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European Championships for England

AS we go to press the news comes that the E.T.T.A. has decided to exercise the option it holds on the staging of the next European Championships. This acceptance has been made possible by the generosity of Messrs. Gallaher Ltd., the makers of Senior Service cigarettes who have agreed to provide financial backing to the extent of £3,500 and also to assist in other connections with the staging of the event.

Subject to the approval of the European Table Tennis Union the Championships will be staged at the Crystal Palace National Recreation Centre early in March, 1964. The possibility has already been publicised in the national press, and speaking of the new Centre on 11th March, the *Sunday Telegraph* said, "What this home of sport will provide in the way of spectacle for the general public is foreshadowed in the hope that England will stage the European Table Tennis Championships there in 1964. If this coup is brought off 1,500 people will be able to watch each session of play."

Britain's first ever £2,000,000 National Sports Centre, which will cover some 36 acres, is already being built on the site of the old Crystal Palace, which was destroyed by fire in 1936.

A photograph of a model of the complete centre is on Page 4. This shows the floodlit sports stadium, the sports hall, the hostel (right foreground) and other amenities.

FIRST MAJOR EVENT

This sporting Mecca is already taking shape and is due for completion by the end of 1963: thus the European Championships are likely to be the first major event to be staged there. Emlyn Jones, a good friend of the E.T.T.A., has been appointed Director of the centre and is already showing great enthusiasm for the Championships.

Justly pleased and enthusiastic as all must be at the possibilities which presented themselves, the Association must not lose sight of the enormity of the task it has set itself; 1946 may seem a long way off but, as we all well know, time has the habit of flying. It will seem no time before the Championships are upon us: seemingly overnight something approaching 200 players and officials representing nearly thirty countries will have descended upon us. All will require feeding and accommodating for ten days, training and practice facilities will be required, receptions, tours of interest and other hospitality will need to be arranged.

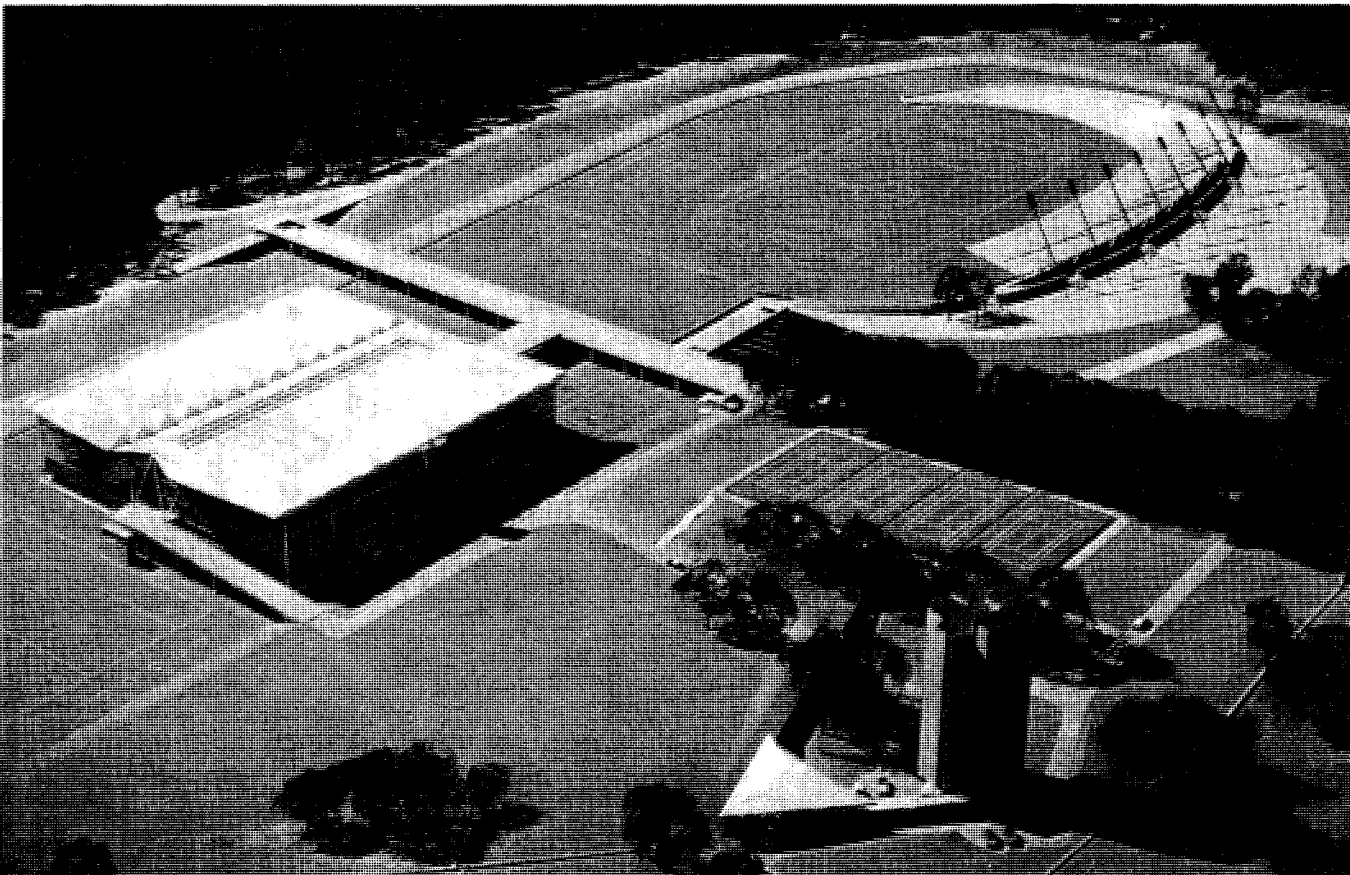
All this in addition to the arrangements required for the biennial meetings of the European Table Tennis Union, not to mention the organisation and execution of a gigantic playing schedule of team and individual events for both men and women.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Important as the organisation itself will be, of equal importance will be the necessary whole-hearted support and help in kind and cash which members of the Association will be required to give. Scores of volunteers will be needed not only to officiate in countless ways during the period of the Championships but also to assist in the gathering crescendo of work which will start building up immediately.

With the foundation of plans will come the need for funds and, generous though the financial sponsorship is, the members of the Association must expect to contribute their share also to the cost of the event. An Appeals Fund is to be opened at once and plans are already in hand for launching several projects for raising funds.

The E.T.T.A. is to be congratulated on its



THIS is how the new Crystal Palace Sports Centre will look when completed towards the end of next year and ready for the European Championships of 1964.

The indoor Arena and Swimming Pool are seen on the left of the picture, with the magnificent football ground and athletic track behind. In the right foreground can be seen the hostel, which will be able to house the competitors on the site, without the necessity of long travelling.

initiative in undertaking to stage the European Championships and its foresightedness in selecting the venue: in particular, Secretary Peter Lowen is to be commended on the tenacity with which he pursued negotiations without which the Association would have been unable to accept the honour of staging the event.

That much hard work lies ahead is not to be denied: nor is the fact that the E.T.T.A. has accepted a challenge—the staging of the European Championships for the first time in England—which will provide just the boost the game requires throughout the country.

BILL VINT STANDS DOWN

A. K. ("Bill") Vint, who has given over 30 years of administrative service to the E.T.T.A. has announced he will not be standing for re-election as Chairman at the annual meeting.

In the light of increasing business commitments,

he feels the time has now come to stand aside and make way for new blood.

Bill Vint, who received the O.B.E. for his services to sport in 1957, succeeded the Hon. Ivor Montagu as Chairman of the E.T.T.A. in 1958, stepping up from the Hon. Treasurership, which he had held since 1931. For a good many years he combined the office of Hon. Secretary with that of Hon. Treasurer.

A great diplomat, Bill Vint will be sadly missed from the Council Chamber for he has helped steer the association through some sticky times, with his calm and serene temperament.

However, Bill Vint will not be lost to the game altogether. He plans to carry on as Hon. Treasurer of the International Federation and this will keep one leg in the camp, as it were. So, English Table Tennis will always have him on call when they need his valuable advice.

It is regretted that due to pressure of space several letters and articles have to be held over until next month.

Harrison Shines Against Holland

by **RON CRAYDON**

THERE can be very few more beautiful towns than Valkenburg, picturesque tourist resort in the southern tip of Holland. This beauty spot with its slopes carpeted in snow and its clean and tidy streets artistically planned, resembled more an Alpine village than a centre for a table tennis international. It was, however, the spot chosen for the England v Holland fixture and a wise choice it turned out to be.

An audience of approximately 500, plus the local military band numbering 40 strong, filled the Scala hall to welcome the teams and applaud their play. England, represented by Harrison and Rhodes, were the undoubted favourites although the popular Dutch team of Onnes and Schoofs have, over the past two or three years, gained some fine wins on the the European tournament circuit. From the outset it as a tense and exciting tussle and we were pleased to gain a 3-2 victory. The opening set was between

Rhodes and Schoofs and had it been a boxing match the result must have been a draw, as it was, Schoofs got home deuce in the fifth. Alan Rhodes must have felt rather dejected having played and fought so well for so long, but later he turned up trumps in the men's doubles which was of such vital importance.

Unquestionably this was Harrison's match and I am sure he will always remember with much satisfaction his visit to Valkenburg. He put England on level terms by controlling the bursts of two wing hitting, which his opponent Onnes can turn on so effectively and then joined Rhodes in the doubles to take us into the lead.

SHINING HOUR

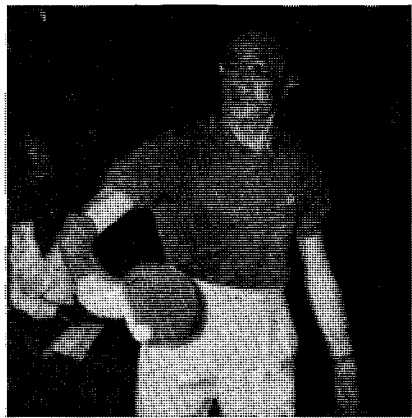
After the interval Harrison had one of his shining hours, beating the resourceful and spirited Schoofs in a splendid encounter.

It has often been said that the

weakest link in Harrison's armour is his temperament. There were no discernible weaknesses on this occasion; he played with much composure and confidence. Hitting with considerable speed and control he left even the agile Dutch boy flat-footed.

Schoofs, however, is one possessed with unquenchable spirit and even though two games down and trailing by five points at the start of the third he would not hear of defeat. With much purpose he fought back to take the third and levelled at 16-all in the fourth. Harrison then showed his merit and with mind and body working in full accord played some glorious shots to give England victory.

Detailed Results (England names first):
Harrison bt Onnes 21-15, 17-21, 21-15, 21-15; bt Schoofs 21-11, 21-19, 16-21, 21-18. Rhodes lost to Onnes 18-21, 15-21, 21-17, 23-25; lost to Schoofs 21-12, 19-21, 16-21, 21-17, 23-25. Rhodes/Harrison bt Onnes/Schoofs 19-21, 22-20, 21-16, 21-17.



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FRED PERRY is known throughout sport as one of the greatest lawn tennis players of the century, but how many realise he was the first Englishman to win the world singles title at table tennis? That was in 1929. Perry has been away from table tennis for some thirty years but paid a return visit when he presented the trophies at the English Open at Brighton. After such a long absence he was asked by the editor to make a comparison between the game of his day and as now played. And Perry says:

THE GAME'S THE SAME

How long have you been out of table tennis?

Since 1932.

That's certainly a long while. What differences do you see in the game after all this time?

I saw the finals of the English in Brighton, but, having studied it for a couple of hours or so, I do not think there is any difference in the present technique from when we were playing. There are, of course, certain obvious differences due to changes in equipment.

With the pimped rubber we used, rallies were of necessity a little slower, because there was a little more spin used in order to lift the ball. We found that the parabola took effect immediately the ball left the racket. With the sandwich rubber used now—a surface I know nothing about—I noticed that the ball, when hit hard, tended to fly for two or

three inches before the parabola took effect.

Obviously if you are using a different type of surface to hit the ball, you must, of necessity, have a little different technique.

Other than that I cannot see where the basic ideas and technique of the game have changed at all. For instance, when I watched Diane Rowe playing, the only difference in her method of play and type of shot were due to the fact that she is left handed. And I always had trouble in hitting a ball left handed.

Basically, however, I would say that she has more or less the same type of game and method of play and technique as we used in the middle thirties. Victor Barna is, I think, of the same opinion as myself, that the technique has not changed.

I did manage to get into a couple of arguments the other night on this particular question. I was told that

there is more counter-hitting than in our time, resulting in the game speeding up considerably. I went down to the side of the table to see for myself and discovered that there were differences.

Then I was informed that in the last few years the net had been lowered by three-quarters of an inch. That is the reason why the game has been speeded up. You have a much lower net to hit the ball over and 3/4 in. in that length of surface is quite a lot.

Naturally, with a lower net you are able to hit better, hit easier and get more speed. The defender is penalised by the loss of height in the net, so that the odds have been swung quite a lot in favour of the hitter.

If you were to raise the net again to what it used to be, then I think the sorbo rubber boys and girls might have a lot more trouble than they bargained for. I am quite sure you have to be a lot more accurate with sandwich than with ordinary pimped rubber and I think the present day players would find a lot of trouble in getting their hits down in time at the old height.

SQUASHY MELON

To me these sandwich and sponge bats are like hitting the ball with a squashy melon. I should be lost by the almost complete absence of sound. And, remember, the sound of the bat hitting the ball is so important in timing. So, I do not think it is so much that the game or techniques have changed: rather, the conditions have altered.

Do you think that the game is more attractive to watch than it was in your day?

That is difficult, because in my day I was a player and the only reason I watched was to study. The main reason I gave up the game was the fact that I always felt you could not be a jack of all trades. You had to be a master of one, if you could.

To come back to your question, I

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Fred Perry examines Ian Harrison's sandwich bat.

KNOW THE N.E.C.

FREDERICK GEORGE MANNOOCH

ONLY the surname will be familiar, for to everyone in table tennis this doyen of the N.E.C. is affectionately known as "Jimmy." A player of inter-league standard some years ago, when he represented Sittingbourne and District, Jimmy now devotes his efforts to administrative work with an energy which amazes the most enthusiastic.

True he is a retired civil servant and a bachelor, but the following list of the posts he holds give some indication of the work he undertakes:

- Member of the N.E.C. since 1947;
- Member of the Rules, Umpires and Referees Committees;
- Member of the English Championships Committee;
- Member of the National County Championships Executive Committee;
- Tournament Secretary of Kent County Association;
- Member of Sittingbourne and District Association Committee.

Jimmy's flair for organisation found him as Secretary of the Sittingbourne League for 28 years and of the Kent Association for 25 and as a member of the County Committee he currently organises the Kent Open



JIMMY MANNOOCH

and Closed Championships, the Kent Junior Open Championships and the Kent Messenger Tournament.

His work does not end there. Convinced that there is no shortage of the right calibre of juniors in sport if only there is someone with the enthusiasm to organise clubs for them, Jimmy formed the Crescent Club, Sittingbourne, in 1954. He reckons that the running of it with the present membership of about 200 (girls only) is almost a full time job, which is hardly surprising considering the increasing number of activities the club covers. An article about the club explaining Jimmy's justifiable pride in it will appear in the May issue.

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would say that it is quite a nice spectacle and I understand that in years gone by thousands were attracted to Wembley. This year they were sold out in Brighton. I think there is a great deal to be said for keeping things in reason. I would rather see a lot of people in a small place than a few people in a big place.

There is a big argument that the game has become less spectacular because it is far too defensive.

I do not think the game is as defensive as it was, because the lowering of the net must have helped the attacker. If you want to give the attacker even more advantage then either lower the net more or lengthen the table. Furthermore, you know, as well as I do, that if you are a hitter you like a heavy ball whereas if you are a defender you like to have a light ball.

Now that you are back in England, can we expect to see you more often at table tennis?

This is my first winter here for some 25 or 26 years and this winter was rather cold. Let's put it this way, I was born and brought up in the game and if I am anywhere where there is any table tennis I will be happy to come along.

SUSSEX CLOSED

ROGER CHANDLER, of Brighton, justified the prediction that he is the most promising player in the county when he won the men's singles and the new intermediate (under 21) singles in the Sussex Closed Championships at the Corn Exchange, Brighton. He beat P. Yates in the final of the senior event, and Graham Whalley another promising teenager in the intermediate.

Entries were up on the previous year, reaching a total of 202, although there was a falling support for the women's events, where the playing standard was also lower.

Brighton were well to the fore, for in addition to Chandler's two titles, Bert Fretwell won the veteran's singles, and the men's doubles with R. Pierce, P. Yates teamed with Mrs. Ann Woodford, of Eastbourne to win the mixed, and Mrs. Price won the veteran women's singles.

Men's Singles: R. CHANDLER (Brighton) bt P. Yates (Brighton) 22-20, 21-16. **Women's Singles:** Mrs. R. WOODFORD (Eastbourne) bt Mrs. V. Gillam (Brighton) 21-15, 21-10.

Men's Doubles: R. PIERCE/B. G. FRETWELL (Brighton) bt W. Page/A. Green (Crawley) 21-17, 17-21, 20-20.

Women's Doubles: J. COLEMAN/M. BEANEY (St. Leonard's) bt Mrs. R. Base/Mrs. C. Lindsley-Leake (Brighton) 21-7, 21-14. **Mixed Doubles:** YATES/Mrs. WOODFORD bt F. Gillam/Mrs. Gillam 21-14, 21-15.

Intermediate Men's Singles: CHANDLER bt G. Whalley (Crawley) 16-21, 21-10, 21-19. **Veteran Men's Singles:** FRETWELL bt R. Evans (Crawley) 21-8, 21-15.

Veteran Women's Singles: Mrs. V. PRICE (Brighton) bt Mrs. Bass 21-8, 21-10.

TWO TITLES FOR MIDDLESEX

MAIN event in Middlesex recently was the win over Warwickshire which has clinched certain of the Premier Division of the National County Championships for the 13th time out of 15. Brian Wright, the success of the season—lost his first county match to Gunnion of Warwickshire, but finishes with nine wins out of ten

The Bernard Crouch team finished up with a win over Essex by 7-2 thus finishing top with six out of six. The policy of using young players has again paid off. Michael Creamer at 23 was the oldest member of the team.

The Junior County side just failed to win the southern division when they lost to Essex 4-6. A draw would have given the division to us on average. Good luck to Essex in the play-offs, if any.

MIDDLESEX CLOSED

Alan Rhodes won the Men's Singles title for the fourth time. In the six previous years a different player had won each year. Jackie Butcher won the Women's title for the first time. Brian Wright won both Doubles events. Arun Khanna was the shock player. He beat the holder, Laurie Landry, Stan Jacobson and Dennis Applebee. Applebee had

beaten Thornhill who earlier beat David Creamer.

Men's Singles: A. RHODES bt A. Khanna 21-13, 14-21, 21-15. **Women's Singles:** J. BUTCHER bt M. Fry 22-20, 22-20.

Men's Doubles: B. WRIGHT / D. BURRIDGE bt Rhodes/L. Landry 14-21, 21-14, 21-18. **Women's Doubles:** BUTCHER/J. ABRAHAM bt S. Spielberg/J. Lodge 21-11, 21-18. **Mixed Doubles:** WRIGHT/I. OGUS bt M. Creamer/M. Hicks 21-7, 21-14.

Boy's Singles: I. GILES bt A. Robinson 21-17, 21-19. **Girl's Singles:** P. VENUS bt S. Light 21-14, 14-21, 21-14.

WILLESDEN CLOSED

Brian Wright retained his title against a strong entry. He beat David Creamer in the final. Creamer had beaten Laurie Landry and Arun Khanna. Khanna beat Michael Creamer. Jackie Butcher took three titles.

Men's Singles: B. WRIGHT bt D. Creamer 21-18, 21-18. **Women's Singles:** J. BUTCHER bt A. Taft 21-14, 14-21, 21-19.

Men's Doubles: M. CREAMER/D. WALL bt L. Landry/Wright 22-20, 19-21, 21-18. **Women's Doubles:** BUTCHER/TAFT bt S. Light/V. Lucas 21-17, 21-14. **Mixed Doubles:** LANDRY/BUTCHER bt M. Creamer/Taft 15-21, 21-18, 21-18.

Boys' Singles: WRIGHT, walk-over; D. Offenbach injured.

JOHN CORSER PUTS

Zoltan Berczik under the Microscope

ZOLTAN BERCIK burst into the limelight in 1956 when his devastating chop defence made him almost unbeatable in Europe. Before the Japan-Hungary Swaythling Cup match in Stockholm in 1957 the Central European players said that the Japanese would not be able to lift his chop. As everyone now knows he was beaten first by Ogimura and then by Tanaka in that match, and subsequent matches proved that, although Berczik was supreme among classic style players, the best penholders were too quick for him.

In the last two years Berczik has steadily improved his attack and it is interesting now to analyse the present game of this 24-year-old Hungarian.

Berczik is about six feet tall with massive rather rounded shoulders, a shock of fair hair and a ready smile when he is not playing. He moves with an ambling gait and carries a duffle bag almost everywhere.

His famous chop is produced with his wrist cocked on both wings—on the backhand his elbow is held high and well forward—and although he appears to have a pronounced wrist action, much of the severe movement of the bat is achieved by twisting the forearm.

MODEL OF ECONOMY

The mechanics of his defence are a model of economy and efficiency. Not the least of his defensive qualities, however, are his tremendous concentration and alertness. While pushing, which he does in characteristic sponge fashion with his bat horizontal, his feet are constantly moving in a rhythmic pattern, which permits him to break off suddenly in any direction with lightning rapidity.

It is inevitable that his game should be compared with that of Richard Bergmann, but apart from the fact that they are both primarily defensive there are not many similarities. They have in common fantastic determination and a hatred of being beaten.

Berczik has not the anticipation of Bergmann, who always seemed to be on his way before anyone else had seen which way the ball was going. Berczik seems to start moving long after his opponent has hit the ball, but he compensates for this by tremendous speed—he bursts into action like a cat pouncing on a mouse.

Because of this late movement he is more vulnerable than Bergmann but his vicious spin can be almost unplayable so that most of his opponents are never in a position to take advantage of this.

Many players, who would have



ZOLTAN BERCIK

made a show against Bergmann, are reduced to impotence by the weight of chop. In short, whereas Bergmann allowed his opponents to hit and defied them to pass him, Berczik's tactics are to try to prevent any worthwhile attack being started. Unquestionably these are the only defensive methods which can succeed today against sponge.

In attack the Hungarian has something of the philosophy of Bergmann in that, once he has decided to hit, he throws himself wholeheartedly into each drive. Sometimes in his ferocious attacks it seems he is going to launch himself over the net as well as the ball. He recognises that to attack is to take a risk and to do this without a good chance of winning the point is getting the worst of both worlds. Several times at

the English Open this year he used a combination of hits instead of single opportunist efforts.

The latest addition to his game is the loop-drive, which he uses with considerable variation of spin. This seems to fit into his game well for he is merciless with a loose ball on either wing.

For a big man he switches from defence to attack and back with amazing speed and agility. His summary despatch from a defensive position of even the most unexpected sitter puts great pressure on his opponents. However it remains to be seen whether his co-ordination in attack will be sufficiently good to beat the Asian players in 1963.

He puts so much body movement into attack that his weight must tell against him, but there is no doubt that his game has improved technically since last year. He has a wonderful fighting approach and it is certain that whatever his technical limitations anyone who beats him will need a very similar determination.

KENT LOOK BACK

AT this time of the year it is not a bad idea to look back and see what has been accomplished throughout the county. The Premier team has not been so successful as last year but matches have been close and with a little more luck Kent could have finished in a higher position.

Although the Under-23 team has not been very successful as far as results are concerned it has provided valuable intermediate experience which will probably be an important factor when considering candidates for the Premier team in the future.

It has been a good year for the Juniors and the future looks bright, with Kent number one boy, Graham French, still available next season and an increasing number of new prospects. Kay Stokes has been playing very well and has now graduated to the Under-23 team where she will gain experience for the future.

The *Kent Messenger* competition has once again been a great success with entries greatly improved in quality over last season. The finals have not been played at the time of going to press but should create an even wider interest in the competition.

Entries for the President's Shield and the Teresa Holmes competitions are double those of last season, largely due to the hard work put in by Geoff Murray.

Mike Grady.

EAGLE/GIRL TOURNAMENTBy **KENNETH WHEELER****ALL SET FOR THE FINALS**

IT'S London v. The Rest for this year's Grand Finals of the Eagle/Girl Championships, and the two girls from the North and the two Scottish boys will need to be in cracking form to prevent the Cockney kids from making a clean sweep of the trophies.

The finals take place at the Guinness Sports Centre, Park Royal, from 3.30 p.m., on Wednesday, April 18, and they are to be televised by Independent Television.

Rosy Future for Lanes

THIS has been a memorable season for Lancashire and prospects for the future would appear just about as rosy as one could wish. Figuring prominently in the National County Championships, the red rose representation has bowed the knee only to Middlesex.

Diane Fitzgerald's success over the far more experienced Pam Mortimer in the Warwickshire encounter is in keeping with the general trend of events in the county palatine.

Another young player desperately anxious to break into the county team is Mike Symonds, winner of two senior and five junior open singles titles this season. Mike has a local bogey man though in Kevin Forshaw, now established in the county side to the exclusion of Ron Allcock—himself far from a spent force.

Hopes of Lancashire running a second senior team in the N.C.C. may well materialise consequent upon the outcome of treasurer Tom Robinson's financial probe into the possibility. Such intermediates as Symonds, not a junior next season, Gordon Beardsworth, Roy Crus-ham, Bryn Farnworth, Jack Keogh, George Livesey and Peter Walmsley would not then be excluded from a higher strata their play warrants.

Wishes are for a speedy recovery for former Macclesfield and Cheshire county player, John Worsley, now in Baguley Hospital, near Manchester, with lung trouble.

Lorna Antrobus (née Bown) has resumed her former activities in the Stockport League and could well make a come back to team up with Diane Wright and Doreen Schofield, making a formidable ladies team in the Lancashire and Cheshire League.

Taking up residence in Blackpool, Fred and Ivy Kershaw (née Haney) may well opt for inter-league selection by the seaside league next term. Both have assisted Preston this season, the men's team being due for promotion to the second division.

George R. Yates.

Here is the draw: **EAGLE**, under 15: **CHESTER BARNES** (Forest Gate) v **JOHN REILLY** (Glasgow). **EAGLE**, under 13: **DEREK CORBETT** (London) v **WILLIE GIBBS** (Edinburgh). **GIRL**, under 15: **LESLEY BELL** (London) v **PAT DAINTY** (Doncaster). **GIRL**, under 13: **LINDA HENWOOD** (London) v **MARGARET COLE** (Tyne Dock Youth).

Past winners of the **GIRL** title like Jean Harrower and Mary Shannon have subsequently achieved Senior International rank, but this time in Lesley Bell we have a challenger for the top schoolgirl award who will already have represented her country in the European Championships.

Even so, ebullient Miss Dainty has beaten Lesley before, and could do so again.

The Doncaster girl was our under-13 champion of 1960-61, whereas Lesley Bell's past record in this event indicates that she is far more confident in senior play than when opposing girls of her own age.

A surprising, but deserving winner

of the Northern final against Dundee's Wilma Nixon, Margaret Cole of County Durham makes up for lack of experience with fighting spirit. Throughout the tournament she has figured in a series of breathtaking struggles, emerging each time the victor. Whether she can withstand the dynamic onslaughts of little Linda Henwood remains to be seen.

It will take all of Willie Gibbs' hitting power to penetrate the steady defence of Derek Corbett, who will not be slow to counter-attack.

Perhaps the most intriguing of all the finals will be that between the Bergmann-like Chester Barnes and John Reilly, a tall, dark haired youngster from Glasgow, who moves with pantherlike grace and cracks the ball very hard from either wing. Whatever its result, this match should provide viewers with spectacular television.

However well Pat Dainty succeeds, Doncaster Youth (with 390 points) still cannot overhaul Wymondham School (420 points) for the honour of being "Top Team in Britain." The Norfolk school have thus won two table tennis tables this season, the first one with 893 points in the Southern Region. A consolation for the Doncaster Club is that they have once again captured the Northern Region award.

DIMASCIO WINS WELSH CLOSED

MORE than a few "apple carts" were upset in the Welsh Closed at Llandaff North Drill Hall on March 10 when Bernard Dimascio and Audrey Bates carried off the singles titles.

Dimascio, who has been out of representative matches this season, played relaxed and fluent in his best style, beating Colin Thomas, Alan Thomas, and Brian Everson (semi-final) to face Emil Emezc in the final. This proved a tense affair with Dimascio eventually winning 23-21, 18-21, 21-10.

Elizabeth Gray, of Newport, was busy handing out the shocks in the women's singles, her quick-fire hitting upsetting Sandra Morgan, then Betty Gray, the defending title holder, in the semi-final, only to be stopped by Audrey Bates in the final after winning the first game.

Elizabeth Gray did not restrict her giant killing to the singles, for she partnered Stella Jones to beat Miss Bates and Betty Gray in the women's in the semi-final then lost to Miss Phillips and Miss Morgan.

George Evans and Ron Davies retained the men's doubles title, while Miss Bates teamed up with Glyn Morgan to win the mixed.

WELSH CLOSED

Men's Singles: D. DIMASCIO bt E. Emezc 23-21 18-21, 21-10.

Women's Singles: A. BATES bt E. Gray 2 games to 1.

Men's Doubles: G. EVANS/R. DAVIES bt B. Everson/E. Dimascio 13-21, 21-10, 21-14

Women's Doubles: M. PHILLIPS/S. MORGAN bt E. Gray/S. Jones 23-21, 22-20.

Mixed Doubles: G. MORGAN / Miss BATES bt G. Evans/Miss S. Morgan 17-21, 23-21, 21-19.

Boys' Singles: J. MANSFIELD bt G. Cogbill.

Girls' Singles: S. HINLEY bt C. Joseph.

Alan Thomas and Audrey Bates each won two titles in the Milford Haven tournament, where the local refinery offered good facilities although "all round" windows made things a bit difficult during the day.

Thomas beat Johnny Mansfield in the singles final then partnered Shirley Sturgess to win the mixed, beating George Davies and Margaret Phillips in the final.

The women's singles provided yet another great battle between Miss Bates and her great rival Betty Gray.

Miss Bates and Miss Gray joined forces to win the women's doubles, beating Miss Sturgess and Pam Raisu-bury 21-12, 21-18.

HILL SWEEPS BOARD

FRESH from his triumph in winning the junior boys singles in the English Open, **BRIAN HILL** swept the board in the Lincolnshire Closed at Skegness on February 25. He was an easy winner in the boys' singles, and also had little difficulty in the men's singles.

In the mixed doubles he had a fight in the first game but he and Wendy Eanor emerged the winners 25-23 and in the second game the issue was never in doubt.

Partnered by Gary Stanley, his Boston team-mate, he also won the men's doubles. This was a fine achievement for a 17-year-old and showed the tremendous improvement in form since the previous year's championships.

The women's singles was won by Mrs. Wendy Eanor in an excellent final with Connie Moran, with plenty of hard hitting on both sides, and the women's doubles was claimed by a Spalding pair who have not previously reached the heights in Lincolnshire table tennis, Mary James and Jean White.

Men's Singles: Semi-Finals: B. HILL (Boston) bt B. Griffiths (Scunthorpe) 21-13, 21-11; M. SHEADER (Grimsby) bt J. Radley (Lincoln) 21-16, 21-16.

Final: HILL bt Sheader 21-9, 21-14.

Women's Singles: Semi-Final: Mrs. W. EANOR bt D. Larrington (Boston) 21-15, 21-13; Mrs. C. MORAN (Grimsby) bt Mrs. M. Maxted (Gy) 15-21, 23-21, 21-12.

Final: EANOR bt Moran 22-20, 21-13.

Boys' Singles: Semi-Finals: W. A. HANCE (Stamford) bt P. Metcalfe (Boston) 21-23, 21-13, 21-16; HILL bt O. Hood (Scunthorpe) 21-6, 21-14.

Final: HILL bt Hance 21-8, 21-13.

Women's Doubles: Semi-Finals: M. JAMES/J. WHITE (Spalding) bt Mrs. Eanor/P. J. Hale (Gy) 21-17, 19-21, 21-7. Mrs. MORAN/Mrs. P. LAMMIN (Grimsby) bt Larrington/Mrs. M. Watson (Boston) 21-15, 19-21, 21-12.

Final: JAMES/WHITE bt Moran/Lammin 12-21, 21-18, 21-16.

Mixed Doubles: Semi-Finals: G. STANLEY/Mrs. MORAN bt M. Sheader/Mrs. P. Chadwick 21-12, 21-18; HILL/Mrs. EANOR bt K. James (Lincoln) and Miss Hale 21-14, 21-10.

Final: HILL/Mrs. EANOR bt Stanley/Mrs. Moran 25-23, 21-10.

Men's Doubles: Semi-Finals: M. SHEADER/D. SMITH (Grimsby) bt P. Wiseman/S. Bell 21-15, 21-13; HILL/STANLEY bt B. Finneran/W. Moran (both Grimsby) 22-24, 21-13, 21-10.

Final: HILL/STANLEY bt Sheader/Smith 21-13, 21-19.

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YORKSHIRE NOTES

Double for Huddersfield

IN their latest effort to pull in a few more spectators Yorkshire had two posters outside the hall for a week before the Gloucestershire match. One featured a photograph of the visitors' No. 1 and was captioned: "IAN HARRISON, TOP ENGLAND PLAYER, WILL BE HERE ON SATURDAY."

A supplementary feature of the match to commemorate 60 years of table tennis at Bradford Mechanics' Institute was a display of photographs. Mrs. Aranka Forrest supplied pictures dating back to 1927 and the local newspaper lent photographs of post-war personalities.

The match was watched by 175. Partisanship apart, it is a shame that a county which can pull in so many customers is to be relegated.

Huddersfield became the first centre to capture both men's and women's inter-league titles in the same season since Leeds in 1951. Last year they took the women's and youths' sections. The women held Leeds to a draw and that was the only point they dropped.

The men overcame Doncaster 7-3 in the deciding match, Dyson, Hinchliff and Beaumont each winning two. Doncaster, who are likely to supply the nucleus of the next Yorkshire team, were runners-up and a late burst by Bradford gave them third place, after a thrilling recovery at Sheffield. They pulled back from 0-5 to 5-5 when Terry Miller beat Derek Marples 24-22 in the third game of the last set.

Harrogate, where 16-year-old Eric Hall

became the youngest local champion, won Division Three and the new Division Four went to Barnsley "C." By heading the women's Second Division, York are promoted for the first time since they were relegated in 1956.

Francis Gregoire became the first player to win the York Closed men's singles three seasons running when he beat David Lamb 21-13, 24-22. Jack Senescall missed reaching the semi-finals for the first time in 12 years when George Psorakis put him out in the quarters.

He and John Lyon beat Gregoire and Clive Pollard in the men's doubles final, however, and his wife Betty defeated Irene Pollard to take the women's crown and won the doubles with Pat Houldsworth. Irene and Clive took the mixed and Norman Thorn was the youths' champion.

Malcolm Hartley.

HUDDERSFIELD CLOSED RESULTS

Men's Singles: Semi-Finals: S. DYSON bt D. Stanley 21-11, 21-9. R. HINCHLIFF bt D. A. Hirst 21-16, 25-23.

Final: HINCHLIFFE bt Dyson 12-21, 21-12, 21-5.

Women's Singles: Final: Mrs M. DYSON bt F. Kiteley 21-19, 21-19.

Men's Doubles: HINCHLIFF/R. HIRST bt Dyson/J. Beaumont 24-22, 21-16.

Women's Doubles: DYSON/M. SCARAMUZZA bt Kiteley/Mrs. M. Priestley 21-12, 21-16. **Mixed Doubles:** DYSON / Mrs. DYSON bt Hirst/Miss Kiteley 21-15, 21-23, 22-20.

Youth's Singles: STANLEY bt M. Hancock 21-11, 21-12.



Prizewinners at the HUDDERSFIELD CLOSED. Top L to R : D. Hirst, S. Dyson, D. Stanley, R. Hinchliff. Bottom L to R : Mrs. Dyson, M. Scaramuzza, F. Kiteley.

VICTOR BARNA pays tribute to

MICHAEL SZABADOS

ON February 13 I received one of the greatest shocks of my life. A News Agency phoned me to say that my friend and partner, Michael Szabados, had died the day before. It was a shock, not only because he was a childhood friend, but also because the news was so unexpected. Only a few days before he wrote to me giving no indication whatsoever of any illness.

Mike and I played table tennis from the age of 13. We started to play the game at the same time and entered our first tournament together. From then on we played in every tournament it was possible to play. He became my greatest rival and friend; we toured and practically lived together for many years.

To many of our younger players the name of Michael Szabados may mean very little, but those who followed the game before the war will remember him very well. His record speaks for itself; his game was attractive, interesting, in many ways resembling that of Richard Bergmann's—and like Richard he was a player most difficult to beat.

THREE MUSKETEERS

Before the war Mike, Laci Bellak and myself used to tour England regularly year after year to popularise the game—to show that it is a sport. We became known as "The Three Musketeers."

Those were different days, for table tennis was not well known. Most people knew it as ping-pong and we made it our duty to prove that it was not "ping-pong" but a sport of stamina, of skill, requiring speed, technique and other qualities.

Without being boastful I think those tours contributed a great deal to the rapid development of table tennis in the mid-thirties.

Bellak was the acrobat, the comic, the juggler who could do everything with the ball. I had my so called "backhand flick" but I consider the greatest contribution towards the success of our exhibitions was made by Mike whose main strength lay in his defence.

Although we were great rivals, and many a time he could have beaten

us by a defensive game, he preferred to open up and thereby make it easier for Bellak and myself to give our best. He has done this, in spite of the fact that all day we argued vehemently—as silly young boys do—as to who was the better player. "Winning" was the most important thing to us—yet he willingly sacrificed himself so that the people who came to see us should enjoy the game.

Mike won the World Championships in 1931 and twice he was



MIKE SZABADOS

runner-up. Besides collecting three mixed doubles titles we won the World Doubles no fewer than six times. With the possible exception of the Rowe Twins I don't think anybody understood each other as well as we did.

Our greatest match was the final of the 1935 World Singles when we met before the first ever 10,000 capacity crowd at Wembley. In the first game Mike crashed through the barrier and had to receive first aid attention. Then, in the fifth game at 18-all, I had cramp in my hand and the game was stopped.

In 1937 Mike went to Australia and he liked the country so much that he decided to stay there. He

never came back, although many times he promised to pay a visit to Europe to see his old friends.

Last time I met him was in 1949 when I toured Australia. He was the same as before; gay, jovial, full of fun—seldom serious. After saying "hello" we sat down to continue to play our favourite card game "Selotte." He loved playing cards and was a first class bridge player.

In Australia Mike carried on fostering table tennis. He gave a lot of help to the youngsters and played exhibition—up to the time of his death.

When I went to Peking last year, the Australian players told me that Mike had had a heart attack and naturally I was rather worried. However, it seemed he made a complete recovery for he was touring, playing exhibitions again as recently as Christmas.

SPORTING BEHAVIOUR

Mike had a first class forehand attack, a very good half volley and an indomitable fighting spirit. But, to me and many of our contemporaries, the one thing we will always remember is his sporting behaviour. He never complained if the umpire made a gross mistake—even if the World title depended on it. He would go on playing as though nothing had happened. I wish that there were more people who had this same approach to the game and followed his example of how to behave at the table.

Mike had the most placid temper and would never argue. It was always a pleasure to go around with him for he was pleasant and created a happy atmosphere.

I could tell lots of stories—anecdotes—about Mike, but really and truly I am so shocked at his untimely death at the age of 49 that I don't feel like telling any just now.

ENGAGED

ELIZABETH THORRSON, the former Swedish women's champion and one of the most attractive players ever to have taken part in the English Open, has announced her engagement to **Jan Eric Lundquist**, Sweden's top lawn tennis player.

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COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS ROUND UP

by FRANK BATEMAN

MIDDLESEX CHAMPIONS FOR 13th TIME

DI ROWE LOSES RECORD

WELL done Middlesex . . . champions once again!

The title was clinched when they beat Warwickshire 6-3 at Finchley and it represents their 13th win out of 15. Moreover, they have gone through the season unbeaten with a games aggregate of 48-15.

However, Middlesex suffered a few upsets from Warwickshire's Derek Baddeley in their final match. He beat both Stan Jacobson and Alan Rhodes, who had just returned from international duty in Holland.

Then young Brian Wright lost his 100 per cent. record when he went down to Ralph Gunnion, who marked up Warwickshire's other win.

Earlier in the month Middlesex beat Surrey 7-2 at Guildford and the highlight here was Mary Shannon's win over Diane Rowe.

It was Di's first defeat by a home player, and, I believe, her first defeat in the County Championship since she lost to Yvonne Baker in December, 1958.

Without detracting from Mary's wonderful performance it must be pointed out that Di had her left arm heavily bandaged following a fall earlier in the week.

Surrey's men were no match for Middlesex and only Tony Miller registered a win.

Yorkshire's 3-6 home defeat by Gloucestershire sends them down to the Second Division. However, they are not unduly worried for young-

sters Peter Duncombe (aged 19) and Cynthia Blackshaw (18) were the two players to win sets, which augurs well for the future.

Joyce Fielder was the star of Kent's 6-3 win over Hertfordshire, beating Judy Williams 21-14 in the third. Hertfordshire missed John Hunt, who was ill. Kent's Tony Pidcock was beaten by Terry Densham, who was unbeaten for Hertfordshire, winning both singles and the mixed doubles with Miss Williams.

CRUCIAL MIXED

The mixed doubles was the crucial set of Kent's 4-5 defeat by Surrey. Ken Jarvis and Joyce Fielder were 20-18 up in the second one to lose it at 21-23 to Michael Maclaren and Mary Shannon, who went on to win the third.

Henry Buist played well to beat both Joe Somogyi and Tony Miller.

Lancashire had a 4-1 lead reduced to 4-3 and almost 4-all in their match against Warwickshire, when Gallacher took the first game against Clayton and reached 19-all in the second. Clayton pulled through and won the final game comfortably 21-12.

Young Diane Fitzgerald played extremely well to beat Pam Mortimer.

"Practice what you Preach." That is just what the popular Bobby Stevens of Essex does. He wrote an article in the magazine about physical

fitness and he put it into practice when Essex defeated Hampshire 10-0 at Southampton.

The spectators, who had come from all over the county, were delighted to watch the speed in which he gets into position for every shot.

The match was closer than the scores suggest for Roy Henderson put up a great fight against Brian Brumwell, while Sheila Foster had Lesley Bell in trouble with her strong forehand drives. The Essex girl eventually won 21-14 in the third.

Nearly 100 spectators turned up to see Glamorgan defeat Oxford at Witney Town Hall. Lloyd won both singles for Oxford who are already benefiting from the higher standard of the Second Division.

WINNING DEBUT

The outstanding player in Yorkshire's Second Division match with Durham was young David Stanley, making his county senior debut. His brilliant retrieving play gave him wins over both Denis Neale and Eddie Taylor. Mike Dainty's 26-24, 16-21, 23-21 win over Wilf Barber in the final set was a thriller.

By drawing with Surrey 5-5, Hampshire win the Junior Division South. It is the first time that Hampshire have entered a junior team, which makes their achievement even more praiseworthy. The Holes twins have been a tower of strength.

One set which went against the form book was hard hitting Peter Scott's 17-21, 21-16, 21-14 win over England-ranked Bob McKewon.

A postal mishap caused D. Pettit, the reserve, to play instead of R. Pettit in Junior Division South match against Kent. Nevertheless, he won his opening singles and the mixed doubles with Miss Oliver. The Kent team played a little below their best. The Moore-French encounter was the best match.

Cambridgeshire juniors were outclassed by Hertfordshire, failing to win a set. However, they fought hard and Mr. Rogerson, the Cambridgeshire President sportingly said afterwards "The result in no way flattered Hertfordshire, who were great in every department."

After defeating Suffolk 10-0 Middlesex entertained Essex, knowing they were level on points but one game better on average. But the average never came into it for Essex won

LESLIE FORREST MEMORIAL TROPHY

THE FIRST WINNER

THE first winner of the Leslie Forrest Memorial Trophy is Surrey's popular treasurer/match secretary FRED JOYCE, who was presented with the award at the Surrey-Middlesex Premier Division match at Guildford by the donor Mr. John Jaques.

Joyce began his administrative work in table tennis in 1927 when he founded his first club and became its secretary, a post he held until 1955.

In 1928 he joined the council of the London League and served on this body as a sectional secretary until shortly before the war. During this time he helped to form the Surrey League.

On returning from the forces in 1945 Joyce founded the Wandsworth League and served as secretary, later as chairman and is now President.

A year later Joyce took part in the foundation of the present Surrey Association and, as its treasurer and match secretary, is the longest established member of the existing committee. He now lives in Crawley and is chairman of the local league.

A keen player of some ability Fred Joyce, like Leslie Forrest has tried throughout his table tennis life to put back into the game as much, and more than he has taken from it.

FRANK BATEMAN

6-4 to take the Junior East Division.

The match proved a thriller with Middlesex taking a 2-0 lead then being pulled back to 2-all, after which there was never more than a game in it until Chester Barnes clinched the issue with a 21-9, 21-8 win over Ian Giles.

Middlesex introduced Les Gress-

well to partner Tony Robinson in the boys doubles after his good performance in the English closed, and the experiment paid off for they beat Barnes and Danny Pryor 21-19, 21-17.

Gloucester turned the tables on Warwickshire when they won the return match in the Junior Midland section and now need a 10-0 win over

Staffordshire to win this closely-fought division.

Gloucestershire had previously beaten Oxford, whose only winner was Miss Daniels.

Next month we shall be publishing the county averages and I would be grateful if counties will co-operate by forwarding their averages as a check.

DIVISIONAL TABLES

PREMIER DIVISION

	P.	W.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Middlesex	7	7	0	48	15	14
Lancashire	6	5	1	33	21	10
Surrey	7	5	2	37	26	10
Gloucestershire	7	4	3	28	35	8
Kent	6	3	3	28	26	6
Warwickshire	7	2	5	29	34	4
Yorkshire	7	1	6	21	42	2
Hertfordshire	7	0	7	19	44	0

DIVISION II (SOUTH)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Essex	4	4	0	0	35	5	8
Sussex	4	3	0	1	24	16	6
Hampshire	4	2	0	2	17	23	4
Kent	4	0	1	3	12	28	1
Suffolk	4	0	1	3	12	28	1

DIVISION II (MIDLAND)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Glamorgan	3	3	0	0	26	4	6
Staffordshire	3	2	0	1	18	12	4
Oxfordshire	4	1	1	2	17	23	3
Worcestershire	4	1	1	2	14	26	3
Bedfordshire	4	1	0	3	15	25	2

DIVISION II (NORTH)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Yorkshire	3	3	0	0	22	8	6
Cheshire	3	2	0	1	20	10	4
Lincolnshire	4	2	0	2	24	16	4
Durham	4	2	0	2	21	19	4
Northumberland	4	0	0	4	3	37	0

DIVISION II (W)

(Final table)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Devon	4	3	0	1	22	18	6
Cornwall	4	1	3	0	25	15	5
Somerset	4	1	1	2	18	22	3
Wiltshire	4	1	1	2	18	22	3
Dorset	4	1	1	2	17	23	3

MIDLAND DIVISION

(Final table)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Warwickshire	6	6	0	0	41	19	12
Nottinghamshire	6	3	1	2	30	7	5
Staffordshire	6	2	1	3	28	32	7
Derbyshire	6	0	0	6	21	39	0

SOUTHERN DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Cambridgeshire	4	3	0	1	26	14	6
Hertfordshire	3	2	1	0	17	13	5
Buckinghamshire	4	1	2	1	21	19	4
Worcestershire	3	1	0	2	9	21	2
Norfolk	4	0	1	3	17	23	1

JUNIOR DIVISION (Mid.)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Warwickshire	6	5	0	1	43	17	10
Gloucestershire	5	4	0	1	34	16	8
Staffordshire	5	1	1	3	15	35	3
Oxfordshire	6	0	1	5	18	42	1

JUNIOR DIVISION (IV)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Yorkshire	4	4	0	0	23	9	8
Lancashire	5	3	0	2	25	15	6
Durham	6	3	0	3	24	24	6
Cheshire	4	0	0	4	7	25	0

JUNIOR DIVISION (S)

(Final table)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Hampshire	6	4	2	0	39	21	10
Surrey	6	3	1	2	39	21	7
Kent	6	2	2	2	30	30	6
Sussex	6	0	1	5	12	48	1

JUNIOR DIVISION (E)

(Final table)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Essex	4	4	0	0	31	9	8
Middlesex	4	3	0	1	30	10	6
Hertfordshire	4	2	0	2	27	13	4
Suffolk	4	1	0	3	10	30	2
Cambridgeshire	4	0	0	4	2	38	0

DETAILED RESULTS

PREMIER DIVISION

Surrey 2, Middlesex 7
 A. Miller lost to B. Wright —19, —18; bt S. Jacobson 18, —11, 14. J. Somogyi lost to Jacobson —13, 14, —19; lost to A. Rhodes —13, 12 —18. G. Muranyi lost to Rhodes —16, —17; lost to Wright —23, —13.
 Miss M. Shannon bt Miss D. Rowe 13, —15, 14.
 Somogyi, D. Lowe lost to Rhodes, M. Thornhill —11, 13, —9.
 Muranyi, Miss M. Piper lost to Thornhill, Miss Rowe —23, —12.

Kent 6, Hertfordshire 3
 K. Jarvis bt D. Seaholme 20, 18; bt E. Burr —18, 22, 14. A. Piddock bt Barr 19, 19; lost to J. Densham —10, 20. H. Buist lost to Densham —20, —18, bt Seaholme 11, 11.

Miss J. Fielder bt Miss J. Williams —20, 12, 14.
 Buist, Piddock bt Barr, Seaholme 11, 12. Jarvis, Miss Fielder lost to Densham, Miss Williams —18, 18.

Lancashire 6, Warwickshire 3
 K. Forshaw bt W. Gallagher 15, 18 lost to R. Gunnion 15, —18, —19. J. Ingber bt Gunnion 9, 14 bt D. Baddeley —8, 18, 15. J. Clayton lost to Baddeley —16, —19 bt Gallagher —18, 19, 12.

Miss D. Fitzgerald bt Miss P. Mortimer —12, 15, 18.
 Ingber, R. Allcock bt Gallagher, Gunnion 18, —22, 16.

Allcock, Miss Fitzgerald lost to Baddeley, Miss Mortimer —16, —14.

Yorkshire 3, Gloucestershire 6
 P. Duncombe bt K. Edwards 18, 9 lost to B. Merrett —19, —11. R. Hinchliff lost to Merrett —9, —8, lost to I. Harrison —11, —16. M. Simpson lost to Harrison —8, —5; lost to Edwards 19, —15, —19.
 Miss C. Blackshaw bt Miss P. Taylor 12, 16.

Hinchliff, Simpson lost to Harrison, Edwards —10, 18, —15.
 Duncombe, Miss Blackshaw bt Merrett, Miss Taylor 20, —18, 14.

Kent 4, Surrey 5
 K. Jarvis lost to A. Miller —19, —15; lost to G. Muranyi —14, —15. A. Piddock lost to Muranyi —20, 20, —12; bt J. Somogyi 14, 11. H. Buist bt Somogyi 18, 9, bt Miller 6, 12.

Miss J. Fielder lost to Miss M. Shannon —19, —8.
 Buist, Piddock bt Muranyi, M. Maclaren 14, 15.

Jarvis, Miss Fielder lost to Maclaren, Miss Shannon 19, —21, —17.

Gloucestershire 2, Lancashire 7
 D. Bevan lost to K. Forshaw 19, —20, —11, lost to J. Clayton —18, —20. B. Merrett bt Clayton 12, 11 lost to J. Ingber —18, —16. K. Edwards lost to Ingber —11, —11; lost to Forshaw —14, —18.

Miss P. Taylor lost to Miss D. Fitzgerald —13, —13.
 Merrett, Edwards bt Clayton, Forshaw 16, 19.

Bevan, Miss Taylor lost to Ingber, Miss Fitzgerald —10, 10, —12.

Yorkshire 5, Hertfordshire 4
 M. Dainty bt D. Seaholme 16, 19; bt E. Barr 13, 16. P. Duncombe lost to Barr —16, 15, —21; lost to T. Densham —18, 14, —13. D. McGarry bt Densham 16, —17, 15; bt Seaholme —20, 10, 14.

Miss Blackshaw lost to Miss J. Williams 19, —16, —13.
 Dainty, McGarry bt Barr, Seaholme 11, —13, 9.

Duncombe, Miss Blackshaw lost to Densham, Miss Williams —19, 14, —23.

Middlesex 6, Warwickshire 3
 B. Wright bt W. Gallagher 11, 16, lost to R. Gunnion 16, —15, —17. A. Rhodes bt Gunnion 11, 10, lost to D. Baddeley 8, —18, —12. S. Jacobson lost to Baddeley —17, —18, bt Gallagher 17, 18.

Miss D. Rowe bt Miss P. Mortimer 10, 18.

Rhodes, M. Thornhill bt Gallagher 14, 15.

Thornhill, Miss Rowe bt Baddeley, Miss Mortimer.

Amended result: Warwickshire 5, Yorks-hire 4. (Warwickshire forfeit two sets).

SECOND DIVISION (SOUTH)

Hampshire 0, Essex 10.
 Suffolk 4, Sussex 6.
 Essex 8, Kent 2.

SECOND DIVISION (WEST)

Wiltshire 4, Somerset 6.
 Cornwall 10, Devon 0.
 (by default)
 Somerset 3, Dorset 7.
 Devon 8, Wiltshire 2.

SECOND DIVISION (MIDLAND)

Bedfordshire 3, Staffordshire 7.
 Oxfordshire 2, Glamorgan 8.

SECOND DIVISION (NORTH)

Lincolnshire 10, Northumberland 0.
 Yorkshire 7, Durham 3.

MIDLAND DIVISION

Staffordshire 6, Derbyshire 4.

SOUTHERN DIVISION

Cambridgeshire 9, Worcestershire 1.

JUNIOR DIVISION (MIDLAND)

Oxfordshire 1, Gloucestershire 9.
 Staffordshire 2, Warwickshire 8.
 Oxfordshire 4, Staffordshire 6.
 Gloucestershire 7, Warwickshire 3.

JUNIOR DIVISION (NORTH)

Lancashire 6, Durham 2.
 Cheshire 2, Durham 6.
 Lancashire 7, Cheshire 1.
 Yorkshire 5, Durham 3.

JUNIOR DIVISION (SOUTH)

Hampshire 5, Surrey 5.
 Sussex 5, Kent 5.

JUNIOR DIVISION (EAST)

Suffolk 0, Middlesex 10.
 Cambridgeshire 0, Hertfordshire 10.
 Middlesex 4, Essex 6.

LONDON BUSINESS HOUSES LEAGUE

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RESULTS

Men's Singles: J. T. DENSHAM (holder) bt R. J. McCree 21-14, 21-16. Women's Singles: M. PIPER (holder) bt Mrs. B. Andrews 10-21, 21-16, 21-18.

Men's Doubles: D. C. F. CRISP/R. J. GREGORY bt J. T. Densham/P. Madge (holders) 21-15, 21-10. Women's Doubles: M. BUSBY/M. FRY bt J. L. Coleman/M. Piper (holders) 15-21, 21-10, 21-15. Mixed Doubles: N. WITAM/Mrs. B. ANDREWS bt Mrs. J. Conetta/R. J. Gregory 21-6, 17-21, 21-17.



Diane Rowe, Mary Shannon, Lesley Bell, Alan Rhodes (above), Ian Harrison, Jeff Ingber, Bobby Stevens, (left) — England's team in the



EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

IAN HARRISON and **Diane Rowe** are "old hands" when it comes to the European Championships, and their selection for West Berlin was almost automatic. An England team without the two No. 1's would be unthinkable.

So they have been able to keep up their record of having played in every European Championships since the festival was introduced in 1958 to be held in alternative years to the World Championships.

Alan Rhodes also took part in that first meeting in Budapest but missed Zagreb in 1960 and has been recalled to international duty following his fine form which has won him five open titles this season.

But the remainder of England's team, **Jeff Ingber, Bobby Stevens, Mary Shannon** and **Lesley Bell**, are having their first experience of the "Europeans."

Ingber has represented England in World championships, and this now gives him a complete cycle of table tennis honours.

Stevens has, of course, been around a long time, but for 18-year-old Miss Shannon, and Miss Bell, at 15 the baby of the team, this is the threshold to what could well be careers that could take them to the highest honours.

Miss Bell now shares with Ann Haydon, the distinction of being England's youngest representative at a major championship meeting. Miss Haydon was of similar age when she played in the World Championships in 1954. And like Miss Haydon, whose parents were

both internationals, Miss Bell has a table tennis background. Her mother, Mrs. Brenda Bell, has three times been English women's veterans' champion.

Miss Shannon has made steady progress over the past few years, first through the junior ranks where she was English girls' champion two years ago. Now in her first year as a senior she has climbed into the position of No. 2 behind Diane Rowe.

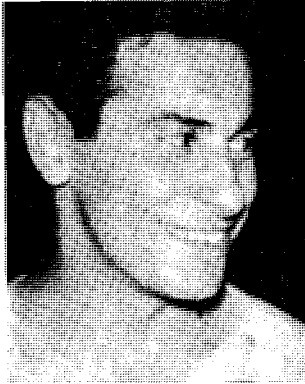
Mary won her first national senior title this season when she partnered Miss Rowe in the doubles at Hastings.

Stevens made his international debut in 1958 but fell out of favour with the advent of sponge and sandwich bats. After standing out against these surfaces he was persuaded to switch to sandwich this year and stepped up to win the English closed championship and return to international play.

Ingber, the only Northerner in the side has also been an England player since 1958 and first played in the world championships the following year. He has been the regular No. 2 behind Harrison since Bryan Merrett, following an operation, had to drop out of the game for a while.

Harrison has been playing for England since 1956 and has been No. 1 or joint No. 1 over the past four seasons. He made his world championship debut in 1957.

An so to the most illustrious member of the team, Diane Rowe, who has played well over a hundred times for England since her debut 12 years ago. She has twice been world doubles champion with twin sister Rosalind, now retired.



ADAMS TAKES OVER

In the absence of Ron Crayden for business reasons LEN ADAMS, 36-year-old Civil Servant from Ealing, took over as non-playing captain of the England team.

Apart from being a member of the Senior Selection Committee he is also a member of the National Coaching Committee.

Married, with one young daughter, Len was a more than ordinary performer at several sports when he decided to concentrate on table tennis. He first came to real notice when he won the men's singles event in the first Daily Mirror Tournament in 1949/50. In the following years he has played in three internationals, represented Middlesex on 65 occasions and has been in many Civil Service representative sides.

His experience and knowledge will be immense value in West Berlin.

The Anonymous Group

OWING to the shortage of space, the announcement about the Guarantee Fund being subscribed by the anonymous group of table tennis enthusiasts had to be curtailed, with the result that a misleading impression may have been conveyed. The group wish to point out that previously there had been no possibility of the E.T.T.A. sending more than the maximum of three men and two women to the European Championships. It is only by raising the £125 that the sending of the extra players has been possible.

Keen that England should have the best possible opportunity of winning the team championships as well as the individual events, the enthusiasts regard it as indispensable to have four men and three women players available for selection. In particular they are mindful of the injury which occurred to Bryan Merrett in Peking which not only weakened the team, but, because of the small number of players available, caused Bryan added pain and discomfort in his efforts to play on in the interest of the team.

The donors are determined that this shall not happen in the 1962 European Championships and anyone wishing to be associated with the endeavour is invited to send a donation, however large or small, to:—

"Anonymous Group,"
c/o E.T.T.A., 652, Grand Buildings, W.C.2.

Leagues and Counties in particular are invited to consider supporting this worthwhile effort.

MY TARGET

by LOUIS HOFFMAN

(Circulation Manager)

ON my travels around the country I have been shocked to discover that such a big percentage of table tennis players, playing an average of once a week or maybe more, do not know how to obtain a copy of TABLE TENNIS or, what is worse, know of its existence.

The players in the lower divisions of various leagues are the ones most affected by the above statement.

On being confronted with a magazine for the first time nine out of ten have bought one and many have taken out a year's subscription. It seems, therefore, that we need either:

- (a) A GREAT DEAL OF PUSH IS NECESSARY BY A PERSON IN EACH AREA; OR
- (b) A SYSTEM OF MAKING PEOPLE MAGAZINE MINDED.

With regards to (a) I have tried to find such people, but the apathy I have come up against is too big a handicap to overcome. Therefore (b) appears to be the answer.

Making players magazine minded can only come about with the co-operation of the various leagues and with this in mind I have had a number of meetings with league committees in the Home Counties.

Copy Per Team

I have outlined a plan of what I would like and asked for criticism. After much debating the following has been suggested for consideration at future A.G.M.'s.

Each team affiliated to a league must between them contribute to a year's subscription to TABLE TENNIS, which will be sent monthly to the team captain.

All profits from the sale of magazines will be credited to the league concerned and with bonus and prize money for the biggest percentage sale. This can be quite substantial over a season.

Chairmen, treasurers, or secretaries of leagues can have a more detailed explanation of the idea on request. Apply to me c/o Walthamstow Press, Guardian House, Forest Road, London, E.17.

I took the idea to the biggest club in North Middlesex, Ellenborough, and spoke to the secretary, Dave Hope, who with ten teams has his work cut out looking after them.

After explaining my idea and answering many questions from Dave I am pleased to say that Ellenborough have now reached MY TARGET of one magazine per team.

Since then I have spoken to Len Howick, one of the committee of English Electric, at Stevenage. He informs me that they run 12 teams and that they buy 12 magazines.

I would like to hear from other clubs that have achieved MY TARGET, or will be doing so in the near future. I would then be able to make a list and publish the names of clubs as the Target is reached.

With an increased sale, your magazine can give you more local news, more overseas news, more prizes in the various competitions, more photos, and more of anything that you think should be included.

I would also welcome any ideas to help boost the circulation.

Great Season for Essex

IT'S back to the Premier Division for Essex next season, unless there are any slips in the play-off matches, which would appear unlikely judging by the way they have dominated the Second Division South.

They have swept through unbeaten and indeed have dropped only five sets in the whole campaign.

And complete a season of triumph the Essex Junior have won the Junior Division East, also with an unbeaten record.

Adding to the honours that have come the county's way Bobby Stevens, who won the English closed championship, and Lesley Bell, English girls champion, have both been selected to represent England in the European Championships in Berlin.

Such have been the successes of the juniors, headed by Chester Barnes and Lesley Bell that Essex have no fears for the future.

George Wenham

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JUNIOR SPOTLIGHT

by BRIAN WRIGHT

YOUNGEST INTERNATIONAL

LESLEY BELL, Romford's 15-year-old schoolgirl, joins Ann Haydon as English youngest ever international for a major championship with selection for the European Championships in West Berlin.

She has done consistently well this season in both junior and senior events and, as to be expected, is England's No. 1 girl.

Well done, Lesley; may this only be the starting point of many big international festivals.

The **Bucks Open** was played under very fast conditions, obviously to the liking of Morley Modceai, who top-spun his way to victory in the boys' singles. The main surprise was his semi-final win over Chester Barnes.

Sammy Ogundipe also had a good tournament, with wins over Peter Williams and Tony Robinson before losing to Mordecai after a really fine battle in which the scores were 23-21, 21-23, 21-11.

There were no surprises in the girls' singles, won by Lesley Bell, who also won the women's doubles with Mrs. Elsie Carrington and reached the final of the mixed doubles with Laurie Landry.

TOO MUCH

The **Sussex Junior Open** was once again a success. Chester Barnes took part in five events and reached the finals of four. But this must have told on him in the end when he lost both the singles and doubles in the under 17's age group, although he won the under 15's equivalent.

Brian Hill won the senior singles despite losing games in the last three rounds.

Jackie Canham certainly sprang some surprises in winning the girls' singles. She beat both Beverley Sayer and Christine Holes.

Beverley got some measure of consolation winning the under 15's singles and doubles with sister Gloria.

Miss Canham partnered Brian Sykes to win the mixed. The Holes twins did not leave empty handed for they retained their doubles title.

Twelve-year-old **Linda Henwood** impressed in winning the under 13's singles, as well as reaching the semi-finals of the under 15's doubles and under 17's mixed.

The shock of the **Stevenage Open** was the men's doubles victory of Brian Hill and Brian Sykes. After

beating fellow juniors Barnes and McKewon in an earlier round they went on to account for the No. 2 seeds Alan Rhodes and Laurie Landry at 17 in each game. In the semi-final they conquered the experience of Harry Venner and Michael Maclaren and followed up with a great three games final win over Terry Densham and Eddie Hodson, who are one of the leading pairs in the country.

Both Brians, however, lost in the boys' singles, Sykes to McKewon,

OVERSEAS NEWS

BERCZIK GETS REVENGE

ZOLTAN BERCZIK had revenge for two previous defeats when he beat Fahazi in the semi-final of the Hungarian Closed Championships in Budapest, then went on to beat Rozsas in the final. In both matches Berczik was 1-2 down, recovering to beat Fahazi -19, 22, -18, 10, 16, and Rozsas -13, 15, -18, 15, 16.

Biro, an 18-year-old, provided major upsets by eliminating both Sido and Harscar before going down to Rozsas.

There was a further decline in the play of Eva Foldi, who went down in a four games semi-final to Mrs. Kerekes, who was in turn beaten 23, -18, 13, 11 by Mrs. Lukacs, the new champion.

Berczik and Peterfy, after losing the first two games, came back to beat Sido and Foldi in the men's doubles final. The women's doubles went to Mrs. Kerekes and Miss Hevesi, while Peterfy and Mrs Foldi combined to win the mixed.

The Hungarian men played second fiddle in the **Rumanian Championships**, being runners-up to Rumania in the team, while Fahazi lost to Negulescu in the singles final, and with Rozsas, to Negulescu and Reti in the men's double final. Hungary did, however, win the women's team title.

TRIBUTE TO THE ESSEX JUNIOR COMMITTEE

A FEW words of appreciation to the Essex Junior Committee.

I am sure no other county can boast of a more hard working committee who give up their time and money to take eight or 10 youngsters to far away county tournaments such as Gloucester, Yorkshire and Cheshire with favourable results.

I am sure much of the success enjoyed by the Essex Juniors is due partly to this thoughtful and cheerful band of fellows.

As a parent of two Essex Juniors my thanks to them.

J. G. SAYER
(Walthamstow)

and Hill to Barnes in the final, which was a reverse of the Sussex Junior Open.

An early shock was the defeat of Morley Mordecai by Leslie Gresswell, who in turn lost to McKewon.

Linda Henwood had a shock win over Pauline Holes in the girls' event. In fact it was a far from happy day for the Holes twins, with Christine losing to Pauline Martin, who had also Pauline Holes in the women's singles.

Miss Martin also caused Lesley Bell a spot of trouble in the semi-final, winning the first game.

Although Beverley Sayer reversed her loss to Jackie Canham the previous week, she could not prevent Miss Bell chalking up her 11th under 17's title of the season.

Commenting in the Hungarian newspapers "Nepzabadsag" Eva Foldi blames the "soft" bat for defeat by Diane Rowe in the English Open. It was her tenth defeat in three months—more than all in the three previous years.

"I could successfully use the soft bat against the quick Asians, but not against the Europeans" says Mrs. Foldi. "My play fluctuated and I lost security as my sharp chops and technique could not prevail."

Now on the advice of Victor Barna, she has returned to pimped rubber.

Elemer Gyetvai, the Hungarian who was runner-up at the first European championships in 1958 has been proving a most successful coach to the Indonesians. Such has been their progress under his guidance that in a Four Nations tournament they beat Philippine's 5-2, Singapore 5-1, and Malaya 5-0, while their women won their matches against the same opposition 3-0, 3-0, and 3-1 respectively.

In the individual events Indonesia took four titles, Lim Hok Liang winning the men's singles and the mixed doubles with Tan Sin Nio, and Mirky Gurmiresmi winning the women's singles and doubles with Tan Sin Nio. Singapore won the men's doubles. In the **Soviet Union Championships** Averin, who will be remembered when he visited here with a Russian team, carried off the triple crown, winning the men's singles, the men's doubles with Novikov, and the mixed doubles with Rudnova.

The sensation of the championships was the women's success of Balaishite, a 14 year-old schoolgirl from Vilnius.

ALBION TABLE TENNIS CLUB
Holiday Training Weeks

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May 26th — June 2nd
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Details from: Mrs. E. Carrington,
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Southampton Dream Realised

THE serious need for table tennis centres has for a longtime been the dream of local associations. This dream, at least with schoolchildren and youth clubs, has now become a reality in Southampton where the local Education Authority and the Table Tennis Association are working together operating such a centre.

The basement of a large school has been renovated, new lighting and three new tables installed besides curtains and accessories.

Courses of eight week duration of two hours sessions three evenings a week commenced in October, 1961,

and well over 100 school-leavers in 14-15 years age group have received basic instruction. Youth clubs receive a more concentrated course one evening a week.

Chief architect of the scheme has been Mr. V. Davies, Southampton Schools Physical Training Officer, who followed up the idea of D. Cartledge, a local school teacher town player.

The smooth running of the centre has been the responsibility of T. W. Grant, Southampton's coach and Registered Player, who has gathered together a keen band of potential coaches including his own son Derek, former English Junior International.

The L.E.A. quickly showed its

appreciation of the scheme by inviting Jack Carrington to visit the centre in February, 1962. The national coach spent an enjoyable and worthwhile week-end with 18 local coaches and pupils, and will be returning to check progress later in the year.

Frequent visitors to the centre are the Holes twins, Christine and Pauline, who give a welcome lead to the children.

Southampton can be justly proud of this venture which, may well promote table tennis to a higher level in the schools and youth clubs and indeed inspire other local education authorities to adopt similar coaching schemes.

HAMPSHIRE CLOSED

THREE FOR SHEILA

FRED BRADLEY had to survive two match points against him in the fourth round before winning the men's singles in the Hampshire Closed at Bournemouth on February 18. The player who came so near to beating him was Barry Abrahams, of the 5705 Club, Bournemouth, who led by a game and 20-18.

Bradley fought back to get the game at 24-22 and after that had no further trouble, going on to beat R. Bassett in straight games in the final.

The first shock of the championships was provided by Pete Dominey with a second round win over Brian Midgley, Hampshire No. 4. Dominey's success was short-lived for he went out in the next round to W. Pryer.

Mrs. Sheila Foster won the women's singles for the 10th successive year with a straight games final win over Mrs. Joyce Coop. She then went on to gain the triple crown, partnering Mrs. Campion to win the women's doubles, and Roy Henderson to take the mixed doubles.

It was Mrs. Coop's misfortune to be on the losing side in all three finals.

In the absence of D. K. Davies and the Hales twins, the junior singles was expected to go to either Scott or Irish, but Derek Holman upset form by beating Irish in the second round, then Scott in the final.

Men's Singles: F. BRADLEY bt R. Bassett 21-19, 21-17. **Women's Singles:** Mrs. S. FOSTER bt Mrs. J. Coop 21-19, 22-20.

Men's Doubles: R. ELLIS/R. BASSETT bt R. Henderson/B. Midgley 21-19, 21-19.

Women's Doubles: Mrs. FOSTER/Mrs. J. CAMPION bt Mrs. J. Coop and Miss Y. Wilson 20-22, 21-8, 21-13. **Mixed Doubles:** R. HENDERSON/Mrs. FOSTER bt C. Bush/Mrs. Coop 21-14, 19-21, 21-10.

Junior Singles: D. HOLMAN bt P. J. Scott 15-21, 21-14, 21-10. **Veteran Singles:** R. J. DALE bt F. J. Saunders 16-21, 21-17, 21-10.



Jack Carrington shows pupils the way at Southampton.

GLoucestershire TITBITS

BRISTOL HAVE THE PAGE CLUB

ALL is reasonably quiet on the Gloucestershire table tennis front with little of a controversial nature to report. So this month "Onlooker" would, if he had the power, award the accolade to Dennis Rowe for his unstinting efforts on behalf of junior table tennis players in the West of England area; particularly in Bristol.

From small beginnings he has developed the Page Junior Table Tennis Club so that it now has an international reputation. Among the many players he was responsible for coaching in their early days are Morley Mordecai and Barry Brady together with the present Bristol men's champion.

His charming wife, "Pat" Rowe, is the secretary of the Gloucestershire Table Tennis Association and has done

some sterling work on behalf of the county. All her many friends in Gloucestershire are hoping that she will continue in this onerous position. Without her invaluable help the county will not be quite the same and if she sticks to her decision to resign at the end of the present season she will be sadly missed. All in Gloucestershire would wish to be associated with me in wishing her every happiness and success in the future.

By the way, Pat informs me that the sale of the TABLE TENNIS magazines in the area is on the increase. Take a bow, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Rowe.

No controversy? Maybe "Onlooker" himself is the subject of controversy and until he is directed he will continue to sign himself—as one who sees most of the game—**"Onlooker."**

THE ENGLISH SYSTEM FOR U.S.A.?

DURING the season I have received news of two National Umpires who have moved out of the E.T.T.A. area but who are both continuing to put into practice principles of umpiring that they learned in this country.

The first is Ron Bacon, formerly of Gloucestershire and now living in Wales, and I understand that he has been appointed to take charge of the T.T.A.W. Umpire's organisation, which is based on the E.T.T.A. pattern.

The second is Cyril Lederman, formerly of Middlesex, who has emigrated to the U.S.A., where he has lost little time in becoming heavily involved in table tennis administration; among his other duties he has been appointed Chairman, Umpires and Referees, for the U.S.T.T.A.

The President of this Association, J. Rufford Harrison, is himself a County Umpire, having obtained this qualification in 1953 when he was studying at London University, and he told me some time ago how his previous attempts to introduce an umpiring organisation based on ours had failed through lack of support and interest from other officials. He is very hopeful that two enthusiasts working together will succeed where one was unsuccessful, and the N.U.R.C. will be keeping closely in touch with the progress of the scheme and giving whatever support and guidance it can.

Cyril mentions that on his first visit to a tournament he was amazed to find that only for the finals matches were umpires appointed, the players keeping the score themselves in the eliminating rounds. I wonder if even the staunchest advocates of the "losing-player umpires" system would subscribe to such an arrangement, although it would certainly ease the problems of many tournament organisers.

There is really nothing to be said for either scheme but expediency, and however much umpires are criticised at times I think that most players would agree that the presence of a qualified official is a definite asset to a match whether it be the first round of the qualifying competition or the final of the tournament.

The essential quality that an umpire can confer on a match is a sense of authority and discipline, in the best sense of the words. He must be

firm and decisive in his control of a match, without, of course, being aggressive and domineering, and must develop that air of quiet self-confidence that will in turn engender the players' confidence in him.

If he makes a decision, which he is sure is correct, he should not allow himself to be swayed by players' protests into changing it. In many sports, especially on the Continent, haranguing the Referee or Umpire is a recognised tactical move, and little respect is accorded to the official who gives way to it.

English football referees are widely respected for their ability to deal with this sort of manoeuvre, and on a smaller scale, I believe that our umpires are similarly highly regarded.

A recent letter reminded me of a

practice which I noticed several times at the English Open, and which seems to be becoming common, that of players catching a ball which they think has touched the net in service, and calling "Let." They are then resentful if the umpire does not agree and awards the point against them.

Unless they are convinced that the umpire is making so many mistakes that they can have no confidence in him, when they should ask for a replacement, I feel that players should "play to the whistle" and accept the umpires control of the game. He in his turn should by his competence justify this respect, and should remember that an occasional wrong decision will do less to diminish his authority than a continual appearance of indecisiveness.

Colin Clemett

THE GAME WILL MISS "ANDY"

THE sudden death on March 6 of Andrew Donaldson brings to a close a chapter in the history of the Sunderland and District Table Tennis Association. As founder of the league in 1910 he established it on such a solid foundation that it has maintained an unbroken existence up to the present date, the only league in England that can claim this record.

In 1921-22 he became the first holder of the English Open Men's Singles Championship and in 1960, in recognition of his lifetime of service to the game he was elected a vice-president of the English Table Tennis Association.

Throughout all these years his interest in the game never waned. His advice was eagerly sought by many of the younger players and generously given.

His work among juniors not only in table tennis, but in cricket and rugby will long be remembered by those who were fortunate enough to come under his guidance.

The Sunderland and District Association owe much to "Andy." The fixture chart which is in use today was his creation.

As secretary for many years he pioneered the game throughout the county and into Yorkshire and Northumberland. He was one of the founders of the English Table Tennis Association in 1921 and though born in Scotland he represented England in international matches in 1923-4 and 1926-27.



ANDREW DONALDSON

Truly a great sportsman his memory will live long as one of the great organisers of the game.

COMPETITION CORNER



HOW MANY BALLS in the Plastic Bag ?

QUIZ

The competitions introduced in last month's issue got away to a flying start. Entries from all over the country, and even one from Belgium, were so encouraging that with this issue we are running two more . . . a simple quiz, which any reader should be able to answer with ease, and Guess the Number of Halex Balls in the bag being held up by Johnny Leach (above).

Prizes, including clothing, bats and balls, will be awarded to the first correct answers opened by the Editor on April 19. The Editor's decision is final and entries on form cut from the magazine should be sent to (COMP. 2), "Table Tennis" c/o Sports Press, 142, Fleet Street, London, E.C.4.

Who was England's first world singles champion?

Who was England's youngest ever player in :

(a) The World Championships

(b) The European Championships

Who was the first English Open Champion

How Many Times have Middlesex won the County Championship

Who are the closed champions of England, Wales and Hungary?

England,

Wales,

Hungary,

Name :

Address :

League :

Winners of last month's Competition

JUMBLED NAMES (Barna, Bergmann, Feldi, Harrison, Ogimura, Rowe, Simon, Ehrlich, Reisman).

R. Sleeman, 18, Warwberry Road, West, Ellacombe, Torquay, Devon. (Pair of shorts by Louis Hoffman).

G. C. Harley, 15, Hill Crescent, Belle Vue, Shrewsbury. (Shirt by Fred Perry).

D. Holland, 21, Seymour Road, Gloucester. (Bat by Harry Venner).

D. W. Butler, 41, Hawthorne Road, Castle Bromwich, Birmingham. (Bat by Ta Ten Products).

E. Brown, 155, Hastings Street, Sunderland, Co. Durham. (Bat by Ta Ten Products).

A. M. Meadows, 50, Norfolk Avenue, Morecambe, Lancs. (Barna Bat by Dunlop, Ltd.).

M. J. Wrigley, Marsden Hall, Marsden Park, Nelson, Lancs. (Barna Bat by Dunlops).

Mrs. A. R. Hewitt, 32, Connaught Road, Hornchurch, Essex. (Half dozen Barna balls by Dunlops).

M. Hobbs, 128, Selmeiston Road, Eastbourne, Sussex. (Half dozen Barna balls, by Dunlops).

B. Halliday, 27, Greenbank Avenue, Sudbury, Nr. Wembley, Middlesex. (Bat cover by Dunlops).

FORECAST THE RESULTS

There were no all correct forecasts but it has been decided to award prizes to the following who had only one mistake:

Miss P. A. Venus, 22, Fabian Road, Fulham, London, S.W.6. (Skirt by Louis Hoffman).

P. G. Smith, 142, Ravensbourne Crescent, Harold Wood, Essex. (Barna Net and Posts by Dunlop Ltd.).

N. J. Brabook, 35, Criffel Avenue, London, S.W.2. (Shirt by Fred Perry).

M. Withers, Ibthorpe, Hurstbourne Tarrant, Nr. Andover, Hants. (Book "Table Tennis Today" by Victor Barna).

B. Brewerton, 13, Oak Street, Gosport, Hants. (Bat by Ta Ten Products).

Miss M. Lightfoot, 42, Sandringham Mount, Leeds, 17. (Bat by Harry Venner).

Will winners of clothing please send in size and colour (with alternate choice).

AROUND EAST ANGLIA

BUSY MONTH IN NORWICH

MARCH winds were winds of change for Norwich League leaders, Gothic. They fall to fourth place behind Bullards, St. Barnabas and Y.M.C.A. Bullards (Roy Culyer, Paul Walsh, Bernard Hurrell and Arthur Goodings) become favourites for the title.

Gothic, on their own table, took only three ties in ten from the Brewers. St. Barnabas have former Middlesex junior, Gerry Robbins, to provide stiffening. Gordon Wood, Ivan Parker and Roy Hatton have done the rest.

St. Barnabas are unbeaten, as are C.E.Y.M.S. B in Division II and Park Lane Old Boys in Division VI. N.A.L.G.O., Norwich Union and County Council contest second and third places for promotion to Division I. Gothic C, Lakenham Conservatives and C.E.Y.M.S. C share the lead in Division III. Jewson's B in Division IV and Sportsmen in Division V are both pulling clear, while in Division VI St. Alban's and St. Mary Magdalene strike level behind Park Lane.

April will provide a feast of table tennis in Norwich, starting with the Readwin (Team Knockout) Cup final on April 3 or 5. On April 9 interest will focus on the preliminary rounds of the individual handicap, when eight tables will be in full play. Eight survivors will contest the finals on two days in battle for the Copeman Cup.

The Inter-League Handicap for the Committee Cup gets under way on April 16 and the next day Division IV (holders) play VI or II and Division III play V or I.

Finals Night is on Wednesday, April 18, at C.E.Y.M.S.

COVENTRY CLOSED

MAURICE BILLINGTON, last year's No. 1 Junior, won the Coventry Men's Singles titles beating Bill Gallagher in a close fought final. He also won the Youths' Singles and teamed with R. Moseley to take the Men's doubles. Miss B. Brown took the Ladies' Singles title for the third successive year.

Men's Singles: Semi-Finals: M. BILLINGTON bt A. Bury 21-19, 21-10; W. GALLAGHER bt H. Straszynski 21-14, 22-20.

Final: BILLINGTON bt Gallagher 21-19, 21-14, 21-19.

Mixed Doubles: M. LEACH / Mrs. PEARCE bt R. Tucker/Miss Brown 21-16, 21-11.

Boys' Singles: N. SMITH bt B. Jones 21-17, 21-13.

Veterans' Singles: A. MASON bt F. Beech 21-16, 21-18.

Men's Doubles: R. MOSELEY/BILLINGTON bt A. Bury/Bevins 21-17, 21-16, 21-10.

Women's Doubles: Mrs. PEARCE/Miss BROWN bt Miss Lenton / Mrs. Morris 21-13, 16-21, 21-14.

Youths' Singles: BILLINGTON bt A. Graves 21-9, 21-4.

Women's Singles: Miss BROWN bt Mrs. Higgs 21-11, 21-10.

League trophies will be presented on April 11 at Bullards.

Will the mystery fiftieth subscriber who sent ten shillings to The Walthamstow Press Ltd. for a subscription to start in January, and inserted my own name on the form instead of his own, please reveal his identity.

In the East Anglian League, Ipswich lead and Norwich B, who beat Lowestoft B 6-4, are Division II champions. A Norwich side visited Lynn for a friendly match, which ended in a draw. Peter Osborne, Ken Mitchell, Wallis Ladmore, Gordon Brown, Betty Cassell and Mildred Bamber provided the opposition. Robin Pegg and Gordon Baker were given an outing for Norwich.

A Yarmouth/Norwich British Railways team (Jack Ruddock, Gordon Harrison and Terry Carter), regional winners, visit York for the semi-finals of the Railway's national championships.

At Great Yarmouth, Tony Archer beat Duggie Clutton to retain the Dicky Moore Cup in an American tournament, which had a record entry of 26.

J. S. Penny.

Biggest Win and Promotion

CAMBRIDGESHIRE gained what is believed to be their biggest ever win in the county championships when they beat Worcestershire 9-1 in their last match of the season.

It is a victory that should mean promotion to the Second Division after a period of years in the Southern Division wilderness, which was getting tiresome for players and fans.

Cambridge City were eliminated from the Wilmott Cup by Leamington in the Zone final.

The progress of the junior team is encouraging despite heavy defeats and Alan Pouder has come up to expectations. Next season will certainly see more notable feats from this section of the association.

Y.M.C.A. and New Chesterton Institute are running neck and neck in the Cambridgeshire League and meet for the First Division championships. The second meeting between these two teams will be decisive. Telephones are doomed to relegation and Wesley and Wilburton are certain to emerge from the second Division. Y.M.C.A. (a junior side) lead the Division III, Pounder, Dennis Collinson, and Paul Christnell having carried all before them. They promise to do well in Division II.

Kerridge's have a clean bill of health in Division IV, while in Division V their is still a keen fight going on between Northern Assurance, Chesterton Youth Centre and Wilburton II.

Lestie Constable

SUFFOLK NEWSREEL

Pam Keeps Trophy

THE third, and final event of the leading ladies saw Pam Rogers retain the trophy for the second year in succession by the comfortable margin of 52 points to the 33½ amassed by her nearest rival, Brenda Brown. In third position was veteran Doris Fox with 27 points, and Hazel Hughes occupied fourth place with a total of 24.

The third event of the Top Ten saw Peter Cole sweep right back into joint first position with David Halliday, the holder, having totalled 30½ points. Hans Flack follows one point behind, and with both Howard Osborne and Ken Perry within striking distance, anything could happen in the final leg.

With one more result still to come, both divisions of the Suffolk Inter-Town League have been decided, Lowestoft heading both senior and junior sections. The senior section was a tussle with Stowmarket, both fixtures between them being drawn, and the issue finally depending upon the Ipswich-Lowestoft match won by the visitors by four sets to six.

Ipswich club, Manor House, provided the opposition in the junior division, and only conceded the top position by virtue of an inferior average.

Baddeley Paves Way

DEREK BADDELEY completed a successful season for Warwickshire first team in the Premier Division by beating both Alan Rhodes and Stan Jacobson of Middlesex in our final match.

His record for the season is 11 wins out of 14. The only three losses being against Jo Somogyi, Stan Jacobson and Tony Piddock. In each of these three matches he won the first game and in two of them could quite easily have won the set.

Ralph Gunnion also "chipped in" in the game against Middlesex, beating Brian Wright. With this sort of strength, we can look forward to another successful season in the Premier Division.

The Warwickshire Junior team came unstuck in the return match against Gloucester. After losing the first three boys' singles, they won the mixed doubles, boys' doubles and girls' singles to level at three-all. One set only was needed to ensure Warwickshire the title, on games average. Unfortunately Gloucester took the next four games with some outstanding attacking table tennis.

The star of the Warwickshire Junior team this season has been Hilary Grove, who completed a 100 per cent record for the team and in the last month won her first Junior Open title in the West of England Championships.

Graham Pressick also won his first Junior Open title by taking the Boys' singles in this event.

The Warwickshire Inter-Town League was won by Birmingham this season. This has been extremely successful and there have been some very notable matches all round.

TOURNAMENT TALKING POINTS

Conducted by **LURIE LANDRY**

TABLE STEWARDS WOULD HELP

THE **English Open** received nothing but praise as far as organisation was concerned, but their were problems over playing conditions particularly during the day when the far end was effected by the penetrating daylight. However the choice of Brighton was well received by most of the players.

Playing conditions were also a main talking point at the **South of England Open**. In fact there were three distinct playing conditions, two tables in the far hall, and another in the same hall facing a different direction and placed behind a screen. And three changes in eight tables can be a little tricky.

The odd ones gave this tournament a miss, but it still had a reasonable entry both in quality and quantity. The introduction of Groups in the singles had something to do with this.

A clash with County Championships matches and the Middlesex Closed prevented many of the leading players taking part in the **West of England Open** at Exeter. Middlesex have always been strongly represented in the past couple of years.

At Slough, the **Buckinghamshire Open** was quite a success but again there were some very long waits. Lack of Umpires was a problem here and for the first time players were asked if they could help out. Fortunately the response from the players was pretty good but players do not like being called to Umpire over the microphone.

A way out of this is to have table stewards, each having three or four tables to look after. He can ask the losing player if he would not mind umpiring the next game. Ask is the operative word here as this is a purely voluntary function for the players just as it is for the Umpires themselves.

PARENTS HELP OUT

I was at the **Sussex Junior Open** for the first time and left quite impressed. To start with the way the umpiring was looked after was wonderful. Very early on, parents who obviously came with their children are asked if they would volunteer to do some umpiring. Quite a few volunteered without being asked.

There always seemed to be quite a group of Umpires, especially as there were a few of the Essex Umpires and one or two others helping all day long.

This system worked admirably and there were no holdups for this reason, although some did occur because the same players got through in so many events.

Chester Barnes, Tony Robinson, Beverly and Gloria Sayer were a few who got through to the later stages in both the under-15 and under-17 events. The only way to overcome this would be to limit the number of events any individual can enter.

I have received a few answers in my requests for players' ratings for tournaments I need a lot more particularly for the Northern Tournaments. If the final Results are to appear in the May issue like last year, the last day that I can possibly receive them is before Easter. I shall be collecting details also at the North East England Open at Scarborough. The five sections are:—

- (A) Organisation,
- (B) The treatment of the Umpiring question,
- (C) Facilities and availability of Refreshments,

- (D) Venue, situation of same and possibilities for making good playing conditions (this is quite independent of what was actually made of these possibilities), and
- (E) The actual Playing Conditions.

BORDER PROBLEMS

Two readers, who do not wish their names or areas disclosed, have written enquiring if there is any E.T.T.A. rule governing the number of County closed championships in which a player can take part.

This is old trouble, which frequently crops up where players live near county borders and play in leagues on either sides.

There is no E.T.T.A. ruling governing the position, as closed events are entirely a matter of domestic rule. However, certain counties have overcome this by making it a condition that only players eligible for the county can play in their closed championships.

It is, of course, frustrating to a player who is possibly the best in his or her county, to find someone from across the border come in and take the pickings, and leads to accusations of pot hunting, and general bitterness.

Counties would therefore appear well advised to look into such cases and make rules accordingly.

The Editor would welcome readers' views on this matter.

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TECHNICALITIES ON TOPICALITIES

by JACK CARRINGTON

"Let's Twist again—like we did last year"

LAST month's Editorial posed some questions about Loop Topspin Drive—"Is it here to stay?" etc.

Inevitably, any stroke development is here to stay in the sense that, once known, it can be called upon at any time. Quite possibly, the future trends of fashion may change the emphasis on this recent development, or some new counter may make the Loop less feared.

For example, one could claim that the patient chopping play so successful a few years back, has been put out of business—yet any important points are still won by patience and by chopping tactics. So with the Loop Drive, as time goes on I would expect it to win less matches, on its own, but to remain extremely important against defensive tactics, and to turn many key points even during attacking exchanges.

Readers will notice my reference to the "Loop" as a "development" rather than a new "stroke." This is best explained by outlining the approach which we teach in our Coaching Diploma syllabus. A basic principle is that a coach—or any player—should at any time be able to analyse and describe the state of the ball, the state of both players, and the tactical state of the match.

The state of the ball at a given moment is best pictured as a sudden stop in a film of the play. At the moment under analysis, the ball has:

1. A certain *direction* forward;
2. A certain *force* forward;
3. A certain *direction* of rotation;
4. A certain *speed* of rotation.

There are other vital statistics to do with the ball trajectory, but these are considerably affected by items 3 and 4 above, so, crudely stated, the essentials to a player are Nos. 1 and 2, i.e. THRUST on the ball, and Nos. 3 and 4, i.e. the SPIN on the ball.

A little thought will suggest how many combinations of THRUST and SPIN are possible, and why, therefore, we encourage our Diploma Coaches to teach *understanding* rather than fixed strokes.

It is then possible to form common ground for even the most bigoted of local coaches (and believe me, we meet some!) to conduct a sensible argument on varying styles.

For example, we might agree that a "Basic" (or "Old English") Forehand Drive is one in which the elements of Thrust and Spin are of approximately equal importance and effect. Any Drive depending for effect more upon its Thrust than its

Spin, can be called a Flat Drive, of *some degree*, i.e. "flatter" than the Basic.

Conversely, any Drive depending for effect more upon its Spin than its Thrust, then becomes classed as a Loop Drive, of *some degree*, i.e. "loopier" than the Basic.

It follows that the more control a player has over these ingredients the better his all-round results will be.

It also seems reasonable to advise a young player to learn his Basic Drive first before experimenting with the specialised variations. But by all means players *should* experiment to discover whether they can vary their ingredients without spoiling their cake.

Dr. Mauro Souza, of Lima, Peru, raises these interesting technical queries:—

Q. *Is there any player who makes a good "loop-drive" with a pimped-rubber bat?*

A. Vyas, of India, was very effective in this way but I do not know of any other who seriously troubles defenders nowadays.

Any suggestions from readers?

Q. *How many world's top ten tennis-grip players use pimped-rubber still?*

A. Allowing for temporary experiments by the players, and changes of ranking, I suppose not more than 2 out of 10, men or women.

Q. *Should pure English-style rubber-bat players be stimulated to change to "sandwich"?*

A. See my note above re "experimenting." On balance it seems best for young players to learn their basic controls with the "simple pimple," then try their strength with sandwich of various types. Nobody would claim that a player who never held a pimped-rubber bat could not reach the top, but every coach I meet knows of many young players who cannot rise more than halfway because of their lack of deep understanding of the skills of the game and their own muscle reactions. This is often traceable to the ease with which useful effects can be obtained in the early days by use of sandwich.

When the first impetus dies down, what can the player do next? To develop to his maximum he must either "go to school" when he starts or halfway through his career, and how many are brave enough to do the latter?

OPERATION STEVENAGE

THE spacious Canteen of the English Electric Aviation Co., which proved to be such a genial venue for the recent Open, will again be packed with T.T. fans for the weekend 4-5-6 May, 1962, when we are staging the massive E.T.T.A. "Rally for Young Players and Instructors."

We expect to cater for some 200 young pupils, from beginners up to nearly County Junior standard; these, with the help of the Education Authorities concerned, will gather from six counties.

Sessions are:—

Friday 4 May: 7.30 p.m. ... Instructors' Meeting

Saturday 5 May: 10.0 a.m.; 2.0 p.m.; and 4.30 p.m.

Sunday 6 May: 10.0 a.m.; and 2.0 p.m.

Charge to pupils is a nominal 1s. 0d. per session; the event is designed mainly to help youngsters who have just started to take the sport seriously, but have not had many glimpses of the nationally-organised fraternity of players.

We will also accept advancing young players up to 20 years, who do not have regular access to good coaching.

In between practical sessions there will be films, and an Invitation Tournament for England's best under-21 men to provide spectacle throughout.

SPECIAL NOTE TO COACHES and HELPERS:

We expect to use some 50 Coaches in relays, on 13 tables, making the whole event an interesting practical get-together for instructors and leaders of young people.

Partners and friends will be able to watch the films etc., and a Buffet will be open throughout.

If you would like to help, or bring some youngsters, please send details of your availability to: Jack Carrington, E.T.T.A. Director of Coaching, 24 Worcester Gardens, Ilford, Essex, not later than 24 April.

STEVENAGE OPEN

By LAURIE LANDRY

RHODES MAKES IT FIVE

ALAN RHODES won his fifth singles title of the season at the Stevenage Open on March 24-25. He did not have to beat Ian Harrison either. Young Brian Wright did this, playing possibly his best ever, with a semi-final victory of 21-14, 21-18.

After such a great achievement young Wright was unable to produce the same form in the final where Rhodes beat him 21-7, 21-19.

Rhodes had earlier reversed his county defeat by Derek Baddeley, but only just at 20 and 19. Stan Jacobson did quite well, being the only player to take a game from Rhodes. That was in the semi-final, where Rhodes won 21-16, 18-21, 21-9. Wright was given a close match by David Lowe of Surrey before winning 13, -17, 20.

The Women's Singles provided a good final with Mary Shannon being taken to three games by Jean McCree before winning 11-21, 21-19, 21-15. Mary only just managed to scrape home in that all important second game.

Mrs McCree had previously scored a narrow win over Lesley Bell, while in the other semi-final Miss Shannon beat Judy Williams.

Miss Shannon collected two more titles when she won the women's doubles with Pam Mortimer and the Mixed Doubles with Wright.

Mrs. McCree, partnered by Joyce Fielder, was again on the losing side in the Women's doubles final, which proved a thriller, the result being in doubt until the last shot as Shannon and Mortimer see-sawed home at 22-20, 18-21, 21-19.

The biggest surprise of the meeting was the men's doubles victory of the juniors Brian Hill and Brian Sykes. They followed a win over the seeded pair, Laurie Landry and Rhodes, by beating Michael Maclaren and Harry Venner, in the semi-final, then Eddie Hodson and Terry Densham in the final.

They showed scant respect for reputations.

Hodson and Densham had previously beaten Harrison and Wright to whom they had lost in two previous finals this season.

Derek Baddeley and Pam Mortimer produced some of their county form to reach the final of the mixed doubles, only to find Wright and Mary Shannon just too strong.

Chester Barnes beat English junior champion Brian Hill in the boys' singles final, while Lesley Bell took the girls' final with a win over Beverley Sayer. Jackie Canham, unable to reproduce her form of the Sussex closed lost to Beverley Sayer. Main upset in this event was Pauline Martin's win over Christine Holes.

Lou Hoffman won the veteran's title, beating Eric Prowen.

Men's Singles: Semi-Finals: A. RHODES (Middlesex) bt S. Jacobson (Middlesex) 21-16, 18-21, 21-9. B. WRIGHT (Middlesex) bt I. Harrison (Gloucestershire) 21-14, 21-18.

Final: RHODES bt Wright 21-7, 21-19.

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Final: SHANNON bt McCree 11-21, 21-19, 21-15.

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Final: HILL/SYKES bt Hodson/Densham 21-12, 15-21, 21-16.

Women's Doubles: Semi-Finals: P. MORTIMER (Warwick-

shire)/SHANNON bt D. Baines J./ Canham (Hertfordshire) 21-12, 21-17. J. FIELDER (Kent)/McCree bt J. White (Hertfordshire)/L. Ogus (Middlesex) 21-17, 21-11.

Final: MORTIMER/SHANNON bt Fielder/McCree 22-20, 18-21, 21-1.

Mixed Doubles: Semi-Finals: WRIGHT/Miss SHANNON bt J. Carrington/Mrs. Carrington (Essex) 21-10, 21-15. D. EADDERLEY/Miss MORTIMER (Warwickshire) bt Densham/McCree 21-15, 14-21, 21-15.

Final: WRIGHT/SHANNON bt Baddeley/Mortimer 17-21, 21-14, 21-15.

Boys' Singles: Semi-Finals: C. BARNES (Essex) bt S. Hahn (Oxford) 21-15, 21-18. HILL bt R. McKewon (Surrey) 21-19, 21-19.

Final: BARNES bt Hill 21-17, 21-19.

Girls' Singles: Semi-Finals: BELL bt P. Martin (Essex) 23-25, 21-8, 21-8. B. SAYER (Essex) bt J. Canham (Hertfordshire) 21-8, 21-18.

Final: BELL bt Sayer 21-9, 21-11.

Veteran Singles: Semi-Finals: L. HOFFMAN (Middlesex) bt T. Hall (Hertfordshire) 21-14, 21-9. E. PROWEN (Middlesex) bt R. Markwell (Essex) 21-12, 21-8.

Final: HOFFMAN bt Prowen 21-15, 21-17.

EAST OF SCOTLAND**Still Back to Form**

DUNDEE'S Eddie Still avenged his Murrayfield defeat when he beat Alec Laidlaw of Edinburgh in the Men's singles final of the **East of Scotland Open** at Bathgate on February 18.

Still beat Bertie Kerr in the semi-final and Laidlaw by 22-20 in the final, a welcome sign of his return to form.

Still also teamed up with Kerr to form the men's doubles in which Laidlaw, partnered by Ian Barclay, was again on the losing side in the final.

Olive Hawkins of Glasgow continues to sweep every thing before her in the women's events and as in the West of Scotland and Murrayfield Opens again beat Edith Bone also of Glasgow in the final. This time she won in straight games 21-18, 21-11.

Mrs. Hawkins paired with junior Jim Dow to win the mixed doubles—a repeat of their West of Scotland success. They beat the Kerr husband and wife partnerships in the final over three exciting games, by 14-21, 22-20, 21-19.

Dow received a surprise check to his elimination of junior events when he was beaten by J. Cowie 21-14, 20-22, 19-21. This was Cowie's first win in three meetings with Dow, but was well deserved.

Miss M. Julias, beat Miss L. Barrie in the Girls' final. Both were semi-finalists for the women's title.

Men's Singles: Semi-Finals: A. LAIDLAW (Edinburgh) bt I. Barclay (Edinburgh) 21-12, 21-19. E. STILL (Dundee) bt R. Kerr (Edinburgh) 21-18, 21-19.

Final: STILL bt Laidlaw 21-13, 22-20.

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Final: HAWKINS bt Bone 21-18, 21-11.

Men's Doubles: Semi-Finals: LAIDLAW/BARCLAY bt Wright/Livingstone 21-16, 21-12. KERR/STILL bt H. Baxter/R. Baxter 21-19, 16-21, 21-16.

Final: KERR/STILL bt Laidlaw/Barclay 14-21, 21-12, 25-23.

Mixed Doubles: Semi-Finals: J. DOW/Mrs. HAWKINS bt E. Latham/Miss L. Barrie 21-4, 21-13. R. KERR/Mrs. KERR bt J. Larswell/Mrs. G. Shields 21-16, 21-8.

Final: DOW/HAWKINS bt Kerr/Kerr 12-21, 21-8, 21-15.

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UNDER 15's

Boys' Singles: Semi-Finals: BARNES bt Robinson 24-22, 21-18. P. WILLIAMS (Hertfordshire) bt S. Seaholme (Hertfordshire) 13-21, 21-18, 21-11. **Final:** BARNES bt Williams 21-14, 21-10.

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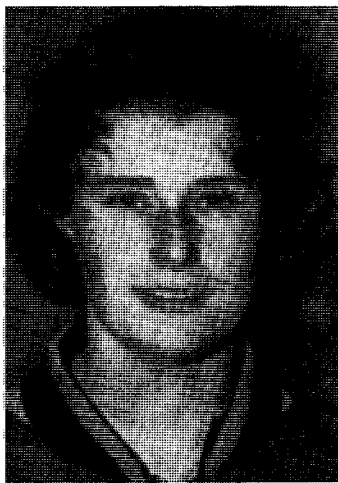
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UNDER 13's

Boys' Singles: Semi-Finals: CORBETT bt G. Salter (Surrey) 21-10, 21-16. P. HARMER (Bedfordshire) bt Wilby 21-17, 21-15. **Final:** CORBETT bt Harmer 21-13, 21-19.

Girls' Singles: Semi-Finals: HENWOOD bt Hemmings 21-9, 21-7. I. SYKES (Warwickshire) bt M. Waters (Kent) 21-12, 21-4. **Final:** HENWOOD bt Sykes 21-16, 21-11.

**JACKIE CANHAM****WEST OF ENGLAND****FIRST OPEN**

THE West of England Open at Easter on March 3 did not have quite as strong an entry as in previous years partly because there were various County matches and also the Middlesex Closed on the same weekend. This does not detract too much from the performance of Laurie Landry in retaining his Men's Singles title for the third year running. He says that as he won't be officially fit until May, he was very pleased to have lasted the day.

The semi-finalists were, apart from Landry, Aubrey Simons, South African Derek Wall and New Zealander Warren Evans. Landry beat a rather nervous Evans in straight games, though he could have lost the second whilst Simons overwhelmed Wall also in straight games. The rather slippery floor seemed to upset the overseas pair who won the doubles though not without difficulty in the semi where local pairing of B. Brown and M. Lyons took the first 26-24 and just lost the third at 19.

The final was thrilling with Simons leading from the beginning and keeping his lead to take the first. It was level pegging until 13 all in the second. Then Landry put on the pressure and got away with it at 17. The third looked like a repeat of the first when Simons went to 16-11 and 18-14. Landry somehow found the energy to level at 18 all only to lose the next two points with the title a point away appeared to ease slightly subconsciously perhaps, and Landry had won 22-20.

An earlier surprise was a local one when R. Ingerson beat P. Ofield, a Devon County player, by the narrowest of margins. Ingerson later lost to Wall. Landry was given a good run in the quarters, by W. Bryant of Cornwall. Bryant, who wears a calliper, heritage from the last war, played extremely well running Landry around and getting 17 in each game.

The Women's Singles was won by former holder Joan

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JACKIE CANHAM

SAYER (Essex) bt Canham/E. Canham (Hertfordshire) 21-9, 21-14. **Final:** HOLES/HOLES bt Sayer/Sayer 21-22, 21-19.

Mixed Doubles: Semi-Finals: SYKES/Miss CANHAM bt McKewon/Miss Henwood 19-21, 21-12, 21-16. D. DAVIES/Miss C. HOLES bt Barnes/Miss Stokes 5-21, 21-11, 21-15. **Final:** SYKES/CANHAM bt Davies/C. Rhodes 21-14, 21-17.

UNDER 15's

Boys' Singles: Semi-Finals: BARNES bt Robinson 24-22, 21-18. P. WILLIAMS (Hertfordshire) bt S. Seaholme (Hertfordshire) 13-21, 21-18, 21-11. **Final:** BARNES bt Williams 21-14, 21-10.

Girls' Singles: Semi-Finals: B. SAYER bt Stokes 17-21, 21-13, 21-12. G. SAYER bt E. Wyles (Sussex) 21-16, 21-13. **Final:** B. SAYER bt G. Sayer 22-20, 21-11.

Boys' Doubles: Semi-Finals: BARNES/ROBINSON bt S. Gibbs (Essex)/D. Corbett (Kent) 21-9, 21-18. A. MENDELSON/R. BUTCHER (Sussex) bt T. Wilby (Hertfordshire)/M. Watts (Surrey) 21-9, 21-18. **Final:** BARNES/ROBINSON bt Mendelson/Butcher 21-22, 21-11.

Girls' Doubles: Semi-Finals: SAYER/SAYER bt Henwood/Wyles 21-11, 21-10. STOKES/D. BASDEN (Kent) bt P. Hemmings (Hertfordshire)/E. Canham 14-21, 21-16, 21-10. **Final:** SAYER/SAYER bt Stokes/Basden 21-9, 21-13.

UNDER 13's

Boys' Singles: Semi-Finals: CORBETT bt G. Salter (Surrey) 21-10, 21-16. P. HARMER (Bedfordshire) bt Wilby 21-17, 21-15. **Final:** CORBETT bt Harmer 21-13, 21-19.

Girls' Singles: Semi-Finals: HENWOOD bt Hemmings 21-9, 21-7. I. SYKES (Warwickshire) bt M. Waters (Kent) 21-12, 21-4. **Final:** HENWOOD bt Sykes 21-16, 21-11.

WEST OF ENGLAND

FIRST OPEN

THE West of England Open at Easter on March 3 did not have quite as strong an entry as in previous years partly because there were various County matches and also the Middlesex Closed on the same weekend. This does not detract too much from the performance of Laurie Landry in retaining his Men's Singles title for the third year running. He says that as he won't be officially fit until May, he was very pleased to have lasted the day.

The semi-finalists were, apart from Landry, Aubrey Simons, South African Derek Wall and New Zealander Warren Evans. Landry beat a rather nervous Evans in straight games, though he could have lost the second whilst Simons overwhelmed Wall also in straight games. The rather slippery floor seemed to upset the overseas pair who won the doubles though not without difficulty in the semi where local pairing of B. Brown and M. Lyons took the first 26-24 and just lost the third at 19.

The final was thrilling with Simons leading from the beginning and keeping his lead to take the first. It was level pegging until 13 all in the second. Then Landry put on the pressure and got away with it at 17. The third looked like a repeat of the first when Simons went to 16-11 and 18-14. Landry somehow found the energy to level at 18 all only to lose the next two points with the title a point away appeared to ease slightly subconsciously perhaps, and Landry had won 22-20.

An earlier surprise was a local one when R. Ingerson beat P. Ofield, a Devon County player, by the narrowest of margins. Ingerson later lost to Wall. Landry was given a good run in the quarters, by W. Bryant of Cornwall. Bryant, who wears a calliper, heritage from the last war, played extremely well running Landry around and getting 17 in each game.

The Women's Singles was won by former holder Joan

BUCKS OPEN

Looper Rhodes Collects Again

ALAN RHODES, straight from his success of winning the Middlesex Closed, was again in brilliant form to win the Bucks. Open at Slough Community Centre on March 10-11.

He began by beating David Creamer (17, —19, 13), who had previously disposed of Midland Open champion Ralph Gunnion (14, 11) then went on to oust Ian Harrison (—13, 18, 17) on his way to the semi-final.

Brian Wright reached the semi-final via Michael Creamer (14, 13) and Joe Somogyi (13, —12). Somogyi had earlier disposed of Warren Evans (17, 19) and Tony Miller (22, 16).

The next of the semi-finalists, Derek Burrige, was in great form, considering he has played little this season. He beat Bryan Merrett in a marathon match (16, —11, 16) then Bobby Stevens in a thrilling game 18, and 23. Stevens had a tough game in the previous round against young Chester Barnes winning —17, 15, 16.

George Muranyi, a little too fast for Laurie Landry, whom he beat 15 and 10, completed the last four, by

FOR LANDRY

Crosby, who beat defending champion Terry Spokes in close-to-the-table hitting game. Spokes had some consolation in winning the Women's Doubles with Joan Collier. The Mixed Doubles was won by a Plymouth combination of T. Todd and Mrs. M. Hockaday. They beat local Exeter combination of B. Brown and Mrs. Le Milliere who had beaten Landry (With Mrs. V. Addicott) and Simons (with Joan Crosby).

H. Grove won the Girl's Singles though she had a very close match with Jill Crosby the daughter of the Women's Champion. Graham Pressick won the Boy's title beating Somerset's J. Hartry in the Final.

Men's Singles: Semi-Finals: L. LANDRY (Middlesex) bt W. Evans (New Zealand) 21-9, 21-19. A. SIMONS (Gloucestershire) bt D. Wall (South Africa) 21-10, 21-12.

Final: LANDRY bt Simons 15-21, 21-17, 22-20.

Women's Singles: Semi-Finals: J. CROSBY (Devon) bt B. Pearson (Devon) 21-17, 21-16. E. SPOKES (Gloucestershire) bt J. Collier (Gloucestershire) 22-20, 17-21, 21-19.

Final: CROSBY bt Spokes 22-20, 21-10.

Men's Doubles: Semi-Finals: EVANS/WALL bt B. Brown/M. Lyons (Devonshire) 24-28, 21-19. B. GLOVER/T. TODD (Devonshire) bt K. Jones/G. Pressick (Warwickshire) 21-6, 12-21, 21-11.

Final: EVANS/WALL bt Glover/Todd 21-15, 21-10.

Women's Doubles: Semi-Finals: COLLIER/SPOKES bt A. Birkett/Pearson (Devonshire) 21-10, 21-16. M. HOCKADAY/M. WAKELEY (Devonshire) bt V. Addicott/K. Le Milliere (Devonshire) 23-21, 8-21, 21-15.

Final: COLLIER/SPOKES bt Hockaday/Wakeley 21-19, 21-6.

Mixed Doubles: Semi-Finals: TODD/HOCKADAY bt J. Phillott/S. Jones 21-7, 21-17. BROWN/Le MILLIERE bt Simons/Crosby 21-16, 21-15.

Final: TODD/HOCKADAY bt Brown/Le Milliere 21-14, 18-21, 21-11.

Boys' Singles: Semi-Finals: PRESSICK bt T. Hocking (Cornwall) 21-18, 21-14. T. HARTRY (Somerset) bt R. Broad (Somerset) 21-18, 21-15.

Final: PRESSICK bt Hartry 21-16, 21-16.

Girls' Singles: Semi-Finals: H. GROVE (Warwickshire) bt A. Tuckett (Devonshire) 21-15, 21-13. J. BRYANT bt G. Sprague (Devonshire) 21-9, 21-8.

Final: GROVE bt Bryant 21-5, 21-13.

By ALAN LINDSAY

beating Alan Lindsay (—16, 18, 22), who had previously ousted Stan Jacobson (15 and 11).

Other results of interest in the men's singles were David Lowe's victories over Louis Kerekes (—17, 11, 19), Con Warren (—20, 17, 19), and Michael Maclaren (9, 18). Maclaren had earlier beaten Derek Baddeley (16, —14, 10). Low then fell to Derek Wall, the South African (10, 9), who in turn lost to Harrison.

Brian Brumwell defeated Colin Crowe (—13, 17, 19) then lost to Terry Densham (20, —18, 14), who became a victim of Lindsay at 10 and 10.

The two semi-finals were, as the scores show, closely contested. Wright actually led 18-16 in the deciding game against Rhodes, who eventually won 13, —19, 19.

Rhodes was, however, always on top in the final against Muranyi, who was troubled by the quicker looped topspin, which Rhodes is using with such telling effect this season.

Muranyi beat Burrige —17, 13, 19.

Mary Shannon collected the women's singles beating Mrs. Betty Cassell 7, —17, 9. Elsie Carrington was in excellent form to beat Lesley Bell (12, 19), but lost to Mrs. Cassell in the semi-final (16, 16).

Mary Shannon accounted for Mary Hicks (7, 21) then Peggy Piper (13, 16), who had previously beaten Alma Taft (14, —18, 15).

The women's doubles provided an exciting match when the holders Mary Shannon and Shirley Prior just lost to Elsie Carrington and Lesley Bell (—17, 20, 22) in the semi-final. The second two games could have gone either way. Carrington and Bell went on to beat Mary Hicks and Irene Ogus 18 and 18 in the final.

Wright and Harrison won another men's doubles to show, that when Stevens and Raybould are not on top form, they may be the best pair in the country.

Morley Mordecai provided the upset in the boys' singles with a semi-final win over Chester Barnes and went on to beat Sammy Ogundipe in the final. Lesley Bell won the girls' singles but dropped a game to Kay Stokes.

Men's Singles: Semi-Finals: A. RHODES (Middlesex) bt B. Wright (Middlesex) 21-13, 19-21, 21-19. G. MURANYI (Surrey) bt D. Burrige (Middlesex) 17-21, 21-13, 21-19.

Final: RHODES bt Muranyi 21-15, 21-15.

Women's Singles: Semi-Finals: M. SHANNON (Surrey) bt P. Piper (Surrey) 21-13, 21-16. B. CASSELL (Norfolk) bt E. Carrington (Essex) 21-16, 21-16.

Final: SHANNON bt Cassell 21-7, 17-21, 21-9.

Men's Doubles: Semi-Finals: I. HARRISON (Gloucestershire)/Wright bt B. Brumwell/R. Stevens (Essex) 21-19, 21-15. T. DENSHAM (Hertfordshire)/E. Hodson (Middlesex) bt A. Lindsay/S. Jacobson (Middlesex) 19-21, 21-13, 21-19.

Final: HARRISON/WRIGHT bt Densham/Hodson 21-18, 21-14.

Women's Doubles: Semi-Finals: CARRINGTON/L. BELL (Essex) bt Shannon/S. Prior (Surrey) 17-21, 22-20, 24-22. M. HICKS/I. Ogus (Middlesex) bt Piper/M. Austin (Surrey) 21-15, 21-15.

Final: CARRINGTON/BELL bt Hicks/Ogus 21-18, 21-18.

Mixed Doubles: Semi-Finals: WRIGHT/SHANNON bt D. Gilbert (Surrey) 19-21, 21-15, 21-11.

Final: WRIGHT/SHANNON bt Landry/Bell 21-16, 21-17.

Boys' Singles: Semi-Finals: M. MORDICAI (Gloucestershire) bt C. Barnes (Essex) 21-19, 21-16. S. OGUNDIPE (Sussex) bt P. Williams (Hertfordshire) 21-19, 21-14.

Final: MORDECAI bt Ogundipe 23-21, 23-25, 21-11.

Girls' Singles: Semi-Finals: BELL bt P. Venus (Middlesex) 21-11, 21-12. K. STOKES (Kent) bt L. Henwood (Essex) 21-13, 21-17.

Final: BELL bt Stokes 17-21, 21-12, 21-9.

OFFICIAL NEWS

Alteration to the Rules of the Association. In accordance with Rule 30 of the Association's Constitution all County and League Secretaries have now received a communication from the Office giving details of the proposed alterations and additions to the Association's Rules as received by the Secretary as at February 28, 1962. It should be noted that Rule 30(a) of the Constitution states:—

"Proposals for such changes to be considered by the next Annual General Meeting shall be submitted in writing to reach the Secretary not later than the last day of February. All proposals so received shall be circulated to all County Associations and Local Leagues during March and amendments or alternative proposals dealing with the same substance shall be accepted for consideration by the Annual General Meeting if submitted in writing and received by the Secretary not later than the last day in April."

Therefore any amendments of alternative proposals dealing with the same substance should be received in writing by the Secretary at 652, Grand Buildings, Trafalgar Square, London, W.C.2, by April 30 next, in order that they may be included in the Agenda for the Annual General Meeting, which is to be held in the Derby Room, Bonnington Hotel, Southampton Row, London, W.C.1, on Saturday, June 30, 1962.

Election of Officers and Members of the National Executive Committee 1962/63 Season. The nomination papers for Officers and Members of the National Executive Committee will be dispatched from the Office of the Association on April 2, 1962, and should be returned by April 30, 1962. The Office will be sending out the voting papers on May 14, 1962, and these should be returned by June 11,

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1962. Should any County or League Secretary not receive his/her nomination papers by April 9, 1962, he/she should notify the Secretary straight-away.

Third European Championships. On March 30, 1962, the Association's representatives left London for West Berlin to take part in the third European Championships. The teams which were published in the March issue of TABLE TENNIS were captained by Mr. L. G. Adams (Middlesex), while the E.T.T.A. delegate to the European Table Tennis Union Congress was Mr. D. Peter Lowen, the Secretary of the Association. Other members of the Association attending the Championships will be Victor Barna, Johnny Leach, David Creamer, Peggy Piper. The official party left London Airport at 1.15 p.m. on March 30 and will be away from England until April 8, 1962.

The Association would like to take this opportunity of expressing their appreciation to the donors of the players' equipment, as follows:—

Official Shirts: HUMPHREYS BROS. LTD., Wilmslow, Cheshire (the makers of Umbro sportswear).

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Open Tournaments. 1962/63 Season. The first application forms for next season's Tournaments have now been circulated. Organisers are requested to return the application forms to the Office of the Association as soon as possible and definitely by April 14 next, so that the calendar of events for next season can be considered by the Open Tournaments Committee early in May, 1962.

Wilmott Cup and J. M. Rose Bowl Competitions. The semi-finalists in the two National Team Competitions are:—

WILMOTT CUP (for Men's Teams)—MANCHESTER v LEAMINGTON; WILLESDEN v GLOUCESTER.

J. M. ROSE BOWL (for Women's Teams)—MANCHESTER v ST. ALBANS; SUTTON v PORTSMOUTH.

Team Selections—v Holland (Valkenburg), March 16, 1962)—A. RHODES (Middlesex) took the place of J. Ingber (Lancashire) who was unable to travel.

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KENT SWEEP CIVIL SERVICE TITLES

KENT players took the lion's share of titles in the Civil Service Championships at the G.P.O., London, on March 9. Henry Buist and Betty Landimore won the singles crown and also had a share in the doubles, Buist partnering Tony Piddock, also of Kent to win the men's doubles, and Miss Landimore teaming up with Mrs. Know to win the women's.

Piddock and Mrs. Know also gained second titles when they won the mixed doubles.

Men's Singles: H. S. BUIST bt A. R. Piddock 21-14, 16-21, 21-18. **Women's Singles:** B. LANDIMORE bt Mrs. M. Know 21-15, 21-13.

Men's Doubles: BUIST/PIDDOCK bt L. M. Cooper/A. G. Cornish 21-13, 23-21. **Women's Doubles:** KNOW/LANDIMORE bt C. A. Oliver/W. B. Threlfall 21-7, 21-3.

Mixed Doubles: PIDDOCK/Mrs. KNOW bt P. W. Brook/Miss Landimore 15-21, 21-16, 21-17.

Intermediate Boys' Singles: J. K. ANDREWS bt D. G. Gradus 21-19, 21-16.

Intermediate Girls' Singles: OLIVER bt J. Burnett 22-20, 21-12. **Junior Boys' Singles:** J. H. BARNES bt K. G. Brian 21-16, 17-21, 21-10.

Junior Girls' Singles: OLIVER bt J. Burnett 22-20, 21-12. **Junior Boys' Singles:** J. H. BARNES bt K. G. Brian 21-16, 17-21, 21-10.

Junior Girls' Singles: OLIVER bt J. Burnett 22-20, 21-12. **Junior Boys' Singles:** J. H. BARNES bt K. G. Brian 21-16, 17-21, 21-10.

Veteran Singles: D. LIGHT bt A. Aitken 21-8, 21-10.

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