

## YUGOSLAVIAN & AUSTRIAN OPENS

By Ken Mathews

### NOSTALGIC ENCOUNTER IN NOVI-SAD

**FOUR** exhausting days after competing in the Austrian Open in Vienna on October 29/30, England's representative quartet of Chester Barnes, Brian and Mary Wright, and Karenza Smith were preparing to do battle in the Yugoslavian Open at Novi-Sad and in the team events, which came first, Mary and Karenza fought their way to a magnificent victory.

In the first Group, against West Germany, Karenza lost to Di Scholer but Mary levelled by beating Edit Buchholz and following a fine doubles win overcame Di for the match.

This last set provided a nostalgic note as it was evident that neither girl was keen on having to play the other.

Karenza started the second Group match, against Yugoslavia, with a good 2-1 win over the home No. 3 Tatjana Jechmenica. Mary followed by dealing severely with Mirjana Resler, the girl who was subsequently to cause such an upheaval in the tournament. A further doubles win took us into the semi-final.

Here we had to play the Hungarian second team of the Misses Por and

Papp (Eva Koczian being an absentee—opening a perfumery establishment).

Mary started with a 2-0 win over Por, but Papp beat Karenza to even the score and then, horror of horrors, we lost the doubles. Mary, however, was too experienced for Papp in the fourth set and Karenza beat Por in the decider.

On the Saturday evening before an enthusiastic audience of some 4,000 we took on Russia in the final. Karenza played first and encouraged by cries of "Brave Shmidt" and "Viva Karenza" repeated her Utrecht success over Zoya Rudnova 2-1.

Mary then had a 2-1 win over a much-improved Golupkova and our girls clinched the match with the doubles.

#### CREAM CAKES

The Men's team event was a straight knock-out affair, England's first match being against Iran.

On the previous evening Chester had eaten something (probably a cream cake) which had disagreed with him to the extent that he required propping up at the table, where he lost to the Iranian No. 1 Esteshamzadeh. Brian, however, won both his singles and together they struggled through the doubles for a 3-1 win.

Only an hour later, with the dust hardly settled, the English pair had to face up to Kjell Johansson and Hans Alser, and although Brian excelled in taking the European champion to three, it was the Swede who won the decider.

Chester then lost to Alser, but a 2-1 win in the doubles revived sagging spirits only for them to be doused when Brian also succumbed to Alser.

#### SECOND SUCCESS

England's second success came in the women's doubles when Mary and Karenza resumed their happy partnership with a final win over Di and Miss Buchholz -20, 10, 10, 19.

In the semis the German representatives had beaten Luzova/Karlikova and we had repeated the team event win over Rudnova/Golupkova.

Back to his old self, in the men's singles, Chester had an exceptional win over Kjell Johansson in the third round, in which he revealed the qualities displayed so well at Utrecht.

There he had beaten Amelin, but on this occasion the wheel of fortune turned in favour of the impassive Russian.

Brian failed to clear his first hurdle in going down to Anton Stipanovic, the young Yugoslav.

The eventual winner was Stepanek of Czechoslovakia, who is a most interesting player to watch, for what he lacks in speed about the court (he rarely moves at all) he makes up for with incredible reflex actions.

#### PEN-HOLDER

Mary, for the third time this season, reached the semi-final of the women's singles in a National Tournament, but this time it was Rudnova who prevented her from retaining the Yugoslav title by beating her over five games.

Karenza gave her opponent, Neickova of Bulgaria, a sporting chance in the qualifying round by allowing her a lead of 2 games to 1 and 19-12 in the 4th.

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### Norman Reeve Resigns



The resignation of Norman Reeve from all his national appointments was the shock news imparted by E.T.T.A. Chairman, Ivor Eyles, at the National Council meeting of Dec. 3.

Mr. Reeve's action was prompted by his present inability, for unspecified reasons, to summon up the necessary enthusiasm and vigour required of him to assist with the administration of the Association.

His post of Press Officer is to be discontinued, such matters henceforth to be conducted from the office of the Association now under the control of new secretary Derek R. Tremayne.

By unanimous vote of the Council, Tom Blunn was elected Chairman of the Selection Committee but the filling of Mr. Reeve's vacated position of Deputy Chairman of the E.T.T.A. must await the result of a national ballot, nomination forms for which should now be in the hands of every League and County Secretary.

#### Vienna

### FIVE TITLES FOR BOUNCING CZECHS

**THE** Czechoslovakians must have gone to Vienna for the Austrian Open under the impression that the event was being staged solely for their benefit. Showing very little regard for anyone else's feelings, they waded into all comers and walked off with every single title. And indeed, every double title too.

In weather that brought goose pimples out on reverse rubber bats, Vladimir Miko set the pattern by putting an end to the hopes of the energetic Yugoslav Drago Surbek, by beating him 17, 20, 20 in the final. Although Surbek proved just that much inexperienced for Miko, we shall certainly see more of this player. He did not have an easy path to the final, having to overcome Rozsas of Hungary, Stanek of Czech, and Alser from Sweden on the way.

**BARNES LOSES TO BALLET DANCER; WRIGHT BEATS OPERA SINGER.** Both of these dramatic events took place in the second round. Rozsas put paid to Chester in straight games, while Brian overcame Micheiloff of West Germany. In the next round Brian lost 1-3 to Kollarovits, the Czech who made such an impression at Wembley last April.

Mary Wright predictably reached the semi-finals of the women's singles but then lost 1-3 to Marta Luzova. Alas, two of the games that Mary lost were at deuce. Luzova is probably the best player in Europe at the moment, and won the event by beating Eva Koczian in the final.

Karenza Smith, on her first senior trip for England, did well to beat the experienced East German champion Richter over five games. Although she took one game from Edit Buchholz, the German defensive player proved too good for Karenza in the second round.

Mary and Karenza had a fine win over Harst/Scholer of West Germany in the quarters of the women's doubles. The semi-final was a mammoth struggle against Jurik/Koczian, resulting in a fifth game win for the Hungarians—we won 95-88 on

points. The title went to Luzova/Karlikova in the end.

Chester and Brian lost to the No. 1 seeds Alser/Johansson in the third round but at times they had the Swedes falling over themselves and generally gave them a good run for their money. One had the feeling that it would take a very good pair to beat the very fast, hard-hitting English combination. In the final Miko/Stanek beat Alser/Johansson in one of the most spectacular sets of the tournament.

Mary and Chester reached the semis of the mixed doubles but then lost to Stanek-Karlikova. Brian and Karenza unfortunately failed to emerge from the turmoil of the first round. The title eventually went to Miko/Luzova.

Although no titles came our way, we reached two semi-finals which was by no means a discouraging achievement.

#### SINGLES

**MARY WRIGHT**  
Round 2. bt Simakova (Czech) 7, 16, -15, 12  
Round 3. bt Jurik (Hungary) 18, 18, 18.  
Semi-final lost to Luzova.

**KARENZA SMITH**  
Round 1. bt Richter (E. Germany) 15, -24, 15, -18, 17.  
Round 2. lost to Buchholz (W. Germany) -12, 15, -15, -13.

**Final Luzova** bt Koczian -15, 17, 18, 15.

**CHESTER BARNES**  
Round 1. bt Wurzer (Austria) 12, 16, 17.  
Round 2. lost to Rozsas (Hungary) -20, -15, -21.

**BRIAN WRIGHT**  
Round 1. bt Hirsch (Austria) -18, -17, 16, 9, 16.  
Round 2. bt Micheiloff (W. Germany) 22, 17, 15.  
Round 3. lost to Kollarovits (Czech) 20, -13, -15, -8.

**Final Miko** bt Surbek 17, 20, 20.

#### MEN'S DOUBLES

**BARNES/WRIGHT**  
Round 1. bt Hass / Luckeneder (Austria) 14, 11, 13.  
Round 2. bt Heine/Zinke (Austria) -15, 11, 14, -18, 10.  
Round 3. lost to Alser/Johansson -17, -23, 9, -12.

**Final Miko/Stanek** bt Alser/Johansson -11, 16, 15, 15.

#### WOMEN'S DOUBLES

**SMITH/WRIGHT**  
Round 1. bt Richter/Hapl (E. Germany) 6, 12, 19.  
Round 2. bt Harst/Scholer (W. Germany) 20, 17, -14, 17.  
Semi-final lost to Jurik/Koczian (Hungary) 12, -19, -15, 13, -19.

**Final Karlikova/Luzova** bt Jurik/Koczian 16, 12, 15.

#### MIXED DOUBLES

**BARNES/WRIGHT**  
Round 2. lost to Kocsis / Jurik (Hungary) 18, -18, -19, -11.

**WRIGHT/SMITH**  
Round 1. lost to Lemke/Richter (E. Germany) 17, 17, -14, -10, -12.

### Rumanians Routed

England scored a brilliant 6-1 victory over Rumania in a televised match played at Edmonton Municipal Hall on Saturday, Dec. 3 Results:—

England 6 Rumania 1

G. C. BARNES beat D. Giurgiuca 19, 15, 21; D. NEALE beat R. Negulescu 15, -18, 19, 15; Mrs. M. WRIGHT beat Mrs. E. Mihalca 8, 15, 24; Barnes/Neale lost to GIURGIUCA/NEGULESCU -15, 18, -14, -13; NEALE beat Giurgiuca 10, 9, -17, 15; BARNES/WRIGHT beat Giurgiuca/Mihalca -13, -19, 17, 20, 12; BARNES beat Negulescu -17, 20, 11, -16, 12.

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## THE SERVICE LAW

MUCH space in this issue is devoted to the Service Law and it is to be hoped that umpires will take heed of the reasoned logic of Colin Clemett in his "Umpires Corner."

The Law states "The service shall begin by the server projecting the ball by hand only, without imparting spin, up into the air. The ball shall then be struck so that it touch first the server's court and then, passing directly over or around the net, touch the striker-out's court."

*The free hand, while in contact with the ball in service, shall be open, with the fingers together, thumb free, and the ball resting in the palm without being cupped or pinched in any way by the fingers.*

Trouble in the practical application of this law has not been confined to this country, hence the urgent request of the International Table Tennis Federation for a standard form of control.

For our part let all umpires, whether qualified or not, take a firm stand from now on and iron out those "kinky" services which are of doubtful legality.

A flat hand is a flat hand and the palm of same does not extend to the fingers so, unless a ball is projected from the palm the service can rightfully be ruled as a fault.

Sleight of hand is part and parcel of a conjurer's repertoire but an umpire, unlike a member of a magician's open-mouthed audience, can demand to know what is up the sleeve should the quickness of the hand deceive the eye.

Let not the winning of a point be dependant on the service but on the merit of a player's ability subsequent to it.

By such a means the all-important rally will again capture the enthusiasm of audiences that once flocked to our promotions but were significantly absent from the European Championships.

# INTERNATIONAL ROUND-UP

By **CONRAD JASCHKE**  
Hon. International Secretary of the E.T.T.A.



THE plan to organise a charter flight to Stockholm for the World Championships has run into insurmountable difficulties, and I have had to return all moneys sent to me as deposits for the flight. The cost-of-living in Sweden is probably the highest in Europe, and it would not have been practicable to arrange an 11-day stay within the amounts allowed by our present currency restrictions—the special relaxations of these restrictions for official teams do not apply to supporters. Also, it will be necessary to get our teams to Stockholm a day or two earlier to allow them to get acclimatised, which means they could not have gone by charter plane, and thus we probably could not have guaranteed the necessary numbers. However, if anyone wishes to go to Stockholm under their own steam, I will, of course, be glad to give all the information required.

### EUROPEAN LEAGUE A REALITY

Last month's meeting of the E.T.T.U. Executive Committee in Vienna proved most fruitful and I am glad to report that the proposals I submitted in connection with the formation of a European Table Tennis League were accepted in substance, and the new League will start next season. These are the main points:

1. The competition will be known as the European Table Tennis League.
2. Each Association in membership with the E.T.T.U. may enter one team.
3. The E.T.T.U.'s Hon. Secretary (Mrs. Nancy Evans) will be the organiser.
4. There will be a Premier Division of eight teams, and Regional Divisions, with promotion and relegation, and each team will consist of two men, one woman, and a non-playing captain.
5. Each match will consist of four men's singles, one women's singles, one men's doubles, and one mixed doubles.
6. Each country in the Premier Division will play either four home matches and three away matches, or three home matches and four away matches, in each season. As far as possible, matches will be played in conjunction with national open championships.
7. All Associations participating in the League will pay an entry fee of £5. In addition, those in the Premier Division will pay an amount of £20 for each home match to the E.T.T.U.
8. Away teams will pay their own travel expenses. Home teams will keep all gate receipts and television fees, and will pay two days hospitality for four visitors plus pocket-money at the rate of 15s per person per day.

There is no doubt that this new competition will greatly increase the interest in European international match fixtures, because every match will count, whereas in the past such matches have largely been regarded as simply friendly fixtures. The E.T.T.A. is assured that its team will be in the Premier Division as the make-up will be decided in the light of results of the 5th European Championships, and it is likely the division will consist of Czechoslovakia, England, Germany (West), Hungary, Roumania, Sweden, U.S.S.R., and Yugoslavia.

I was tremendously impressed in Vienna with the enthusiasm shown for the new venture, and the determination to lose no further time and launch the League in a big way. Two committee members even wanted us to start in the current season, but this was found to be impossible.

There has also been great enthusiasm amongst Associations who will not be in the top division, and Holland's international secretary H. van Dilst got on the phone to find out the probable size of the relevant regional division so as to assess Holland's promotion chances, and France's Jean Mercier is thinking along similar lines.

Both Press and television have shown immediate interest, and it seems likely that many matches will be seen on the Eurovision link.

Whilst I have been privileged to submit the detailed proposals, I would like to give credit where credit is due. The idea of the European League was expounded by the Officers of the E.T.T.U.—Jupp Schlaf (President), Vaclav Vebr (Deputy President) and Nancy Evans (Hon. Secretary/Treasurer)—at a meeting I attended in Budapest last year, and has also been strongly supported by such European stalwarts as Dr. György Lakatos of Hungary, Leonid Makarov of the U.S.S.R., and Heinz Grelke of East Germany. Even those who in principle were not in favour of the present conception of the League, such as Allan Eriksson of Sweden and Boris Popovic of Yugoslavia, made valuable contributions to the discussions and arguments which finally led to the League's birth.

Last but by no means least, I must mention the most valuable contribution made by the E.T.T.A. chairman Ivor Eyles, who went into the details with great patience, and who changed my view on two important factors which, as it turned out, helped to get agreement in Vienna, after many hours' discussion.

### GERMAN INVITATION

The E.T.T.A. have accepted with many thanks an invitation tendered by Jupp Schlaf on behalf of the German (West) D.T.T.B. for an England side to tour Germany at the start of next season. Our hosts will meet all expenses including air fares and a series of three matches is envisaged.

The Germans played a similar series against Hungary earlier this season, and their men beat Hungary 5-3 and 5-1. However, Hungary's ladies proved too strong and won 3-1 and 3-0, even though Germany were strengthened by the inclusion of Diane (Rowe) Schöler, who is now eligible to play for them in all events except the Corbillion Cup.

### CZECHS IN FORM

The country to watch in Europe today is undoubtedly the Czechs. At the same time as they toured here, winning two out of three matches, they

also had a men's team in Sweden, where the Swedes won two and the Czechs won one of the matches. To be able to achieve these results with two different sets of players shows the great all-round strength of the Czechs, who immediately after these tours walked off with all five titles in the Austrian Open, where most leading European players were competing.

### CANADIAN OPEN

Winners in the recent Canadian Open Championships: MS. Pecora, WS. Hirschowitz, MD. Pecora/Blommer, WD Hunnius/Neuberger, XD. Bukiet/Kaminsky.

### EASTERN PROMISE

Whilst in Bangkok during a short tour of the Far East, Victor Barna hopes to take in the Asian Games which, of course, include table tennis.

Countries to be visited by Victor, who flew out from London Airport in mid-November, include Pakistan, India, Malaysia, Cambodia and Thailand as well as Singapore.

Finally, here is the programme for the rest of this season, amended and brought up to date with all information available at time of writing:

- Dec. 1966**
- ENGLAND v GERMANY (WEST)**  
10 National Recreation Centre, Crystal Palace, London, S.E.19  
Televised BBC, start 2.15 p.m.  
Hon. Referee: Mr. G. A. Owen  
Hon. E.T.T.A. Representative: Mr. Conrad Jaschke  
Organiser: Mr. Albert Shipley  
17 Carisbrooke Road, Bromley, Kent  
Team: Chester Barnes, Denis Neale, Mary Wright, Pauline Hemmings  
N.P.C.: Johnny Leach  
4 MS, 2 WS, 1 MD, 1 WD (all best of 3)
- ENGLAND v NETHERLANDS**  
at Boreham Wood  
Televised ITV, early afternoon start  
Hon. Referee: Mr. C. M. Wyles  
Hon. E.T.T.A. Representative: Mr. N. K. Reeve  
Team: Stuart Gibbs, Mike Johns, Maureen Heppell, Karenza Smith  
N.P.C.: Ron Crayden  
4 MS, 2 WS, 1 MD, 2 XD (all best of 3)
- Jan. 1967**
- Tour of England by Germany (West) Junior team**  
3-8 Tour Organiser: Mr. Walter Mitton
- ENGLAND JUNIORS v GERMANY (WEST) JUNIORS**  
4 Allertonshire Boys' County Modern School  
Brompton Road, Northallerton, Yorkshire  
Evening start  
Hon. Referee: Mr. H. Flinton  
Hon. E.T.T.A. Representative: Mr. Tom Blunn  
Organiser: Mr. R. M. White, 9 Almond Grove, Northallerton  
Team: Keith Lawrence, Trevor Taylor, Derek Munt, Maureen Heppell, Karenza Smith  
N.P.C.: Laurie Landry
- ENGLAND JUNIORS v GERMANY (WEST) JUNIORS**  
5 Thames Board Social Club, Warrington, Lancs  
Evening start  
Hon. Referee: Mr. George Yates  
Hon. E.T.T.A. Representative: Mr. Walter Mitton  
Organiser: Mr. E. Hazelhurst, 140 Park Road, Great Sankey, Warrington  
Team: Keith Lawrence, Trevor Taylor, Paul Judd, Judy Heaps, Linda Henwood  
N.P.C.: Laurie Landry  
Both matches: 6 BS, 2 GS, 1 BD, 1 GD (all best of 3)
- West German Juniors compete in Yorkshire Junior Open (Hull)**  
7
- ENGLAND CLOSED CHAMPIONSHIPS**  
4/7 National Recreation Centre, Crystal Palace  
Hon. Referee: Mr. G. A. Owen  
Organiser: Mr. D. N. Mitchell, 21a Hayne Road, Beckenham, Kent
- E.T.T.A. tour of Sweden, matches at Gothenburg (10th), Skara (12th) and Falkenberg (14).** 3 men and 1 N.P.C.  
9/14
- Norway v England, in Norway.** 3 men and 1 N.P.C.  
15
- Feb. 1967**
- CZECH OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS, PRAGUE**  
Jan. 30/ German (East) Open Championships, Erfurt  
Feb. 1 E.T.T.A. sending 2 men, 2 women. 1 N.P.C.
- QUADRANGULAR INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT**  
3-5 Atkinson Vehicles Ltd. Preston  
10-11 Inquiries to: Mr. George Fackrell, 11 Halton Road, Great Sankey, Warrington, Lancs
- E.T.T.A. International Team Training Session, Crystal Palace**  
21-24
- 40th ENGLISH OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS**  
1-4 The Dome & Corn Exchange, Brighton  
Hon. Referee: Mr. John Wright  
Organiser: Mr. Conrad Jaschke, "Casa Mia," Church Road, Footscray, Sidcup, Kent  
Asst. Organiser: Mr. Jack Carrington, 24 Worcester Gardens, Ilford, Essex
- Junior International Match versus Netherlands, at Middleburg, Holland**  
(Date to be fixed)
- Junior International Match versus Scotland, Edinburgh**  
3-5
- April 1967**
- E.T.T.A. International Team Training Session, Crystal Palace**  
17 World Championships, Stockholm  
11-21

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Ron Crayden with Karenza Smith and Mary Shannon-Wright in Novi-Sad

# HONOURS EVEN

## by Ron Crayden

In the village of Ivanicgrad some 20 miles from Zagreb, England shared the honours with Yugoslavia in a double feature International programme.

Both matches, Ladies and Men, were played on the Corbillon Cup system, terminating when one team had won three sets. The audience, who numbered about 300, gave vociferous acclaim to their Champions, but in no way did it dampen the determination of the English players. They all played with spirit and vigour.

### THE LADIES' MATCH

#### ENGLAND 3, YUGOSLAVIA 1

Perhaps the most significant thing about this match was the combined ages of three of the contestants. It totalled 43 years! The 'oh, so young'-looking Karenza Smith, at 16, was in fact the veteran of the three.

For Karenza, playing in her first Senior International, it was quite an ordeal. Not only was she faced with one of the finest rubber-bat choppers in Europe, Cirila Pirc, but a crowd who cheered each point she lost. At this stage in her development, Karenza has difficulty in penetrating top-line defenders. Her time will come, however, for she has a fluent attacking game and the temperament of a champion.

In addition to the experienced Miss Pirc, Yugoslavia fielded two vivacious youngsters, Misses Irena Srbec and Mirjana Ressler, aged 13 and 14, respectively. Both were penholders and had but one aim, to destroy their opponents by the power of their hitting. It was Miss M. Ressler who played the second singles and had us wide-eyed by the way in which she out-hit Mary Wright in the first game. Mary, however, is not an International star for nothing and by altering her tactics and with unruffled calm firmly showed the little Yugoslav who was boss.

We won the Doubles, and Mary clinched the match for us by "powerhousing" Pirc.

Since Peking 1961, I have been banging the drum for the development of English Penholders, but it has fallen on deaf ears. Now the break-through in Europe is underway

and I am fearful we are going to be left behind. Watch out for this young Yugoslavian girl—she's a firecracker, so please note the name . . . Mirjana Ressler.

### Scores

Karenza Smith lost CIRILA PIRC -15, -12; MARY WRIGHT beat Mirjana Ressler -18, 3, 8; SMITH & WRIGHT beat Ressler & I. Srbec -20, 10, 10; MARY WRIGHT beat Cirila Pirc 12, 10.

### THE MEN'S MATCH

#### ENGLAND 2, YUGOSLAVIA 3

The speed and pattern of the game today is such that it is impossible to judge the margin between players and teams by studying the result sheets. Five points can be won or lost with such rapidity that often a closely fought match shows a comfortable win on the score book.

Thus it was in this contest, we might have won 3-1, but a few very near-misses at the vital stage and a little luck against, turned the tide. Chester Barnes brilliantly beat the mercurial Istvan Korpa and then slipped against the spin and speed of Drago Surbek when his chances looked rosy. We won the Doubles in fine style, our combination work being superior, but we could not quite make the decider.

### Scores

CHESTER BARNES beat Istvan Korpa 15, 19; Brian Wright lost DRAGO SURBEK -12, -12; BARNES/WRIGHT beat Korpa/Surbek 20, 14; Chester Barnes lost DRAGO SURBEK 13, -14, -13; Brian Wright lost ISTVAN KORPA -11, -21.

# CHRISTMAS—

## A Time To Remember

says Teddy Grant

ONCE again Christmas, the season of joy and goodwill, is celebrated and the all familiar table tennis set, gaily decorated with a snowy covering, will give joy to its receiver.

Thus in retrospect I recall such an event thirty-five years ago and the fun and fascination which followed my initiation on the glossy dining room table. Alas my despair when by crude misjudgement the inflammable ball soon disintegrated in the open fireplace.

Nevertheless by practice and patience the cork and the wood provided a rally of six strokes by the end of which Christmas holidays the seeds of competitive play had been sown.

How thankful I feel today although stiffer and slower, but enjoying a similar rally with a streamlined sandwich bat and an opponent thirty-five years my junior.

Our National Coach has vividly portrayed the "New Look" to table tennis and all the help that is forthcoming through local educational authorities to up-and-coming players. This is indeed progress.

Christmas is a time of remembrance and I remember with pleasure those old stalwarts in my home town who persevered with my awkward style until I finally retaliated to win.

Co-operation and competition must work together and surely Christmas is an excellent time to re-commence if we have become slack in our co-operation and failing in competition has injured our pride.

Let us therefore seek out the youth club around the corner, the school in the next street or a works club just formed and boasting a brand new table.

These are the places where our coaching presence would re-vitalise all and sundry.

So often amongst our table tennis jargon are found familiar phrases such as missionary work and spreading the gospel.

This wonderful season should remind us of our calling and the everlasting pleasure gained in good sportsmanship.

## YUGOSLAVIAN OPEN (continued from Page 1)

### PLEA FOR "PEN-HOLDERS"

A great fight back for a win at deuce and then another 22-20 win in the 5th just saved Karenza's bacon. She then survived to the second round, where she lost 5 games to the wily Papp of Hungary.

Mirjana Ressler is a 14-year-old girl pen-holder, of whom we shall see a lot in the future. With two wins over Di Rowe-Scholer, one in the Team Event, the other in the singles; this girl obviously shows great promise.

If this was not enough, she took Marta Luzova to five in the semis, producing a very rapid stream of accurate counter-hits which the Czech No. 1 only just managed to get the better of.

Ron Crayden, the England Team Captain on this trip, has long advocated the advisability of training some young players as pen-holders in England. The advent of two such players (and remember there are only very few in Europe) reaching the semi-finals of this major tournament would seem to add much weight to the wisdom of his advice.

### LUZOVA AGAIN

A very determined Marta Luzova later got the better of Zoya Rudnova

in the final and it is difficult to see how she will be stopped from reaching the No. 1 position in the European rankings as she has so far taken the women's singles title of the first three International Tournaments of the season.

Brian and Karenza lost in the first round of the mixed to Kollarovits/Karlikova -20, -16, -22. Chester and Mary reached the semis, where they lost to Stanek/Luzova, the eventual winners over Ebby and Di Scholer.

### SINGLES

MARY WRIGHT  
Round 2. bt Karlikova (Czech) 13, 18, 14.

Round 3. bt Jecmenica (Yugo) 14, 10, 19.  
Semi-final lost to Rudnova (U.S.S.R.) 14, -14, 15, -10, -12.

KARENZA SMITH  
Qualifying bt Neickova (Bulgaria) -19, 7, -18, 20, 20.

Round 1. bt Stojsic (Yugo) -12, -19, 11, 12, 17.  
Round 2. lost to Papp (Hungary) -8, 8, -16, 16, -19.

Final Luzova bt Rudnova 10, 12, 13.

CHESTER BARNES  
Round 1. bt Popov (Yugo) 15, 14, 11.  
Round 2. bt Galic (Yugo) 7, 18, 14.  
Round 3. bt Johansson (Sweden) -19, 21, 20, 20.

Round 4. lost to Amelin (U.S.S.R.) 15, -9, -11, -13.

BRIAN WRIGHT  
Round 1. lost to Stipanec (Yugo) -9, -19, -16.

Final Stepanek bt Amelin -13, 12, -15, 20, 16.

### MEN'S DOUBLES

BARNES/WRIGHT  
Round 1. lost to Markovic/Stipanec 23, -18, 14, -14, -11.

Final Amelin/Gomozkov bt Korpa/Vecko 11, 18, 18.

### WOMEN'S DOUBLES

SMITH/WRIGHT  
Round 1. bt Srbec/Zerovnik (Yugo) 10, 14, 18.

Round 2. bt Galinska/Noworyta (Poland) 12, 14, 10.  
Semi-final bt Golupkova/Rudnova (U.S.S.R.) 21, -18, 11, -16, 14.

Final Smith/Wright bt Buchholz/Scholer -20, 10, 10, 19.

### MIXED DOUBLES

BARNES/WRIGHT  
Round 1. walk-over.  
Round 2. bt Markovic/Stojsic (Yugo) 19, -14, 17, 8.

Round 3. bt Vecko/Pirc (Yugo) -17, 14, 9, 21.  
Semi-final lost to Stanek/Luzova 22, -20, -17 -8.

WRIGHT/SMITH  
Round 1. bt Purkhart/Delober (France) -14, 19, 12, -16, 17.

Round 2. lost to Kollarovits/Karlikova (Czech) -20, -16, -22.

Final Stanek/Luzova bt Scholer/Scholer -21, 17, 19, 16.

### TEAM EVENTS

Women's Final England bt Russia 3-0.  
Smith bt Rudnova -13, 17, 16.  
Wright bt Golupkova 15, -14, 13.  
Smith/Wright bt Golupkova/Rudnova 18, 15.

Men's Final Yugoslavia bt Czechoslovakia 3-2.

## OFFICIAL NEWS

### REGISTERED MEMBERS

ATTENTION is hereby drawn to Rule 36 (a & b) and the Appendix "A" to this rule, also to Rules 37 and 38. These rules can be found on page 31 of the Official Handbook.

It is felt that there are many County and League Secretaries who are unaware of these rules and in consequence it is possible that some of their members are carrying out coaching duties and receiving payment for this and other services but have not applied to become Registered Members and paid the necessary fee.

If you know of any of your members who are receiving payment for coaching or other services in the rules, will you please make them aware of the rules, as disregard renders offending organisations as well as the players liable to disciplinary action.

County and League Secretaries will be aware of those of their members who are Registered Members as they will have signed the application form.

If you happen to be sending out a circular to your clubs on any matter it will be useful to let them know about this request as it cannot be too widely known.

Application Forms to become Registered Members can be obtained from the E.T.T.A. office, 26/29 Park Crescent, London, W.1, and also any further information.

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**E.T.T.A. FUND RAISING SCHEMES**

By Walter Mitton

**Master Points Scheme**

DENIS NEALE has now become the second Tournament Master, the other one being Mary Wright. Club Masters now total 336, League Masters 48 and County Masters 9.

**Lincolnshire Handicap Draw**

Many County Associations and Leagues are now taking advantage of this scheme operated by the E.T.T.A. Fund Raising Committee and a total of 32,000 books have been despatched. This is a lot more than last year and the rebate to be paid out by the E.T.T.A. will far exceed the previous one. A 50% rebate is considerable as more and more organisations are coming to realise. It is still not too late to apply for tickets, the draw not being until March.

**100 Club**

Although still well short of the 100 members needed for a thrice annual draw for £100, £50 and £10 sufficient applications for membership have been received to announce that the first draw will take place on Jan. 7—the Saturday of the English Closed, at Crystal Palace. A special tie has been designed for wear by the members and is expected to be available shortly. The privilege of free entry to County matches etc., is also under consideration. Initially registered members comprise:—

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**Cumberland Open**

by Geo. R. Yates

**MAUREEN RETAINS FOUR-IN-HAND**

UNLIKE last year this season's Cumberland Open, played at Whitehaven on November 26, was blessed with fine weather and scratches were few from a record entry.

Main feature of a successful tournament was Maureen Heppell's retention of all her four titles—the mixed with a new partner from John Clarke in Alan Hydes.

Hydes contributed much to the men's singles event for after disposing of the two Brians, Burn and Kean, he figured in a final that was much to the liking of the crowd and won by Denis Neale.

Brian Mitchell won his first open title in the boys' event but was hard pushed in the first game by 13-year-old Tony Boasman of Manchester who had excelled in disposing of Bolton's other two county-ranked juniors, Stephen Kaufman and Colin Lang.

Northumberland's Stuart Lennie was also given a fright by this up-and-coming young Mancunian in the senior event.

Although unsuccessful at the table Laurie Landry, who lost to Kean -20 in the third, enhanced his reputation by his willingness to work but official indebtedness did not extend to the half bottle of rum won, by pure chance in the raffle!

**Men's Singles—quarter-finals:** J. K. Clarke (Lancs.) bt S. Garrington (Warwicks) 9, 10; D. Neale (Yorks) bt A. Ransome (Northumb) 19, -18, 12; A. Hydes (Yorks) bt B. Burn (Northumb) 17, 19; B. Kean (Ches) bt J. R. Davies (Yorks) -17, 16, 9.

**Semi-finals:** NEALE bt Clarke 7, 19; HYDES bt Kean 16, -15, 10.

**Final:** NEALE bt Hydes 17, -11, 14.

**Women's Singles—semi-finals:** M. HEPPELL (Northumb) bt S. Lisle (Lancs) 8, 12; D. SCHOFIELD (Ches) bt S. Lee (Yorks) 13, 15.

**Final:** HEPPELL bt Schofield 12, 13.

**Men's Doubles—semi-finals:** BURN/S. LENNIE (Northumb) bt Davies/S. Nunn (Yorks) 12, 10; M. CORKING (Durham)/NEALE bt D. Hodgson (Lancs)/Hydes 18, 19.

**Final:** BURN / LENNIE bt Corking/Neale 16, 19.

**Women's Doubles—semi-finals:** HEPPELL / SCHOFIELD bt L. Atkinson/E. Chape (Northumb) 14, 11; V. BAKER / P. YOUNG (Northumb) bt Lisle/B. E. Yates (Lancs) -12, 8, 19.

**Final:** HEPPELL/SCHOFIELD bt Baker/Young 8, 12.

**Mixed Doubles—semi-finals:** HYDES/HEPPELL bt Ransome/Lee 13, 15; KEAN / SCHOFIELD bt Neale/T. Heppell (Northumb) 12, 9.

**Final:** HYDES/HEPPELL bt Kean/Schofield 8, 14.

**Junior Boys' Singles—semi-finals:** B. MITCHELL (Lancs) bt P. Cammerer (Warwicks) 12, -19, 14; A. BOASMAN (Lancs) bt C. E. Lang 12, 7.

**Final:** MITCHELL bt Boasman 21, 13.

**Girls' Singles—semi-finals:** M. HEPPELL bt P. Briggs (Yorks) 8, 10; LISLE bt M. Cole (Durham) 17, 7.

**Final:** HEPPELL bt Lisle 6, 14.

From Jack Carrington  
 Director of Coaching  
 E.T.T.A.

**Portsmouth Open**

by Peter Goldring

**Gibbs Wards Off Fighting Scot**

STUART Gibbs just got the verdict over Scotland's Malcolm Sugden in the final of the Portsmouth Open played at the South Parade Pier, Southsea, on November 20 after

treating the crowd to an exciting hard-hitting display.

Sugden and his semi-final opponent, D. Corbett, both entered on the day in place of players scratching. Seeds 2, 3 and 4 all fared badly. Les Haslam arrived too late, Roger Chandler lost to Sugden and Keith Lawrence to Maurice Billington, who also ousted Laurie Landry.

Meanwhile, his wife Jackie (née Canham), was working her way to the women's singles final at the expense of the holder Pauline Edwards, Karenza Smith and Shelagh Hession. Lesley Radford's sharply angled half-volleys and fast forehand drives proved decisive in the final in this, her first appearance at Portsmouth.

The fast hard-hitting style was again evident in the men's doubles final, and the strong women's entry produced several powerful pairs in the mixed.

In the women's doubles, scratch pair Linda Henwood and Miss Smith just got through their semi against top seeds Mrs. Radford and Beverley Sayer, whilst Mrs. Billington and Gloria Sayer put out the Holes twins, now Mrs. Davies and Mrs. Edwards, who had held the title for the last four years.

Karenza Smith met with little difficulty in retaining her girl's singles title as was the case with Keith Lawrence in the boys' event, although Terry Riley took a game off him.

The only drawback to the whole affair was the slippery floor caused by dances, but next year it is hoped the tournament will be staged at the Corporation's new sports hall which has a non-slip floor but room for only eight tables. The junior events would have to be run separately.

**RESULTS**

**Men's Singles—quarter-finals:** S. Gibbs (Essex) bt P. Radford (Essex) 22, 19; D. Basden (Kent) bt M. Billington (Berks) -16, 12, 15; M. Sugden (Scotland) bt R. Chandler (Sussex) 20, 16; D. Corbett (Kent) bt G. Chapman (Surrey) 20, -16, 17.

**Semi-finals:** GIBBS bt Basden 15, 20; SUGDEN bt Corbett 15, 16.

**Final:** GIBBS bt Sugden 21, 24.

**Women's Singles—semi-finals:** L. RADFORD (Essex) bt J. Williams (Sussex) 12, 15; J. BILLINGTON (Berks) bt S. Hession (Essex) 14, -19, 13.

**Final:** RADFORD bt Billington 18, 11.

**Men's Doubles—semi-finals:** GIBBS/K. LAWRENCE (Essex) bt M. Ellis/M. Westboy (Kent) 18, 15; O. B. HASLAM (Middx)/B. HILL (Surrey) bt Chandler/Radford 18, 20.

**Final:** GIBBS/LAWRENCE bt Haslam/Hill 19, 11.

**Women's Doubles—semi-finals:** L. HENWOOD (Essex)/K. SMITH (Middx) bt Radford/B. Sayer (Essex) -14, 19, 21; BILLINGTON/G. SAYER (Essex) bt C. Davies/P. Edwards (Hants) -13, 11, 12.

**Final:** HENWOOD/SMITH bt Billington/Sayer 13, 10.

**Mixed Doubles—semi-finals:** RADFORD/RADFORD bt L. F. Landry (Middx)/Henwood 18, 12; LAWRENCE/G. SAYER bt Chandler/Williams 31, -16, 21.

**Final:** RADFORD/RADFORD bt Lawrence/Sayer 17, 10.

**Boys' Singles—semi-finals:** LAWRENCE bt J. Howsam (Surrey) 10, 13; T. RILEY (Sussex) bt D. Bowles (Essex) -21, 16, 18.

**Final:** LAWRENCE bt Riley 15, -19, 11.

**Girls' Singles—semi-finals:** SMITH bt S. Goldsmith (Surrey) 14, 15; J. SHIRLEY (Bucks) bt Henwood 6, -19, 5.

**Final:** SMITH bt Shirley 10, 8.

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**Current 'Service' Situation**

FOLLOWING a recent memorandum, I have made several experiments and investigations in the course of my daily contacts with players of all levels, and it may be of interest to read (a) my own views, and (b) a consensus of typical views.

I define the services under review as "virulent spin" services. This carries the suggestion that they are unacceptable for one or other reason, although they may only differ in degree from a mild spin

**(a) My own Personal Views**

i. The current virulent spin services are a reincarnation of the knuckle-spin development, in that an unknown degree and kind of spin is applied to the ball in a short space of time, with no obvious arm movements to assist identification, and producing such a small bounce that the Receiver has almost no time to attempt to identify the spin.

I always thought that knuckle-spin produced no greater degree of spin than did finger-spin, but its deadliness was due to the factors mentioned above, notably the preparations were sudden, largely hidden, and the effect was a small bounce and a quick death to the ball.

ii. How can a service equivalent to the knuckle-spin be produced under the present Laws designed to emasculate the delivery?

I think the answer is that the sponge materials can apply greater degrees of spin from a given short contact with the ball than was possible with older pimped rubber. Also, the players have very understandably, experimented further of late.

The logic of this is that a knuckle-spin service with a good sponge bat would be really deadly, and as far as we have any exponents at present, experiment bears this out.

iii. I personally think the latest services are fair (i.e. anybody has the same chance to benefit). I think almost all of them are legitimate. (This may be because of my experience in watching movements so closely, thus I and other internationally experienced players could really decide whether the action were legitimate.)

Nevertheless, I agree that the new actions make the decisions almost impossible for the many inexperienced players who have to umpire, often for top-class players.

Although both fair and legitimate, I still think the new services stink and should be tamed.

Why tame the new services?

**(b) Other people's Views**

Apart from many discussions with coaches and pupils, I attempted to make an impartial Referendum at the Skegness and Sussex Tournaments.

I proposed to ask players to give their opinion as under:—

i. No change is needed at all.

ii. The interpretation of the present Law must be made stricter.

iii. The effect of the service must be controlled by a better Law, i.e. less effect to be allowed than at present.

The answers of 32 top tournament players were:—

No action necessary ... 2  
 Stricter interpretation of present law ... 8  
 New Law reducing the effect of service ... 22

(of the 22 in favour of a new Law, four Internationals qualified their reply "provided this is not unilateral action by England.")

With the above results, I did not persevere by approaching lesser players, since the assumption must be

**(c) How to tame or control?**

Suggestions based on wide discussion:—

i. Retain Law requiring upward throw without spin, from flat palm or flat fingers.

ii. At start of service, ball must rest still on the hand, both hand and ball being visible to the Umpire and above the level of the table's surface.

iii. As ii, but above level of net (the idea being that a fuller bounce will be produced)

iv. The ball must be thrown

Because we are in for an era of "ace" serving, with a high proportion of rallies ending on this first ball.

I think this spells death for a great deal of Table Tennis.

My records of two World Singles Finals between the two great "penholder attackers," shows the average number of strikes on the ball, after the service, to have been 1.4 strikes per rally.

This trend seems dangerous enough, since so much of our support comes from players and spectators who appreciate the ebb-and-flow of Table Tennis play, and its rhythm, although they probably could not express this feeling.

The average of 1.4 would sink further if many aces became the feature of the play.

iv. Why are aces acceptable in Lawn Tennis, even laudable, but not in Table Tennis? The two games cannot be compared. For example, thousands will cheerfully watch a three-hour marathon Lawn Tennis match at Wimbledon, but 20 minutes of Table Tennis sets them fidgeting and reaching for their pens to write complaints.

More specifically, I think perhaps the Lawn Tennis service can be seen as a symbol of virility and power; it sails majestically through all the defences of the other side.

Whereas the really virulent Table Tennis service tends to be a small and twisty affair, symbolic of cunning and sharp practice, to the spectator's eye. Put another way, the spectator knows why I miss Lew Hoard's service—it is just too darn fast for me. But when I keep missing Keith Lawrence's spin service, he thinks I am just a clot (probably right!).

Shall we say that in my capacity as Chairman of the I.T.T.F. Publicity Committee, I consider that the image of our game would be preserved better if we could tame the service at a moderate level.

that if strong players want more "protection," then weaker must want it, too.

Of course, a wide referendum could produce the misleading results obtained by the first "sponge" consensus, when many players thought no control was needed because they had not experienced any new developments in their local league yet! Similarly, some leagues might give opposing opinions because nobody in their area has yet learned the strong services. Of course they will spread soon, indeed we are teaching them while they remain legitimate, so there seems a strong presumption that action to tame and certainly control the services, would receive widespread approval.

upwards, and may only be struck on its downward path. This seems the finest control of all. Although experts will make some pretty strong spin services out of this, the whole procedure will be visible to everybody. Moreover, a correctly delivered service will always show an exact moment when the ball is still at the top of the throw, if thrown legitimately.

**... I, Too, Am Ambitious**  
 says LOUIS HOFFMAN

LIKE the noblest Roman of them all, I too am ambitious. Please don't say "Et tu Louis" and kill me off as was done to poor Julius Caesar. My ambitions lie in a different field. My aim is to ensure that we who love the game of table tennis, have at our fingertips, a news journal second to none among our brother and sister sports.

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putting more money into our coffers and more copies being sold, we can give you a bigger, better and possibly a fortnightly journal.

Obviously my idea of Utopia would be for everyone of the 170,000 registered players in table tennis to be a subscriber to the journal. I very much doubt if this will come about in my lifetime, so, I being an easy sort of Roman, tighten my toga and aim for something slightly less.

I would like to see every league in the country putting up at their next A.G.M. a rule simply saying that 10s. is added to every team registration which would include a free copy of the journal, sent direct to the team captain every month. (A team of four players means 2s. 6d. each.) For this money players would be getting something substantial.

The league would be making a nice income for itself and thereby again helping the players. Chairmen of Leagues, Treasurers or committee men interested in my suggestion please contact me.

I will do my best to come along and speak at your A.G.M. on this subject, and also answer any criticism thrown at me. I don't want players going around saying "Friends, Romans, Countrymen, lend me your journal." GET YOUR OWN!

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Owing to the unexpectedly heavy demand for the October issue, requests for which we are still receiving, we regret that there are no copies left. Where subscribers have ordered eight issues and we have been unable to supply October, we have entered their subscriptions as expiring with the October issue next year. In cases where subscribers have sent 15/-, this will provide for twelve issues and our records have been adjusted accordingly. All subscribers will be notified when their subscriptions expire.



**Hull & Riding Open**

by Rea Balmford

**SHOCK VICTORY FOR LOCALS**

Overshadowing all else at the Hull and East Riding Open on November 5 was the shock men's doubles victory of the local pair Dave Bartlett and Olive Pollard, who swept from their path such distinguished opposition as Gunnion/Symonds (Rd. 3) and Neale/Dainty (semi), before overcoming Hydes/Burn in a final highlighted by some brilliant retrieving by the home couple.

The non-appearance of Stuart Gibbs, over in Ireland, let Mike Symonds into his assigned semi-final spot, but not before the former Red Rose man had to fight for his life at 19 in the third in a Round 3 match against Jim Yeats (Bradford). Symonds was beaten in his semi-final by Ralph Gunnion who, having surmounted the Peter Duncombe hurdle in Rd. 2, was also extended to 19 in the third by Sheffield's Brian Allison.

In the other half Denis Neale took his allotted place, brushing aside the challenge of his young county colleagues Alan Hydes (quarters) and John Kedge (semi), going on to beat Gunnion in two straight. Kedge took his semi-final spot with a narrow win over Brian Burn, after No. 4 seed, Derek Schofield, had been cleared from the path by Pollard in the first round.

Shock of the women's event was the dismissal of holder Maureen Heppell by Cynthia Duncombe, while in the other half top-ranked Scottish star Lesley Barrie put out namesake Lesley Proudlock before falling to Pat Dainty. Pat, the lowest of the ranked players competing, went on to a straight games final win.

Miss Heppell did retain her GS and XD titles, however, and made it a triple success by partnering Doreen Schofield to a WD win at the expense of holders Miss Dainty and Betty Cassell, while in the boy's singles No. 3 ranked Derek Munt came through with a three game win over Yorkshire's No. 1 junior, Jim Coleman, who had disposed of No. 2 seed Alan Fletcher (Hull) in an earlier round.

With former Cheshire county man Bill Devine not defending his veterans' title, Harry Dignan, who with Stuart Lennie had reached the semis of the MD, took over the vacancy.

**Men's Singles — quarter-finals:** D. Neale (Yorks) bt A. P. Hydes (Yorks) 6, 12; J. R. Kedge (Yorks) bt B. Burn (Northumb) -16, 14, 19; R. Gunnion (Warwicks) bt G. B. Allison (Yorks) 12, -11, 19; M. Symonds (Yorks) bt J. K. Clarke (Lancs) 11, 11.

**Semi-finals:** NEALE bt Kedge 11, 13; GUNNION bt Symonds -17, 17, 12.

**Final:** NEALE bt Gunnion 19, 14.

**Women's Singles — semi-finals:** P. DAINTY (Yorks) bt L. Barrie (Scotland) 18, 19; C. D. DUNCOMBE (Yorks) bt M. Heppell (Northumb) -14, 17, 14.

**Final:** DAINTY bt Duncombe 16, 16.

**Men's Doubles—semi-finals:** D. N. BARTLETT/C. POLLARD (Yorks) bt Neale/M. Dainty (Yorks) -13, 19, 18;

BURN/HYDES bt H. Dignan/S. Lennie (Northumb) -18, 17, 14.

**Final:** BARTLETT/POLLARD bt Burn/Hydes 17, -12, 19.

**Women's Doubles — semi-finals:** HEPPELL/D. SCHOFIELD (Ches) bt I. M. Pollard/M. D. Speechley (Yorks) 11, 11; B. CASSELL (Norfolk)/DAINTY bt Duncombe/L. S. Proudlock (Yorks) 11, 20.

**Final:** HEPPELL/SCHOFIELD bt Cassell/Dainty -15, 7, 18.

**Mixed Doubles — semi-finals:** HYDES/HEPPELL bt P. C. Duncombe (Yorks)/Proudlock -19, 15, 18; NEALE/CASSELL bt Kedge/Duncombe 19, 15.

**Final:** HYDES/HEPPELL bt Neale/Cassell 15, 14.

**Boy's Singles — semi-finals:** D. MUNT (Warwicks) bt N. A. Fulstow (Yorks) 16, 10; J. A. COLEMAN (Yorks) bt J. Goldsborough (Yorks) 18, 14.

**Final:** MUNT bt Coleman -20, 14, 9.

**Girls' Singles — semi-finals:** HEPPELL bt N. Ferguson (Northumb) 7, 10; V. BAKER (Northumb) bt P. A. Briggs (Yorks) -18, 18, 19.

**Final:** HEPPELL bt Baker 7, 14.

**Veteran Singles — semi-finals:** H. DIGNAN bt K. H. F. Jordan (Yorks) 17, 19; L. HEPPELL (Northumb) bt F. Briggs (Yorks) 17, 19.

**Final:** DIGNAN bt Heppell 15, 15.

**Bournemouth Open**

**Day for the Juniors**

NOVEMBER 13 was certainly a day to remember for juniors Trevor Taylor and Judy Heaps at the Bournemouth Open for each won a major singles title, the latter his first at the age of 14.

Trevor had the easier of the two halves and never let up for one moment realising his chance and was never seriously troubled in reaching the final.

In the other half Roger Chandler came through beating his county teammate Sammy Ogundipe in the semi.

Judy was also on terrific form in the women's singles defeating England No. 4 Pauline Martin in straight games. Pauline only just made it against local girl Mrs. J. Coop, who always does well in this tournament.

Trevor added the mixed junior singles to his senior title en route to which Judy gave him a good game in the semi.

The men's doubles also went to Trevor, in partnership with his England captain, Laurie Landry, whilst Judy got the mixed with Roger Hampson who had to scratch from the



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**Men's Singles — semi-finals:** S. WRIGHT bt F. Earis 19, 11; I. REDFEARN bt P. Leckie 12, 18.

**Final:** REDFEARN bt Wright -9, 21, 15.

**Women's Singles—final:** A. TAFT bt J. Shirley -19, 17, 12.

**Men's Doubles — final:** M. DAY/WRIGHT bt T. Feldman/J. Garland 19, 17.

**Women's Doubles — final:** J. NAPPER/SHIRLEY bt V. Hooper/M. Prowen -19, 12, 11.

**Mixed Dobsles—final:** REDFEARN/J. REDFEARN bt R. Napper/Shirley 14, 14.

**Men's Under 21 — final:** M. ROBERTS bt P. Bunker 16, 20.

**Women's Under 21 — final:** SHIRLEY bt Napper 10, 10.

**Merseyside Open**

by Geo. R. Yates

**NEALE "GIFTS" FINAL**

GIFT recipient of the men's singles title at the Merseyside Open played on October 29 at Dunlop's. Speke was Mike Johns whose final opponent, Denis Neale, conceded the fight before it ever started alleging the use of illegal services by the former junior international.

The services in question were precisely the same as used by Johns in the men's doubles final, played earlier, and which occasioned no great difficulty in combatting by either Neale or his partner, Mike Creamer, who, on occasions, both employed the same type of service and won the event.

Johns' crouching stance taking the ball below the level of the table caused Neale to snort in disgust until the final service delivered from such a position was left to bounce in an empty court as Neale was walking round the table to shake hands with his opponent coincident with the ball passing over the net.

A "bee in his bonnet" cost the English Closed champion this final for I am of the opinion that had he chosen to grit his teeth and make a fight of it he would have won as he did to dispose of the holder, "Les" Haslam.

Until such times as the service rule debars a player from taking the ball out of an opponent's sight to be subsequently produced like a rabbit out of a hat then such controversy, as raged at Liverpool, will continue.

Spare a thought though for Yorkshire's Cynthia Duncombe on this tempestuous Merseyside day for she reached the final of three events yet failed to gain a winner's award.

The women's singles final brought a range of attacking shots from Maureen Heppell that surprised more than Mrs. Duncombe who had earlier caused one herself in ousting the holder Pauline Martin.

**Men's Singles — quarter-finals:** D. Neale (Yorks) bt P. C. Duncombe (Yorks) 13, 19; O. B. Haslam (Middx) bt J. K. Clarke (Lancs) 14, 19; M. Johns (Ches) bt M. Symonds (Yorks)

21, 19; R. Hampson (Ches) bt A. Hydes (Yorks) 14, 19.

**Semi-finals:** NEALE bt Haslam 13, 18; JOHNS bt Hampson -24, 18, 20.

**Final:** JOHNS bt Neale 19, 12.

**Women's Singles — semi-finals:** C. DUNCOMBE (Yorks) bt P. Martin (Kent) 20, 11; M. HEPPELL (Northumb) bt L. S. Proudlock (Yorks) -18, 12, 18.

**Final:** HEPPELL bt Duncombe -16, 13, 18.

**Men's Doubles — semi-finals:** M. CREAMER (Surrey)/NEALE bt B. Kean (Ches)/Symonds -11, 15, 20; HAMPSON/JOHNS bt B. Burn (Northumb)/Hydes -19, 17, 19.

**Final:** CREAMER/NEALE bt Hampson/Johns 15, -16, 20.

**Women's Doubles — semi-finals:** MARTIN/C. MOORE (Lancs) bt Heppell/L. Sykes (Warwicks) 11, 13; DUNCOMBE/PROUDLOCK bt D. Johnson/D. Schofield (Ches) 9, 20.

**Final:** MARTIN/MOORE bt Duncombe/Proudlock 11, 16.

**Mixed Doubles — semi-finals:** HYDES/HEPPELL bt J. M. Beaumont (Lincs)/Moore 11, 16; L. F. LANDRY (Middx)/DUNCOMBE bt Hampson/Sykes, 12, 15.

**Final:** HYDES/HEPPELL bt Landry/Duncombe 13, 9.

**Boys' Singles — semi-finals:** P. GLYNN (Warwicks) bt B. Yeaton (Ches) 14, 20; B. KEATES (Staffs) bt M. Cole (Warwicks) 12, 13.

**Final:** KEATES bt Glynn 14, -14, 14.

**Girls' Singles — semi-finals:** HEPPELL bt P. A. Briggs (Yorks) 10, 11; K. PEMBERTON (Lancs) bt I. Jones (Wales) 4, 17.

**Final:** HEPPELL bt Pemberton 9, 13.

**Veteran Singles — semi-finals:** L. HEPPELL (Northumb) bt A. Magnall (Lancs) 14, 7; E. POWER (Lancs) bt E. A. Brown (Lancs) 17, 8.

**Final:** POWER bt Heppell -17, 19, 13.

**INTERNATIONAL CLUB**

COMPOSED entirely of past and present internationals, both senior and junior, the Club has been fairly active since the end of last season.

The Club had its A.G.M. during the European Championships last April when Ivor Montagu was re-elected President and Geoff Harrower Chairman.

Michael Maclaren and Brian Wright continue as Secretary and Treasurer, respectively, and the Management Committee elected was Len Adams, Alec Brook, Les Cohen, Ron Crayden and Laurie Landry. Mrs. Vera Thomas (née Dace) was elected as Social Secretary.

A Match Fixture Sub-Committee was formed with Laurie Landry as Secretary, together with Les Cohen and Jeff Ingber from the North and Alec Brook and Jackie Head from the South.

Matches played since last season:—

- May 13/66 v Willesden (at Hendon), Won 8-1  
Team: I. Harrison, S. Gibbs, A. Piddock and Mrs. W. Wright  
Willesden: B. Wright, L. Landry, M. Maclaren and Mrs. M. Symes  
Purpose: To celebrate 100th appearance for Willesden of both Laurie Landry and Mary Symes
- Sept. 16/66 v Northants (at Irthlingborough), Won 6-0  
Team: B. Wright, L. Landry and Mrs. M. Wright  
Northants: J. Goodall, K. James and Mrs. A. Lenton  
Purpose: To create interest in Northants, which does not have a County Association
- Oct. 6/66 v An England Junior Team (at Heston), Won 5½-3½  
Team: L. Landry, A. Rhodes and R. Stevens
- England Jnrs.: P. Harmer, K. Lawrence and T. Taylor  
Purpose: To celebrate 21st Birthday of Heston Community Centre
- Nov. 18/66 v East Anglia (at Ipswich), Won 6-0  
Team: G. Gibbs, K. Lawrence and R. Stevens  
East Anglia: B. Buckle, A. Coby and D. Mann  
Purpose: Building of a new Sports Centre in Ipswich

The Club, as can be seen, is prepared to play matches to help in many ways and any league or organisation wanting this sort of assistance should contact Laurie Landry, Hall Flat, 96 Haverstock Hill, London, N.W.3.

**TOURNAMENT DIARY**

Date 1967	Title and Venue	Extra Events	Organising Secretary
Jan. 5-7	ENGLISH CLOSED Crystal Palace National Recreation Centre, Norwood, London, S.E.19		D. N. Mitchell, 21A Hayne Road, Beckenham, Kent Closing Date 12.12.66
7	Yorkshire Junior Open U-15 Madeley Street Baths, Hull	BS, GS	R. Balmford, 205 Park Avenue, Hull
8	Winton Y.M.C.A. Restricted Open Y.M.C.A., Winton, Hants	JBS, GBS	J. J. C. Luther, "Hamrun", 39 Larkfield Avenue, Bournemouth, Hants
14	Glamorgan Open	JBS, GJS	
14	Lancashire Open Hawker Siddeley Dynamics, Lostock, Bolton	JBS, JGS VS	G. T. H. Fackrell, 11 Halton Road, Great Sankey, Warrington Closing Date 3.1.67
14-15	Essex Open Harlow Sports Centre, Harlow	JBS, JGS	W. D. Wadling, 39 Ramsgill Drive, Newbury Park, Ilford, Essex
22	Oxfordshire Restricted Open The Sports Hall, Gosford Hill School, Oxford Road, Kidlington, Oxford	JS	R. J. Smurthwaite, 34 Springfield Oval, Witney, Oxon Closing Date 7.1.67
28	Pontefract Restricted Open Assembly Rooms, Pontefract, Yorks	JBS, JGS VS	G. L. Johnson, 17 Rhodes Crescent, Pontefract, Yorks
28-29	Kent Open Marine Pavilion, Folkestone	YSB, YSG VS	C. M. Wyles, 48 Eversfield Place, St. Leonards-on-Sea, Sussex
Feb. 4	South Yorkshire Open Sheffield		D. W. Roe, 16 Olivers Mount, Sheffield, 9
5	Hythe Restricted Open The Institute, Hythe, Kent		R. J. Weaver, Hunters Moon, 9 St. Hildas Road, Hythe, Kent
5	North Bournemouth Club Restricted Open	JS	C. B. Cashell, 16 Victoria Avenue, Winton, Bournemouth

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# HARD STRUGGLE

**BIRMINGHAM** began their league programme with a visit to Cheltenham and only after a hard struggle did they win 6-4, G. Binney winning three. Gloucester overwhelmed Leamington, the latter winning the first and last sets only, but no fewer than nine games were under double figures. Leamington also went under to Coventry 4-6 and Richardson of Coventry was involved in four sets that must have tried his stamina.

Coventry beat Worcester 6-4, and Wolverhampton gained an 8-2 win at Walsall.

In Div. 2—Derby began well with two good wins, 6-4 against Leicester "B" and 9-1 against Cheadle. Coventry beat Leamington 6-4 after losing the three opening sets.

In the Intermediate Section Leicester beat Derby 9-1 although five sets were won on the third game, whilst Birmingham won at Cheltenham 7-3.

Coventry made up for their 4-6 defeat against Leamington by beating Worcester 7-3. In one of the best and clearest score-sheets ever received Gloucester Juniors defeated Worcester 10-0 in exactly 100 minutes playing time, and Coventry beat Leamington Juniors 7-3. Birmingham Juniors recorded their second 9-1 win, this time—against Nottingham.

Birmingham "A" had some easy wins in their opening Veterans match against Cheltenham winning 8-2 and Nottingham "B" won against Derby by the same score.

## WEST BROMWICH

Once again, the West Bromwich Ladies team of Dorothy Deeley, Marjorie Cumberbatch and Ann Baker, beat Birmingham in the first round of the Rose Bowl. Last season, beating Birmingham for the first time in 33 years, the Ladies went on to the quarter-finals losing to Manchester.

## WELSH CORNER by Roy Evans

# NEWPORT IN REAL DANGER

**CARDIFF** remain undefeated at the head of Division 1 of the Welsh League in South Wales, followed closely by Aberdare with one defeat and Bridgend "A" with two losses. Abergavenny and Eastern Valleys are together in the next place, then the much-weakened Swansea side. Bridgend "B" and Newport are together on the bottom.

Swansea "B" lead Division 2, then come Eastern Valleys and Merthyr, with Rhymney sharing the position with the same number of points but not such a good record.

Cardiff "B" and Barry are together last but one, with only one win apiece, with Rhondda on the bottom.

The Junior Division, with 11 teams, is perhaps now too large, but the juniors can probably stand a longer season. Aberdare and Swansea "A" are both undefeated at the top, and the clash between these two comes at the end of the first half. Tredegar come next, followed by Eastern Valleys, then Abergavenny, then Cardiff, a higher position than Cardiff usually enjoy, with Swansea "B," Newport, Ebbw Vale, Bridgend and Rhymney below them in that order.

Cardiff and Swansea, both unbeaten, share the lead in the women's section, with Newport and Tredegar both without a win.

The Welsh Association's coaching scheme proceeds encouragingly. Following the successful first session at Pontypool, subsequent sessions have been held in Cardiff, at the Llandaff North Drill Hall, and at the Hoover Factory canteen at Merthyr. There now remains only the fourth session at Swansea and the North Wales session.

The long-awaited clash between Glamorgan and Monmouthshire resulted in a five-all draw, perhaps an honourable and just outcome. Glamorgan owe much to Margaret Phillips and Sandra Morgan, who took three events.

Phil Bevan took the only men's singles, with a good win over Johnny Mansfield, but it was Jeff Spencer and young Haydn Thomas who shone for Monmouthshire, Jeff beating Phil and Graham Davies, and Haydn accounting for Graham and Brian Everson.

The two Open Tournaments held in South Wales provided English players with several titles. The one bright Welsh performance came from Elizabeth Gray, who beat Margaret Phillips and Diane Simpson to take the Cardiff title, whilst the Aberdare Open was significant for a fine run by Robert Bishop, who beat Haydn Thomas, Ron Davies and Graham Gear before succumbing to Les Haslam in the semi-final.

## THE BISHOPSGATE VICTORIA TABLE TENNIS CLUB

has vacancies for new members this season. The Club meets at the Trevelyan Hall, St. Ann's Lane, Great Peter Street, S.W.1 on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Write to the Hon. Sec., G. E. Harris 23, Waverley Road, Enfield Middx

# AROUND THE COUNTIES

## NORTHUMBERLAND NEWS

by Arnald Warents

# Shields Shudder but Make It

**NORTH** Shields Y.M.C.A. and Westonians figured in one of the finest matches for many seasons in the Northumberland League. Shields represented by Brian Burn, Stuart Lennie, Joe McLeod and Harry Dignan, just survived 7-5 against Alan Ransome, Frank Mitchinson, Len and Maureen Heppell.

Ransome started with three great wins and had good support from Miss Heppell (2). Burn, Lennie and McLeod scored two apiece and Dignan one for Shields. This victory kept the champions' 100 per cent record in the first division.

Tyne Dock appear outstanding in Division 2A, with Maccabi and North Shields B.C. fighting for second place. Division 2B is more open. South Shields Corporation, Newcastle Y.M.C.A. "B" are the main challengers for promotion. Spearheading University's quartet is Yorkshire's Paul Canham, and Peter Walsh of Blackburn, Lancs, plays at No. 2.

A decade of defeats by Durham was curtailed in no uncertain manner when our County side zoomed to a 9-1 success. Burn, Lennie, Ransome, Miss Heppell, Miss Chape and Mrs. Ward were the executioners. Unfortunately, the juniors were beaten 6-4—Barry Thomas and Charlie Grassie capturing four boys' singles.

Geoff Thomas of Reyrolle, brother of Barry, is emerging as the 1st Division giant-killer. He has wins over several ranked players and recently defeated Cumberland's three star men in a Northern Premier League match for South Shields.

Another Shields player to catch the eye is Valerie Baker, daughter of energetic County official Lew Baker. Valerie reached the final of the Hull Open Girls' Singles—a great performance from such an inexperienced girl.

## SURREY NOTES

# NEW TITLE HOLDERS

**WITH** neither Connie Warren nor Mary Wright defending their singles titles, the Surrey Closed was the most open for many years.

Mick Creamer and Betty Bird, the County's No. 2 ranked man and woman, took the individual titles.

George Muranyi was not accepted through late entry, but Vic Ireland made the semi. Creamer disposed of Mick Kercher, whose play had really only been appreciated at the trials shortly before.

Ireland only just went down to this season's surprise packet—Ron Penfold. Penfold had played but once for the third team and once for the second team. Though losing to Creamer he was immediately put into the Premier side to play Yorkshire (where he beat Peter Duncombe).

**Men's Singles—semi-finals:** M. CREAMER bt M. Kercher 18, 14; R. PENFOLD bt V. Ireland 19, 20.

**Final:** CREAMER bt Penfold 16, 15.

**Women's Singles—Final:** B. BIRD bt H. Lambert 15, 10.

**Men's Doubles—Final:** CREAMER/IRELAND bt J. Moore/G. Chapman 11, 17.

**Women's Doubles—Final:** BIRD/LAMBERT bt J. Nixon/C. Oliver 12, 11.

## CUMBERLAND COMMENT by Ron Rigg

# Improvement Not Maintained

**AFTER** running Lincolnshire so close in their last match, it was generally expected that Cumberland would give Cheshire something to think about at Millom on November 19. It was not to be, however, and the visitors came out easy 9-1 winners. The home side's only success went to Alan Dixon who played really well to defeat Jimmy Nevin.

Cumberland Juniors also lost 9-1 to Cheshire, the only winner here being Tom Lowrey. Both Alan Wilcock and Maurice Bell (only just recovered from a broken arm) were sadly out of touch and will have to look to their laurels to hold off the challenge of

Raymond Round (Millom) and Joe O'Pray (Whitehaven).

Still on the county front, brighter news from Carlisle is that more and more ladies are making their presence felt in the local league.

Both Whitehaven and Carlisle duly made their exits from the Wilmott Cup without troubling the scorers, losing 9-0 to Northumberland and Huddersfield respectively. In the Carter Cup, Whitehaven are drawn away at Middlesborough.

The Millom School T.T. Club is going from strength to strength: formed five years ago, with one dilapidated table, the club now possesses seven top class tables



Maurice "Tinker" Bell (only just recovered from a broken arm) here seen receiving an award from the Editor at Whitehaven. Cumberland Secretary Ron Rigg looks benignly on. (Photo by courtesy of Ivor Nicholas of Cockermouth)

## KENT NOTES

by Charles M. Wyjes

# Baker and Buist the Heroes

**AFTER** the heavy defeat at the hands of Middlesex in the first Premier match, Kent followed up with two 5-4 last-set victories over Herts. and Gloucestershire. The final set "heroes" were Ken Baker in the Herts match and Henry Buist, against Gloucs.

The second team challenge for Div. 2 South was wrecked when they were defeated by Sussex. Great efforts have been made

throughout the County to increase the interest of table tennis in Kent schools. The reward has been the entry of over 200 teams for the Annual Schools' Team Championships and over 100 schools affiliated to the County.

The Marine Pavilion, Folkestone, the venue of the Kent Open on Jan. 28/29 has taken on a "new look": redecorated and with a lower pitched roof. Entry forms from me at 48, Eversfield Place, St. Leonards-on-Sea, Sussex.

The Inter-Association Canterbury Tournament provided new champions in Keith Clarke of Thanet and Ruth Wilson of Folkestone. Other results: MD. Stan Brocklebank / Brian Macted; WD. Gillian Smith / Ruth Wilson; XD. Chris Laming / Moira Stevens.

The Kent Association has endorsed a proposal to organise the "Kent Messenger" Tournament this season during the month of May.

## YORKSHIRE JOTTINGS by "White Rose"

# FINE CHANCE OF TITLE

**TOP** news since the last issue is the result of the Essex match, 7-2 in Yorkshire's favour, putting the county

at the head of the Premier table with a fine chance of winning the title for the first time.

## SOUTH-EAST MIDLANDS LEAGUE RESULTS

Men's Section	
St. Neots	8
Northants	7
Hunts. Cent.	6
North Herts	6
Bedford	6
Ely & Dist.	4
Bletchley	3
Well'bro'	3
Kettering	3
Peterbro'	5
Junior Section	
St. Neots	5
Northants	3
Ely	3
Bletchley	10
Well'bro'	6
Peterbro'	6
Ladies' Section	
St. Neots	4
Northants	1
North Herts	8
Bedford	3
Ely	1
Bletchley	3
Kettering	8
Veterans' Section	
Well'bro'	4
Northants	7
Ely	8
Bletchley	5
Peterbro'	9

The 2nd Division match at Barnsley versus Lancs was a thrilling affair, and whilst we lost 7-3, all the team, with the exception of Pam Bodrog, are in their first senior season in county table tennis and performed with great credit.

The visit of the West German Juniors in January is eagerly awaited at Northallerton, who stage one of the internationals. It is hoped that a match against the county juniors can be arranged at Hull on Sunday, January 8.

Yorkshire lost one of its stalwarts of the late forties by the death, on November 18, of Marcus Bishop of Hull. Marcus made 13 appearances for the county.

In spite of the departure of David Bevan, Leeds are still leaning on the University with Nigel Stribling and Mike Burton, both in the side. Huddersfield are through to the last 32 of the Wilmott Cup and on the junior side Hull are Yorkshire's only representative in the last 16.

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# KARENZA LEADS INFILTRATION

THE juniors have been very active so far this season. As far as the girls are concerned this is hardly surprising as Maureen Heppell is the senior No. 3, Karenza Smith the No. 8 and Judy Heaps the No. 10. Maureen has already won the North of England and Merseyside Opens apart from playing against Czechoslovakia in the first of the Internationals. Karenza Smith reached the final of the North Middlesex Open and the semi of the Sussex where she took a game from the final winner Marta Luzova of Czechoslovakia. In early November, Karenza represented England in the Austrian and Yugoslav

Opens where she played her part in the winning of the team event, when she beat Zoya Rudnova of U.S.S.R. in the final match. Later she and Mary Wright brilliantly won the Women's doubles. Judy Heaps chipped in and won the senior title at the Bournemouth Open. Earlier in the season Judy beat Lesley Proudlock in the county match for Cheshire against Yorkshire and also took Lesley Bell to 19 in the third against Essex.

Trevor Taylor, at the age of only 14, won the men's singles in the Bournemouth Open playing better than ever before. Building his game on a basic steadiness, Trevor is now

fitting in the punch which wins him points and which will win him many more tournaments in the future. In recent years only Chester Barnes has been capable of this sort of performance at a similar age.

Derek Munt, continuing a rather unusual role of an all-out defender, is also having a lot of success and played for the Warwickshire first team recently together with Paul Judd, who has another season as a junior. Brian Mitchell from Lancashire, is another young player with next season in hand, who seems to be improving from one month to the next. Brian fully extended Keith Lawrence in the semi of the recent North Herts Junior Open. Keith himself has only one loss against another junior this season. This was in the Newbury Junior Under 17. Keith got his revenge in the Kent Junior Open but he did seem to play into Trevor Taylor's hands and it was only that Keith was playing so well that he came through as the winner in two very close games.

For the Junior International against Wales, it was decided to rest Keith Lawrence and to play the next four ranked juniors none of whom had an

## North Herts. Open

# A Terrific Success

This tournament, being run for the first year, was a terrific success at Stevenage on Oct. 29/30.

With a large entry, the finals were played on each evening by just a little after 8 o'clock.

On the first evening the best final was the under-15 boys' between Trevor Taylor and Haydn Thomas. These two once again put on a wonderful show.

Taylor and Thomas took the u-15 doubles and Thomas also won the mixed with Christine Mann — their first title.

Keith Lawrence won the senior singles beating Derek Munt in one of the best junior finals this season.

Linda Henwood won the girls' singles in good style but Judy Heaps appeared well below form. These two lost the doubles to the Youngs twins, Dianne and Jeanne, to give the Suffolk pair their first open title.

### Under 17

**Boys' Singles — semi-finals:** K. LAWRENCE (Essex) bt B. Mitchell (Lancs) 19, -18, 15; D. MUNT (Warwicks) bt M. Wald (Bucks) 13, 16.

**Final:** LAWRENCE bt Munt -18, 13, 16.

**Girls' Singles — semi-finals:** L. HENWOOD (Essex) bt M. Walker (Middx) 15, 16; J. HEAPS (Ches) bt J. Shirley (Bucks) -19, 20, 18.

**Final:** HENWOOD bt Heaps 8, 12.

**Boys' Doubles — semi-finals:** P. HARMER (Herts)/LAWRENCE bt R. Napper (Bucks)/Wald 14, 15; P. JUDD (Warwicks)/MUNT bt R. Bishop/K. Morris (Wales) 8, 11.

**Final:** HARMER/LAWRENCE bt Judd/Munt 20, 18.

**Girls' Doubles — semi-finals:** HEAPS/HENWOOD bt R. Wilson (Kent)/Shirley 19, 20; D. YOUNGS/J. YOUNGS (Suffolk) bt S. Faldo (Essex)/S. Hancock (Bucks) 10, 13.

**Final:** YOUNGS/YOUNGS bt Heaps/Henwood -15, 15, 11.

**Mixed Doubles — semi-finals:** LAWRENCE/HENWOOD bt Mitchell/S. Lee (Yorks) 19, 19; JUDD/WALKER bt Napper/Shirley 21, -20, 16.

**Final:** LAWRENCE/HENWOOD bt Judd/Walker 21, -19, 17.

### Under 15

**Boys' Singles — Semi-finals:** T. TAYLOR (Herts) bt A. Fletcher (Yorks) 14, 15; H. THOMAS (Wales) bt M. Wald 14, 10.

**Final:** TAYLOR bt Thomas 18, 19.

**Girls' Singles — semi-finals:** SHIRLEY bt Hancock 12, 14; C. MANN (Middx) bt C. Randall (Derbys) 9, 17.

**Final:** SHIRLEY bt Mann 13, 14.

**Boys' Doubles — semi-finals:** T. TAYLOR/THOMAS bt P. Taylor (Herts)/S. Heaps (Ches) 10, 10; NAPPER/M. WALD bt A. Boasman/M. Foulkes (Lancs) -18, 7, 12.

**Final:** TAYLOR/THOMAS bt Napper/Wald 17, 15.

**Girls' Doubles — semi-finals:** S. PACITTO (Bucks)/SHIRLEY bt L. Pacitto (Bucks)/L. Jones (Wales) 5, 11; M. CARTER (Herts)/RANDALL bt R. Fitzjohn/S. Tiplady (Cambs) -16, 19, 15.

**Final:** S. PACITTO/SHIRLEY bt Carter/Randall 9, 12.

**Mixed Doubles — semi-finals:** THOMAS/MANN bt M. Wald/Hancock 20, 10; NAPPER/SHIRLEY bt Boasman/Lee 19, 14.

**Final:** THOMAS/MANN bt Napper/Shirley 14, 20.

### Under 13

**Boys' Singles — semi-finals:** R. HELLABY (Essex) bt Heaps 17, 19; P. TAYLOR bt N. Fulstow (Yorks) 13, 12.

**Final:** HELLABY bt Taylor -17, 8, 11.

**Girls' Singles — semi-finals:** L. CHESSON (Kent) bt A. Painter (Middx) -21, 13, 17; V. KING (Yorks) bt L. Jones (Wales) 16, 12.

**Final:** CHESSON bt King 17, -19, 12.

### Under 11 (6 Entries for each event)

**Boys' Singles—final:** S. HEAPS bt P. Roseberry (Herts) 4, 4.

**Girls' Singles—final:** L. JONES bt A. Chesson (Kent) 16, 13.

## UMPIRE'S CORNER

by Colin Clemett

# URGENT REQUEST FROM I.T.T.F.

MR. WEIR'S letter in the November issue on the subject of serving is especially topical. Worried by the apparently rapid spread of untakeable services the I.T.T.F. has made an urgent request to all national Associations to see that umpires control the service action as strictly as they can under the present Law, to prevent the server having an overwhelming advantage.

Before considering possible changes let us remember that it has not yet been shown that the present Law is inadequate to control service if it is properly applied, and our first action should be to make sure that it is enforced in the way in which it was originally intended. Over the years the interpretation of the various aspects has become gradually less strict than when the present wording was introduced, but this has not been a serious defect until recently, when players began to find ways of exploiting the situation. Now that players can produce such potent services while still deviating only slightly from the exact letter of the Law, it is unfair and unwise for an umpire to try to decide, as Mr. Weir suggests, whether a player intends to gain an unfair advantage before judging the legality of the service.

### "DOUBTFUL"

I think the most common of the "doubtful" services is the one in which the service action starts well below the level of the table surface, the ball being struck just as it appears above table level. It may be that such a service is perfectly legal and that the ball was projected upwards from a flat hand, and if the umpire has no doubts about the legality he may quite legitimately accept the fact that he cannot see the ball leave the player's free hand. If, however, he has any doubts he can, and should, warn the player that it is the player's responsibility to serve "so that the correctness of his service can be checked by the umpire." (K.P.9). After having warned the player the umpire may then penalise him for any subsequent service whose legality he, doubts and which he cannot see to be correct. It is important to note that in this case the benefit of any doubt is not given to the server, and the onus is clearly on the server to make sure he is serving and being seen to serve correctly.

### LESS DIFFICULTY

There is less difficulty in dealing with service faults when the service

International Badge at the time. The 10-0 victory, whilst somewhat flattering was thoroughly deserved as the Welsh certainly gave no ground intentionally. The closest match was the first one between Michael Wald and Haydn Thomas of Wales. It says much for Michael that he struggled through to win in the third and beat Haydn for the first time ever. In fact Michael lost comfortably the next day in the North Herts Under 15's.

## With the Juniors

BY LAURIE LANDRY



## Kent Junior Open

# TALENTED FRENCH

HELD at the Marine Pavilion, Folkestone, on November 5/6, the Kent Junior was, once again, most interesting even in the absence of the Belgians, for whom a talented group of young French players fully made up for the absentees.

The Girls' under-13 final was between Mademoiselles Moriceau and Bergeret, and Lefebvre, after beating Tony Boasman, Peter Taylor and Bob Hellaby, in the Boys' singles in this age group, eventually lost to 11-year-old Simon Heaps. Young Heaps was on brilliant form and also won the under-11's.

In the under-15 group, Moriceau reached the Girls' final but found Jill Shirley rather too strong even though she might have won the first.

The Boys' event ended with the customary final between Trevor Taylor and Haydn Thomas. As usual this was a terrific match, and it was not until the end of the second game that Taylor started to get the better of his opponent.

Top seed Keith Lawrence won the senior of the events, beating Taylor in an excellent final, but he played right into Taylor's hands and would have surely lost if he had not been playing so well.

Reversing the North Herts result of the previous week, Judy Heaps had her work cut out in beating Linda Henwood. Linda appeared to have the first game in the bag and actually led 15-10 but somehow let it slip and Judy gradually gained confidence to win two close games.

### Under 17

**Boys' Singles — semi-finals:** K. LAWRENCE (Essex) bt H. Thomas (Wales) 21, 16; T. TAYLOR (Herts) bt B. Mitchell (Lancs) 14, 14.

**Final:** LAWRENCE bt Taylor 20, 20.

**Girls Singles — semi-finals:** L. HENWOOD (Essex) bt M. Walker (Middx) 18, 19; J. HEAPS (Ches) bt J. Shirley (Bucks) -19, 17, 16.

**Final:** HEAPS bt Henwood 18, 23.

**Boys' Doubles — semi-finals:** A. NORMAN (Kent)/T. TAYLOR bt P. Anderson/J. Dabin (Kent) 11, 7; P. HARMER (Herts)/LAWRENCE bt J. Lefebvre (France)/Thomas -12, 19, 18.

**Final:** NORMAN/TAYLOR bt Harmer/Lawrence 19, -18, 17.

**Girls' Doubles — semi-finals:** HEAPS/HENWOOD bt J. SHIPLEY (Kent)/Walker 7, 17; C. BERGERET/H. TETAZ (France) bt J. Cornock (Warwicks)/C. Mann (Middx) 17, 18.

**Final:** HEAPS/HENWOOD bt Bergeret/Tetaz 19, 10.

**Mixed Doubles — semi-finals:** LAWRENCE/HENWOOD bt T. Taylor/Cornock 13, 12; NORMAN/R. V. WILSON (Kent) bt M. Wald/Walker 15, -13, 16.

**Final:** LAWRENCE/HENWOOD bt Norman/Wilson 18, 10.

### Under 15

**Boys' Singles — semi-finals:** T. TAYLOR bt Lefebvre 18, 15; THOMAS bt Dabin 16, -16, 16.

**Final:** TAYLOR bt Thomas -18, 18, 14.

**Girls' Singles—semi-finals:** SHIRLEY bt Bergeret 10, 6; S. MORICEAU (France) bt Tetaz 18, 13.

**Final:** SHIRLEY bt Moriceau 22, 10.

**Boys' Doubles—semi-finals:** R. NAPPER (Bucks)/M. WALD bt R. Hellaby/M. Read (Essex) 21, 22; LEFEBVRE/A. WILSON (Kent) bt G. Hickey (Essex)/Thomas -19, 10, 16.

**Final:** NAPPER/WALD bt Lefebvre/Wilson 13, 12.

**Girls' Doubles—semi-finals:** BERGERET/MORICEAU bt J. Morrison/J. Woolf (Hants) 11, 10; SHIRLEY/S. PACITTO (Bucks) bt S. Sandy (Kent)/Tetaz 8, 16.

**Final:** SHIRLEY/PACITTO bt Bergeret/Moriceau -21, 14, 19.

**Mixed Doubles — semi-finals:** NAPPER/SHIRLEY bt Thomas/Mann 15, -18, 12; M. WALD/CORNOCK bt P. Taylor (Herts)/B. McGrorty (Kent) 15, 8.

**Final:** NAPPER/SHIRLEY bt Wald/Cornock 18, 16.

### Under 13

**Boys' Singles—semi-finals:** LEFEBVRE bt Hellaby 20, 13; S. HEAPS (Ches) bt R. Aldrich (Middx) 13, 12.

**Final:** HEAPS bt Lefebvre 18, 14.

**Girls' Singles—semi-finals:** MORICEAU bt P. Brenchley (Kent) 5, 9; BERGERET bt A. Painter (Middx) 15, 11.

**Final:** MORICEAU bt Bergeret 18, 9.

**Boys' Doubles — semi-finals:** BOASMAN/LEFEBVRE bt Heaps/P. Taylor 17, 19; M. LOCKE (Essex)/HELLABY bt I. Cullip/G. Sweeney (Essex) 12, 20.

**Final:** BOASMAN/LEFEBVRE bt Locke/Hellaby 8, 9.

**Girls' Doubles—semi-finals:** BERGERET/MORICEAU bt Painter/M. West (Kent) 7, 14; BRENCHLEY/McGRORTY bt A. Butler/L. Chesson (Kent) 11, -20, 15.

**Final:** BERGERET/MORICEAU bt Brenchley/McGrorty 15, 13.

### Under 11

**Boys' Singles—semi-finals:** HEAPS bt M. Lehman (Surrey) 10, 13; CULLIP bt C. Collett (Kent) 10, 15.

**Final:** HEAPS bt Cullip 8, 6.

**Girls' Singles — semi-finals:** L. HOWARD (Surrey) bt Chesson 19, 8; J. HOLTAM (Kent) bt J. Slade (Kent) 10, 12.

**Final:** HOWARD bt Holtman 14, 16.

## PHYSICAL FITNESS IN TABLE TENNIS

by David H. Stanley

### APATHY TOWARDS P.T.

AMONG the table tennis players of Britain there has long been an apathy towards physical training, even by our top players. This I am sure is one of the reasons why we have never had the international successes which the natural talents of our players could have reaped if only they had disciplined themselves to some physical training.

Our most successful players in the international field, Fred Perry, Johnny Leach, the Rowe Twins, and more recently, Mary Wright, are those who recognised the need to develop the efficiency of their body as well as their skill and technique. If others had dedicated themselves in the same way, who knows how many more outstanding international players we might have produced.

Surely it is obvious that international class table tennis is a top-line sport, requiring a high standard of mental and physical preparation. But so is county and club table tennis and the sooner the British players realise this and improve their standard of physical fitness, the sooner the standard of play will improve and their successes increase.

### TRAINING

Training for any sport can be divided into six main headings: Agility, Balance, Flexibility, Power, Stamina or Endurance, and Strength.

Any athlete who possesses these qualities will be light, agile and able to perform movement in all directions with little effort, and will also have absolute control over the body.

All these qualities are required in table tennis and every player who takes the trouble to acquire them will

improve beyond all recognition. And not only will there be a physical improvement but also a mental gain, because well-trained people feel good, they look fit with their light step, high head, alert eyes and clear brain. Don't you think you would play better and enjoy your game if you felt that way?

### COMPENSATION

It is a well-known fact that some athletes are "gifted" or "born" into their sport, as some people would say.

Every sport has these performers who often reach the top whilst the average player never gets there in spite of hard conscientious practice. Their gift lies in that they possess a very high degree of nervous control over their movements.

But it is possible for the average performer to compensate for the lack of that control by progressive physical training.

For example, tests have been held in America and at Loughborough, where I am studying, in which trained and untrained athletes had to press a button as soon as a light flashed in front of them.

The trained mind was proved to be quicker than that of the untrained, proving that one's reactions to a sudden signal can be improved by training.

This can be applied 100 per cent to table tennis, where the winner is the player who reacts quickest to the stroke played by an opponent.

Having put forward a case for the necessity of physical fitness for any table tennis player who wishes to be successful, next month I will begin to discuss different methods of training.

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# THOSE SERVICES AGAIN!

I am very pleased to see that you are giving a good airing to the subject of service law infringements. I am especially interested because I gave up my County Umpire status solely on this matter. I had always been extremely dissatisfied with the lack of support conscientious Umpires got from the ruling body when they tried to enforce the service laws and the climax came when I was taking an international match. After two warnings, I faulted one of the visiting team. He was holding the ball impeccably in full accordance with the laws but then, instead of projecting the ball into the air, was twisting his hand so that the ball was, in effect, being thrown backwards on to the bat. The immediate reaction was that a voice from my rear—it could only

have come from one of the two extremely senior and highly respected table tennis authorities present—said to me "do not call any more faults." I have since been told by an even more senior authority that I should have ignored the instructions, but, not wishing to cause an international incident, I complied.

Later on, I decided that the position was quite intolerable and that if Umpires were going to be told that certain laws must not be enforced I was not able in all conscience to continue in any official capacity, much as I love the game.

Another brush I had with authority was over the question of players in team matches running to their captains between games for advice. It wasn't just that they were having a towelling, or were drying their hands or anything like that. No, play was interrupted solely so that the players could obtain advice.

If international laws are going to be abused and ignored, there is little point in having them at all.

However, if the new service laws ever come into use, and if the "top brass" make it clear that they must be observed, I shall be delighted to return to the fold—that is, if I am still wanted.

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## Act Now!

After watching and playing Table Tennis from the era of finger spin and knuckle spin services, and seeing the variety of rules which have been brought in to combat the advantage gained from such services, it appears that we have once again gone the full circle to the extent that the service is spoiling the game and action must once again be taken.

From the views expressed by players, officials and spectators, it is obvious that something must be done, and done quickly, about the service rule as it exists today. This is being bent and distorted to such an extent that the once pleasant duty of umpiring is becoming an unenviable task, apart from causing trouble between players and officials at every tournament. This is bad for the game.

The rule as it stands today is too complex and open to abuse. From my observations the suspect service is usually delivered from below the level of the table and struck when the ball is still rising—I feel that doubt would be eliminated completely if the rule stated that the ball must be falling before being struck.

With this in mind I suggest the following as a basis for discussion:—

"The ball must be propelled vertically from the flat palm of the hand, from not below table level, to a height not less than 18" from table level and only be struck when falling."

This of course will not eliminate spin services, but I feel will help considerably in giving the non server a proper sight of the ball and simplify the problems of the umpire.

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## Is "Blind Eye" the Answer?

I have read with interest your editorial regarding illegal services in the November issue of *Table Tennis News*.

It is, I think, an undisputed fact that these services are on the increase. At a recent tournament which I attended, I should think that 60 per cent of the players were offending in this way.

But what is the umpire to do? The obvious reasonable thing to do is that proposed by Mr. R. A. Weir in the same issue—turn a blind eye if there is no advantage or distraction involved.

Otherwise, if half of the players are to be penalised, there will soon be an even bigger shortage of umpires.

After all, the umpire receives no fee or expenses for his services, as far as I know (no wonder there is a shortage), so presumably he does it for pleasure.

In this case, isn't it unreasonable to expect him to stir up a load of trouble for himself with mass penalising?

"LIVE AND LET LIVE"

Dover, Kent

## On the Lighter Side

I have purchased the first issue of *Table Tennis News* and having read the article "Survival by Circulation" by Lou Hoffman, I hope the lighter side of table tennis will not be forgotten.

Remember a great number of players never enter tournaments and after Chester Barnes names mean very little.

I believe that a humorous article similar to those "dreamed up" by Peter Madge, and letters of a controversial nature will do much to help circulation.

Perhaps we could hear from a players' manager, though not recognised by the E.T.T.A. (and rightly so) giving their side of their usefulness to table tennis—or are they in just for the money!!!

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# ORDER OF PLAY

THE most widely used order of play in a table tennis match is that given on the official result card provided by the league. It only needs one player to arrive late—or want to leave early—to disrupt this sequence, with the result that one player (usually in the opposing team) will probably have to play two rubbers in succession. Preferred sequences of play can be evolved which cater for most eventualities.

For example, the following sequences of play are printed in our League Handbook. Teams consist of three players with 1 and 2 each playing 1, 2 and 3 of the opposing team at singles, plus two doubles 1/3 v 1/3 and 2/3 v 2/3 making 10 rubbers in all.

Usual order as shown on match card: 1-2, 2-3, 3-1, 2-2, 1/3-1/3, 2/3-2/3, 1-1, 3-2, 2-1, 1-3.

Recommended order of play when one player is late.

Home 1 Late: 2-3, 3-2, 2-1, then either 1-2, 1/3-1/3, 2/3-2/3, 1-1, 2-2, 3-1, 1-3, or 2/3-2/3, 1-1, 2-2, 1/3-1/3, 1-2, 3-1, 1-3.

Away 1 Late: 3-2, 2-3, 1-2, then either 2-1, 1/3-1/3, 2/3-2/3, 1-1, 2-2, 1-3, 3-1, or 2/3-2/3, 1-1, 2-2, 1/3-1/3, 2-1, 1-3, 3-1.

Home 2 Late: 1-3, 3-1, 1-2, then either 2-1, 2/3-2/3, 1/3-1/3, 2-2, 1-1, 3-2, 2-3, or 1/3-1/3, 2-2, 1-1, 2/3-2/3, 2-1, 3-2, 2-3.

Away 2 Late: 3-1, 1-3, 2-1, then either 1-2, 2/3-2/3, 1/3-1/3, 2-2, 1-1, 2-3, 3-2, or 1/3-1/3, 2-2, 1-1, 2/3-2/3, 1-2, 2-3, 3-2.

Home 3 Late: 2-3, 1-2, 2-1, 1-3, 3-2, 1-1, 2/3-2/3, 1/3-1/3, 2-2, 3-1.

Away 3 Late: 3-2, 2-1, 1-2, 3-1, 2-3, 1-1, 2/3-2/3, 1/3-1/3, 2-2, 1-3. If a player wants to leave early then play off in the reverse order.

Use the first alternative when the late player arrives in time to play in the 4th set, use the second alternative when that player arrives in time for the 5th set.

The refreshment interval is normally after the fifth set between the doubles. The score card sequence has the disadvantage that the away number 3 has a very long wait before his (or her) third and fourth rubbers, and in the final rubber plays the home number 1.

We have found no generally-acceptable alternative to this particular sequence, but the other orders-of-play have proved most useful.

PETER B. LINDLEY

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# "GIANTS" GET THROUGH

THE second round games of all competitions are now in progress of being played. All contests, except the Bromfield Trophy entrants, have to be played by December 11. The girls have a double length period, this time, because of the fewer zones and are consequently one step ahead of the others.

In the first round of the Wilmott Cup only four matches were decided by the odd game. Gloucester, the holders, easily disposed of the R.A.F. but without B. Merrett are not so confident as in their three previous seasons.

One sees the other Wilmott "giants"—Bolton, East London, Manchester and Willesden through to the second round with only one set loss: between them.

The Rose Bowl competition provided very few results owing to the large number of byes. Huddersfield just managed to beat Leeds and the Midlands derby between Birmingham and West Bromwich ended with a 5-4 win for West Brom. The winners again included Mrs. Cumberbatch who must have played this type of table tennis longer than anyone.

In the Junior Competitions East London, last season's winners of both events, are easily through. Birmingham, as expected, were also victorious. Unfortunately there have again been too many withdrawals in the Carter Cup matches and one hoped that League secretaries would find players even though their standard of play is not all that could be desired.

I am pleased to report that I received a second round result within two days of the posting of the draw sheets. This honour went to Mr. Woodford the Eastbourne team secretary. He and Mr. Wadsworth of Hastings must have a very happy understanding indeed. Someone had to lose of course and Hastings suffered this fate but only at the ninth set.

Other second round results, to date, are Southampton 8, Bournemouth 1 (Wilmott) and Hexham gave the match to Hull in the Carter Cup.

Thanks to all those secretaries who have written and by the time this is in print each should have received a reply. First round results:—

## WILMOTT CUP

Results of Round 1

Dukeries	1	Chesterfield	8
Northampton	3	Leamington	6
Wisbech	3	Lowestoft	6
Gt. Yarmouth	3	Bye	6
Harlow	3	Bedford	6
St. Neots	0	Cambridge	9
Beckenham	5	Southend	4
E. London	5	Reigate	1
N. Middlesex	7	Wandsworth	2
Croydon	8	Basildon	1
Brighton	5	Crawley	0
Plymouth	7	Stroud	2
R.A.F.	0	Gloucester	5
C. Lon. (Univ)	9	London Banks	0
Barking	2	Ilford	2
N. Herts	5	Cheshunt	1
Watford	1	Luton	5
St. Albans	7	Hertford	2
Blackburn	1	Liverpool	8
Hexham	3	Hull	6
Lon. Civ. Ser.	9	Leatherhead	0
Kettering	5	Peterborough	4
Manchester	5	Chester	0
Coventry	5	W. Bromwich	4
Ely	2	Norwich	7
Mansfield v Sheffield	void		
Burnley	4	Stockport	5
Huddersfield	9	Carlisle	0
Staines	5	Newbury	2

## CARTER CUP

Results of Round 1

Middlesborough	5	Scarborough	0
Northumberland	3	Hull	6
St. Neots	9	Peterborough	0
Northampton	beat	Cheadle W.O.	
Luton	5	Dunstable	3
N.W. Kent	5	N. Middlesex	4
Romford	0	E. London	9
Billerica	beat	Southend W.O.	
Kingston G. S.	3	Brighton	6
Bristol	3	Southampton	6
Bognor	beat	Reading W.O.	
Bolton	8	Burnley	1
Exeter	2	Bournemouth	7
Liverpool	2	Mid-Cheshire	7
Blackburn	7	Leeds	2
Birmingham	8	Wolverhampton	1
Maidenhead	beat	Staines W.O.	
Manchester	beat	Sheffield W.O.	

## ROSE BOWL

Results of Round 1

Huddersfield	5	Leeds	4
Stockport	9	Chester	0
W. Bromwich	5	Birmingham	4
Lowestoft	beat	Cambridge W.O.	
N. Herts	beat	Harlow W.O.	
Wilkesden	8	Insur'ce Offices	1
Leatherhead	4	Beckenham	5
Romford	8	Barking	1
Lon. B. Houses	3	Ilford	6
East London	8	B. Stortford	1

## BROOMFIELD TROPHY

(Girls)

Zone Finals

First Team mentioned is drawn at Home

To be played by Jan 15 1967

Zone

1. Liverpool	v	Northumberland
2. Wolverhampton	v	Birmingham
3. St. Neots	v	Ipswich
4. Watford	v	Cheshunt
5. Romford	v	E. London
6. Willesden	v	Slough
7. Newbury	v	Bournemouth
8. Bristol	v	Taunton

Results of Round 1

Bedford	0	St. Neots	9
Cheshunt	5	N. Herts	4
Ipswich	9	Luton	0

# CIVIL SERVICE CHAMPIONSHIPS

MRS. E. B. NAYLOR, of 19 Fitzroy Gardens, London, S.E.19, is the Organising Secretary of the Civil Service Closed Championships which are to be held at the King Edward Building, G.P.O., London, E.C.1 from January 20-27.

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