson (Sunderland).  
 1925-6 F. S. B. Lawes (Birmingham).  
 1926-7 J. Langton (Sunderland).  
 1927-8 W. Hewitt (Bradford).

Ladies' Singles—  
 1924-5 Miss Legg (Whitby).  
 1925-6 Mrs. E. B. John (Whitby).  
 1926-7 Miss G. Vasey (Whitby).  
 1927-8 Miss B. Roberts (Whitby).

#### Pontefract

##### (Open Team of 3 Championship).

1927-8 C. H. Bull, F. J. Perry and A. E. Stillwell.

#### Hastings.

Men's Singles—  
 1927-8 C. H. Bull (Kent). 2 W. Ernest.

Ladies' Singles—  
 1927-8 D. L. Emdin (St. Albans).

## 7. PARTICULARS OF AFFILIATED LEAGUES AND LOCAL RECORDS.

### AYLESBURY AND DISTRICT LEAGUE (Founded 1927).

Chairman: Rev. G. E. F. Milner.

Secretary: B. N. Aylett, 44, Carrington Road, Southcourt, Aylesbury, Bucks. (Eight Clubs).

Men's Singles—  
 1927-8 F. Sainsbury.

Ladies' Singles—  
 1927-8 Miss W. Stevens.



**League Championship ("Bucks Herald" Challenge Cup).**  
1927-8 Aylesbury Congregational Institute.  
Runners-up: Wingrave.

**BIRMINGHAM AND DISTRICT T.T.L. (Founded 1922).**

Chairman: Martin Baker, Esq.  
Secretary: Miss Marjorie Haydon, 96, Drayton Road, King's Heath, Birmingham.

**Midland Championship—Men's Singles—**

1923-4 C. Tanner  
1924-5 C. Tanner  
1925-6 A. E. Haydon.

**League Individual Champion—**

1924-5 A. A. Haydon.  
1925-6 A. A. Haydon.  
1926-7 A. A. Haydon.  
1927-8 C. Cockerill.

**League Championship—First Division—**

1922-3 London Aluminium.	1925-6 King's Heath "A."
1923-4 King's Heath "A."	1926-7 King's Heath "A."
1924-5 King's Heath "A."	1927-8 London Aluminium.

**League Championship—Second Division—**

1927-8 Tie—Bentrovato and Bournville "B."

**Inter-League Match—**

Cardiff beat Birmingham at Cardiff.

**BOURNEMOUTH AND DISTRICT T.T.L. (Founded 1923).**

Chairman: G. G. Vernon, Esq.

Secretary: D. S. Tucker, 146, Commercial Road, Bournemouth

**League Championship—**

**First Division.**

1923-4 Charminster Rd. Congs.	1924-5 St. Andrew's Men's Club
1924-5 B.M.O.A.	1925-6 Castle Hill.
1925-6 St. Michael's Institute.	1926-7 Charminster Rd. Congs
1926-7 B.M.O.A.	1927-8 N.A.L.G.O.
1927-8 St. Michael's Institute.	

**Second Division.**

**Highest Aggregate Score (Silver Cup)—**

1927-8 Division 1: H. J. Dunford (N.A.L.G.O.).  
1927-8 Division 2: M. J. Perrin (N.A.L.G.O.).

**BRISTOL AND DISTRICT T.T.L. (Founded 1919).**

Chairman: E. F. Christopher, Esq.

Secretary: F. McGregor, 26, Jubilee Road, Knowle, Bristol.

NOTES.—1919-21 two divisions; 1922-24 three divisions; 1925-7 two divisions. Since 1923 the Champion Ball has been used in place of the Tema Ball. Until recently only wood rackets were permitted.

**Individual Champions—First Division—**

1919-20 J. E. S. Hamilton.	1924-5 E. Emery.
1920-21 R. W. Hamilton.	1925-6 C. Axe.
1921-2 G. W. Belsten.	1926-7 C. Mountain.
1922-3 E. Emery.	1927-8 H. Sainsbury.
1923-4 L. Wager.	

**League Championships—First Division—**

1919-20 Bristol University.	1924-5 St. Pancras.
1920-21 Bristol University.	1925-6 St. Pancras.
1921-2 Totterdown Y.M.C.A.	1926-7 St. Pancras.
1922-3 Totterdown Y.M.C.A.	1927-8 Totterdown Y.M.C.A.
1923-4 Totterdown Y.M.C.A.	

**Second Division—**

1927-8 H. O. Strong and Sons.

**Third Division—**

1927-8 Knowle Wesleyan Institute.

**Inter-City Matches—**

1921-2 Cardiff beat Bristol at Bristol.  
Bristol beat Cardiff at Cardiff.  
1922-3 Cardiff beat Bristol at Bristol.  
Bristol beat Cardiff at Cardiff.  
1923-4 Bristol beat Cardiff at Bristol.  
Cardiff beat Bristol at Cardiff.  
1924-5 Cardiff beat Bristol at Bristol.  
Cardiff beat Bristol at Cardiff.  
1925-6 Bristol beat Cardiff at Bristol.  
1927-8 London beat Bristol in London.

**CIVIL SERVICE SPORTS COUNCIL (T.T. SECTION)  
(Founded 1923).**

President: C. J. Sturt, Esq.

Secretary: F. J. Burls, H.M. Stationery Office, Shepherdess Walk, City Road, London, N.I.

**CIVIL SERVICE CHAMPIONSHIPS.**

**Men's Singles—**

1923-4 P. E. Warden.  
1924-5 J. R. Riddall.  
1925-6 F. J. Burls.  
1926-7 F. J. Burls.  
1927-8 F. J. Burls.

**Ladies' Singles—**

1923-4 Miss A. M. Danger.  
1924-5 Miss A. M. Danger.  
1925-6 Miss K. Prescott.  
1926-7 Miss E. E. Caine.  
1927-8 Miss A. M. Danger.

**Men's Doubles—**

1926-7 F. J. Burls and W. Baxter.  
1927-8 J. R. Riddall and W. H. Davison.



## Ladies' Doubles—

1927-8 Miss A. M. Danger and Miss W. Barnett.

## Men's League Winners—

1924-5 Stationery Office.  
 1925-6 War Office.  
 1926-7 Stationery Office.  
 1927-8 Stationery Office.

## Ladies' League Winners—

1924-5 Public Trustee Office.  
 1925-6 Public Trustee Office.  
 1926-7 Public Trustee Office.  
 1927-8 Public Trustee Office.

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT LEAGUE.**

Chairman: E. J. Jones, Esq.

Secretary: H. A. Cartwright, 23, Gammage Street, Dudley, Worc.

## League Championship—

1927-8 St. John's "A."  
 Runners-up: St. Joseph's.

## Individual Championship—

1927-8 F. J. Hancox.

**EXETER AND DISTRICT T.T.L. (Founded 1913, Revived 1920)**

Chairman: R. C. Hurford, Esq.

Secretary: A. S. King, 19, Springfield Road, Exeter.

## League Individual Champion—

1920-21 T. W. Sanford.	1924-5 A. S. King.
1921-2 R. C. Hurford.	1925-6 R. C. Hurford.
1922-3 R. C. Hurford.	1926-7 L. C. Kerslake.
1923-4 R. C. Hurford.	1927-8 H. Whitton.

## First Division—League Championship—Webber Shield—

1913-14 Exeter Y.M.C.A. "A."  
 1920-21 St. Sidwells' Wesleyans.  
 1921-2 Exeter Y.M.C.A. "A."  
 1922-3 Exeter Y.M.C.A. "A."  
 1923-4 Exeter Y.M.C.A. "A."  
 (Won Outright).

## New Webber Shield—

1924-5 Exeter Y.M.C.A. "A."  
 1925-6 Exeter Y.M.C.A. "A."  
 1926-7 Exeter Y.M.C.A. "A."  
 (Won Outright).

## Third Webber Shield—

1927-8 Exeter Y.M.C.A. "A."

## Second Division—League Championship—

1924-5 Southernhay Congregational "B."  
 1925-6 Western Counties Institution.  
 1926-7 Exeter Y.M.C.A. "C."  
 1927-8 Exeter Y.M.C.A. "C."

**FOLKESTONE AND DISTRICT T.T.L. (Founded 1928).**

Chairman: F. Baker, Esq.

Secretary: R. E. Harding, "Herne Hill," 20, Radnor Bridge Road, Folkestone.

(A Silver Cup for League Competition has been presented by H. J. Burch, Esq.).

**HASTINGS AND DISTRICT LEAGUE (Founded 1927).**

Chairman: W. H. Raby, Esq.

Secretary: R. T. Elders, C/o Y.M.C.A., 1, Verulam Place, Hastings.

## League Championship—

1927-8 Y.M.C.A. "A" &amp; Robertson Street S.C. (Tie).

**HULL AND EAST RIDING LEAGUE.**

Chairman: J. L. Wilkinson, Esq.

Secretary: H. G. Lomax, 56, Seafeld Avenue, B.O. and C.M. Garden Village, Hull.

## League Championship—

1927-8 Beverley C.L.B.  
 Runners-up: Y.P. Institute.

## Men's Singles—

1927-8 H. Greensides.

**LIVERPOOL AND DISTRICT T.T.L. (Founded 1926).**

President: W. T. Lancashire, Esq.

Secretary: L. E. Forrest, 64, Winchester Avenue, Waterloo, Liverpool.

## League Individual Championship—

1926-7 J. R. Bather.  
 1927-8 J. R. Bather.

## League Championship—

1926-7 Hatton.  
 1927-8 Hatton.  
 Runners-up: North Liverpool Y.M.C.A.

## Inter-City Matches—

1927-8 Manchester beat Liverpool.  
 1927-8 Liverpool beat St. Helens at St. Helens.

**LONDON T.T.L. (Founded 1922).**

Chairman: W. J. Fope, Esq.

Secretary: G. Woodcock, 33, Oaks Way, Carshalton Beeches, Surrey.



## League Individual Championships—Men's Singles—

1922-3 C. W. Allwright.	1925-6 R. G. Suppiah.
1923-4 P. N. Nanda.	1926-7 C. H. Bull.
1924-5 P. N. Nanda.	1927-8 C. H. Bull.
	2 W. A. Tucker.
	3 F. J. Perry.
	4 D. Jones.

## Ladies' Singles—

1925-6 Miss K. M. Berry.  
 1926-7 Miss J. Ingram.  
 1927-8 Miss J. Ingram. 2 Miss N. Wood.

## League Championship—

1922-3 Indian Students (National Institute of the  
 Blind Cup).  
 1923-4 Indian Students.  
 1924-5 Indian Students (Won Outright).  
 1925-6 Indian Students (London League Cup).  
 1926-7 Indian Students.  
 1927-8 Herga L.T.C.

## Inter-Town Matches—

1927-8 London beat Bristol in London.  
 London beat Luton at Luton.  
 London beat Aylesbury at Aylesbury.

LONDON BUSINESS HOUSES A.S.A. (T.T. SECTION)  
(Founded 1925).

Chairman: D. J. Bowen, Esq.

Secretary: W. H. P. Curtis, The Union Cable Co., Ltd.,  
Dagenham Dock, Essex.

## Individual Championship—

## Men's Singles—

1925-6 C. W. Allwright.  
 1926-7 H. H. Briggs.  
 1927-8 R. C. Dawson.

## Ladies' Singles—

1927-8 Miss Slight.

## League Championship—First Division—

1925-6 Metrogas.  
 1926-7 Gresham.  
 1927-8 Gresham.

## Second Division—

1926-7 Olympic Y.E.A.  
 1927-8 Briton T.T.C.

## Ladies' Division—

1927-8 Nestanglo

## LUTON AND DISTRICT T.T.L. (Founded 1925).

President: L. Lyons, Esq.

Secretary: E. W. Bolton, "Reculver," Wardown Crescent,  
Luton, Beds.

## Individual Championship—Senior—

1925-6 A. R. White.  
 1926-7 A. E. Stillwell.  
 1927-8 A. R. White.

## Junior—

1927-8 C. V. A. Colling.

## First Division—League Winners—

1925-6 Westbourne Athletic.  
 1926-7 Westbourne Athletic.  
 1927-8 Harpenden.

## Second Division—

1926-7 St. Matthew's "A."  
 1927-8 Westbourne Athletic "A."

## Cunningham Cup Competition—

1926-7 Westbourne Athletic.  
 1927-8 St. Mary's.

## MAIDSTONE AND DISTRICT T.T.L.

President: Gerald Mercer, Esq.

Secretary: J. Waghorn, 30, Boxley Road, Maidstone.

## League Championship—First Division—

1927-8 Junior Imperial "A."

## Second Division—

1927-8 Junior Imperial "C."

## Men's Singles—

1923-4 S. Raggett.  
 1924-5 S. J. Britcher.  
 1925-6 S. J. Britcher.  
 1926-7 J. Waghorn.  
 1927-8 L. Court.

## MANCHESTER AND DISTRICT T.T.L. (Founded 1927).

President: H. M. Bunbury, Esq.

Secretary: H. G. Nickson, C/o Y.M.C.A., Peter Street,  
Manchester.

## League Championship—

1927-8 North Division: Grove House T.T.C.  
 South Division: Y.M.C.A.

Y.M.C.A. beat Grove House on neutral table 20 games to 5.

## Inter-City Match—

1927-8 Manchester beat Liverpool.



**NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE T.T.L.**

Secretary: W. A. Alldis, 4, East Street, Penkhull, Stoke-on-Trent.  
 League Champions—  
 1925-6 Newcastle St. George's.  
 Runners-up: Normacot T.T.C.

**PLYMOUTH AND DISTRICT LEAGUE (Founded 1906).**

Chairman: E. C. Gunn, Esq.  
 Secretary: E. Roberts, 89, Grenville Road, Plymouth.  
 League Championship—First Division—  
 1927-8 Laira Y.M.C.A.  
 Second Division—  
 1927-8 Kitto Institute.  
 Third Division—  
 1927-8 Ebrington Street.  
 Team Knock-out Competition—  
 1927-8 Plympton Y.M.C.A.  
 Runners-up: Mount Gold Wesleyans.  
 Individual Competitions—  
 1927-8 J. Rowe.  
 Runner-up: C. J. Willcocks.

**READING AND DISTRICT T.T.L.**

Chairman: F. Adlam, Esq.  
 Secretary: Ashby Newell, 17, Waldeck Street, Reading.  
 League Champions—  
 1925-6 Park Institute.  
 1926-7 Park Institute.  
 1927-8 Park Institute.

**ST. HELENS AND DISTRICT LEAGUE (Founded 1904, Revived 1927).**

Chairman: H. H. Stevens, Esq.  
 Secretary: W. McDowell, 235, Park Road, St. Helens, Lancs.  
 League Championship—  
 1927-8 Sutton Heath Colliery Staff.

**SCARBOROUGH AND DISTRICT LEAGUE (Founded 1927).**

Secretary: R. M. Season, 9, Park Street, Scarborough.

**SOUTHEND AND DISTRICT LEAGUE (Founded 1927).**

President: Andrew Ducat, Esq.  
 Secretary: W. G. Tanner, 709, Southchurch Road, Southend-on-Sea, Essex.

League Championship—  
 1927-8 Naval and Military Club.  
 Individual Championship—Men's Singles—  
 1927-8 J. Brown.  
 Runner-up: W. G. Tanner.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT LEAGUE (late LONGTON AND DISTRICT LEAGUE).**

President: A. T. Finney, Esq.  
 Secretary: J. Bradburn, 314, Uttoxeter Road, Normacot, Stoke-on-Trent.  
 League Championship—  
 1927-8 Normacott Institute.  
 Individual Championship—Men's Singles—  
 1927-8 E. Bickerton.  
 Runner-up: R. Tunncliffe.  
 President's Cup for best individual aggregate points—  
 1927-8 W. Carlidge.  
 Runner-up: A. Edwards.

**SUNDERLAND AND DISTRICT T.T. LEAGUE (Founded 1909).**

Chairman: R. L. Rutter, Esq.  
 Secretary: E. French, 11, High Barnes Terrace, Sunderland.

League Individual Championship—	
1909-10 A. Donaldson.	1920-1 A. Donaldson.
1910-11 A. Donaldson.	1921-2 A. Donaldson.
1911-12 A. Donaldson.	1922-3 W. Lowes.
1912-13 A. Donaldson.	1923-4 A. Donaldson.
1913-14 A. Donaldson.	1924-5 C. Hindmarch.
1914-15 A. Donaldson.	1925-6 J. Cook.
1915-16 A. Donaldson.	1926-7 J. Langton.
1916-17 A. Donaldson.	1927-8 J. Carr.
1919-20 D. Woodward.	

Individual Handicap Winner—  
 1926-7 J. Langton.  
 1927-8 A. Bowmaker.

League Championship—First Division—	
1910-11 Southwick Trinity.	1921-2 Southwick Trinity.
1911-12 Y.M.C.A.	1922-3 Southwick Congers.
1912-13 Y.M.C.A.	1923-4 Carol Street P.M.
1913-14 Y.M.C.A.	1924-5 Southwick Trinity.
1914-15 Southwick Congers.	1925-6 Southwick Trinity.
1919-20 Southwick Trinity.	1926-7 Cleveland Road P.M.
1920-1 Southwick Congers.	1927-8 St. Ignatius C.I.

League Championship—Second Division—  
 1926-7 Southwick Trinity II.  
 1927-8 South Durham Street.



League Championship—Third Division—  
1926-7 South Durham Street.  
1927-8 Y.M.C.A.

Club Handicap Winner—  
1926-7 Y.M.C.A.  
1927-8 Y.M.C.A.

#### SWINDON AND DISTRICT T.T.L.

Chairman: H. C. Biggs, Esq.  
Secretary: O. W. Tarrant, Esq., 45, Ashford Road, Swindon, Wilts.

League Championship—  
1925-6 St. John's.  
1926-7 Sanford Street Congregational.  
1927-8 Sanford Street Congregational.

Individual Championship—  
1926-7 N. W. Litten.  
1927-8 N. W. Litten.

#### WEST RIDING T.T.L. (Founded 1927).

President: B. L. Hookins, Esq.  
Secretary: B. C. Amies, 211, Slaithwaite Road, Thornhill, Dewsbury.

League Championships—Men's League—  
1927-8 Bradford Central T.T.C.

Ladies' League—  
1927-8 Pontefract T.T.C.

Minor Team Championship—Men—  
1927-8 Wakefield (County Hall Staff) T.T.C.

Ladies—  
1927-8 Dewsbury and District T.T.C.

Individual Championships—Men's Singles—  
1927-8 W. Hewitt.

Ladies' Singles—  
1927-8 Mrs. A. Craven.

Inter-Town Matches—  
1927-8 West Riding beat Liverpool at Dewsbury.  
West Riding beat York, Scarborough and Whitby at York.

#### WHITBY LEAGUE (Founded 1925).

Chairman: W. G. Smithson, Esq.  
Secretary: K. McNeil, 9, Skinner Street, Whitby, Yorks.  
Assistant Secretary: Miss Greta Vasey, Southerd Gardens, Whitby.

League Championship (Men's Section)—  
1925-6 Whitby T.T.C.  
1926-7 Whitby T.T.C.  
1927-8 Seamen's Institute T.T.C.

League Championship (Ladies' Section)—  
1925-6 Whitby Fellowship.  
1926-7 Whitby T.T.C.  
1927-8 Liberal T.T.C.

Inter-Town Matches—  
1927-8 Whitby Ladies beat West Riding Ladies.  
Whitby beat Scarborough at York.

#### YORK AND DISTRICT LEAGUE (Founded 1927).

Secretary: R. E. Jakeman, 10, Feversham Crescent, York.

League Championship—  
1927-8 Y.M.C.A. "A."

Individual Championship—  
1927-8 A. E. Bell.

Inter-League Match—  
1927-8 York lost to Whitby.

#### PARTICULARS OF AFFILIATED CLUBS.

**Birmingham City Club:** 142, Great Charles Street, Birmingham (Formed 1923).

Chairman: T. A. Moody, Esq.

Secretary: R. C. Hare, 37, Southam Road, Hall Green, Birmingham.

1927-8 An England team beat Birmingham City Club at Birmingham.

**Bristol (Comity) Club:** Hen and Chicken Hotel, North Street, Bedminster, Bristol.

Secretary: Mr. J. Thompson, 44, Ashton Road, Bristol.

Club Lady Champion (1927-8): Miss G. M. Palmer.

**Cambridge University T.T.C. (Founded 1922).**

President and Captain: L. H. Way (Clare College).

Secretary: E. N. Fox (Pembroke).

Singles Championship—  
1921-2 A. E. Evans (Christ's).  
1922-3 A. E. Evans (Christ's).  
1923-4 F. B. Kipping (Trinity).  
1927-8 W. E. Sandbach (King's).  
1928-9 L. H. Way (Clare).

Doubles Championship—  
1927-8 M. V. Callendar and A. L. Dunbar (Clare).

Granta Cup—  
1922-3 Trinity.  
1923-4 Trinity.  
1927-8 Clare.

Freshmen's Tournament—  
1922-3 D. I. Crawford (Magdalene).  
1923-4 S. M. Shariff (St. Catherine's).



## Inter-University Matches—

1922-3 Cambridge beat Oxford at Cambridge.  
1923-4 Cambridge beat Oxford in London.

**Eastbourne (Devonshire Park).**

Secretary: Mr. A. J. Vinall, 15, Meads Street, Eastbourne.  
Club Champion, 1927-8: Mr. Horton.

**Hastings and St. Leonards T.T.C.:** Adelphi Hotel, Warrior Square, St. Leonards-on-Sea.

Secretary: Mr. C. G. Jenner, South Lodge, Stanley Road, Hastings.  
Club Champions—Men, 1927-8: Mr. Ringer.  
Ladies: Mrs. Crichton.

**Oxford (Harefield) T.T.C.:** Harefield Institute, Banbury Road, Oxford.

Secretary: C. R. Paine, 1, South Parade, Oxford.

**Rickmansworth Sports Club:** The Club House, Park Road, Rickmansworth.

Secretary: J. G. G. Paterson, C/o The Club House.

**St. Bride's (All England) T.T.C.:** St. Bride's Institute, St. Bride's Lane, Ludgate Circus, London, E.C.

Secretary: C. Corti Woodcock, C/o St. Bride's Institute.

**St. Albans T.T.C.:** The Billiards Hall, Dagnall Street, St. Albans.

Secretary: Ralph Emdin, "Northaw," Kingsbury Avenue, St. Albans.

**Club Championship (Handicap), Albanian Cup—**  
1927-8 W. Bushell.**Watford T.T.C.:** Trade Union Hall, Woodford Road, Watford.

Secretary: W. J. Chapman, "Shawfield," 4, Diamond Road, Watford.

**Club Championship, Men (Roberts Cup)—**

1927-8 W. J. Chapman.  
Runner-up: L. Gunnell.

**Club Championship, Ladies (Carlisle Cup)—**

1927-8 Miss D. Pullman.  
Runner-up: Mrs. Coleman.

**Handicap Tournament (Mixed)—**

1927-8 L. Gunnell.  
Runner-up: Miss D. Pullman.

**Ladder Champion—**

1927-8 S. Hales.

**8. OPEN COMPETITIONS, 1928-9.****INTERNATIONAL.**

**World Championships.**—(Team Championship, Men's Singles, Ladies' Singles, Men's Doubles, Ladies' Doubles and Mixed Doubles), January 14th to 21st, 1929, at The Central Sporting Palace of the "Vasasok," Budapest, Hungary.

**ENGLAND.**

**National Championships.**—London. Date not yet fixed. Probably early April, 1929.

**Hull Championships.**—Saturday, December 1st, 1928, at the Young People's Institute.

**London Championships.**—January 28th to February 2nd, 1929, at Indian Students' Hostel, 112, Gower Street, London, W.C.1.

**Lancashire.**—At Manchester, February 23rd, 1929.

**Liverpool.**—Open Team of Three Championship, January 26th, 1929.

**Middlesex Championships.**—February 11th to 16th, 1929, at Herga Lawn Tennis Club, Bonnersfield Lane, Harrow, Middlesex.

**City Championships.**—February 25th to March 2nd, 1929, at St. Bride's Institute, St. Bride's Lane, Ludgate Circus, London, E.C.

**Kent Championships.**—Date not yet fixed, at Bromley, Kent.

**Whitby (Yorks.) Championship.**—Easter Monday (April 1st, 1929), at Church House, Whitby, Yorks.

**Yorkshire County Championships.**—At Scarborough, Saturday, 30th March, 1929.

**Northern Counties Championship.**—(Open to Northern Counties players only), at Pontefract, Yorks., March 14th, 1928.

**Midlands Area Championship.**—Birmingham. Date not yet fixed.

**(Pontefract, Yorks.).**—Wednesday, February 6th, 1929, at the Pontefract T.T.C. (teams of 3).

**Hastings Championships.**—Date not yet fixed.

**WALES.**

**National Open Championships.**—Cardiff (probably and of March, 1929).

**AUSTRIA.**

**National Open Championships.**—End of January, 1929, at Vienna.



**CZECHO-SLOVAKIA.**

National Open Championships.—Probably early January, 1929.

**GERMANY.**

- Nov. 16-18—Hamburg.  
 " 20-25—Berlin Tennis Club Westend.  
 Dec. 6-8—Berlin Schöneberg.  
 " 12-16—Berlin Borussia.  
 Jan. 3-5—Berlin Trials.  
 " 5-8—Berlin Tennis Club 1900 Gelb Weiss.  
 " 10-13—Kiel Championship of Schleswig-Holstein.  
 " 23-27—German Championships.  
 " 28-31—Leipzig (Championship of Saxony).  
 Feb. 1-3—Wittenberg.  
 " 7-10—Hamburg (Championship of Hamburg).  
 " 8-10—Koesslin (Championship of Pomerania).  
 " 13-17—Berlin Tennis Club Blau-Gold, 1921.  
 " 22-24—Berlin Ice Club Schwarzweiss.  
 Mar. 2-3—Munster.  
 " 7-8—Chemnitz.  
 " 8-10—Dresden (Championship of Dresden).  
 " 15-17—Braunschweig.  
 " 18-20—Hanover.

**HUNGARY.**

National Open Championships.—Middle of March at Budapest.

The Committees responsible for organising the above events issue a cordial invitation to all affiliated members to take part.

**REPRESENTATIVE MATCHES ARRANGED 1928-9.**

- Wales v. England (Men), in London, March 16th, 1929.  
 Wales v. England (Ladies), at Cardiff, end of March, 1929.  
 London League v. Cardiff League: November 24th. February 2nd.  
 London League v. Birmingham League: Date not yet fixed.  
 Bristol Comity Club v. Birmingham City Club: November 27th. March 30th.  
 Bristol Comity Club v. Exeter League: Date not yet fixed.  
 Manchester v. Liverpool: December 1st.  
 Lancashire v. Yorkshire.  
 Aylesbury v. London.  
 Birmingham v. Dudley.  
 Exeter v. Plymouth.  
 Folkestone v. Herne Bay.  
 Folkestone v. Maidstone.  
 Hastings v. Maidstone.  
 Reading v. Oxford.  
 Liverpool v. St. Helens.

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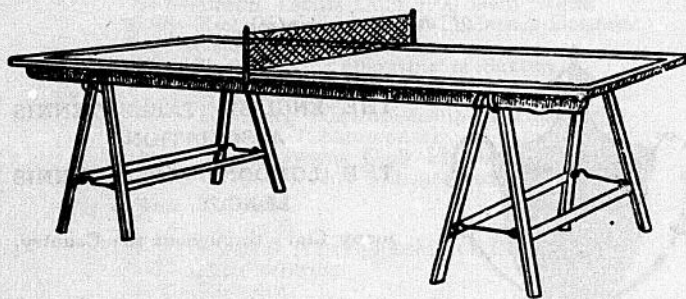
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## International Table Tennis Federation.

## 1. OFFICIALS, 1928-9.

Secretaries:—IVOR MONTAGU (Chairman), 80, Wardour Street, London, W.1. (English language).

Dr. RICHARD PICK, Vienna II, Praterstrasse 15. (German language).

Advisory Committee:—The above, and C. H. HALLETT (Wales), STANKO JEGLIC (Czecho-Slovakia), Dr. CARL LINDE (Sweden), ZOLTAN MECHLOWITS (Hungary), and FRITZ ZINN (Germany).

Rules Sub-Committee:—I. MONTAGU, Z. MECHLOWITS, Dr. R. PICK.

Acting Equipment Sub-Committee:—C. H. HALLETT, I. MONTAGU.

## 2. HISTORY.

The foundation of the I.T.T.F. was the outcome of discussions called at the instance of Dr. Lehmann, in Germany, in January, 1926, and attended by representatives of Austria, England, Germany, Hungary and afterwards of Czecho-Slovakia and Sweden. The first Congress was held in London (December, 1926). Represented members:—Austria, Czecho-Slovakia, Denmark, England, Germany, Hungary, India, Sweden, Wales. The second Congress was held in Stockholm (February, 1928). New member: Latvia. The third Congress will be held in Budapest (January 14th-21st, 1929). New members, season 1928-9: France, Japan, Roumania, Lithuania, Egypt.

## 3. CONSTITUTION.

1. NAME.—The Federation shall be called the "International Table Tennis Federation."

2. CONSTITUTION.—The Federation shall consist of the affiliated Table Tennis Associations or corresponding organisations (composed entirely of amateurs) of:—

(a) Any countries possessing a constitution and an independent national representation; and

(b) Any countries not so qualified which shall prior to application for affiliation have obtained the consent thereto of the Table Tennis Association or corresponding organisation of the country of which it, or some part of it, forms a constituent part, provided that any such country may not give a proxy to the country of which it forms a constituent political part.



3. **PRINCIPLES.**—The Federation is founded on the following principles, namely:—

- (a) General unity of action.
- (b) Mutual respect of the Associations in their dealings with each other; and
- (c) Mutual recognition of penalties inflicted by any of the Associations.

4. **LANGUAGE.**—The official languages of the Federation shall be English and German, and all official documents shall be issued in both languages.

5. **OBJECTS.**—The objects of the Federation shall be:—

- (a) To uphold the rules of Table Tennis for International Competitions as at present adopted and to make and maintain such alterations and additions thereto from time to time as may appear necessary or desirable.
- (b) To print and publish in English from time to time as occasion may require, the official and decisive text of the Laws of Table Tennis for International Competitions.
- (c) To check, and if necessary, correct the version of these rules proposed for publication in any other language by an Association or Associations using that language.
- (d) To register and support any such Laws of Table Tennis for its own national and local competitions as may be submitted for registration by any Association.
- (e) To recognise and uphold the regulations for the time being in force for the International Table Tennis Championship (Swaythling Cup).
- (f) To employ the funds of the Federation in such manner as shall be deemed expedient.
- (g) To uphold the principles on which the Federation is founded and generally to take such measures as may appear expedient for advancing the interests of Table Tennis from an international point of view.

6. **MANAGEMENT.**—The Federation shall be managed by representatives of the Associations in general meeting assembled (hereinafter referred to as the "Council") and

the number of representatives of each Association entitled to attend the meetings of the Council shall be two, and each Association shall be entitled to two votes.

7. **ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**—The Council may delegate all or any of its powers to its duly appointed committees, and it shall appoint annually, at its General Meeting, a committee of five representatives with administrative powers called the "Advisory Committee," to carry on the work of the Federation between its General Meetings. All members of the Advisory Committee shall retire annually. The Advisory Committee shall administer the finances of the Federation.

8. **GENERAL SECRETARIES.**—The Council shall also elect annually at its General Meeting two Honorary Secretaries, one well versed in the English language and the other well versed in the German language, at least one of whom shall be well versed in both languages.

9. **OFFICE.**—The registered office of the Federation in any year shall be in the place appointed by the Chairman of the preceding Annual General Meeting.

10. **AFFILIATION.**—Applications for affiliation shall be considered at the next possible A.G.M. of the Council, and each application to be successful must receive two-thirds at least of the votes recorded in respect of the application. The representatives of successful applicants may attend and may vote after affiliation.

11. **SUBSCRIPTION.**—Each Association shall pay an annual subscription of £2 or an equivalent sum; the first subscription shall be payable with the application for affiliation, and subsequent subscriptions shall be payable during the month of June in each year. Representatives of Associations only whose subscriptions are not in arrears shall be entitled to be present at General Meetings of the Council and to serve on committees.

12. The financial year of the Federation shall close on the 31st day of May, and an Annual Statement of Accounts shall be prepared by the Hon. Secretaries, and audited by two auditors as soon as possible thereafter.

13. **GENERAL MEETINGS.**—A General Meeting of the Council shall be held wherever selected at the last preceding



Annual Meeting, and at the time appointed by it. The business of an Annual General Meeting shall be to confirm the minutes of the last General Meeting, to receive the report of the Advisory Committee and the Statement of Accounts for the last year duly audited, to elect the Advisory Committee, Hon. Secretaries, and Auditors, to consider and deal with applications for affiliation, to register such national rules as may be submitted, to consider and deal with resolutions of which due notice shall have been given and generally to transact the business of the Federation.

An Extraordinary General Meeting of the Council may be convened at any time by the Advisory Committee and shall be convened by the Hon. Secretaries within ten weeks of the receipt by them of a requisition in writing to that effect given by not less than four Associations. Every such requisition shall specify the business for which the meeting is to be convened and no other business, except the confirming of the minutes of the last preceding General Meeting shall be transacted at such a meeting.

14. NOTICE OF MEETINGS.—Printed notice of every General Meeting, stating the date, time and place thereof, and the business to be transacted thereat, shall be sent by post to each Association as follows, viz.: In the case of an Annual General Meeting, six weeks at least; and in the case of an Extraordinary General Meeting, one month at least prior to the date fixed for such a meeting.

15. NOTICE OF RESOLUTION.—Particulars in writing of resolutions to be brought forward at an Annual Meeting, and National rules to be registered, must reach the Hon. Secretaries at the office of the Federation not later than ten weeks before the date appointed for the meeting.

16. VOTES AT GENERAL MEETINGS.—Except that alterations of the rules of Table Tennis for International Competitions can only be made by a majority of three-fourths of the votes cast, all questions shall be decided by a bare majority of the votes cast in respect of same, and in the event of an equality of votes, except in matters administrative and financial, the meeting shall proceed with the next business. In the event of an equality of votes in matters administrative and financial the Chairman shall have a casting vote.

17. OFFICIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS.—Each Association shall hold annually, on a date to be submitted to and approved by the Annual General Meeting of the Federation, an open tournament under the Laws of Table Tennis for International Competitions. The Federation shall recognise such tournaments as "Championships."

18. INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP (Swaythling Cup).—The Federation recognises the International Table Tennis Championship (Swaythling Cup) as the sole International Team Contest of the World for men amateurs.

19. WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIPS.—The title "World's Championships," may be bestowed annually by the Council on all the events (Men's Singles, Men's Doubles, Mixed Doubles, Ladies' Singles, Ladies' Doubles) at any championship as defined in 17.

20. RESIGNATIONS.—Any Association wishing to retire from the Federation must give notice in writing to the Hon. Secretaries on or before the 30th day of June in any year, and in default will be held liable for the subscription for the ensuing year.

21. DEFINITION OF AN AMATEUR.—A Table Tennis player is an amateur if he does not procure directly or indirectly any pecuniary reward from the playing or pursuit of the game.

22. EXPENSES. An amateur Table Tennis player may not accept money, travelling or hotel expenses, for playing the game in a tournament, match or competition, except when officially selected to represent an Association in an International Competition recognised by the Federation, or an area or club in a representative team competition recognised by his Association, and then only provided that:—

(a) Permission to pay such expenses shall have been previously obtained by the paying Association from the Federation or by the paying area or club from its Association.

(b) Permission to receive such expenses shall have been previously obtained by the player or his club from its National Association.

23. PRIZES.—No prizes for Amateur Table Tennis Competitions may be given other than medals or trophies. The maximum value of any medal or trophy, other than a permanent trophy, shall not exceed £20.



24. **OPEN TOURNAMENTS.**—The regulations to be observed at all open tournaments, matches, and competitions, shall be those of the Association to which the promoters thereof are affiliated, and the laws those of the Association registered with the Federation.

25. **RESTRICTED TOURNAMENTS.**—Tournaments restricted to particular nationals, residents of a particular district, or members of a particular club, may be held under whatever rules and regulations the Association in whose territorial jurisdiction they occur, may permit.

26. **PENALTIES.**—Each Association shall have absolute jurisdiction to deal with all complaints made by, and settle all disputes between, and questions of infringement of rules and regulations committed by organisations and players in its own country.

All penalties inflicted by an Association on players shall be enforced by all Associations.

27. **OFFICIAL JOURNALS.**—Such journals as may from time to time be approved shall be adopted as official organs of the Federation.

28. **DISSOLUTION.**—The Federation shall not be dissolved except at a General Meeting of the Council specially convened for the purpose and by a resolution carried by a majority of four-fifths of the votes recorded in respect of the same. The balance of funds in hand, if any, shall be divided among the members at that time.

#### 4. REGULATIONS AND DECISIONS.

##### (a) General.

No registered or affiliated Table Tennis player may permit a cinematograph record of himself or herself to be taken in connection with Table Tennis without first having obtained the permission of his or her National Association.

As a result of experiments held season 1927-8:—

1. Wire instead of cord suspending net is regarded *unfavourably*.

2. Lawn Tennis scoring is regarded *unfavourably* and abandoned by a vote of 8 votes to 2 (experience thus reversing the previous year's vote of 6 votes to 1 in favour).

Experiments recommended to all National Associations, season 1928-9:—

1. Service in doubles from alternate half-courts.
  2. Three points margin in deciding game.
  3. Change-over at score ten in deciding game.
- (See appendix to Laws for provisional rules).

Umpires are requested particularly to enforce:—

Law 9, relating to serving behind the table.

Law 12 (e), relating to keeping the free hand from touching the table.

##### (b) Regulations applicable to all official Championships and International Matches held under the Laws of Table Tennis for International Competitions:—

1. The net shall be suspended not by wire but by cord.
2. The players shall not wear white or light-coloured clothes, or use white or light-coloured or reflecting rackets that might tend to unsight an opponent. The decision as to an offence under this rule shall be with the referee.
3. The decision of the umpire appointed for each match shall be final on any question of fact occurring during that match.
4. The decision of the referee appointed for each tournament or meeting shall be final on any question of interpretation of rule arising in the course of that tournament or meeting.
5. Appeal to the Tournament Committee from a ruling of the referee may be made on a question of tournament conduct not covered in the Laws, such as time or conditions of play, etc., but in no circumstance shall it be made on any question of interpretation of rule.

##### (c) Special Regulations for World Championships.

1. The Regulations for all Official Championships and International Matches held under the Laws of the Table Tennis for International Competitions shall apply except that the referee shall co-opt any member of the Rules Sub-Committee of the I.T.T.F. who may be present to assist him in the resolution of questions of interpretation of rule.



2. The score must be called by the umpire in either German or English, if he be so requested by a competitor.

3. The programme shall consist of seven events, viz.: (1) the Swaythling Cup Competition; (2) the Men's Singles Championship of the World; (3) the Men's Doubles Championship of the World; (4) the Ladies' Singles Championship of the World; (5) the Ladies' Doubles Championship of the World; (6) the Mixed Doubles Championship of the World; (7) Consolation Singles for players defeated in the first two rounds of Event 2. Matches in Events 2-6 shall be determined by the best of five games; matches in Events 1 and 7 shall be determined by the best of three games.

4. The names of all past holders of Events 1-6 shall be recorded on the official programme.

5. On request by any competitor line judges shall be appointed as follows: One on the side of the table other than that at which the umpire is placed, whose duty it shall be to decide whether a ball striking the side of the table strikes the edge or the side below the surface edge; one at each end of the table, whose duty it shall be to determine an infringement of Law 9, second paragraph, or Law 12e. In all cases, such line judges shall have final power of decision on the points of fact in their province of consideration, and they shall be careful to give benefit of the doubt to the doubtful offender.

**(d) Regulations for the Swaythling Cup Competition:—**

1. The Competition shall be open to every nation whose Association is a member of the International Table Tennis Federation.

2. The Competition shall take place in accordance with the following regulations and the laws of Table Tennis for International Competition as adopted by the I.T.T.F.

3. The Competition shall be held at the same time and place as the championships for the World's Singles and Doubles Titles, and shall be managed by the Committee appointed by the Association holding them and a representative of each competing nation.

4. Any nation wishing to compete shall give notice to the Secretary of the Committee not less than one month before the commencement of the Competition.

5. It shall also nominate not more than five players, and, if so desired, a non-playing captain not less than ten days before the commencement of the Competition.

6. Each nation shall play each other nation one tie, the best of nine Singles matches.

7. The winning nation to be that which wins the greatest number of ties. In the event of an equality, a play-off is to take place unless the equal captains should otherwise agree.

7a. Provided that if the number of nations competing exceed 14, they shall be divided into two groups, the winner of each group to be determined as 6 and 7 above, and the two group winners to meet under the same conditions for the cup.

8. Each nation to be represented in each tie by three players to be selected from the five nominations, and each match to be the best of three games 21-up.

9. Any amateur shall be qualified to represent a nation if he be born in, or shall have resided in for at least two years immediately preceding a tie, the territory controlled by that nation. When once a player has represented a nation he shall always be eligible for that nation, and shall represent no other, subject to the following exception, namely, that a player having represented a nation under the residential qualification shall still be eligible to represent the nation of his birth provided that he shall not have represented any other nation in the Competition during the previous two years. A player shall be deemed to have represented a nation if he shall have been included in the nominations of that nation and shall have accepted such nomination.

10. The winning nation shall be entitled to hold the Swaythling Cup until December 31st of the season following that in which it was won. The holders must deliver it after that date to the place and at the time appointed by the Federation within 14 days of a written requisition by the Federation Secretaries. All responsibility, including that of insurance, shall be borne by the holders.

11. The order of play in a Swaythling Cup match shall be as follows, where the three players on one side are



numbered A.B.C. and the three players on the other side are numbered X.Y.Z.:—1st, A. v. X; 2nd, B. v. Y; 3rd, C. v. Z; 4th, A. v. Y; 5th, B. v. Z; 6th, C. v. X; 7th, A. v. Z; 8th, B. v. X; 9th, C. v. Y.

12. Before the commencement of the match the right of being A.B.C. or X.Y.Z. shall be decided by the two captains by lot; and, this decided, each captain shall name his team to the referee, allotting a letter to each of his three players.

13. The order of play thus determined may only be altered by mutual agreement between the captains and with consent of the referee.

14. Any complaint on a point of law to the umpire and referee or on tournament conduct to the referee and tournament committee, may be made only by the captain, or, if he be absent or playing, by the acting-captain previously appointed, of the team on whose behalf such complaint is preferred.

### 5. WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP RECORDS.

#### (a) Results of World Championships (Stockholm), 1927-8.

##### 1. Swaythling Cup—

Hungary 7 beat Austria 5/0; lost to England 2/7; beat Latvia 5/2; beat Sweden 7/2; beat Czecho-Slovakia 7/2; beat Germany 6/0; beat Wales 5/2; beat India 6/0.

Austria 7 beat England 5/4; beat Latvia 5/3; beat Sweden 9/0; beat Czecho-Slovakia 9/0; beat Germany 9/0; beat Wales 9/0; beat India 9/0.

England 7 beat Latvia 5/4; beat Sweden 5/0; beat Czecho-Slovakia 5/2; beat Germany 8/0; beat Wales 5/1; beat India 8/0.

Play off: Hungary beat Austria 5/2; beat England 5/2. Austria beat England 5/2.

Latvia 5 beat Sweden 5/4; beat Czecho-Slovakia 6/2; beat Germany 6/0; beat Wales 6/0; beat India 5/2.

Sweden 4 beat Czecho-Slovakia 8/1; beat Germany 5/0; beat Wales 5/2; beat India 5/1.

Czecho-Slovakia 3 beat Germany 5/0; beat Wales 5/2; beat India 5/1.

Germany 2 beat Wales 5/3; beat India 5/4.

Wales 1 beat India (0) 6/2.

##### 2. Men's Singles—

Quarter-finals: Mechlowits, w.o. Soderholz (scr.); Liebster beat Glancz 12/21, 13/21, 21/18, 21/13, 21/18; Bellak beat Perry 21/7, 21/19, 21/16; Flussmann beat Haydon 21/16, 16/21, 21/12, 21/18.

Semi-finals: Mechlowits beat Liebster 21/17, 21/6, 21/16; Bellak beat Flussmann 21/10, 21/19, 21/14.

Final: Mechlowits beat Bellak 8/21, 18/21, 24/22, 21/12, 21/15.

##### 3. Men's Doubles—

Semi-finals: Bull and Perry beat Jacobi and Mechlowits 21/14, 21/18, 21/12; Liebster and Thum beat Bellak and Glancz 21/12, 9/21, 14/21, 21/10 (ret.).

Final: Liebster and Thum beat Bull and Perry 21/10, 21/13, 21/16.

##### 4. Ladies' Singles—

Semi-final: Metzger beat Gubbins 21/18, 21/19, 17/21, 22/20; Mednyanszky beat Ingram 22/20, 21/17, 21/16.

Final: Mednyanszky beat Metzger 21/19, 22/20, 21/13.

##### 5. Ladies' Doubles—

Final: Mednyanszky and Flamm beat Gubbins and Somerville 21/16, 23/21, 21/11.

##### 6. Mixed Doubles—

Final: Mechlowits and Mednyanszky beat Pecs and Metzger 19/21, 22/20, 21/16, 21/9.

#### (b) Championship Roll.

##### 1. Swaythling Cup—

1926-7 Hungary (B. von Kehrling (capt.), Dr. R. Jacobi, Z. Mechlowits, Dr. D. Pecs), after a tie.

1927-8 Hungary (Z. Mechlowits (capt.), Dr. R. Jacobi, S. Glancz, L. Bellak, Dr. D. Pecs), after a tie.

##### 2. Men's Singles—

1926-7 Dr. R. Jacobi (Hungary).

1927-8 Z. Mechlowits (Hungary).

##### 3. Men's Doubles—

1926-7 Dr. R. Jacobi and Dr. D. Pecs (Hungary).

1927-8 A. Liebster and R. Thum (Austria).

##### 4. Ladies' Singles—

1926-7 M. von Mednyanszky (Hungary).

1927-8 M. von Mednyanszky (Hungary).

##### 5. Ladies' Doubles—

1927-8 M. von Mednyanszky (Hungary) and F. Flamm (Austria).



## 6. Mixed Doubles—

1926-7 Z. Mechlowits and M. von Mednyanszky (Hungary).  
1927-8 Z. Mechlowits and M. von Mednyanszky (Hungary).

## 6. OTHER RECORDS.

## (a) Federation Members.

## AUSTRIA.

Oestereichischer Tischtennis-Verband. President: Dr. Richard Pick, Wien II, Praterstrasse, 15. Affiliated 1926-7.

## Match List 1927-8—

Nominated Stockholm Congress.—Paul Flussmann\* (capt.), Alfred Liebster\*, Robert Thum\*, M. Pillinger\*, Frau Flamm.

\* Swaythling Cup players.

Budapest.—Austria (Flussmann (capt.), Liebster, Thum, Rosenfeld, Wildam, Forbat, Ortner), lost to Hungary 9/20.

## Tournament List 1927-8—

Baden.—Men's Singles: 1, Bellak; 2, Glancz; 3, Flussmann and Mechlowits. Men's Singles, L.T. Scoring: 1, Glancz; 2, Mechlowits; 3, Flussmann and Bellak. Men's Doubles: 1, Flussmann-Meth; 2, Bellak-Glancz. Mixed Doubles: 1, Flussmann-Flussmann.

W.A.C., October, 1927.—Men's Singles: 1, Pillinger; 2, Liebster. Ladies' Singles: 1, Ortner; 2, Forbat. Men's Doubles: 1, Liebster-Fleischmann. Mixed Doubles: 1, Thum-Ortner.

Wahringer, October, 1927.—Men's Singles: 1, Liebster; 2, Flussmann. Ladies' Singles: 1, Forbat; 2, Weil. Mixed Doubles: 1, Pillinger-Forbat.

Semmering.—Men's Singles: 1, Liebster; 2, Flussmann. Ladies' Singles: 1, Flussmann; 2, Flamm. Mixed Doubles: 1, Thum-Flamm.

Makkabi, November, 1927.—Men's Singles: 1, Thum; 2, Meth. Ladies' Singles: 1, Forbat; 2, Weil. Men's Doubles: 1, Thum-Weiger. Mixed Doubles: 1, Flussmann-Forbat.

Hakoah, November, 1927.—Men's Singles: 1, Thum; 2, Liebster. Ladies' Singles: 1, Forbat; 2, Ortner. Men's Doubles: 1, Pillinger-Rosenfeld. Mixed Doubles: 1, Pillinger-Forbat.

Championships of Vienna.—Men's Singles: 1, Liebster; 2, Thum; 3, Flussmann; 4, Pillinger. Ladies' Singles: 1, Forbat; 2, Weil. Men's Doubles: 1, Thum-Liebster; 2, Jacobi-Weiger. Ladies' Doubles: 1, Forbat-Weil; 2, Flamm-Neumann. Mixed Doubles: 1, Pillinger-Forbat; 2, Thum-Hussak.

W.A.S.—Men's Singles: 1, Pillinger; 2, Thum. Ladies' Singles: 1, Wildam; 2, Ortner, Flamm and Forbat. Men's Doubles: 1, Pillinger-Rosenfeld. Ladies' Doubles: 1, Wildam-Ortner. Mixed Doubles: 1, Thum-Ortner.

Championships of Graz.—Men's Singles: 1, Flussmann; 2, Thum. Ladies' Singles: 1, Flussmann. Men's Doubles: 1, Pillinger-Feher. Mixed Doubles: 1, Flussmann-Flussmann.

Semmering, May, 1928.—Men's Singles: 1, Thum; 2, Feher. Ladies' Singles: 1, Ortner; 2, Flussmann. Mixed Doubles: 1, Thum-Flamm.

CHAMPIONSHIPS OF AUSTRIA, May, 1928.—Men's Singles: 1, Flussmann; 2, Thum; 3, Feher; 4, Pillinger; 5, Weiger. Ladies' Singles: 1, Forbat; 2, Wiesenthal; 3, Flamm; 4, Ortner. Men's Doubles: 1, Thum-Weiger; 2, Feher-Hellmann; 3, Flussmann-Meth. Ladies' Doubles: 1, Lowy-Wiesenthal; 2, Thum-Ortner; 3, Weiger-Flamm.

Team Championship, Class I. (9 teams).—1, Makkabi (Flussmann, Pillinger, Rosenfeld, Meth); 2, Wahringer (Liebster, Feher, Fleischmann, Neufeld); 3, W.A.C. (Thum, Weiger, Lowy, Kulka). Class II. (9 teams).—1, W.A.S. Class IIIa. (8 teams). 1, Hakoah. Class IIIb. (8 teams) 1, Vinolobona II. Ladies' Teams: 1, Amateur (Wildam, Flamm, Ortner, Wiesenthal); 2, Makkabi; 3, W.T.T.C.

## Tournament List 1928-9—

Open Championships of Austria.—Probably end of January, 1929.

## CZECHO-SLOVAKIA.

Ceskoslovenska Table Tennisova Asociace (Founded 1924). President: Milos Bondy, Vladislavova 11, Prague 2. Secretary: Stanko Jeglic, Riegrovo Nabrezi 34, Prague 2. Affiliated 1926-7.

## Match List 1927-8—

Nominated Stockholm Congress: Stanko Jeglic (non-playing capt.), Erwin Fleischmann\*, Kurt Heller\*, Antonin Malecek\*, Fritz Nikodem\*.

\* Swaythling Cup players.

## Tournament List 1927-8—

Eastern Bohemia, December, 1927.—Men's Singles: 1, Nikodem; 2, Fried. Men's Doubles: 1, Hajek and Fried.

Slovakia, December, 1927 (Bratislava).—Men's Singles: 1, Thum; 2, Jacobi; 3, Mechlowits, Flussmann. Ladies' Singles: 1, Mednyanszky. Men's Doubles: 1, Feher and Fleischmann. Mixed Doubles: 1, Mechlowits and Mednyanszky.

Kolin, December, 1927: Men's Singles.—1, Nikodem; 2, Hajek. Ladies' Singles: 1, Masakova. Men's Doubles: 1, Hajek and Fried. Mixed Doubles: 1, Knorr and Hanna Klauber.

National Close Championships, February, 1928.—Men's Singles: 1, Malecek; 2, Wachtl. Ladies' Singles: 1, Masakova. Men's Doubles: 1, Malecek and Hajek. Ladies' Doubles: 1, Hanna and Herta Klauber. Mixed Doubles: 1, Malecek and Vostreilova.

Prerov, March, 1928.—Men's Singles: 1, Nikodem; 2, Feher. Ladies' Singles: 1, Masakova. Men's Doubles: 1, Weiger and Feher. Mixed Doubles: 1, Krejny and Masakova.

Moravia (Prerov), March, 1928.—Men's Singles: 1, Nikodem; 2, Fried. Ladies' Singles: 1, Masakova. Men's Doubles: 1, Malecek and Hajek. Mixed Doubles: 1, Krejny and Masakova.



**Bohemia, March, 1928 (Komensky).**—Men's Singles: 1, Thim; 2, Malecek. Ladies' Singles: 1, Hanna Klauber. Men's Doubles: 1, J. Behal and Wachtl. Ladies' Doubles: 1, Pospisilova and Egerova. Mixed Doubles: 1, J. Behal and Pospisilova.

**Championship of Czecho-Slovakia, March, 1928.**—Men's Singles: 1, Liebster; 2, Fried. Ladies' Singles: 1, Masakova. Men's Doubles: 1, Liebster and Fleischmann. Ladies' Doubles: 1, Hanna and Herta Klauber. Mixed Doubles: 1, Hajek and Jerabskova.

**Bratislava, March, 1928.**—Men's Singles: 1, Malecek; 2, Fried. Ladies' Singles: 1, Hanna Klauber. Men's Doubles: 1, Malecek and Hajek. Mixed Doubles: 1, Fried and Hanna Klauber.

**Team Championships.**—1st Class Men's: 1, Vysokoskolsky sport; 2, T. K. S. Komensky.

1st Class Ladies.—1, T. K. S. Komensky; 2, T. C. Kreuzl.

2nd Class Men's.—1, Studentsky Domov.

2nd Class Ladies.—1, Ping Pong Prague XIII.

**Close Championship: Studentsky Domov, November, 1927.** Men's Singles: 1, V. Behal; 2, Wachtl. Ladies' Singles: 1, Hanna Klauber. Men's Doubles: 1, Malecek and Hajek. Ladies' Doubles: 1, Hanna and Herta Klauber. Mixed Doubles: 1, Fried and Dorflova.

**Tournament List 1928-9—**

**Open Championship of Czecho-Slovakia.**—Probably first week of January, 1929.

#### DENMARK.

**Dansk Bord-Tennis Union.** President: A. Frederiksen, Nordre Frihavnsgade 79, Copenhagen IV. Affiliated 1926-7.

**Match List 1927-8—**

Nominated Stockholm Congress: (Ole Breum, August Joergensen, Alf Nielsen, Mickael Rohde).

Copenhagen: Denmark (A. Nielsen, A. Joergensen, O. Breum) lost to Sweden 4/5.

#### EGYPT.

**Egyptian Table Tennis Federation (Cercle Soiré-Coeur).** Secretary: G. E. Bignoli, 5, Rue Toussoun Pasha, Alexandria. Applied for affiliation, 1928-9.

#### ENGLAND.

**English Table Tennis Association.** President: Ivor Montagu, 80, Wardour Street, London, W.1. (Telephone: Gerrard 4535. Telegrams: Cephalopod, Westcent, London). Secretary: W. J. Pope, Maisonette, Woodside Avenue, Beaconsfield, Buckinghamshire. (Telephone: Beaconsfield 203). Founded 1922-3. Affiliated 1925-7.

Further particulars see earlier pages of this Handbook.

#### FRANCE.

**Federation Francaise du Tennis de Table.** 147, Avenue de Versailles, Paris XVIe. (Telephone: Auteuil 24.86). Affiliated 1928-9.

**Match List 1927-8—**

**Paris—Paris (Verger I., Mouchet, Guistiniani, Leresche, Verger II., Mlle Beyt)** lost to London 1/15.

**French Championships.**—Men's Singles: 1, Verger I.; 2, Mouchet. Ladies' Singles: 1, Mlle. Galay; 2, Mlle. Maggie Beyt.

#### GERMANY.

**Deutscher Tisch-Tennis-Bund.** President: Dr. Georg Lehmann, Berlin W.57, Elszholzstrasse 20. (Telephone: Lutzow 741). Affiliated 1926-7.

**Match List 1927-8—**

Nominated Stockholm Congress.—Dr. Mendel\* (capt.), H. Lindenstaedt\*, Haensch\*, Baumgarten\*, Caro\*, Fraulein Erika Metzger.

\* Swaythling Cup players.

**Tournament List 1927-8—**

**Dec., 1927, Championships of Berlin.**—Men's Singles: 1, Mechlowits. Mixed Doubles: 1, Mechlowits and Metzger.

**Jan., 1928, Championships of South Germany (Frankfurt).**—Men's Singles: 1, Dr. Pecsí; 2, Dr. Jacobi. Men's Doubles: 1, Dr. Pecsí and Dr. Jacobi.

**Jan., 1928, Schöneberg.**—Men's Singles: 1, Thielemann; 2, Caro. Ladies' Singles: 1, Kuhlmann; 2, Carnatz.

**Jan., 1928, Championships of Leipzig.**—Men's Singles: 1, Glancz; 2, Liebster; 3, Bellak, Dr. Pecsí. Ladies' Singles: 1, Mednyanszky. Men's Doubles: 1, Liebster and Thum; 2, Bellak and Glancz. Mixed Doubles: 1, Mechlowits and Mednyanszky.

**Feb., 1928, CHAMPIONSHIPS OF GERMANY.**—Men's Singles, 1924-5: P. N. Nanda (India); 1925-6: Z. Mechlowits (Hungary); 1926-7: S. Glancz (Hungary); 1927-8: 1, A. Liebster (Austria); 2, P. Flussmann; 3, R. Thum, R. G. Suppiah; 5, F. J. Perry, S. Glancz, A. A. Haydon, C. H. Bull. Ladies' Singles, 1924-5: Richter (Germany); 1925-6: Wiesenthal (Austria); 1926-7: Metzger (Germany); 1927-8: 1, Mednyanszky (Hungary); 2, Metzger; 3, Ingram. Men's Doubles: 1, Bellak and Glancz; 2, Bull and Perry; 3, Jacobi and Pecsí, Mechlowits and Haydon. Mixed Doubles: 1, Pecsí and Metzger; 2, Mechlowits and Mednyanszky; 3, Bull and Ingram, Wilde and Somerville.

**Feb., 1928, Championships of Hamburg.**—Men's Singles: 1, Mechlowits. Ladies' Singles: 1, Metzger. Men's Doubles: 1, Mechlowits and Dr. Mendel. Mixed Doubles: 1, Mechlowits and Metzger.



## Tournament List 1928-9—

Nov. 16-18—Hamburg (Close).  
 Nov. 20-25—Berlin, Tennis Club Westend.  
 Dec. 6-8—Berlin, Schöneberg.  
 Dec. 12-16—Berlin, Borussia (Berlin Championship).  
 Jan. 3-5—Berlin, Trials.  
 Jan. 5-8—Berlin, Tennis Club 1900 Gelb-Weiss.  
 Jan. 10-13—Kiel (Championship of Schleswig Holstein).  
 Jan. 23-27—PLACE UNCERTAIN, German Championships.  
 Jan. 28-31—Leipzig (Championship of Saxony).  
 Feb. 1-3—Wittenberg (Close).  
 Feb. 7-10—Hamburg (Championship of Hamburg).  
 Feb. 8-10—Koesslin (Championship of Pomerania).  
 Feb. 13-17—Berlin Tennis Club Blau Gold, 1921.  
 Feb. 22-24—Berlin, Ice Club Schwarz Weiss.  
 Mar. 2-3—Munster.  
 Mar. 7-8—Chemnitz.  
 Mar. 8-10—Dresden (Championship of Dresden).  
 Mar. 15-17—Braunschweig (Championship of Braunschweig).  
 Mar. 18-20—Hanover (Championship of Hanover).

## HUNGARY.

Magyar Országos Asztali Szovetseg. International Secretary: Zoltan Mechlowits, Budapest, II., Fő utca 7. Affiliated 1926-7.

## Match List 1927-8—

Nominated Stockholm Congress.—Zoltan Mechlowits\* (capt.), Sándor Glancz\*, László Bellak\*, Dr. Roland Jacobi\*, Dr. Dani Pecsí\*, Frau Maria von Mednyanszky.

Budapest.—Hungary (Mechlowits, Pecsí, Bellak, Glancz, Mednyanszky, Sipos, Zador) beat Austria 20-9.

Cardiff.—Hungary (Mechlowits, Pecsí, Bellak, Glancz) beat Wales 6-2.

London.—Hungary (Mechlowits, Pecsí, Bellak, Glancz) beat England 15-5.

Inter-town Matches.—Budapest-Dresden 9-0; Budapest-Liverpool 9-0; Budapest-Manchester 15-1; Budapest-Yorkshire 16-0; Budapest-Exeter 16-0; Budapest-Ealing 10-2.

## Tournament List 1927-8—

Dec., 1927, Budapest Championships.—Men's Singles: 1, Bellak; 2, Mechlowits; 3, Glancz; 4, Pecsí. Ladies' Singles: 1, Mednyanszky; 2, Sipos; 3, Zador. Men's Doubles: 1, Bellak and Glancz; 2, Mechlowits and Gyemant; 3, Szekeres and Almási. Mixed Doubles: 1, Mechlowits and Mednyanszky; 2, Bellak and Sipos.

March, 1928, HUNGARIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS.—Men's Singles: 1, Mechlowits; 2, Bellak, Glancz and Muller; 5, Dr. Pecsí. Ladies' Singles: 1, Mednyanszky; 2, Sipos; 3, Zador. Men's Doubles: 1, Mechlowits and Dr. Pecsí; 2, Bellak and Glancz; 3, Gyemant and Almási. Mixed Doubles: 1, Mechlowits and Mednyanszky; 2, Szekeres and Zador; 3, Bellak and Sipos.

Team Championships of Hungary.—1, Nemzeti Sport Club; 2, Magyar Testgyakorlók Köre (holders 1926-7); 3, Budapest Budai Torna Egylet.

## Tournament List 1928-9—

Open Championship of Hungary.—Probably Mid-March, 1929.

## INDIA.

All-India Table Tennis Association. Secretary: G. N. M. Ellam, 112, Gower Street, London, W.C.1. Affiliated 1926-7.

Nominated Stockholm Congress.—S. A. Ismael\* (capt.), H. N. Bhorucha\*, R. G. Suppiah\*.

\* Swaythling Cup players.

## JAPAN.

Japan Ping-Pong Sha. President: Hisao Kido, 33, Hirano Machi 3-Chome, Higashi-Ku, Osaka. (Telegrams: Kido, Maruto, Osaka). Affiliated 1928-9.

Powerful organisation, with 500,000 registered players. Holds annual Japan-China match and annual championships at the National Athletic Meeting on the Meiji-Shrine ground. Japan won the competition at the eight Far-Eastern Olympiad, August, 1927.

## LATVIA.

Latvijas Ping-Pong Komiteja. Secretary: A. Grasis, Jura Alūmana jela 7 Rīga. Affiliated 1927-8.

Nominated Stockholm Congress.—Rosenthal I.\* (capt.), Finberg\*, Rosenthal II.\*, Oschin\*.

\* Swaythling Cup players.

## LITHUANIA.

Lietuvos Sporto Lyga, Ping Pong Komitee. Secretary: B. Podzelveris, Kaunas, Laisvės Aleja No. 21. Applied for affiliation 1928-9.

## ROUMANIA.

Federation des Sociétés Sportives de Roumanie (Table Tennis Section), Bucarest, 190 Calea Victoriei. Applied for affiliation 1928-9.

## SWEDEN.

Svenska Bord-Tennisförbundet. President: Dr. Carl Linde, Ostra Hamngatan 14, Gothenburg. Affiliated 1926-7.

## Match List 1927-8—

Nominated Stockholm Congress.—A. Johansson (non-playing capt.), V. Kolmodin\*, R. Soderholz\*, H. Nilsson\*, M. Stridh\*, F. Pettersson\*.

\* Swaythling Cup players.



Copenhagen.—Sweden (V. Folmodin, H. Nilsson, Andersson) beat Denmark 5-4.

#### Tournament List 1927-8—

Team Championship.—Elvsborg beat Linköping 7-2; beat Triangeln 7-2; Linköping beat Triangeln 8-1. Champions: Idrottsforeningen Elvsborg, Borås.

Men's Singles Championship.—Semi-finals: W. Kolmodin (Linköping) beat C. E. Bulow (Gothenburg) 11-9, 6-4, 10-12, 8-6; R. Soderholz (Stockholm) beat L. Bulow (Gothenburg) 7-5, 7-5, 7-5. Final: Soderholz beat Kolmodin 8-6, 6-0, 5-7, 6-2.

#### WALES.

Table Tennis Association of Wales. Secretary: C. H. Hallett, 18, Dumfries Place, Cardiff. (Telephone: Cardiff 5501). Founded 1922-3. Affiliated 1926-7.

#### Match List. 1927-8—

Nominated Stockholm Congress.—C. H. Hallett (non-playing capt.), C. Mossford\*, S. Stone\*, H. Penny\*, H. G. Geen\*, T. Coles\*, Miss D. E. Gubbins).

\* Swaythling Cup players.

March, 1928, Cardiff.—Wales (Geen, capt., W. Davies, J. D. Matthews, Thomas, Thatcher, Stone, Mossford, Penny, Pickford) lost to England 373-457.

April, 1928, Cardiff.—Wales (Stone, capt., Thomas, Penny, Mossford, T. B. Williams, Davies, Coles, Schiele) lost to Hungary 2-6.

#### Tournament List, 1927-8—

**WELSH CHAMPIONSHIPS.**—Men's Singles: 1. T. Coles; 2. C. H. Bull; 3. Dr. D. Peci, F. J. Perry. Ladies' Singles: 1. Miss D. E. Gubbins; 2. Mrs. Holbrook. Men's Doubles: 1. Bellak and Glancz; 2. Peci and Mechlowits. Ladies' Doubles: 1. Miss M. Mossford and Mrs. G. Horspool; 2. Mrs. A. Chamberlain and Miss W. E. Rees. Mixed Doubles: 1. Bellak and Mrs. Chamberlain; 2. Glancz and Mrs. Horspool.

#### Close Championship Roll—Men's Singles

1923-4 C. Mossford (Cardiff).  
1924-5 M. E. Lewis (Penarth).  
1925-6 S. Stone (Cardiff).  
1926-7 S. Stone (Cardiff).  
1927-8 S. Stone (Cardiff).

#### Ladies' Singles—

1924-5 Mrs. H. Holbrook (Cardiff).  
1925-6 Miss D. Gubbins (Tondy).  
1926-7 Miss D. Gubbins (Tondy).  
1927-8 Mrs. B. Morgan (Brynmaer).

#### Men's Doubles—

1927-8—C. Mossford and T. A. Schiele (Cardiff).

#### Ladies' Doubles—

1927-8 Mrs. A. Chamberlain and Miss E. Rees (Barry).

#### Mixed Doubles—

1927-8 C. Mossford (Cardiff) and Miss D. Gubbins (Tondy).

#### Welsh League Winners, 1927-8—

Division I., Cardiff and District League.  
Division II., Cardiff and District League Res.  
Ladies' Division—Barry and District League.

Team Championship, 1927-8—1, Cardiff Y.M.C.A.

#### The following players have represented Wales against England:—

F. C. Andrews (Cardiff), 1922-3.  
F. W. Brown (Cardiff), 1922-3, 3-4, 5-6.  
T. Coles (Cardiff), 1925-6, 6-7, 7-8.  
W. Davies (Tonyzandy), 1927-8.  
H. G. Geen (Penarth), 1923-4, 4-5, 6-7, 7-8\*.  
A. E. Hodges (Newport), 1924-5.  
T. Jones (Ebbw Vale), 1922-3, 3-4, 5-6\*.  
H. Lewis (Cardiff), 1925-6.  
M. E. Lewis (Penarth), 1924-5, 5-6, 6-7.  
R. Ley (Newport), 1923-4.  
A. D. Matthews (Penarth), 1922-3, 3-4, 5-6, 6-7.  
J. D. Matthews (Penarth), 1927-8.  
G. H. Morris (Cardiff), 1922-3.  
C. Mossford (Cardiff), 1923-4, 4-5, 5-6, 6-7\*, 7-8.  
H. Penny (Cardiff), 1925-6, 6-7, 7-8.  
D. F. Pickford (Penarth), 1927-8.  
J. Preece (Ebbw Vale), 1924-5.  
T. A. Schiele (Cardiff), 1923-4, 4-5.  
S. Stone (Cardiff), 1923-4, 4-5, 5-6, 6-7, 7-8.  
H. J. Stubbs (Penarth), 1925-6.  
W. H. Thatcher (Ebbw Vale), 1924-5, 6-7, 7-8.  
I. R. Thomas (Barry), 1926-7, 7-8.  
W. Waite (Newport), 1924-5.  
G. T. Weaver (Cardiff), 1922-3\*, 3-4\*.  
A. H. Wiggins (Penarth), 1922-3, 4-5.  
R. Wiggins (Penarth), 1922-3.  
C. Williams (Barry), 1926-7.  
\* Captain.

#### (b) Correspondents and Organisations in Countries outside the Federation—

#### AUSTRALIA.

Queensland Table Tennis Association. Secretary: Mr. J. T. Clune, C/o State Insurance Office, George and Elizabeth Streets, Brisbane, 48 clubs.

South Australia Table Tennis Association. Secretary: Mr. M. F. Brown, 116, Gawler Place, Adelaide. 15 clubs.



**IRISH FREE STATE.**

Dublin and District Table Tennis Association. Secretary: J. R. Waugh, M.B., 6, Cullenswood Terrace, Ranelagh. (Tel: Rathmines 29).

Two Leagues, twenty teams. Champions, season 1927-8.—Men's Singles: P. O. McWeeney. Ladies' Singles: Miss C. Watson. Team: Yorkshire T.T. Club.

**ITALY.**

Signor Arfinati, Mayor of Bologna.

**NEW ZEALAND.**

Auckland Table Tennis Association. Secretary: J. E. Ramsey, 303, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland.

Championship List.—Men's Singles; 1924, A. K. Turner; 1925, J. Fogarty; 1926-7, F. R. Paton. Ladies' Singles: 1924-7, Mrs. M. Massey (Miss M. Marriner).

**NORTHERN IRELAND.**

Northern Ireland Table Tennis Association. Secretary: W. T. Spencer, Granville Villas, Sandhurst Road, Belfast.

**NORWAY.**

Per Foss, Oslo. Djursholm Klub.

**SAO PAULO.**

Liga Paulista de Pingue Pongue. Associacao des Empregados do Commercio Touring Club, rue Brigadeiro Tobias 55.

**SCOTLAND.**

Glasgow and West of Scotland Y.M.C.A. Ping-Pong League. Secretary: J. R. Ritchie, Gordon Place, 24, King Street, Paisley. Twelve clubs. League Winners: 1927-8, Renfrew Y.M.C.A. (Holders, Pettigrew and Stevens Cup).

**SOUTH AFRICA.**

P. Power, c/o "Natal Advertiser," Editorial Department, P.O. Box 1491, Durban. Cape Town Table Tennis League, Secretary: E. Honckman, P.O. Box 2996, Cape Town. Durban and District Table Tennis Association, Secretary: L. T. Webb, P.O. Box 440, Durban. Maritzburg and District Table Tennis Association, Secretary: H. O. Lerwick, P.O. Box 248, Maritzburg.

**SPAIN.**

Harry B. F. Stait-Gardner, C/o International Banking Corporation, P.O. Box 736, Barcelona. Ernest F. C. Witty, Calle d'Aragon 261, Barcelona.

**SWITZERLAND.**

Geneva Table Tennis Club, 6, Rue Tour-Maitresse. Neuchatel-Table Tennis Club.

**U.S.A.**

Westchester County Table Tennis League. Cornelius G. Schaad, Seacord, Ritchie and Young, 543-544, Main Street, New Rochelle, N.Y. (Tel: New Rochelle 4400). William S. Samuels, 250, West 104th Street, New York, N.Y.

**U.S.S.R.**

All-Russian Sport Council (Table Tennis Section). Abram Vladimirovitch Ziskind, Bolshaya Dmitrovka 22/19, Moscow 9. Game much played and well organised.

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## 7. Laws of Table Tennis (as adopted by the International Table Tennis Federation.)

### SINGLES.

**1. The Table.**—The table shall be in surface rectangular, 9ft. in length, 5ft. in width; it shall be supported in such a way that its upper surface shall be 2ft. 6ins. above the floor, and shall lie in a horizontal plane.

It shall be made of solid hard lin. wood, or shall yield a uniform bounce of not less than 8ins. and not more than 9ins. when a standard ball is dropped from a height of 12ins. above its surface.

The upper surface of the table shall be termed the "playing surface"; it shall be non-reflecting, of a dark colour with a white line  $\frac{1}{2}$ in. broad along each edge.

The lines at the 5ft. edges or ends of the playing surface shall be termed "end lines." The lines at the 9ft. edges or sides of the playing surface shall be termed "side lines."

**2. The Net and Its Supports.**—The playing surface shall be divided into two courts of equal size by a net running parallel to the end lines and 4ft. 6ins. from each. The net shall be 6ft. in length; its upper part along its whole length shall be 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins. above the playing surface; its lower part along the whole length shall be close to the playing surface. The net shall be attached at each end to an upright post 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins. high; the outside limits of each post shall be 6ins. outside the side line on the same side.

**3. The Ball.**—The ball shall be spherical. It shall be made of celluloid, pale in colour; it shall not be less than 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins. nor more than 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ ins. in circumference; it shall not be less than 2/27ozs. nor more than 2/25ozs. in weight.

**4. The Racket.**—The racket may be any material, size, shape, or weight.

**5. The Scoring of Points.**—A game shall be won by the player who first wins 21 points, unless both players shall have scored 20 points, when the winner of the game shall be he who first wins two points more than his opponent.

**6. The Choice of Ends and Service.**—The choice of ends and the right to be server or striker-out in every game shall be decided by toss, provided that, if the winner of the toss choose the right to be server or striker-out, the other player shall have the choice of ends, and vice-versa, and provided that the winner of the toss may, if he prefer it, require the other player to make the first choice.

**7. The Change of Ends and Service.**—After five points the striker-out shall become the server, and the server the striker-out, and so on after each five points until the end of the game or the score 20 all. At the score 20 all the striker-out shall become the server, and the server the striker-out, and so on after each point until the end of the game. The player who served first in a game shall be striker-out first in the immediately subsequent game, and so on until the end of a match.

The player who started at one end in a game, shall start at the other in the immediately subsequent game, and so on until the end of the match. Where the match consists of only one game, or, where it consists of more than one game, in the deciding game of the match, the players shall change ends after ten points, and so on until the end of the game or the score 20 all. At the score 20 all in such a game, the players shall change ends.

**8. The Order of Play.**—The server shall first make a good service, the striker-out shall then make a good return and thereafter server and striker-out shall each alternately make a good return.

**9. A Good Service.**—The service shall be delivered by the server projecting or dropping the ball by hand into the air. The ball shall then be struck so that it touch first the server's court and then, passing directly over or round the net, touch the striker-out's court.

At the moment of the impact of the racket on the ball in service, both shall be behind the end line of the server's court and between an imaginary continuation of the side lines.

(Note that if the player, in attempting to serve, miss the ball altogether, he is penalised because a good service has not been made off the ball already in play).



**10. A Good Return.**—A ball having been served or returned in play shall be struck by the player so that it pass directly over the net or round the net and touch directly the opponent's court.

**11. A Let.**—The rest\* is a let:—

- (a) If the ball served in passing over the net touch it or its supports, provided the service be otherwise good.
- (b) If a service be delivered when the striker-out is not ready, provided, always, that he may not be deemed to be unready if he attempts to strike at the ball.
- (c) If either player be prevented by an accident, not under his control, from serving a good service or making a good return.
- (d) If either player lose the point, as provided in Law 12 (c), (d), (e), or Law 13, owing to an accident not within his control.

**12. A Point.**—Either player shall lose a point:—

- (a) If he fail to make a good service, except as provided in Law 11.
- (b) If a good service or a good return having been made by his opponent, he fail to make a good return, except as provided in Law 11.
- (c) If he, or his racket, or anything that he wears or carries, touch the net or its supports while the ball is in play.
- (d) If he, or his racket, or anything that he wears or carries, move the playing surface while the ball is in play.
- (e) If his free hand touch the playing surface while the ball is in play.

**13. A Point.**—Either player shall lose the point:—

- (a) If before the ball in play shall have passed over the end lines or side lines not yet having touched the playing surface on his side of the table since being struck by his opponent, it come in contact with him or anything that he wears or carries.
- (b) If at any time he volley the ball.

\*The term rest in this connection implies "rally," i.e., all the play covering one point, see first definition.

**14. In Play.**—The ball is in play from the moment at which it is projected or dropped from the hand in service until:—

- (a) It has touched one court twice consecutively.
- (b) It has, except in service, touched each court alternately without having been struck by the racket intermediately.
- (c) It has been struck by either player more than once consecutively.
- (d) It has touched either player or anything that he wears or carries, except his racket or his racket hand below the wrist.
- (e) On the volley it come in contact with the racket or the racket hand below the wrist.
- (f) It has touched any object other than the net supports, or those referred to above.

**15. Further Definitions.**—The period during which the ball is in play shall be termed a rest.

A rest the result of which is scored shall be termed a point.

A rest the result of which is not scored shall be termed a let.

The player who first strikes the ball during the rest shall be termed the server.

The player who next strikes the ball during a rest shall be termed the striker-out.

If the ball, in passing over the net, or round the net, touch it or its supports, it shall, nevertheless, be considered to have passed directly, except as referred to in Law 11 (a).

If the ball in play come in contact with the racket or racket hand, not yet having touched the playing surface on one side of the net since last being struck on the other side, it shall be said to have been volleyed.

The racket hand is the hand carrying the racket; the free open hand is the hand not carrying the racket.

#### DOUBLES.

**16.**—The above laws shall apply in the Doubles Game except as below.



**17. The Table.**—The surface of the table shall be divided into two parts by a white line  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. broad, running parallel with the side lines and distant from each of them 2ft. 5in. This line shall be termed the service-line. The part of the table surface on the nearer side of the net and the right of the service-line in respect to the server, shall be called the server's right half court, that on the left in respect to him the server's left half court. The part of the table surface on the farther side of the net, and the left of the service-line in respect to the server, shall be called the striker-out's right half court, that on the right in respect to the server the striker-out's left half court.

**18. A Good Service.**—The service shall be delivered as otherwise provided in Law 9, and so that it touch first the server's right half court or the centre line on his side of the net, and then, passing directly over or round the net, touch the striker-out's right half court or the centre line on his side of the net.

**19. The Choice of Order of Play.**—The pair who have the right to serve the first five services in any game shall decide which partner shall do so, and the opposing pair shall then decide similarly which shall first be striker-out.

**20. The Order of Service.**—The first five services shall be delivered by the selected partner of the pair who have the right to do so, and shall be received by the selected partner of the opposing pair. The second five services shall be delivered by the striker-out of the first five services and received by the partner of the server of the first five services. The third five services shall be delivered by the partner of the server of the first five services and received by the partner of the striker-out of the first five services. The fourth five services shall be delivered by the partner of the striker-out of the first five services and received by the server of the first five services. The fifth five services shall be delivered as the first five services. And so on, in sequence, until the end of the game or the score 20 all, when the sequence of serving and striking-out shall be uninterrupted, but each player shall serve only one service in turn until the end of the game.

In a one game match, or in the deciding game of a match of more than one game, the pair that served the first five services have the right to alter their order of striking-out at

the score 10 if that concludes a group of five services, or at the conclusion, otherwise, of the group of five services soonest concluded thereafter.

**21. The Order of Play.**—The server shall first make a good service, the striker-out shall then make a good return, the partner of the server shall then make a good return, the partner of the striker-out shall then make a good return, the server shall then make a good return, and thereafter each player alternately in that sequence shall make a good return.

**22. Out of Order of Service.**—If a player serve out of his turn, the player who ought to have served shall serve as soon as the mistake is discovered, unless a group of five services shall have been completed before such discovery, when the service in the subsequent groups of services shall continue in the same order, as if the sequence had not been discontinuous. In any circumstances, all points scored before the discovery shall be reckoned.

**23. Out of Order of Striking-Out.**—If a player act as striker-out out of his turn, the player who ought to have acted as striker-out shall be striker-out as soon as the mistake is discovered, unless a group of five services shall have been completed before such discovery, when the order of striking-out shall continue in the subsequent group of services as if the sequence had not been discontinuous. In any circumstances, all points scored before the discovery shall be reckoned.

**24. Further Amendments and Additions:—**

Law 6.—Alter "server," "striker-out," "winner," "he" to their respective plurals; alter "player" to "pair."

Law 11 (b).—Insert "or his partner" after "striker-out"; "the striker-out" in place of the first "he."

Law 11 (c).—Insert "any" in place of "either."

Law 11 (d).—Insert "pair" in place of "player"; "their" in place of "his."

Law 12.—Insert "pair" in place of "player."

Law 12 (a).—Insert "the server" instead of "he."



Law 12 (b).—Insert "one of their opponents in proper sequence" in place of "his opponent"; "they" in place of "he."

Law 12 (c).—Insert "either partner" in place of the first "he."

Law 12 (d).—Insert "either partner" in place of the first "he."

Law 12 (e).—Insert "of either partner" after "hand" and delete "his."

Law 13.—Insert "pair" instead of "player"; "their" in place of the first "his"; "one of their opponents in proper sequence" instead of "his opponent"; "either partner" instead of "him."

Law 14 (c).—Insert "any" in place of "either"; add "or by any player out of proper sequence except as provided in Law 23."

Law 14 (d).—Insert "any" in place of "either."

Add Law 14 (e).—"In service it has touched the Server's left half-court or the Striker-out's left half-court."

**Appendix 1. Recommended for experiment only during season 1928-9: Service alternately from each half-court and to each opponent, instead of always from the right-hand half-court to opposite right-hand half-court.**

For this experiment, substitute the following: Laws 18, 20, 22, 23 for the present Laws 18, 20, 22, 23 above, and substitute the additional provisions below to Law 24 above.

**18. A Good Service and Position of Service.**—In any group of five services the first, third and fifth services shall be delivered as otherwise provided in Law 9, and so that they touch first the server's right half-court or the centre line on his side of the net, and then, passing directly over or round the net, touch the striker-out's right half-court or the centre line on his side of the net; the second and fourth shall be delivered as otherwise provided in Law 9, and so that they touch first the server's left court or the centre line on his side of the net, and then, passing directly over or round the net, touch the striker-out's left half-court or the centre line on his side of the net.

**20. The Order of Service and Striking Out.**—After each service the server and his partner shall change positions, but the striker-out and his partner shall retain positions throughout each group of five services. The player selected to be striker-out during the odd services of the first group of five services being at the right on their conclusion, shall deliver the second group of five services. The partner of the first server, being at the right at the conclusion of the second group of five services, shall deliver the third group. And so on. Of the pair entitled to serve, that partner positioned at the right while striking out the last group of services, delivering the next group.

**22. Out of Order of Service.**—If a player serve out of his turn from the wrong half-court, and it be discovered before the completion of a point, a let shall be scored. If it be discovered after the conclusion of one point and before the completion of five points, the next service shall be delivered by the player who ought to have served, or from the proper half-court; if an odd service from the right, if an even from the left. If it not be discovered until after the completion of a group of five services the sequence of service and position shall proceed in the fresh order obtaining, the error and discontinuity being ignored. In any circumstances, all points scored before the discovery shall be reckoned.

**23. Out of Order of Striking-out.**—If a player receive a service in the wrong half-court, and it be discovered before the completion of a point, a let shall be scored. If it be discovered after the completion of one point and before the completion of five points he shall return to receiving services in the proper half-court; if the player who served the last group of five services the left; if his partner the right. If it be not discovered until after the completion of a group of five services the sequence of service and position shall proceed in the fresh order obtaining, the error and discontinuity being ignored. In any circumstances, all points scored before the discovery shall be reckoned.

**24. Add Law 14g.**—In odd service it has touched the server's left half-court or the striker-out's left half-court.



**Add Law 14g.**—In even service it has touched the server's right half-court or the striker-out's right half-court.

**Appendix 2. Recommended for experiment only during season 1928-9: A three points margin in the deciding game.**

For this experiment add as follows to Law 5 above.

5. Except that where the match consists of only one game, or, where it consists of more than one game, in the final game of a match, if both players shall have scored nineteen points, the winner shall be he who first wins three points more than his opponent.

**Appendix 3. Recommended for experiment only during season 1928-9: Change of ends in deciding game only at score ten.**

For this experiment delete last two sentences of second paragraph of law 7 above and substitute:—

7. Where the match consists of only one game, or where it consists of more than one game, the players shall change ends at the score ten if that concludes a group of five services, or at the conclusion, otherwise, of the group of five services soonest concluded thereafter.

**Appendix 4. Knotty Points: Decisions of the Committee.**

1. **Edge Balls.**—The phrase, "Table Surface" is to be interpreted as including the top edges and corners of the table-top, and a ball in play which strikes these latter is therefore good and still in play; though if it strikes evidently the side of the table-top below the edge, it becomes dead and counts against the last striker.

2. **Ball Returned with Empty Hand.**—If a player drop his racket, he cannot return the ball with empty hand. (See definition, the racket hand is the hand holding the racket).

3. **Racket Thrown at Ball.**—If in returning the ball the racket leave the player's hand, it is a good return only if it were still in his hand at the moment of contact with the ball, (see Law 10, a ball . . . shall be struck) and if it does not touch the net or move the table surface (Law 12c, d) before the ball is out of play.

4. **Finger-spin in Service.**—Finger-spin may be imparted to the ball in service by projecting it by hand into the air and then striking it (Law 9); it may not be imparted by holding the ball and rubbing the racket surface against it before it leaves the hand (Law 9, and double-hit, Law 14c).

5. **Ball Fractured in Play.**—If the ball split or become otherwise fractured in play, affecting a player's return, the rest is a let (Law 11c). It is the umpire's duty to stop play, recording a let, when he has reason to believe that the ball in play is fractured or imperfect; and to decide those cases in which the faulty ball is clearly fractured in actually going out of play, and in no way handicaps the player's return, when the point should be scored. In all cases of doubt, however, he should declare a let.

6. **Fixtures.**—A moving spectator, a neighbouring player, a sudden noise, i.e., any neighbouring object in movement (except a partner) should be regarded as an accident not under control (Law 11c), interference from which implies a let. A stationary spectator, fixed seating, the umpire, the light, a nearby table, a continuous sound of even volume, i.e., any relatively constant or motionless hazard, should not be so regarded, and complaint against interference from it during play should be regarded as void.

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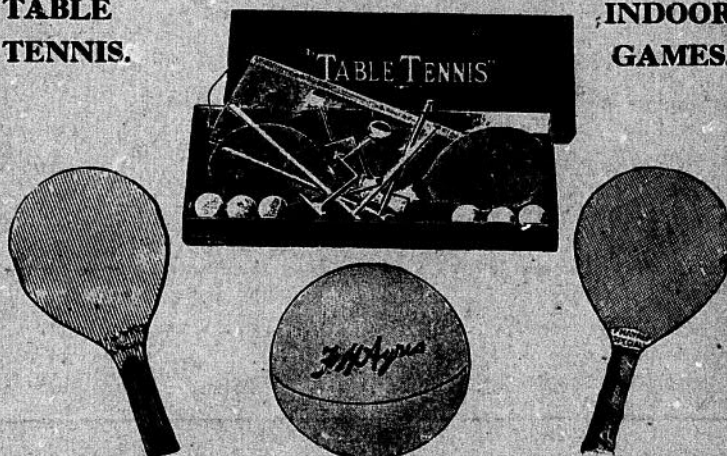


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