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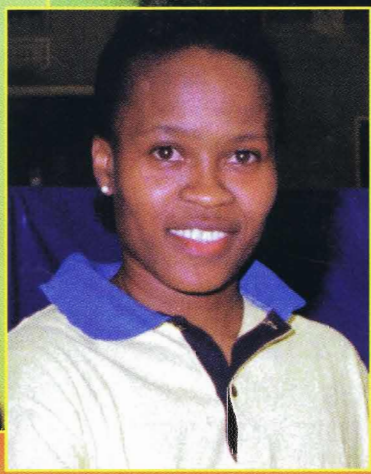
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# O.B.E. for Alan Ransome

Great news for English table tennis! Our Chairman Alan Ransome has been awarded an O.B.E. for services to table tennis, in Her Majesty the Queen's birthday honours list.

Alan Ransome, who has had a very busy life in table tennis, first started playing at the age of 12. He went on to represent Middlesbrough Juniors and Seniors, Durham County Juniors and Seniors, Yorkshire, Northumberland and Cleveland.

Alan also represented his country playing for England Juniors at age of 17 and England Seniors at the age of 24.

He has also tasted success as a coach, when he was Team Manager and Coach to

Ormesby Table Tennis Club, when they became European Club Champions in 1972, and English Champions 11 times between 1968 and 1991.

Alan has been Member of the English Table Tennis Association National Council since 1963, a member of the ETTA Management Committee since 1977, ETTA deputy Chairman 1987 -1991 and Chairman 1991 to date.

He is a member of the International Table Tennis Federation Council, Vice President of the European Table Tennis Union, Chairman of the Commonwealth Table Tennis Federation, and was responsible for the adoption of table tennis into the Commonwealth Games in

## FUN WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS



*Pictured having fun at the Butterfly Fun World at the 44th World Championships in Manchester is ETTA President and former World Men's Singles Champion, Johnny Leach and children from the Cheetwood Primary School, Manchester.*

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2002 in Manchester.

Alan is married to Jose Ransome (nee King Tomkins), who was Executive Director of the Canadian Table Tennis Association 1972-76, Personal Assistant to the Director of the 1977 World Championships in Birmingham, Chairman of the ETTA Women's Committee 1987-1991, and responsible for initiating the Women's British League and Women in Table Tennis programme.

### NEW DIRECTION FOR PARKER

Donald Parker, former national player, team manager and coaching director for English table tennis, is to leave his job as British Olympic Association Deputy Technical Director after just two years to take up a challenging new post as Sports Liaison Officer at the Commonwealth Games Council for England (CGCE) - assisting sports for both Malaysia in 1998, and Manchester in 2002.

## WOODY'S World

June's issue of TTN is crammed full of details and photographs of the fantastic 44th World Championships in Manchester. I say fantastic because the table tennis on display in the G-Mex Centre was the best live action I have ever seen. And with the gold and silver men's singles medals returning to Europe, courtesy of Jan-Ove Waldner and Vladimir Samsonov, and the French men's team only losing narrowly to China in the final was the icing on the cake for me.

It was also good to see fellow long-pimple player Carl Prean back to his brilliant best, flying the flag for England up to the 6th round of the men's singles. Have a great summer.

*John. F.A. Wood*

# DOUBLE BOOST FOR ENGLISH TABLE TENNIS



**Alan Ransome, Chairman of the English Table Tennis Association**

Within the space of just one month table tennis in this country has received two of the greatest boosts in the seventy year history of the sport. The 44th World Table Tennis Championships in Manchester predictably produced a multitude of benefits for the sport. The second boost was not as predictable - in fact as little as two years ago it would have seemed inconceivable. On June 5th, precisely one month after the end of the World Championships, I was informed by the Sports Council that our bid for support from the National Lottery Sports Fund for the World Class Performance programme had been approved. Our application for an eight year plan to lift the English squads back up to the top European rankings, has been awarded a grant for the first year of in excess of £1 million.

This grant will permit us to establish a National Training Centre, employ a Performance/Technical Director, a Squad Manager and up to five National Team Coaches, as well as provide an extensive competition programme including all the major championships at senior, junior and cadet level. In addition the players selected for the squads will, subject to satisfactory application, receive important subsistence grants from the Lottery which will allow them to play the sport full time or combine their sport and education in a way that will maximise their improvement. A further benefit is the establishment of an Under 12 squad for next season consisting of 24 players meeting regularly to accelerate the improvement of our youngest talent.

For many years our teams have

been fighting on the international stage seriously handicapped by the level of resources which we have been able to invest. Countries such as France, Germany, Italy, and Denmark have established academies similar to the National Training Centre that we will be creating. We cannot expect marvellous results overnight, but can look forward to steadily sustained improvement which, in due course, will establish England as one of the main contenders for European and World honours. This award is the first and will concentrate on the National Team. With substantial assistance from several key experts, I took on the task of collating and writing the 100 page application which took me 14 days in total. Later this year we will have the opportunity of a further major grant when the National Lottery Talent Identification programme World Class Potential is launched. With this programme we have the possibility of support for our club structure through the Top Sport programme and this too may be substantial.

Naturally I am delighted with the outcome, but the work has only just started. It is vital that we DELIVER RESULTS and the whole programme will be aimed at meeting targets and providing solid justification for the confidence that the Sports Council has shown in us.

In co-operation with Manchester City Council the Association stage the 44th World Table Tennis Championships, at the G-Mex Centre in Manchester between 24th April and 5th May. This was the biggest table tennis event to be staged in the history of the

sport and attracted more national associations than any other sporting event ever held in the U.K., 116 Associations participated for twelve days on 44 tables. The Championships were sponsored, financed and underwritten by Manchester City Council who were able to attract various sponsors and official suppliers to assist them with the financing of the Championships. The Sports Council also contributed significantly to the event.

The World Championships was a massive undertaking. The play in the main hall at G-Mex was as good as seen in recent years anywhere. The atmosphere created by the layout of the show courts gave the spectators the opportunity to become fully involved in supporting their favourites. In particular, the Men's Team Final between China and France and the Sunday evening semi-finals when Jan-Ove Waldner and Vladimir Samsonov defeated the two remaining Chinese players, assuring that the Men's Singles title at least would return to Europe, was fantastic. This excitement was clearly visible in the television pictures that were seen by millions around the world.

Our England Men's Team under the direction of Soren Ahlen did better than many predicted. After the results last year in the European Championships and the European League, the hopes of a good World Championship were slim, but to beat Russia, Hungary and the Czech Republic and come close with Japan was a real bonus. Matthew Syed, Carl Prean and Alan Cooke all produced at different times their very best table tennis.

The benefits to table tennis in England were substantial. TV coverage on Sky and BBC amounted to almost 30 hours. Members had the opportunity to see the best players in the World competing at the peak of their performance in this country. From my own county, Cleveland, two of the clubs Ormesby and North Ormesby organised bus trips to Manchester. For many of the youngsters who attended it was their first experience of table tennis at this level. It was reported at our local meeting that the youngsters thought the event was fantastic and the leaders and coaches had great difficulty in dragging them away from watching the matches to catch the buses back home. The largest development programme in one venue at one time for table tennis for over 4,000 youngsters being introduced to the sport. The youngsters who attended were really given a magnificent day. Our Development staff gave a short talk introducing them to English table tennis and the World Championships. They had the opportunity to play in the Butterfly Fun World area where they received coaching from qualified North West coaches and, of course, had the chance to see some of the best players in the world perform at the peak of their ability.

Many members had the opportunity of speaking to our Development staff and receiving information on various programmes. The England team had 28 players in the championships, thereby giving the opportunity to play in the World Championships, not just to the first team as usual, but also to the second team and many of our leading junior players. A Coaching Course was organised by the National Coaching Committee

during several days of the event improving the knowledge of the sport for coaches from both this country and abroad. Many guests and VIP's from the Sports Council, local authorities and other sponsors had the opportunity of attending the championships and getting the feel of table tennis at the highest level and receiving a very good impression of our sport.

The television coverage throughout the ESPN network world-wide was the largest ever broadcast for table tennis. Due to the TV friendly playing schedule that was established, the producers were able to capture several hours of the best play each day. The coverage world-wide was phenomenal, particularly throughout Asia and Europe. The quality of the coverage by TWI was also first class.

In most respects the organisation of the event was successful. However, in two areas, the late notification of information and the ticketing for the show courts, significant problems occurred. Many of the volunteer staff at the Championships did very well to cope with the problems that followed. Justifiable criticism has been levelled at the Organising Committee with regard to these two areas and a full de-brief meeting has been held by the Association to review these and other matters relating to the Championships. A full report is being prepared by Colin Clemett.

Some of the initiatives introduced at the Championships worked extremely well. The centre court concept, which was last used at the 1977 World Championships in Birmingham, an improved playing

schedule which staggered the matches for the benefit of television, spectators, media, players and coaches, all the tables in one hall with the same playing conditions despite the large number, and the work in the development area. In some other World Championships there have been some days of play that have been uninteresting for several hours and then suddenly one would find that the 16 main tables were filled with key matches for an hour. Spectators had the choice of watching only one or two of the key matches or trying to keep an eye on several which was generally unsatisfactory. In Manchester spectators could arrive at the mid-morning on most days and watch top matches virtually non-stop into the evening.

The experience gained from staging the Championships will be helpful to the ITTF with the arrangements for future championships, Manchester City Council in their preparation for the Commonwealth Games in 2002 and the ETTA and the Sports Council with the planning of future events. The World Championships are now so large that it is not possible for a table tennis association to undertake the organisation alone and, therefore, the ITTF are not only dealing with a national association but also with a significant commercial or government sponsors as well. The ITTF recognise this fact and will review their procedures accordingly.

The organisation of the 44th World Championships was an enormous undertaking and we would like to thank Manchester

City Council for their massive contribution, the ITTF for their input, and the Sports Council for their involvement. In particular the volunteers from the Association and Manchester who gave up so much of their time to work at the Championships are deserving of the highest praise.

The World Championships in Manchester were the main focus of the ITTF activity. Last year, following the death of the previous President, Lollo Hammarlund, the Deputy President Xu Yinsheng of China undertook the Presidency. He was re-elected for a further term at the BGM in Manchester. Adham Sharara of Canada was re-elected as the Deputy President. The ITTF have decided that the next World Championships will definitely be held in Belgrade in 1999 and in Osaka, Japan, in 2001. There several interested Associations for 2003 including South Africa and France. Colin Clemett was re-elected as the ITTF Rules Committee Chairman, Jill Parker was re-elected to the ITTF Ranking Committee and Donald Parker to the Sports Science Committee. I was re-elected as an ITTF Council Member and a member of the Standing Orders Committee. The Association was represented at the BGM in Manchester by our President, Johnny Leach MBE and the Deputy Chairman, Tony Chatwin.

The 13th Commonwealth Table Tennis Championships were successfully staged by the Scottish Table Tennis Association in Glasgow, between 13th and 20th April, with the previous hosts Singapore, enjoying their best Commonwealth Championships in terms of medal placings. In the absence of Hong Kong, Singapore were successful in taking all four women's gold medals. England enjoyed their best performance in the Commonwealth Championships for some years, whilst India won their first gold in the Men's Doubles. One of the best Men's Singles finals in the history of the Championships was Matthew Syed's close victory at deuce in the fifth game over former Commonwealth Champion Alan Cooke, a really classic match.

The BGM of the Commonwealth Association saw a number of

changes. Keith Bowler, the long standing Hon. Secretary/Treasurer of the Commonwealth and Denis George, the Chairman of the Technical Committee, both retired from their positions. Keith and Denis together have been stalwarts of the Commonwealth movement and have done much to maintain the traditions of the Championships over a number of years. Both were elected Hon. Personel Members. The BGM recognising that Commonwealth sport is becoming more significant, changed the title of the Association to the Commonwealth Table Tennis Federation and expanded the Management Committee members to four. The Presidency changed hands and the Scottish President, Helen Hamilton (formerly Elliot) was elected for the next two years. A new Executive Committee saw the election of a new Secretary, Angelo Tabone of Australia, a new Deputy Chairman, M.C.Chowhan of India, and a new Treasurer, Audrey MacDonald of South Africa. The Technical Committee Chairman is Chandra Madhosingh of Canada, which means that the top five positions in the Commonwealth have been filled from five different continents.

One of the main items under discussion at the BGM was the inclusion of table tennis in the Commonwealth Games in Manchester in 2002.

Arrangements are proceeding well from a table tennis perspective. A meeting of the new Management Committee in Manchester was held to discuss the venue for the 1999 event after the ITTF BGM confirmed that the World Championship host in 1999 would be Belgrade. Indications of interest to stage the Commonwealth Championships in 1999 were recorded from Guernsey and Northern Ireland.

This season has been a very eventful and memorable one. Seeds sown, some of which were planted in previous seasons, are beginning to bear fruit. I would like to thank all our members who have contributed to the significant progress which is currently being made.

*Alan Ransome  
ETTA Chairman*

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# A HUGE SUCCESS

Last season's Grand Prix was a huge success, and it increases from five tournaments and a final, to eight tournaments and a final next season, writes Mike Johns.

The Grand Prix tournaments were very popular with all players, from international players to the first time tournament players and especially the juniors seeking more experience.

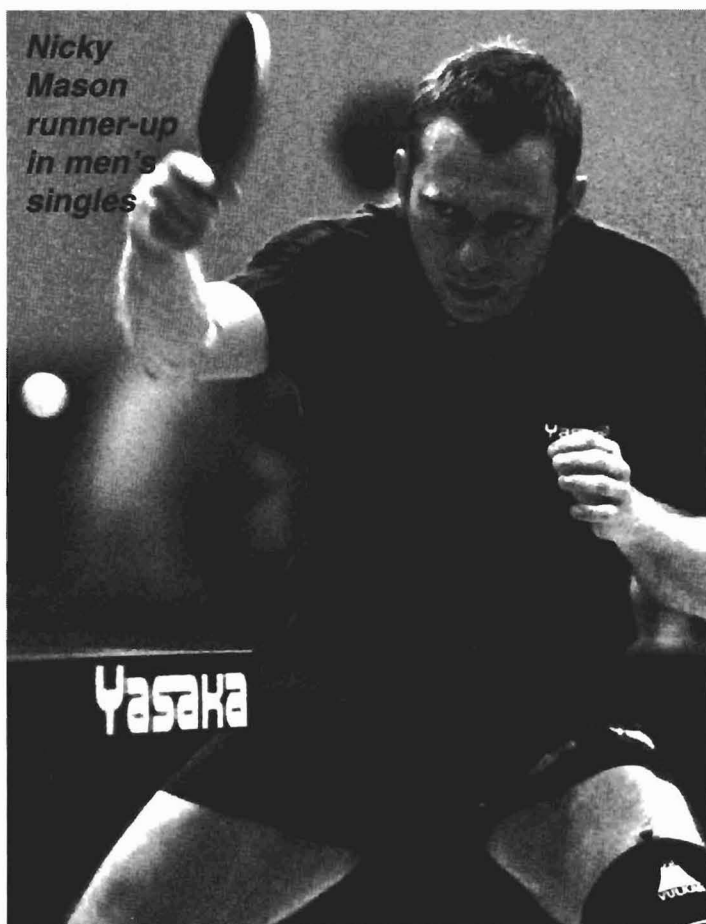
## OVER 30 EVENTS

With the staging of the National Team finals on the 14th and 15th June, the 1996/97 season finally ended. The ETTA Events

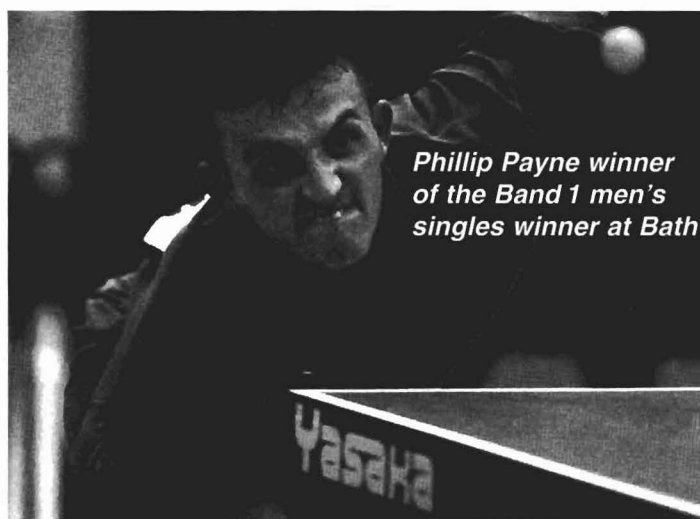


**Mike Johns, ETTA Events Manager**

Department have been involved with over 30 different events, and with the increased number of Grand Prix tournaments next season we can expect to be even busier.



**Nicky Mason runner-up in men's singles**



**Phillip Payne winner of the Band 1 men's singles winner at Bath**

At present next season's calendar is:-

<b>August 1997</b>		
30/31	Merseyside Open (Grand Prix)	Liverpool
<b>September</b>		
13/14	Women's British League (1)	TBA
<b>October</b>		
04	Joola Men's European League v Denmark	St. Austell
25/26	Veterans Premier Weekend (1)	Ashford
25/26	Junior Premier Weekend (1)	TBA
28	Joola Women's European League v Germany	TBA
<b>November</b>		
01/02	Eastern Open (Grand Prix)	Kings Lynn
08/09	Veteran's British League (1)	Manchester
08/09	Senior Premier Weekend	TBA
22/23	Woolwich Junior British League	Kettering
29/30	English Junior Nationals	Stratford-upon-Avon
<b>December</b>		
06/07	Western Open (Grand Prix)	Bath
09/11	Joola Women's European League 2nd Stage	TBA
<b>January 1998</b>		
06/11	<b>ENGLISH OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS</b>	Kettering
17	Joola Men's European League 2nd Stage	TBA
<b>February</b>		
31 Jan/1 Feb	West Midlands Open (Grand Prix)	Stratford-upon-Avon
		TBA
14/15	Women's British League (2)	TBA
<b>March</b>		
28 Feb/1 Mar	National Junior and Cadet Trials	TBA
28 Feb/1 Mar	Senior Premier Weekend (2)	TBA
06/07/08	Senior National Championships	TBA
14/15	Veteran's Premier Weekend (2)	TBA
28/29	Woolwich Junior British League (2)	Kettering
<b>April</b>		
04/05	Veteran's British League	Bletchley
04/05	Junior Premier Weekend (2)	TBA
10/13 (Easter)	South West Open (Grand Prix)	St. Austell
<b>May</b>		
09/10	(Grand Prix)	TBA
16/17	Junior/Cadet Masters	Cippenham
23/24	English Junior Open	TBA
30/31	Grand Prix Finals	Bath
<b>June</b>		
06/07	U10/11/12 Championships	Bletchley
13/14	National Team Finals	TBA

The above will be updated for the next edition of Table Tennis News.

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# GOLD FOR SYED....

## THE COOL DEFENDER

Watching Matthew Syed win his first Commonwealth singles crown, -14, 16, -20, 17, 20, was for me the most exciting match of the season. He earned a standing ovation at the Kelvin Hall, Glasgow, and so did the loser Alan Cooke for his stunning display of attack that seemed at times to have Matthew well beaten, writes John Woodford.

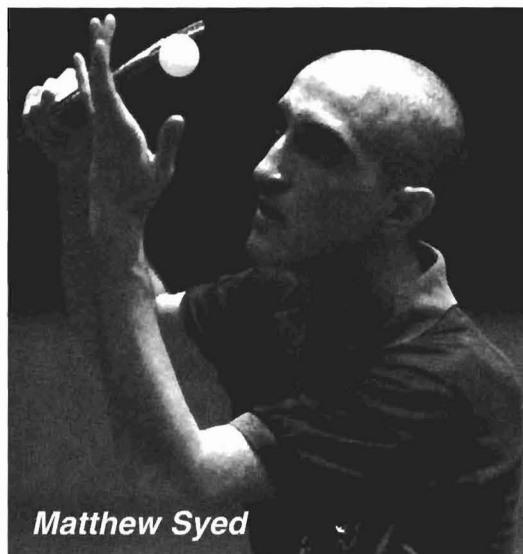
Throughout the seven days' play, there were signs that Alan intended to bite the bullet, having reached a number of Commonwealth finals in the past.

England's top three men Syed, Cooke and Perry all reached the quarter-finals. The young man from Crediton crushed the Canadian Chinese Hai Tao Geng, 16, 19, 15, but the well known Indian Chetan Baboor managed to stop Perry's semi-final bid, 17, 14, 17.

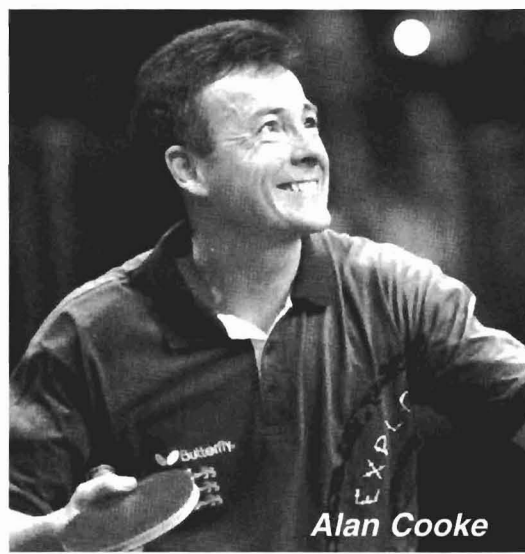
Baboor appeared to pose a threat to Cooke, but the Chesterfield top-spinner stepped up a gear, attacking with devastating speed and accuracy to halt the Indian's progress, 18, 18, 8.

Syed's march to the final was without problems. He defeated Paul Langley from Australia in the quarter-finals, 8, 12, 11, and the Malaysian Jun Hui Liu, 16, 18, 16, in the semi-finals.

Cooke led at one stage of the men's singles final by two games to one and 17-15. At that stage it seemed that the Chesterfield ace was set to secure his gold medal, but Syed is the coolest of players under



Matthew Syed



Alan Cooke

pressure - even at 20-20 in the fifth game - thrills to the last second as Syed kept the ball on the table to win the title.

Ryan Jenkins of Wales is my choice as the most improved young player in Britain this season. He bid very strongly in the last sixteen, but he was defeated following a classic struggle, 16 in the fifth, by Peter Jackson, who represents New Zealand, but spends most of his time in Europe.

Wales did however win a bronze medals in the men's and women's doubles. Ryan Jenkins and Steve Ward reached the semi-finals, with a superb win, 19, 19, against the Canadians Geng and Trudel before losing -18, -16, to the eventual winners Baboor and Raman from India. In the final the Indian pair faltered in the middle of the match, but survived to win gold, 18, -18, 18, against the top seeds Alan Cooke and Bradley Billington.

As expected, top seeds from Singapore Jin and Li won the women's doubles comfortably, leaving the Welsh pair of Bethan Dauntton and Natasha Williams losing in the semis, -11, -17, to another Singapore pair Tan and Koh. But at least, more bronze for Wales.

England headed the medals

table with six, one of the golds was the men's team event where Matthew Syed, Alan Cooke and Alex Perry defeated India 4-1 in the final.

No surprises that Singapore captured the gold in the women's team finals, 4-2 against England, where Nicola Deaton landed a smart win, 18,



Andrea Holt, Nicola Deaton and Lisa Lomas

12, against Li Ping Koh.

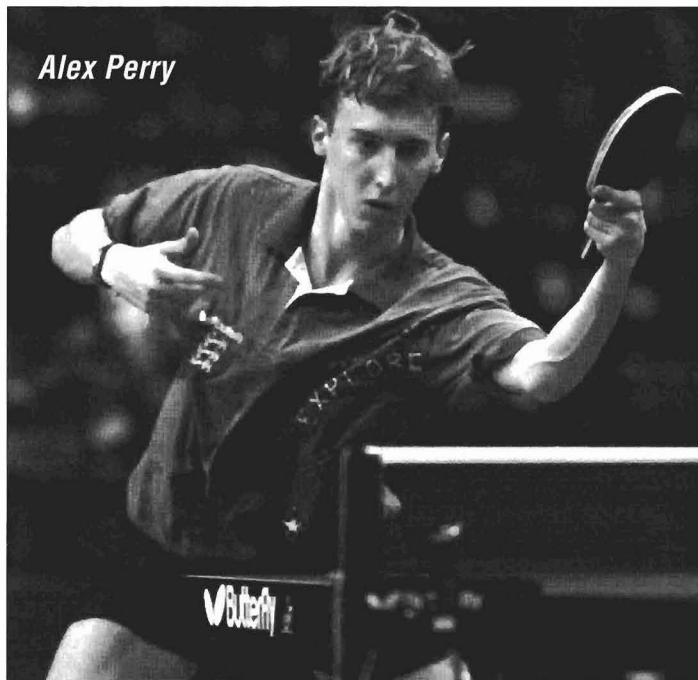
Sifting through the results it was not easy to find a lot of good news for the Scottish. In the men's doubles Euan Walker and John Broe reached the third round after taking out the young English pair, Gareth Herbert and Terry Young. The Scots then tasted defeat at the hands of the New Zealanders Peter Jackson and Shane Laugersen.

Singapore dominated the women's singles with world No. 25 Jun Hong Jing almost outclassing her rivals. Great interest was shown in 15 year old Jia Wei Li, who reached the semi-finals with her stylish game, but there she fell to her compatriot Paey Fern Tan. Then Jun scorched past Tan in the final, 9, 9, 11.

### SARAH IN A HURRY

In the women's team event Sarah Hurry, Diane Walker and Tamara Powell representing Scotland went under 4-0 to Australia, but they recorded a good 4-2 win against New Zealand. But possibly the best Scottish result came when Sarah Hurry reached the consolation women's singles final, after stopping Tamara Powell and then England's Lindsay Thornton in the semi-finals. However, in the final Sarah found that Kibibi Moseley from Barbados had one too many guns.

The Scottish TTA, strapped for cash, had to struggle to make



ends meet to run the championships. Economies included communications, where the national journalists present, Richard Eaton and myself, had to rent a telephone line, because the organisation only had one line which was used most of the time for faxing. Otherwise, it was a traditional Scottish welcome for all fourteen nations.

## Results

**MEN'S TEAM EVENT:** 1.England, 2.India, 3.Canada, 4.Australia, 5.New Zealand, 6.Malaysia, 7.Northern Ireland, 8.Singapore, 9.Wales, 10.Scotland, 11.Barbados, 12.Mauritius, 13.Cyprus, 14.South Africa.  
**Final:** England 4 India 1

(A.Cooke Eng., b. A.Dutta Ind. 19,8. M.Syed Eng., b. C.Baboor Ind., 18, 16. A.Perry Eng., b. A.Basek Ind.,14, 16. Cooke/Perry Eng., l. Basek/Baboor Ind., -21, -15. A.Cooke Eng., b. C.Baboor Ind., 13, 15. **3rd & 4th placings:** Canada 4 Australia 3 (P.P.Predeeban Can b.T.Brown Aus, -22, 15, 19. K.Liu Can l. R.Lavale Aus, -12, -19. F.Trudel Can, b. S.Gerada Aus, -15, 12, 14. Trudel/Geng Can l. Brown/Gerada Aus, 16, -10, -17. P.P.Predeeban Can, l. R.Lavale Aus, -14, 18, -18. K.Liu Can, b. S.Gerada Aus,-22,18,13. F.Trudel Can, b. T.Brown Aus, 15, 7.

**WOMEN'S TEAM EVENT:** 1.Singapore,2.England, 3.Australia,4.Malaysia, 5.Canada, 6.India, 7.Wales, 8.Northern

Ireland,9.Scotland,10.South Africa, 11.New Zealand, 12.Barbados. **Final:** Singapore 4 England 2, (P.F.Tan Sing., b. A.Holt Eng., 21, 19. J.H.Jing Sing., b. L.Lomas Eng., 19, 21. L.P.Koh Sing., l. Nicola Deaton Eng., -18, -12. Jing/Tan Sing. b. Holt/Lomas Eng., -14, 11, 12. P.F.Tan Sing., l. L.Lomas Eng., -12, 24, -8. J.H.Jing Sing., b. Nicola Deaton Eng., 11, 10.

**3rd & 4th placings:** Australia 4 Malaysia 3, (S.Zhou Aus., b. L.F.Beh Mal., 16, 12. Y.Li Aus., l. L.J.Yao Mal., -6, -7. T.Gough Aus., l. B.S.Phua Mal., -16, 16, -14. Li/Zhou Aus., b. Yau/Phua Mal., 20, 17. S.Zhou Aus., l. L.J.Yao Mal., -10,-6. Y.Li Aus., b. B.S.Phua Mal., 15, -22, 19. T.Gough Aus., b. L.F.Beh Mal., 14, 19. **MEN'S SINGLES:** Gold M.Syed, Eng. b. Silver A.Cooke, Eng., -14, 16, -20, 17, 20. Bronze J.H.Liu, Mal. l. M.Syed, -16,-18, -16 & C.Baboor, India, l. A.Cooke, -18, -18,-8. **WOMEN'S SINGLES:** Gold J.H.Jing, Sing. b. Silver P.F.Tan, Sing. 9, 9, 11. Bronze A.Holt, Eng., l. J.H.Jing, -2, -13, -7, & J.W.Li, Sing, l. P.F.Tan, 12, -12, 14, -14, -16.

**MEN'S DOUBLES:** Gold Baboor/Raman, Ind. b. Silver, Cooke/Billington, Eng.,18,-18,18. Bronze R.Jenkins/S.Ward, Wal., l. Baboor/Raman, -18, -16, & P.Jackson/S.Laugerson, NZ., l. Cooke/Billington,-12, -18.

**WOMEN'S DOUBLES:** Gold J.H.Jing/J.W.Li, Sing., b. Silver, L.P.Koh/P.F.Tan, Sing.,11, 17. Bronze L.W.Beh/B.S.Phua, Mal., l. Jing/Li, -12, -6, & B.Daunton/N.Williams, Wal.,l. Tan/Koh, -11, -17. **MIXED DOUBLES:** Gold J.W.Li/C.P.Lai, Sing., b. Silver, J.H.Jing/Y.F.Sen, Sing., 13, 12. Bronze B.Bhuvneshwari/

S.Raman, Ind. l. Li/Lai, 19, -9, -8, & C.Ngo/H.T.Geng, Canada, l. Jing/Sen, -15, -7. **MEN'S CONSOLATION SINGLES FINAL:** B.Billington, England, b. H.Zhao, Singapore, 5, 13. **WOMEN'S CONSOLATION SINGLES FINAL:** K.Moseley, Barbados, b. S.Hurry, Scotland, -11, 18, 10.



***This issue's Mailbox is dominated by the 44th World Championships in Manchester. Although this was a most successful and spectacular event it did have some problems off the table. These criticisms are published on these pages with comments by Brian Halliday.***

#### "BLOW AWAY"

Whilst naturally all English table tennis supporters will regret the continuing drop in our international team rankings following the recent World Championships, and will expect that our Association will be looking at positive ways to re-establish both our Men's and Women's teams back at the top with the world leaders, it is equally essential that we should be seen to be taking decisive action to examine how (in less than a fortnight) we could "blow away" our previous hard earned and merited reputation amongst the "premier" organisers of major championships. Appreciating, as I do, that the overall responsibility for the World Championships remains with the ITTF, nevertheless the logistical and scheduling arrangements etc., at Manchester were clearly delegated to the ETTA and the resulting fiasco will take a very long time to live down, both with all our visitors from all the 117 competing nations and, equally sadly, with the small army of volunteer workers, like my wife and myself, who came to work for a fortnight in many varied areas and disciplines and who were subjected to much unnecessary "flack" and abuse, from competitors, coaches and spectators (many on short fuses), as day after day we failed miserably to deliver the required and expected organisational skills. By the end of Day One it was obvious that our "dream" was in reality a "nightmare" and, as a result, many of the volunteers spent much of their time basically firefighting and working excessively long shifts trying to keep the ship afloat as the problems, at times, continued to mount with no obvious signs of any improvement.

My long experience of International competition suggests that any post mortem will conclude that both basic scheduling and the modern technological systems were totally inadequate, but for a debacle of this magnitude there must have

been other failings as well. All the root causes need to be highlighted, recorded and passed to the ITTF to ensure that future organising Nations can benefit from our mistakes.

Consideration of how to regain the support of the many unhappy and disillusioned voluntary workers should also include assurances that future catering arrangements will provide better, more appetizing and varied meals than those which were provided at Manchester Town Hall. To my certain knowledge there was much opting out by ticket holders who preferred to pay and eat elsewhere. My wife and I used under 50% of our free meal tickets. What, I wonder, was the actual percentage of meals taken to tickets issued?

*B.R.J. Webb  
ETTA Vice President and  
International Umpire*

#### MONUMENTAL BLUNDERS

The 1997 Worlds provided many lessons for the future generations who might be running it in say, the year 2017! In fact, it was Deng Yaping who told an international press conference after she had won her title, "Manchester will learn from the chaos."

That sort of quote is an organisers nightmare. Alan Ransome was not happy to hear that the word "chaos" went out all over the world via the international news agencies at the press gathering.

Many will argue that because of the financial support from Manchester City Council, without which the tournament would not have taken place, "too many cooks spoiled the broth." It seems that the three main organising bodies - Manchester, the ETTA and the ITTF disagreed on several major issues long before the first ball was played. And there were of course, people in key executive roles who knew very little about running world table tennis events - they know a bit more now, but monumental blunders were made, the biggest one being that the main arena was too small - no doubt, a cost-cutting exercise. Other sports often transfer final stages to bigger arenas so that the mayhem that we saw over the last three days at the G-Mex do not happen.

Having gone along the road of a 3,800 seater venue, the die was cast for many irate fans appearing with reserved seats and finding

other people in them. I regard it as quite scandalous that there was no seating in the arena for players, officials and umpires.

Stuart Sherlock will no doubt, come up with all sorts of reasons why the second and third stages of the team events spelled pandemonium for most of the 110 team captains who did not know hours beforehand when or who they were playing against.

Stuart it seems, was committed to a policy of producing a new system that in theory allowed the Swaythling and Corbillon Cups to be won by any country from China to Ecuador - who finished in 60th position. In the first stage no problems, but the two later stages resulted in notes being pushed under team captains hotel doors late at night, with the possibility of being called to play at 9.30am, leaving no chance for players to prepare mentally for the tasks ahead the next morning.

Huge crowds, the largest (6000) in the modern era was the best happening in Manchester, the atmosphere in the centre-courts arena was electric and came over well on Sky television, but I fear England has been removed from the short list of the world's best organisers.

*John Woodford  
Table Tennis correspondent of  
The Daily Telegraph.*

#### CHAMPIONSHIP FIASCO

Alan Ransome stated in the February edition of TTN that "1997 promises to be one of the most exciting and progressive years in the history of English table tennis." It is a shame that the organisers of the 44th World Championships contributed to this by making the ETTA the laughing stock of world table tennis. This must have been the most chaotic World Championships ever!

I had the opportunity to talk to some of the players, a national coach, an umpire, a member of the press team, a steward, and other spectators. Everyone without exception was complaining about the chaos! One person summed up most peoples feelings with the comment that "they couldn't organise a booze-up in a brewery."

There are serious questions that need to be answered.

1. A national coach posed the question "why couldn't the order of play have been planned before the tournament started? When the results came through the names

could then have been pencilled in and a simple changeover of tables made to put the games on the stadium courts that television or the committee required."

2. Why when the players went to bed didn't they know what time they would be required to play the next day? How can you prepare for a match if you haven't this information? Some players were based over an hours drive from the venue!

3. I was very disappointed that there was so little coverage in the press until I was told that result sheets were not available until anywhere between 2am and 6am, if you were lucky. It is no wonder that most of the press gave up on the championships! Why did this happen?

4. Why was there so much confusion over the seating arrangement around the stadium courts? If blocks A & B had been reserved for players, VIP's and officials from the start the public and the stewards would have known what was happening and accepted the fact. There would then not have been the threat of a players strike and the President of the ITTF would not have been refused entry to watch the matches.

5. Why were numbered seats sold for the final day but the numbers removed from all seats the previous evening? Why were too many seats sold and people who had a ticket and had travelled considerable distances refused entry but offered a refund?

6. Why was it so difficult for spectators to find out where players were timetabled to play so that they could select their viewing? Even the result sheets that were sold at a £1 each often had poor information on the days play and sometimes they didn't appear at all!

7. Why was there no electronic board for results and the next round of games to be played? Surely in this electronic and computing age this is the least one would expect for a World Championships.

8. Why were some of the organisers also attempting to umpire games and off duty umpires being asked to cover games that were already very late because no umpire had been scheduled to cover that game?

9. Due to lack of ventilation it was usually very hot in the hall so the refreshment stalls must have done a roaring trade despite the high prices. But why did ALL of

these close at least two hours before the final games finished? Both workers and spectators were parched but were unable to buy a drink.

I believe that members should be given a full answer to the above questions and perhaps those responsible for the fiasco should offer their resignation.

Alan J. Gibby  
Hellesdon, Norwich.

**Brian Halliday, ETTA Vice Chairman, Public Relations, replies to the above three letters,**

*"I have had the opportunity of reading the letters received this month in respect of the World Championships.*

*"My role within the Management Committee of the ETTA includes responsibility for your magazine, and of course what goes in and does not go into it. Ill informed gossip has suggested a policy of censorship and that our journal only toes the party line. This is patently untrue and the Editorial Board has given the Editor full control as to what he prints. Of course there have been instances where libellous statements have been sent to the magazine and obviously for the good of the game, discretion has to be a key watchword.*

*"The recent event in Manchester has promoted strong feelings, and all the letters received are being quoted in full, because as one correspondent so rightly points out, we must learn from our mistakes.*

*"I was also at the World Championships for the duration, working with the Press and the media, and totally agree that there was so much that we could all have improved upon. I am sure that the World's debriefing meeting will address the problems made and make recommendations to help future organisers.*

*The correspondents have raised a number of points which do require answers, and the following is my own personal attempt to address concerns.*

*The original concept of allowing every nation an opportunity of becoming World Champions was brilliant. Unfortunately the system was so complex. To cope with a record entry of teams was a massive administrative task.*

*I have heard criticism that the*

*press coverage was minimal. I agree that the tabloids again chose to ignore us, although one or two managed the odd result here and there. The quality papers gave us excellent coverage, particularly The Times who got the event off to a splendid start with their large colour picture of Katy Parker on the front page. (I think the last time we had a table tennis picture on the front page was when Denis Neale jumped off the top diving board at Crystal Palace fully clothed, having suffered defeat by one Chester Barnes!) The answer to more press coverage lies with our own members. Write to papers, tell them what you want to read about. It does work.*

*The seating arrangements gave us headaches galore. As the tournament progressed it became obvious that we would become victims of our own success. The demand for tickets was at a level not seen in years, and decisions, some that eventually proved unpopular, had to be taken very quickly. Although the problems escalated near to the final stages all those that wanted to see the matches were accommodated.*

*"Volunteers worked above and beyond the call of duty in many areas. Was it all worthwhile? The negative aspects have been highlighted, but I believe that the positive areas of achievement far outweigh them.*

*"England has never staged an event of this magnitude and complexity in any sport before! The playing conditions were superb with floor, lighting and general atmosphere for the players the best ever. The arena with four table showcourts gave perfect viewing to spectators and the players responded with breathtaking play.*

*"With well over a hundred countries participating the opportunity was given for all the players to play more matches in more events than ever before. Now this may not have been welcomed by some of the top stars but for the lesser nations this aspect was appreciated. The two practice halls were used constantly and the excellent facilities that they provided was the cause of favourable comment.*

*"The ETTA has taken a deal of*

*criticism over TV coverage in past years so it was pleasing that the efforts made by SKY were so well received. Graham Fry and a host of technicians and cameramen did a brilliant job. With advanced technical know how they really brought the drama and excitement home to the viewers all over the world. The coverage was seen by millions of people all over the world. They will have seen the sport presented in a dramatic and dynamic form and this aspect alone must make the championships a success and do so much to enhance the sport in the eyes of the world.*

*"I don't doubt that post mortems will go on and on but I think we should step back and ask ourselves two questions: 1. Did the vast majority of spectators at the venue and all those viewers worldwide enjoy what they saw? 2. Did the players feel that they had played in first class conditions and that they had full value in respect of matches played and performance realised. If the answers are in the affirmative, then the whole exercise was worthwhile.*

Brian Halliday  
ETTA Vice Chairman, PR

**WALDNER FOR ENGLAND?**

I have recently witnessed in my opinion the finest men's singles game, a broad statement, but the above words I will not retract from. Of course I am referring to the Men's Singles final at Manchester between Jan-Ove Waldner and Vladimir Samsonov.

Waldner's display of attacking, accuracy, and if needed, defence, left me lacking the most suitable adjectives to describe the game.

Over the last fifty-five years, I have been deeply interested in table tennis and I have always taken the Table Tennis News in this period, besides serving on various organising committees, and playing at a reasonable standard.

I attended every day, at the 1948, 1954, and 1977 World Championships, this year I resorted to Sky coverage.

The World Champion of 1954 was Ojimura, the Swedes employed him as a coach, and in a very short space of time, the Swedes were to have a European

champion in Alser, from 1959 onwards the Swedes have been a dominant force in this sport.

I have written at various times through this outlet, and have spoken to Albert Shipley on the telephone and most recently to Alan Ransome to the effect, that unless we employ, say players of the calibre of Stellan Bengston or Jan-Ove Waldner, we will always be in the wilderness. Young players will respect and look up to world players of this class. I know they they would, and should, require an enormous salary, if they were available, and now that the National Lottery is in being, we should make strong and determined overtures to this organisation, and perhaps Tony Banks, if he could forget Chelsea for a few moments.

We will never achieve a world champion with the present set up, with apologies to the present players and the coach.

Referring back to Waldner, as a layman I cannot reasonably put in the appropriate words how to describe him. He is one player, who can turn it on, on the big occasion, in fact I have seen him lose in the early rounds of the English Open.

Richard Bergman, Johnny Leach and Andreadis in their day, and recently players like Bengston, Klampar, Surbeck and Jonyer, gave me enormous pleasure but to finish, Waldner is the complete allround player with emphasis on attacking play, of all time. This includes the Chinese and Japanese, who were great, but personally to me, did not inspire me, especially those who used the penhold grip.

Len Roberts  
Southgate, London.

**LUCKY**

I was lucky enough to have a friend who taped all of Sky's coverage of the World Championships in Manchester. The standard of coverage was very good and made the BBC's effort look rather paltry being after the event too little too late.

The tapes are now in great demand at our club, Luton Tigers, as far as I know I'm the only one to have seen the coverage live or otherwise.

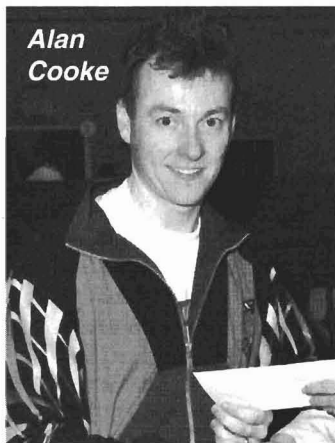
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# COOKE & OWOLABI *turn on the style to top the singles at Bath*

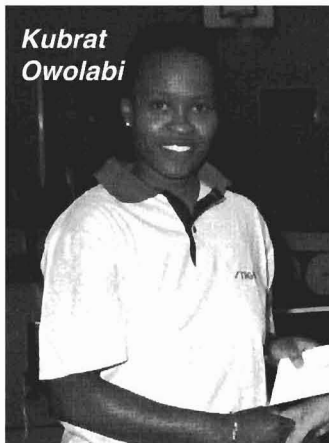
Alan Cooke and Kubrat Owolabi majestically won their respective singles titles at the Yasaka Grand Prix Finals, held in the splendid Roman city of Bath, in May, and in doing so became overall champions.

Cooke beat old warhorse Nicky Mason in the final, 16, 8, whilst Owolabi defeated Sue Collier, 17 and 21 in a much closer Women's final.

**Results: Men's Singles:** A.Cooke b. N.Mason, 16, 8. **Women's Singles:**



Alan Cooke



Kubrat Owolabi

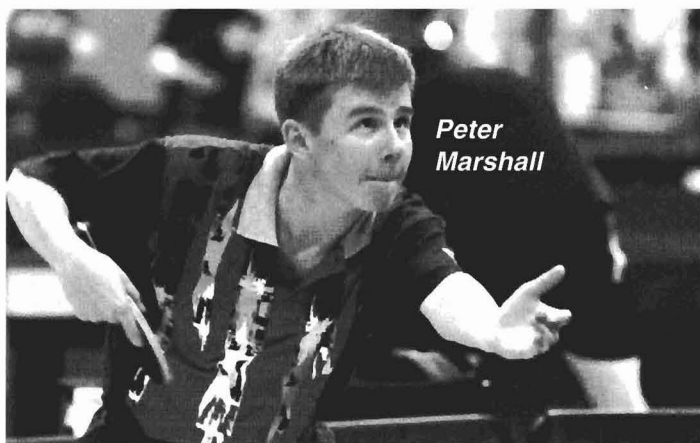
## O'DRISCOLL & MARLING SHINE IN SUNDERLAND

Michael O'Driscoll and Sally Marling returned with a vengeance to take the honours at the Yasaka Northern Open in Sunderland, on the 12th/13th April 1997.

O'Driscoll beat Brian Johns in the final with swash-buckling ease, although Johns did make life a little difficult by taking the second.

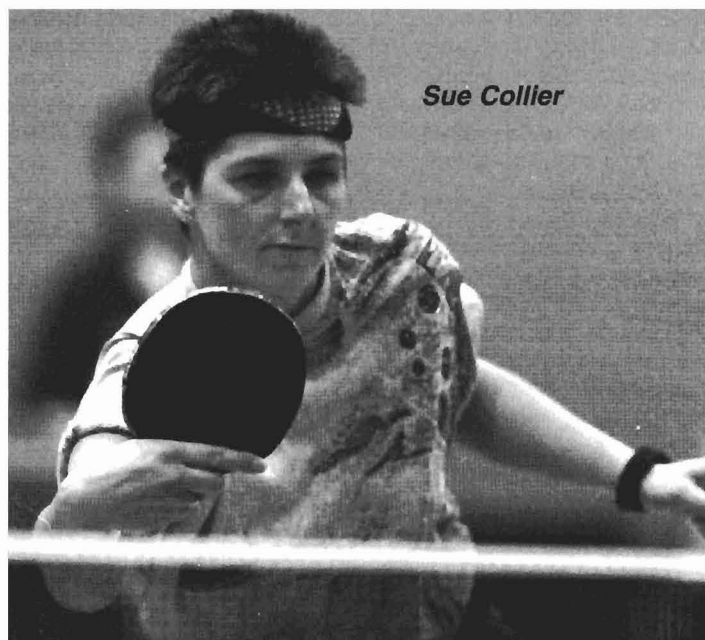
The women's singles final was an all Yorkshire affair between the Marling sisters, with Sally in the end proving too strong for Samantha.

**Results: Men's Singles:** M.O'Driscoll b. B.Johns, 11,-17, 8. **Women's Singles:** S.Marling b. S.Marling, 13, 15. **Men's Band 1:** M.James b. A.Sugarman, -18, 15, 15. **Women's Band 1:** S.Marling b. E.Smith,-17, 16, 11. **Men's Band 2:** D.Ashall b. D.Godbold,-14, 15, 18. **Women's Band 2:** J.Strawson b. T.Russ, 12, 14, (r/r). **Men's Doubles:** T.Dyson/M.O'Driscoll b. B.Johnson/A.Wuraola, 17, 14. **Women's Doubles:** S.& S.Marling b. N.Silburn/R.Sparkes, 18, 10. **Mixed Band 3:** R.Abbotts b. F.Fesehatsion, 12, 13. **Mixed Band 4:** P.Reich b. S.Uppal, 8,-20, 19. **Veteran Men's Singles:** B.Johns b. N.Eckersley, 16, 12. **Veteran Women's Singles:** H.Shields b. J.Thomas, 8, 11, (r/r). **Under 21 Men's Singles:** M.James b. A.Sugarman,-20, 19, 13. **Under 21 Women's Singles:** S.Marling b. N.Silburn, 8, 11. **Junior Boys' Singles:** G.Herbert b. P.Marshall, 17, 20. **Junior Girls' Singles:** L.Thornton b. E.Smith,-19, 16, 10.

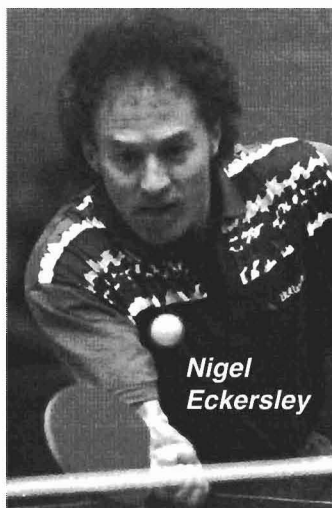


Peter Marshall

K.Owolabi b.S.Collier, 17, 21. **Men's Band 1:** P.Payne b. M.James, 14, 13. **Women's Band 1:** S.Collier b. E.Hurling, 10, 21. **Men's Band 2:** D.Fesehatsion b. C.Carthy, 21,-13, 17. **Women's Band 2:** E.Smith b. N.Smith, 13, 16. **Mixed Band 3:** D.Smith b. J.Holland, 11,-18, 10. **Mixed Band 4:** M.Marsden b. H.Gehlot, 15,-19, 10. **Veteran Men's:** N.Eckersey b. B. Johns, 10,-14, 13. **Veteran Women's:** P.Perry b. S.Rider, 12, -12, 12. **Under 21 Men's:** T.Young b. C.Thompson,-20, 14, 16. **Under 21 Women's:** G.Ashinson b. Y.Gresswell, 14,-19, 16. **Junior Boys':** C.Thompson b. R.Pountney, 15, 19. **Junior Girls':** E.Smith b. H.Thompson, 17, 11.



Sue Collier

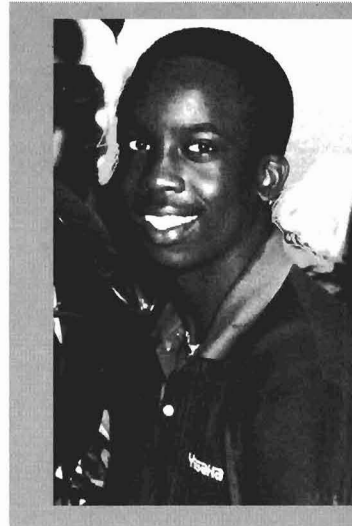


Nigel Eckersley

# YASAKA SCHOLARSHIP

Gareth Herbert was the winner of the Yasaka Scholarship in Sweden, for players of under 21 years of age. Gareth accumulated 853

combined points over the five main events, outpacing his nearest rivals Michael James on 737 points and Emma Smith with 719 points.



## YASAKA SCHOLARSHIP

Gareth Herbert	853
Michael James	737
Emma Smith	719
Lisbeth Poulsen	566
Jason Sugrue	560
Peter Marshall	559
Lindsey Thornton	535
Scott Friday	532
Christian Thompson	517
Peter Thomas	480
Andrew Sugarman	439
Robert Abbotts	398
Glenda Ashison	397
Tracy Davies	395
Mark Smith	393
Rebecca Sparkes	389

# TOP 16 96/97

## YASAKA GRAND-PRIX POINTS

### MEN'S SINGLES

Alan Cooke	344
Nicky Mason	316
Matthew Syed	194
Ritchie Venner	190
Gareth Herbert	188
Brian Johns	183
Terry Young	179
Scott Friday	172
Peter Marshall	167
Michael James	161
Ben Johnson	158
Mark R. Smith	156
Nigel Eckersley	153
Simon James	138
Abdul Wuraola	124
Andrew Sugarman	101

### MEN'S BAND 1

Michael James	408
Jason Sugrue	263
Phil Payne	216
Dan Fesehatsion	216
Andrew Horsfield	200
Mark Werner	189
Anthony Corbin	189
Richard Smith	142
Chris Thompson	133
Andrew Wilkinson	129
Andrew Sugarman	126
Peter Thomas	119
Nick McKoy	115
Eddie Roofe	114
Mike Isherwood	112
Martin Rogers	109
Richard Smith	308
Dan Fesehatsion	284
Eddie Roofe	276
Anthony Corbin	233
Mark Werner	227
Clive Carthy	206
Peter Thomas	200

### MEN'S BAND 2

Richard Smith	308
Dan Fesehatsion	284
Eddie Roofe	276
Anthony Corbin	233
Mark Werner	227
Clive Carthy	206
Peter Thomas	200

Darren Ashall	183
Chris Beckley	151
John Holland Snr.	138
Gary Tendler	122
Graham Pointer	98
Wes Bush-Harris	90
Andrew Sugarman	89
Mike Isherwood	79
Brian Allison	77

### UNDER 21 MEN

Michael James	378
Terry Young	299
Ben Johnson	285
Gareth Herbert	277
Chris Thompson	272
Mark Smith	206
Peter Thomas	205
Justin Dodd	154
Darren Blake	133
Jason Sugrue	125
Andrew Sugarman	123
Michael Chan	123
Peter Marshall	121
Abraham Conteh	120
Robert Pountney	109
Robert Abbotts	108

### JUNIOR BOYS

Peter Marshall	401
Gareth Herbert	388
Chris Thompson	321
Scott Friday	293
Robert Poutney	229
Justin Dodd	176
Michael Marsden	174
Darren Ashall	169
David Charlton	163
Robert Abbotts	152
Michael Chan	144
Tim Simpson	125
Jason Sugrue	104
Tim Avis	102
Jesper Hougaard	100

Martin Rule	99
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### VETERAN MEN

Nigel Eckersley	415
Brian Johns	412
Terry Guymer	300
Brian Allison	276
Mike Short	235
Frank Hams	204
Glenn Johnson	155
Norman Swift	142
Dave Randall	131
Derek Wood	109
Roger Pingram	108
Colin Thompson	92
Gordon Chapman	91
Geoff Salter	90
Don McGilvray	81
Graham Outrim	81

### WOMEN'S SINGLES

Kubrat Owolabi	347
Helen Lower	290
Sue Collier	260
Lisbeth Poulsen	233
Glenda Ashison	195
Emma Hurling	193
Rose Rainton	189
Anja Heijnen	188
Nicola Silburn	166
Linda Radford	146
Sally Marling	134
Shelley Ruocco	128
Nicola Deaton	124
Rebecca Sparkes	107
Lucy Perry	107
Lindsey Thornton	103
Gemma Schwartz	103

### WOMEN'S BAND 1

Sue Collier	343
Emma Hurling	306
Anja Heijnen	211
Rose Rainton	192
Rebecca Sparkes	166

Michele Cohen	140
Samantha Marling	87
Helen Shields	71
Kathryn Woodward	70
Emma Smith	62
Glenda Ashison	52
Karen Lockwood	38
Claire Marshall	34
Sandra Roden	30
Jo Barraclough	23
Sheila King	18

### WOMEN'S BAND 2

Emma Smith	395
Nicola Smith	191
Brenda Lee	157
Sheila King	142
Tina Russ	128
Jody Cox	114

### JANE STRAWSON

Jane Strawson	93
Sarah Smith	48
Nicola Silburn	48
Judith Saunders	48
Marilyn Bawden	37
Pauline Leak	27
Jackie Thomas	15

### UNDER 21 WOMEN

Glenda Ashison	365
Lisbeth Poulsen	318
Clare Newns	268
Rebecca Sparkes	246
Emma Smith	168
Yuki Gresswell	160
Nicole Smith	143
Lindsey Thornton	142
Nicola Silburn	132
Tracy Davies	126
Sally Marling	124
Shelley Ruocco	96
Hannah Thompson	81
Kath Woodward	72
Hannah Yardy	65
Victoria Gray	54

### JUNIOR GIRLS

Emma Smith	376
Lindsey Thornton	290
Hannah Thompson	227
Tracy Davies	194
Susan Johnson	179
Ann Humble	172
Sharon Gillett	170
Anna McNamara	135
Hannah Yardy	134
Jane Dickens	125
Nicolette Broomie	123
Victoria Gray	111
Helen Lincoln	102
Jo Barraclough	89
Lucy Perry	88
Karen Lockwood	82

### VETERAN WOMEN

Penny Perry	370
Helen Shields	286
Jackie Thomas	262
Sandra Rider	217
Marilyn Bawden	188
Shirley Carroll	148
Eileen Shaler	144
Shirley Dark	142
Sheila King	112
Eileen Allison	96
J.H-Middlemore	73
Gillian Beer	73
Sharon Mitchell	58
Carol Hewett	52
Gwen Stennett	36
Pauline Leak	33

### MIXED BAND 3

David Smith	328
John Holland Snr	321
Dave Richards	276
David Griffith	190
Tim O'Mahoney	190
Robert Abbotts	177
Wes Bush-Harris	171
Alan Hewitt	157
Mark Paul	151
Mike Levene	149
Craig Millwood	148
Taiwo Adedayo	136
John Hanna	119
Fes Fesehatsion	112
Derek Wood	109
Abraham Conteh	109

### MIXED BAND 4

Michael Marsden	318
Alan Hewitt	198
Stephen Uppal	192
Hari Gehlot	181
Tom Adams	168
Dave Griffith	164
Neil Wright	163
Frank Hams	160
Malcolm Kidd	154
Roger Pingram	152
Dave Grundy	150
Gary Morgan	139
Dave Richards	137
Simon James	124
Gordon Chapman	124
Glen Freeman	120

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# PREMIER TITLE GOES WEST



*Part of the successful double winning team, County Premier Title and British League Premier Division title, (back row) Keith Ponting and Cyril Whiting, (front row) Paul Whiting, Carol and Paul Giles, of Devon and DML White Hart Launceston.*

**There was great drama in the West Country as the British League drew to a close with the clash of the top two teams at Launceston. DML White Hart Launceston needed only a draw against their opponents Horsham to become champions but a victory by the visitors would have seen them take the title, writes Aubrey Drapkin.**

The home side suffered a blow when Paul Giles was forced to miss the match due to illness and they had to bring

in Greg Bridgett.

A tremendous battle ensued and after six sets they were locked together at 3-3 with Chris Sladden having won two and Ben Johnson one for Launceston whilst Horsham had replied through Mike Hammond, Adrian Moore and Ritchie Venner. Moore and then Christian Thompson edged Horsham ahead at 5-3 but both doubles went the way of home side's combinations of Sladden and Johnson and Paul Whiting and Bridgett. Sladden then

completed his hat trick to put White Hart 6-5 ahead only for Hammond to square it up again.

The last two matches went on table with the title still undecided but a victory by Whiting over Thompson gave it to Launceston. Venner's win against Bridgett turned out to be in vain as the 7-7 result was just enough to start the West Country celebrations.

At the other end of the table the bottom team, Cracknell Cars St Neots at least finished

on a high, winning their only match of the season by 8-6 in Glasgow.

Darlington seconds had already won division 1 North and Woodfield took runners up spot with a 4-4 home draw against Ruston Marconi Lincoln. Phil Gunn won both of his sets for Woodfield with Dave Gannon doing likewise for Lincoln.

Tennaville Insurance Brentwood made a brave effort to finish as runners up to Yellowbrick Progress in division 1 South when they held the division

# FINAL PLACINGS

winner to a 4-4 draw at Willesden, Peter Radford getting two. But a draw was not enough . . . as Colley Hyundai scraped home 5-3 at OLOP to finish one point ahead of Brentwood.

Drumchapel Glasgow seconds easily won division 2 North but second place was in doubt to the very end. Vymura seconds eventually took the runners up spot with an 8-0 home victory over Abbeydale.

Division 2 Midlands and West was settled before the last day with DML White Hart thirds finishing five points ahead of Kingshurst Bribar.

JAGS kept their unbeaten record intact in winning division 2 South, finishing with a 5-3 home victory over second placed Pillinger Air.

Norwich Todd Foxwood had little difficulty in winning division 3 East and their 100% record was never in doubt in their final match against Yellowbrick thirds who were crushed 8-0. MacDonalds Barnets thirds snatched the runners up spot from Grantham Kontak by beating

Adeyfield 8-0 on the last day of the season.

Syntegra City of Worcester lost for the first time in division 3 Midlands and West when they went down 3-5 to Bulldog Security in their final match. But they still finished one point ahead of Heritage Wiltshire who ended on a winning note away to Rushey Mead.

Division 3 North was won by Drumchapel Glasgow thirds with Burnside Seasiders seconds as runners up.

Generation Fareham were runaway winners in division three South but there was nothing to choose between the rest, four points covering the remaining six teams. KCD Stiga went down 3-5 to Generation in their final match but with Greenleys being held to a draw by MacDonalds Barnets seconds, KCD held on to second place.

The top players may have been missing from the Premier Division this season and there were problems created by the late introduction of the Yasaka tournaments but it was certainly the most exciting season for many years, especially in the Premier.

Finally, congratulations to the new champions, DML WHITE HART, LAUNCESTON.

PREMIER DIVISION	P	W	D	L	F	A	F	A	PTS
DML White Hart Launc.	12	9	1	2	106	62	241	168	19
Horsham	12	8	2	2	102	66	232	157	18
Darlington	12	7	-	5	94	74	217	184	14
Vymura	12	7	-	5	87	81	208	202	14
Linda Farrow Joola	12	4	1	7	68	100	162	224	9
Drumchapel Glasgow	12	3	1	8	68	100	166	218	7
Cracknell Cars St Neots	12	1	1	10	63	105	161	234	3

DIVISION 1 NORTH	P	W	D	L	F	A	F	A	PTS
Darlington II	12	9	1	2	64	32	136	81	19
Woodfield	12	7	2	3	59	37	129	84	16
RMSC Lincoln	12	6	2	4	49	47	116	110	14
Uxbridge (Burton)	12	5	4	3	49	47	114	109	14
Grove	12	3	2	7	41	55	96	125	8
City of Leeds	12	4	-	7	37	59	96	137	8
Hull CRSD	12	2	1	9	37	59	91	132	5

DIVISION 1 SOUTH	P	W	D	L	F	A	F	A	PTS
Yellowbrick Progress	14	11	1	2	77	35	167	91	23
Colley Hyundai	14	10	-	4	69	43	155	111	20
T.I. Brentwood	14	8	3	3	72	40	161	94	19
OLOP	14	7	1	6	57	55	132	122	15
DML White Hart II	14	5	4	5	58	54	132	123	14
City of Milton Keynes	14	6	1	7	50	62	118	147	13
Barclays Bank	14	1	2	11	39	73	91	164	4
Horsham II	14	1	2	11	26	86	78	182	4

DIVISION 2 NORTH	P	W	D	L	F	A	F	A	PTS
Drumchapel Glasgow II	14	12	1	1	78	34	170	110	25
Vymura II	14	9	2	3	73	39	163	104	20
Leckie	14	7	4	3	66	46	152	120	18
Burnside Seasiders	14	8	2	4	64	48	149	116	18
Darlington II	14	2	6	6	49	63	129	141	10
Derwent	14	4	1	9	40	72	107	159	9
Abbeydale	14	3	1	10	43	69	114	153	7
City of Leeds II	14	2	1	11	35	77	93	174	5

DIVISION 2 MIDLANDS AND WEST	P	W	D	L	F	A	F	A	PTS
DML White Hart III	14	11	3	-	71	41	157	111	25
Kingshurst Bribar	14	9	2	3	68	44	146	116	20
Limberlost Pine Poole	14	6	5	3	63	49	150	123	17
Gridfine St Neots	14	7	2	5	68	44	151	112	16
Crusaders Lincoln	14	4	4	6	53	59	126	143	12
Team JUIC Nottingham	14	4	2	8	52	60	131	136	10
Sheffield	14	3	4	7	47	65	126	143	10
Team P'house Cardiff	14	1	-	13	26	86	74	177	2

DIVISION 2 SOUTH	P	W	D	L	F	A	F	A	PTS
JAGS	12	10	2	-	67	29	153	82	22
Pillinger Air	12	6	4	2	57	39	131	103	16
Byng Hall F.P.	12	4	4	4	49	47	127	111	12
MacDonalds Barnet Lge	12	3	4	5	45	51	109	124	10
Linda Farrow	12	3	3	6	47	49	109	121	9
Chelmsford League	12	3	2	7	39	57	99	129	8
Horsham III	12	3	1	8	32	64	88	146	7

DIVISION 3 EAST	P	W	D	L	F	A	F	A	PTS
Norwich Todd Foxwood	10	10	-	-	69	11	142	40	20
MacDonalds Barnets III	10	6	2	2	51	29	112	77	14
Grantham Kontak	10	5	3	2	48	32	109	77	13
Adeyfield Encompass	10	2	1	7	27	53	70	114	5
Yellowbrick Progress III	10	2	1	7	23	57	59	123	5
Byng Hall F.P. II	10	1	1	8	22	58	63	124	3

DIVISION 3 MIDLANDS AND WEST	P	W	D	L	F	A	F	A	PTS
Syntegra City of Worcs.	12	9	2	1	72	24	159	63	20
Heritage Wiltshire	12	9	1	2	60	36	135	90	19
Bulldog Security	12	6	3	3	55	41	123	99	15
Sheffield II	12	5	1	6	48	48	112	111	11
Rushey Mead	12	5	1	6	45	51	106	117	11
DML White Hart IV	12	2	4	6	42	54	96	131	8
Dimension 8 Newport	12	-	-	12	14	82	52	172	0

DIVISION 3 NORTH	P	W	D	L	F	A	F	A	PTS
Drumchapel Glasgow III	12	10	1	1	74	22	154	61	21
Burnside Seasiders II	12	9	1	2	69	27	145	73	19
Derwent	12	8	-	4	60	36	133	88	16
CWS Manchester	12	7	1	4	58	38	133	89	15
Grove	12	2	1	9	26	70	73	145	5
Darlington IV	12	2	1	9	26	70	69	153	5
City of Leeds III	12	1	1	10	23	73	58	156	3

DIVISION 3 SOUTH	P	W	D	L	F	A	F	A	PTS
Generation Fareham	12	9	2	1	62	34	143	88	20
KCD Stiga	12	5	2	5	50	46	119	113	12
Greenleysw of M.K.	12	4	4	4	47	49	115	116	12
Fellows Cranleigh	12	4	3	5	47	49	117	116	11
OLOP II	12	4	3	5	47	49	106	117	11
MacDonalds Barnets II	12	2	6	4	41	55	106	124	10
Yellowbrick Progress II	12	1	6	5	42	54	96	128	8

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## NEW LOOK NATIONAL TEAM COMPETITIONS

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# WALDNER *top* *man*

**ENGLAND'S MEN PLAYED WELL DESPITE FINISHING ONLY 14TH, THE WOMEN, HAMPERED BY LISA LOMAS' LOSS OF FORM, WERE DISAPPOINTING IN ENDING 19TH. DESPITE THAT, KATY PARKER FOUND HERSELF MAKING MORE PUBLICITY FOR THE GAME THAN THE REST OF THE TEAM PUT TOGETHER. INDEED, MORE IN ONE DAY THAN ANY ENGLISH PLAYER SINCE THE FIFTIES, WRITES RICHARD EATON.**

All it took was a day off school to play for 15 minutes in the mixed doubles with Michael Chan, and the filmers, photographers and scribblers swarmed around their outside court. Eventually the media invaded it, keeping Katy talking far longer than she had actually been competing. All because she is 12.

Just as important may have been the hours the two hopefuls were able to spend in learning very different lessons from those they would normally have spent watching the greats in action.

One of those, Deng Yaping, confirmed herself as the most successful woman of modern times. The four foot eleven inch counter hitting pocket rocket played with her painful back strapped and her words carefully chosen: she would like to retire when the younger players are ready to replace her. Deng then went on to wallop the young Chinese players and became the first for more than 40 years to win the women's singles title three times.

Jan-Ove Waldner became the



first in a similar length of time to win the men's singles title back. It was as well he did. Without the 31 year old proving that his best is still as sublime as ever, and the efforts of silver medallist Vladimir Samsonov, China would have become the first country ever successfully to defend all seven titles.

That might have bored the fans beyond loyalty to the professional game. It could also have made it harder for the enigma from Stockholm to justify the passionless performance which contributed much to Sweden's startling failure to win any kind of medal in the men's team event.

'King' Kong wreaked less destruction this time. Samsonov, the Belarussian who had beaten Waldner six and seven in the team event, played the match of his life to beat world champion Kong Linghui in the semi-finals but could not repeat the performance in the final against the former world champion from Sweden. Nevertheless at the age of 21 Samsonov did more than enough to suggest he can win something big enough to match his physical stature as the biggest on the circuit.

It was 14 years since Carl

Prean caused a sensation by leading England as a schoolboy to a team bronze medal, an achievement which has never been repeated. Now Prean the mature professional scored England's best win, against the Seoul Olympic champion Yoo Nam Kyu, and became the sole home survivor in the sixth round.

Germany, by contrast, are achieving more than they did. It was the first time they have had both teams in the semi-finals, whilst France reached the men's team final for only the second time and the first in 49 years. The French, Patrick Chila especially, also produced a tremendous effort when they got there. Oh for another Desmond Douglas, or Denis Neale, or maybe merely for a fitter Matthew Syed, so that the English can aspire to something similar.

There were other European moments to savour amidst the great Chinese take-away. Aleksandr Karakasevic, perhaps benefitting from practice with his famous chopsticks-grip dad, Milivoj, made a meal of the Olympic champion Liu Guoliang; Nicole Struse was a rare non-Asian in the women's singles quarter-

finals.

The Asian emigres did not fare so well. Japan's Chire Koyama (the former world champion from China He Zhili) became ill and went home, while Taipei's second-seeded Chen Jing (the former Olympic champion from China) lost in the last 16.

There were therefore no revenges to be imposed on the mother country, nor were there any obvious diplomatic gifts to be bestowed by the communist fatherland upon favoured nations. Even the rumour about the China-Hong Kong duo of Qiao Yunping and Chai Po Wa being allowed, in advance of the July 1st handover, to progress beyond the women's doubles semi-finals, proved unfounded.

China did nevertheless appear still to fix some of the results between its own players, though the skill of much of their table tennis, and the variety of their styles, was often breathtaking. So was the atmosphere of the attractively presented centre arena, large enough to hold 6,000 people and compact enough to remain intriguingly intimate.

There was a threatened players' strike and a demand by the Israeli group that Algeria, Iran and Qatar be banned for declining to play them. There were an astonishing 16 countries with former Chinese nationals in their teams, and an even more remarkable 116 nations taking part. There was a sense of table tennis growing into a new era.

It was the largest sporting event ever held in Britain for the number of participating nations. It was also the biggest table tennis event anywhere anytime. It had history, controversy, and spectacular entertainment. It was certainly not perfect, but it was unforgettable.

# SWEET REVENGE *for* *England*

**SOREN AHLEN, CAPTAINED THE ENGLAND MEN'S TEAM WITH SOLID PROFESSIONAL SKILL, WRITES JOHN WOODFORD.**

Take out the three Asian countries China, Korea and Japan and we are eleventh in Europe, not good enough to qualify for events like the European Nations Cup. With eight teams in the super division of the European League, we are in theory, amongst the "also-rans" bidding for the elite division, needing something of a miracle to achieve promotion next February.

England's men had the worst possible draw - at least that ruled out any silly allegations of draw fiddling. However, revenge is sweet, especially against the Czech Republic who booted us out of the European League promotion struggle. Matthew Syed's victory -19, 17, 15, over Petr Korbek was a gem that led to the 3-1 victory.

## **GREAT LEADER**

All reports have suggested that Soren Ahlen is the leader that England has been waiting for; it seems vital for the future of English table tennis that he stays with us; it is also easier to see how the Swedish men did so well under his guidance.

I am reliably informed that he stands "no nonsense" from players claiming to be too fatigued to play when viewing the upcoming opponents.

If Soren says you play, you play, that is the discipline that should prevail in professional sport and Soren is the man to deliver the goods.

Overall performances taken into account, Carl Prean and Alan Cooke played superbly in Manchester. Matthew Syed's game is so dreadfully tiring

over two long tournaments that it is hardly surprising that he was unable to deliver in the singles, where he fell to what we call an "elderly" Chinese player.

Before that however, England men despite their nightmare draw, were only 3-1 losers to Sweden bidding for the quarters, with Syed upsetting Peter Karlsson -17, 19, 17.

## **GRADUAL**

### **DETERIORATION**

Earlier this season, England women's team reached the super division European League semi-finals where they lost as expected, to Germany. But since that point there has been a gradual deterioration in results. They reached the final in Glasgow in the Commonwealth Games, beaten by Singapore, but in Manchester they only finished in 19th position, ten places below Tianjin. Needs some probing.

Lisa Lomas has of course had a busy season in Germany, winning the European Club Cup of Champions, this meant a lot of time commuting. It is well known that she has a long standing shoulder injury, she will soon be 30, the time when many top players think in terms of retiring, starting families or generally, a change of direction.

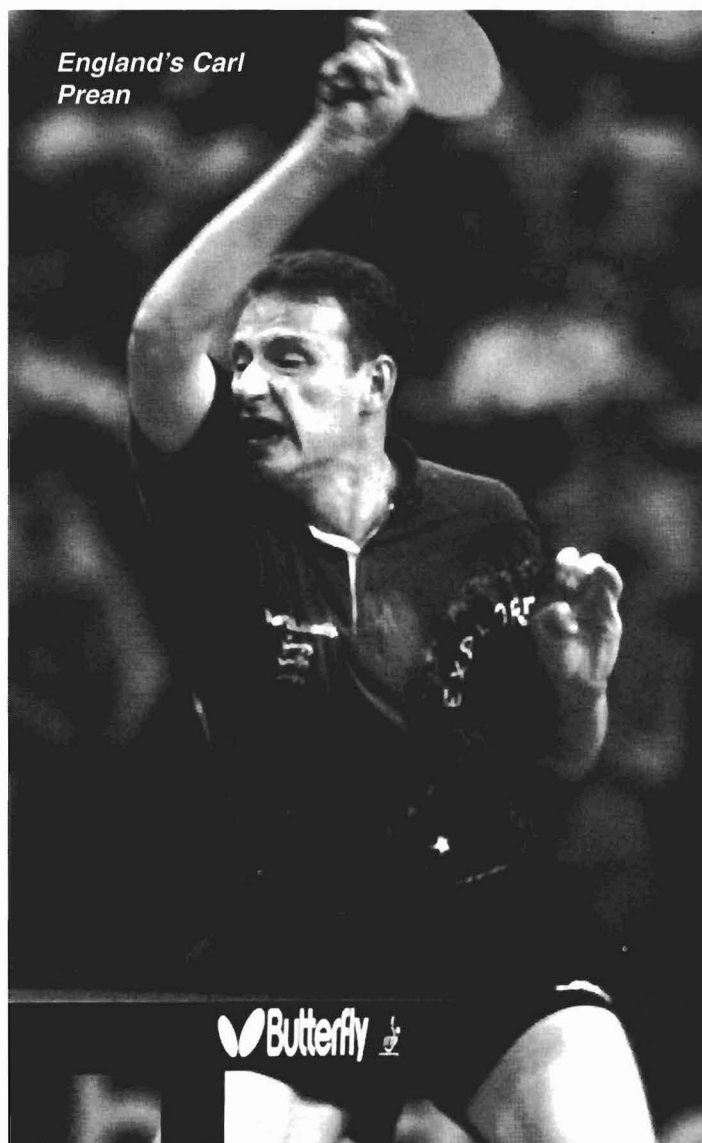
Lisa told me, "I shall take it season by season, depending on results."

Her sudden disappearance from Manchester just before the singles started was apparently due to her sister Jackie being ill.

Linda Radford made headlines with her world debut as England women powered past Armenia 3-0. The Essex girl showed she ought to have been in the England team earlier. Before the Armenia victory, Lisa Lomas lost two against Lithuania - very disturbing losses for the England No.1.

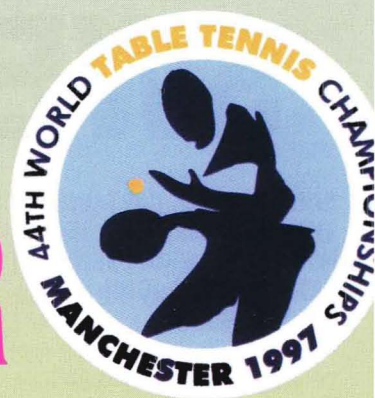
Richard Eaton is right when

he says that Europe owes a lot to Jan-Ove Waldner, one of two men who saved us from the dreadful prospect of having to admit that China ruled the world for another two years between Tianjin and Belgrade. Also, there can be no doubt that Vladimir Samsonov can look forward to winning future battles for Europe against the Chinese who will it seems be hard pressed to win all seven titles in Belgrade, before they return to Asia (Usaka) in 2001.



*England's Carl Prean*

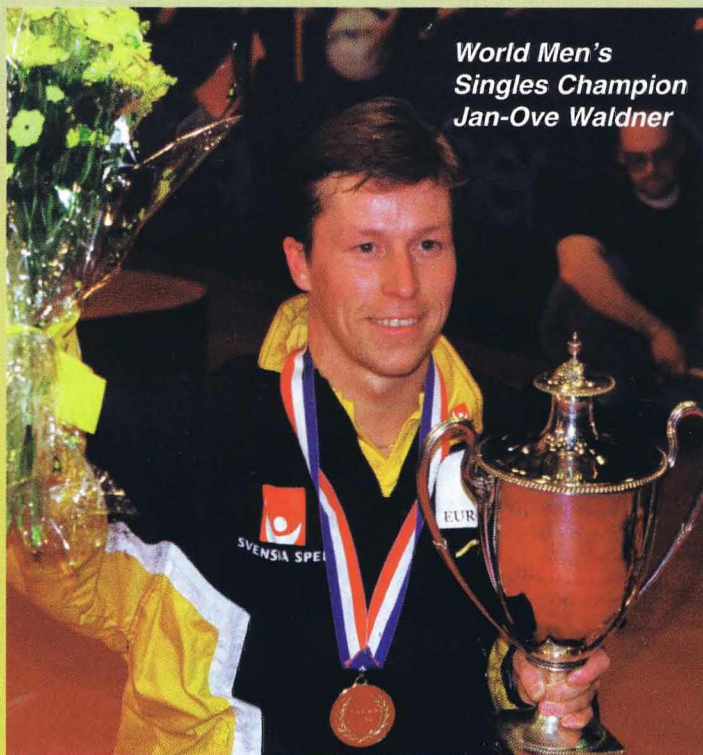
# MANCHESTER SPECTACULAR



*Jubilant  
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Men's team*



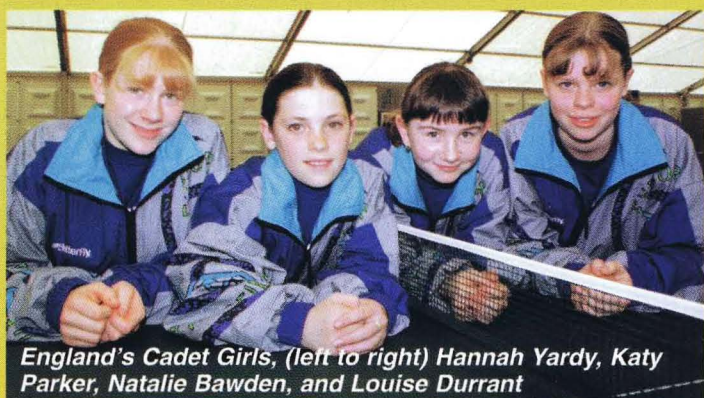
*World Men's  
Singles Champion  
Jan-Ove Waldner*



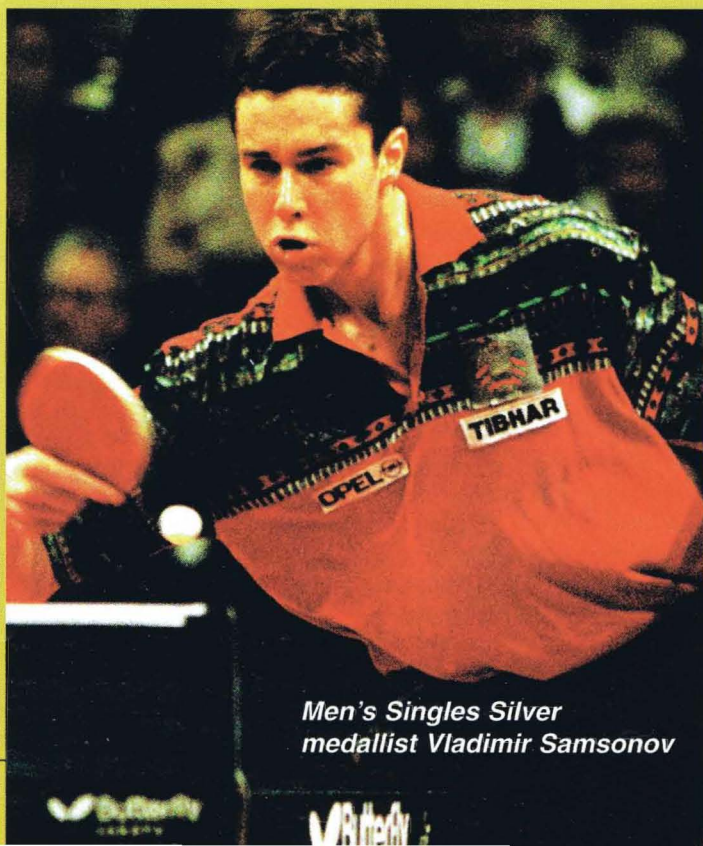
*France, the Men's team Silver medallists*



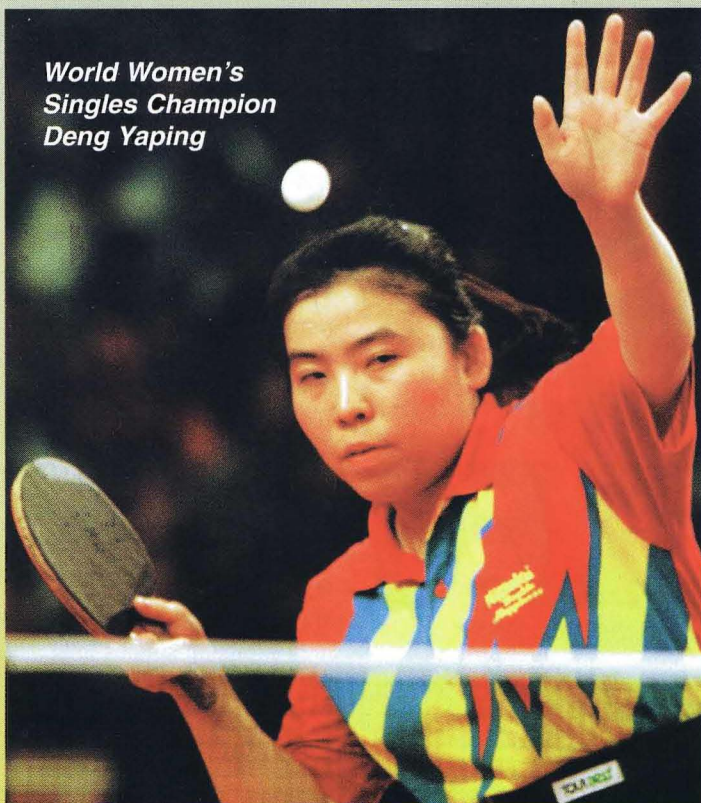
*England's Cadet Girls, (left to right) Hannah Yardy, Katy Parker, Natalie Bawden, and Louise Durrant*



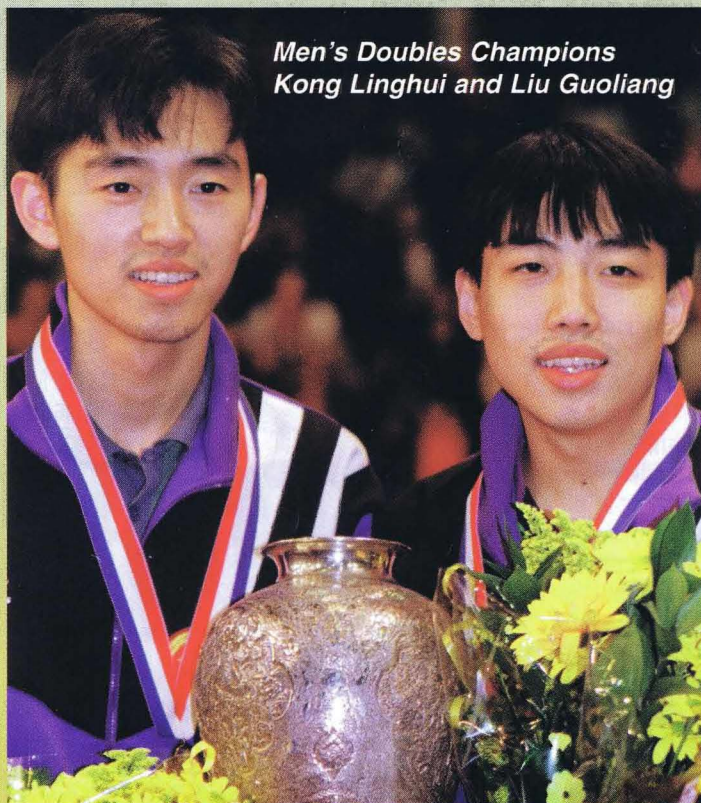
*Men's Singles Silver  
medallist Vladimir Samsonov*



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**China's young heroes Kong Linghui and Liu Guoliang won a powerful battle against Europe's finest, Sweden's Jan-Ove Waldner and Jorgen Persson, in the final of the men's doubles, writes John Wood.**

This tremendous final went all the way to the fifth game with both pairs of superbly talented athletes deserving to win, but it was the youth of the Chinese players that gave them the legs to out pace the Swedish pair, winning -19, 15, -18, 13, 17.

The semi-finals saw Kong and Liu beat another European pairing, Jean Philippe Gatin and Damien Eloi, 20, 7, 9, whilst Sweden's Waldner and Persson won an epic encounter against probably two of the world's best defenders, Koji Matsushita and Hiroshi Shibutani from Japan, whom they finally beat, 19,-13, 18, -18, 18.

# China wins BATTLE OF THE DOUBLES

The battle for men's table tennis supremacy between Asia and Europe was all square at the quarter-finals stage, with four pairings from each

continent. Vladimir Samsonov from Belarus and Germany's Jorg Roskopf lost to the Chinese winners, 17,-12,-13, -10, whilst Austria's Werner Schlager and Karl Jindrak lost to the Swedish finalists, 19, -19, -25, -16.

England's men's best effort came from Carl Prean and Alex Perry who reached the 4th round, where they were beaten by the experienced Russian brothers Dmitry and Andrei Mazunov, -19, -16.

Andrew Eden and Terry Young lost in the 3rd round to the Canadian and Yugoslavian pairing of Johnny Huang and Ilija Lupulesku, -11, -15.

## CHINESE DOMINANCE

Chinese women dominated the women's doubles competition, with Deng Yaping once again putting her name on yet another trophy when she partnered Yang Ying, beating another Chinese pairing of Li Ju and Wang Nan in the final, 17, 20, -17, -19, 11.

Although the final went to five legs, the result was never really in doubt with the power of Deng Yaping making the difference.

Europe's Otilia Badescu and Emilia Ciosu flew the flag against Asia reaching the quarter-final stages, where they lost to Wang Hui and Cheng Hongxia of China, 17, 9, 16.

Two of England's women's

pairings reached the 3rd round of the women's doubles, with Helen Lower and Gemma Schwartz losing to Hungary's Csilla Batorfi and Kristina Toth, -11, -14, whilst Nicola Deaton and Linda Radford lost to Sweden's Asa Svensson and Pernilla Pettersson, -11, 16, -8.

## ASIA RULE THE MIXED

The mixed doubles was also dominated by countries from Asia, with China once again standing on the winners rostrum, when Liu Guoliang and Wu Na beat the highly fancied Kong Linghui and Deng Yaping, 12, 20, -19, 11.

## RANKING SINGLES

England did reach one final at Manchester, when England starlet Alex Perry played in the men's ranking singles final, where he lost to David Zhuang of the USA, -14, -14, whilst England's young star of the future exuberant Terry Young lost narrowly to Japan's Kiko Shinnosuke, -17, 17, -17, in the last 16.

Aya Umemura beat Akiko Takeda, 8, 12, in an all Japanese women's ranking singles final. England's best effort in this competition came from Linda Radford who reached the quarter-finals, where she lost to Russia's Svetlana Bakhtina, -6, -13.

## MEDIA EXCITEMENT IN PRACTICE HALL

China's Cai Meng, one time junior champion of Hebei Province and now China's leading table tennis TV commentator, became the media champion of the 1997 World Championships when he defeated Germany's Reiner Stauber 22, 18, in the final.

Losing semi-finalists were Antonia Zyboudil of Czech Republic and ETTA PR Vice Chairman Brian Halliday, who numbered amongst his victims two well known writers Cao Jianjie of China and Table Tennis News Editor John Wood of England.

The winner was presented with a bottle of champagne donated by Media Director Bryn Vaile, and the actual final was played with a big 40mm ball.

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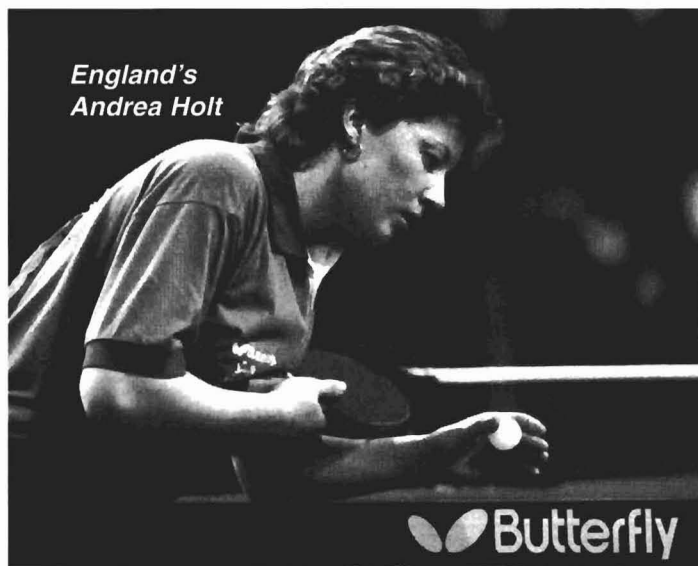
**MEN'S TEAM EVENT:** 1.China, 2.France, 3.Korea R, 4.Germany, 5.Japan, 6.Greece, 7.Sweden, 8.Belgium, 9.Russia, 10.Austria, 11.Poland, 12.Belarus, 13.Italy, 14.England, 15.Yugoslavia, 16.Netherlands, 17.Romania, 18.Slovakia, 19.Czech Republic, 20.Slovenia, 21.Denmark, 22.Hungary, 23.Chinese Taipei, 24.Spain, 25.Canada, 26.Hong Kong, 27.Egypt, 28.Croatia, 29.Finland, 30.Indonesia, 31.Luxembourg, 32.U.S.A., 33.Ukraine, 34.Armenia, 35.India, 36.Bulgaria, 37.Norway, 38.Turkey, 39.Australia, 40.Wales, 41.Israel, 42.New Zealand, 43.Portugal, 44.Vietnam, 45.Brazil, 46.Iran IR, 47.Ireland, 48.Bosnia-Herzegovina, 49.Switzerland, 50.Pakistan, 51.Scotland, 52.Qatar, 53.Estonia, 54.Malaysia, 55.Togo, 56.Algeria, 57.Kazakhstan, 58.Argentina, 59.Chile, 60.Philippines, 61.Latvia, 62.Saudi Arabia, 63.Morocco, 64.Lithuania, 65.Venezuela, 66.Puerto Rico, 67.Barbados, 68.Cameroun, 69.Jordan, 70.Aruba, 71.Moldova, 72.Panama, 73.Singapore, 74.Macao, 75.Mexico, 76.Iceland, 77.Lebanon, 78.Cyprus, 79.Mauritius, 80.Ecuador, 81.Bahrain, 82.Turkmenistan, 83.Mongolia, 84.Ghana, 85.Tahiti, 86.Guernsey, 87.Jersey, 88.Colombia, 89.Uganda, 90.San Marino, 91.Azerbaijan, 92.Guatemala, 93.South Africa, 94.Palestine, 95.Tanzania, 96.Uruguay, 97.Isle of Man, 98.Malta, 99.Sudan, 100.New Caledonia, 101.Maldives, 102.Bermuda, 103.Burundi.

**ENGLAND'S RESULTS: Group D Stage 1:** England 3 Czech Republic 1 (M.Syed b. R.Vyborny 17, 21, C.Prean I. P.Korbel -15, -16, A.Cooke b. J.Plachy 13, 15, M.Syed b. P.Korbel -19, 17, 15.) England 1 France 3 (M.Syed I. J.P.Gatien -8, -15, A.Cooke b. P.Chila 19, 17, C.Prean I. D.Eloi -14, -23, M.Syed I. P.Chila -11, -9.) Russia 1 England 3 (D.Mazunov I. A.Cooke -22, 19, -25, A.Mazunov I. M.Syed -12, -15, M.Shmyrov b. C.Prean -21, 16, 19, D.Mazunov I. M.Syed -18, -21.) Hungary 1 England 3 (Z. Varga I. C.Prean 20, -17, -15, Z.Harczi b. M. Syed 19, -14, 18, K.Nemeth I. A.Cooke -21, 14, -18, Z. Varga I. M.Syed 15, -16, -1.)

**Crossover Section 3/4 Stage 2:** England 3 Egypt 0 (C.Prean b. A.Helmy -11, 7, 13, M.Syed b. A.Sobhi 16, 13, A.Cooke b. A.Ali Saleh -21, 19, 15.) Sweden 3 England 1 (J.O.Waldner b. C.Prean 22, 17, J.Persson b. A.Cooke 16, 9, P.Karlsson I. M.Syed 17, -19, -17, J.O.Waldner b. A.Cooke 14, 16.)

**Positions 9-16:** Austria 3 England 0 (W.Schlager b. C.Prean 8, -17, 12, Q.Qian b. A.Cooke 14, 13, K.Lengerov b. A.Perry 12, 10.) England 3 Netherlands 2 (A.Perry I. S.Chen 15, -15, -12, C.Prean b. J.DeCock 10, 8, M.Syed b. T.Keen 18, 13, A.Perry I. J.DeCock -15, -12, C.Prean b. S.Chen 9, 10.) England 2 Italy 3 (B.Billington I. M.Yang -7, -12, A.Cooke b. V. Piacentini 21, -21, 18, A.Perry b. L.Nannoni 10, 7, B.Billington I. V.Piacentini -18, -17, A.Cooke I. M.Yang -13, -9.)

**WOMEN'S TEAM EVENT:** 1.China, 2.Korea DPR, 3.Germany, 4.Korea R, 5.Hong Kong, 6.Japan, 7.Romania, 8.Sweden, 9.Russia, 10.Belarus, 11.Hungary, 12.Croatia, 13.Ukraine, 14.Yugoslavia, 15.Lithuania, 16.Canada, 17.France, 18.Chinese Taipei, 19.England, 20.Italy, 21.Luxembourg, 22.Slovakia, 23.Netherlands, 24.Belgium, 25.U.S.A., 26.Australia, 27.Bulgaria, 28.Armenia, 29.Czech Republic, 30.Singapore, 31.Slovenia, 32.Greece, 33.Indonesia, 34.Vietnam, 35.Switzerland, 36.Wales, 37.Poland, 38.Israel, 39.Austria, 40.Malaysia, 41.Brazil, 42.Spain, 43.India,



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44.Finland, 45.Turkey, 46.Denmark, 47.Portugal, 48.Bosnia-Herzegovina, 49.Egypt, 50.Turkmenistan, 51.Estonia, 52.Argentina, 53.Chile, 54.Philippines, 55.New Zealand, 56.Ecuador, 57.Latvia, 58.Colombia, 59.Venezuela, 60.Puerto Rico, 61.South Africa, 62.Macao, 63.Algeria, 64.Mexico, 65.Scotland, 66.Isle of Man, 67.San Marino, 68.New Caledonia, 69.Lebanon, 70.Iceland, 71.Ireland, 72.Mongolia, 73.Moldova, 74.Ghana, 75.Jordan, 76.Guernsey, 77.Malta, 78.Uganda.

**ENGLAND'S RESULTS: Group B Stage 1:** England 1 Lithuania 3 (L. Lomas I. J. Prusiene -15, -20, A.Holt b. R. Garkauskaite 18, 15, N.Deaton I. K.Totilaite -16, -21, L.Lomas I. R.Garkauskaite -17, 18, -14.) England 0 Hungary 3 (N.Deaton I. K.Toth -15, -13, H.Lower I. C.Batorfi -10, 16, -17, L.Radford I. E.Braun -14, -10.) Korea R 3 England 0 (M.K.Kim b. H.Lower 9, 7, H.J. Park b. N.Deaton 8, 18, J.H.Ryu b. A.Holt 12, 17.) Armenia 0 England 3 (A.Makinian I. L.Lomas -10, -13, Y.Andryan I. A.Holt -11, -20, M.Sahakyan I. L.Radford -13, -15.) England 1 Ukraine 3 (A.Holt b. E.Shvets -22, 14, 7, L.Lomas I. E.Kovtun -16, -13, L.Radford I.A.Kursakova -14, -22, A.Holt I. E. Kovtun -14, -18. **Crossover Section 6 Stage 2:** USA 2 England 3 (L.Yip b. L.Lomas -19, 15, 25, T.Banh I. A.Holt -18, -14, V.Sung I. H.Lower 20, -21, -15, L.Yip b. A.Holt 19, -17, 12, T.Banh I. L.Lomas -13, -14.) **Crossover Section 7 Stage 2:** England 3 Luxembourg 2 (A.Holt b. C.Bremer 7, 10, H.Lower I. X.L.Ni -14, -13, L.Lomas b. P.Regenwetter 18, 14, A.Holt I. X.L.Ni -9, 17, -16, H.Lower b. C.Bremer 12, 15.)

**Positions 17 - 20:** France 3 England 1 (A.Boileau b. L.Radford 19, 13, S.Plaisant I. H.Lower -17, -20, A.C.Palut b. N.Deaton 13, -20, 15, A.Boileau b. H.Lower 19, 13.) Italy 1 England 3 (Y.Ding I. H.Lower -11, -15, D.Zuncaner I. A.Holt -12, -8, L.Negrissoli b. L.Radford 21, 18, Y.Ding I. A.Holt -14, -17.)

**MEN'S SINGLES Gold** J.O.Waldner, Sweden, b. Silver V.Samsonov, Belarus, 12, 17, 13. Bronze S.Yan, China, I. J.O.Waldner in s/f -17, -14, -12, & L.Kong, China, I. V.Samsonov in s/f -15, -18, 17, -17. **Quarter-finals:** Waldner b. J.P.Gatien, France, 7, 20, 14. Samsonov b. D. Song 13, 9, 10. Kong b. M. Wenge -16, 20, -14, 15, 12, Yan b. Z.W.He 19, -19, 13, 19. **England's best positions:** C. Prean I. Wang Ligin, China, -18, 15, -10, rnd 6. M.Syed I. Z.W.He, Spain, -14, -12, -14, rnd 4. D.Blake I. Kim T.S., Korea, -18, -10, -10, rnd 4.

-24, rnd 2.

**WOMEN'S SINGLES:** Gold Deng Yaping, China, b. Silver Wang Nan, China, -12, 8, 11, 10. Bronze Li Ju, China, I. Deng in s/f, -12, -19, -7, & Wu Na, China, I. Wang in s/f, 29, -10, -16, -15. **Quarter-finals:** Deng b. Wong Ching, Hong Kong, 14, 15, -19, 10, Li b. Qiao Yumping, China, 12, 17, 16. Wang b. Cheng Honxia, China, 18, 20, -18, 9, Wu b. Nicole Struse, Germany, 16, 13, 18.

**England's best positions:** A.Holt I. Park H.E., Korea, -14, -16, -10, rnd 5. N.Deaton I. Kim. M.K., Korea, -16, -11, -14, rnd 4. G.Schwartz I. K.Nieminen, Finland, -14, -18, 22, -19, rnd 2. H.Lower I. P.Hasibuan, India, 18, -16, -19, 16, -19, rnd 2. L.Radford I. R.Strbikova, Czech Republic, -14, -6, -21, rnd 2.

**MEN'S DOUBLES:** Gold Kong L./Liu G., China, b. Silver J.O.Waldner/J.Persson, Sweden, -19, 15, -18, 13, 17. Bronze J.P.Gatien/D.Eloi, France, I. Kong/Liu, -20, -7, -9, & K. Matsushita/H. Shibutani, Japan, I. Waldner/Persson, -19, 13, -18, 18, -18.

**WOMEN'S DOUBLES:** Gold Deng Y./Yang Y., China, b. Silver Li J./Wang N., China, 17, 20, -17, -19, 11. Bronze Qiao Y./China/Chai P.W, Hong Kong, I. Deng/Yang, -8, -7, -12, & Wang H./Cheng H., China I. Li/Wang, -10, -17, -16.

B.Billington I. T.Keen, Netherlands -10, -6, -12, rnd 4. A.Cooke I. N.Tsiokas, Greece 11, -25, -19, -12, rnd 4. A.Perry I. M.Shmyrov, Russia -16, -19, -13, rnd 4. A.Eden I. V.Sanchez, Spain, -18, 14, -15, -19, rnd 2. T.Young I. R.Jenkins, Wales, -10, 15, -8, 10,

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# YORKSHIRE RETAIN JUNIOR PREMIER

The final rounds of the Junior Premier Championships were played at Hynburn Sports Centre, Accrington.

After the first series in October, Yorkshire, the current champions, and Surrey finished level on points and sets won and lost.

The Yorkshire/Surrey clash was obviously vital in a bid for the championship. The teams met in the second round with Surrey starting well when Howard Quartey (Sy) beat Sean O'Connor -17, 17, 21 ! Yorks then went ahead to lead 3-1 after wins by Mark Heptonstall, Emma Smith and Peter Marshall. Anna McNamara and Michael Chan (Sy) hit back to level the match score at 3-3.

Yorks then stepped up a gear to lead 6-3 and gain the vital 2 points for a win and thereby retained the championship. In the final event Robert Pountney (Sy) beat Mark Heptonstall 22 and 19 to give the final match score as Yorks 6 Surrey 4. The Yorks No. 1's - Emma Smith and Peter Marshall - played a big part in winning their 4 events. Yorkshire also had 9-1 and 10-0 wins over Devon and Sussex but had a hard fight against Kent. Yorks won 6-4 but Kent was a

player short being without the services of Cally Howes, their No. 2 girl.

Surrey had 6-4 wins over Kent and Middlesex and defeated Sussex 7-3. With the match score at 4-4 between Surrey and Middlesex Anna McNamara (Sy) beat A. Narendram at 22 in the 3rd game and Robert Pountney (Sy) clinched the win when he beat F. Fesehatsion 21 and 11. Surrey got the runners-up spot. Kent played well to finish in 3rd position in the League Table. In the final series they had to meet top teams Yorks and Surrey and lost 4-6 on each occasion but beat Warwicks 7-3 and Devon 8-2. Sussex finished on equal points with Kent but with just 1 less event woto Yorks and Surrey but had a 9-1 win over Derbyshire and an 8-2 defeat of Warwicks. Sussex finished in 4th place. The teams for demotion are Derbyshire, who had just 1 win and Devon who lost all their matches.

Emma Smith (Y) was the only player to take part in all the matches and finish with a clean slate.

Christian Thompson (K) and Jason Sugrue (Mi) were the boys

who had the most success each winning 13 of 14 events played. Peter Marshall (Y) and Anna McNamara (Sy) played very well to win 12 of their 14 matches.

## CHESHIRE SWEEP THE BOARD - VETERAN CHAMPIONS AGAIN!

The Final Rounds of the Veteran Premier Championship were played at Ashford Table Tennis Club. After the first series both Cheshire and Lancs were unbeaten with Cheshire having a better sets average. But there was only one team in it in the final series. Cheshire had easy wins over Yorks (7-2), Kent (7-2) and Sussex (9-0). In the final round Cheshire met Lancs and, although the final result was

Cheshire 5-Lancs 4, Cheshire actually) won his two singles matches and the mixed doubles with Sylvia Graham and David Newton beat Roger Hampson. For Cheshire Brian Johns, Mike Johns and Roger Hampson each won one singles event. Doreen Schofield beat Sylvia Graham at 15 in the third game and, with Roger Hampson, won the mixed doubles 19 and 20. This left Cheshire with a "clean sheet", having won their seven matches and with 51 events for and only 12 against, and the retention of the Championship. Lancs, with 10 points, got the runners-up spot.

As usual in the Veterans Premier Division there was excellent competition. Three teams - Dorset, Surrey and Yorks - finished on 8 points with very little difference in sets won and lost. Surrey, in particular, with only two points from the first series, fought well to get 3 good wins in this final series, including defeats of Yorks and Dorset.

The top performances in the Premier Division were from Helen Shields (Y) and Nigel Eckersley (La) who played in all matches and won 100% singles. Brian Johns (Ch) won 13 singles and lost only one, Mike Johns (Ch) won 12 of 14 singles played. Doreen Schofield (Ch) and Eileen Shaler (Le) each won 5 of their 7 ladies singles events.

The teams for demotion are Sussex and Leics, by the narrowest of margins. Kent and Leics each won the same number of matches, and events for and against were identical. But on a countback Leics lost 1 more game than Kent!



### RESULTS

SX	3	DO	6
LA	5	DO	4
Y	5	LA	4
K	0	SY	9
SY	5	LE	4
SX	0	CH	9
K	2	CH	7
Y	6	LE	3
DO	5	SY	4
LE	5	SX	4
LE	6	K	3
DO	3	K	6
CH	7	Y	2
SY	5	Y	4
LA	6	SX	3
CH	5	LA	4

**ENGLISH TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION  
COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Final Tables Season 1996/97  
compiled by Leslie Smith

**SENIORS**

PREMIER	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Devonshire	7	5	2	0	46	24	12
Berkshire	7	4	3	0	41	29	11
Yorkshire	7	5	1	1	39	31	11
Middlesex	7	4	0	3	37	33	8
Sussex	7	2	1	4	34	36	5
Essex	7	1	2	4	31	39	4
Staffordshire	7	1	1	5	28	42	3
Kent	7	1	0	6	24	46	2

**DIVISION 1A**

Derbyshire	7	5	2	0	46	24	12
Leicestershire	7	4	2	1	42	28	10
Lancashire	7	4	0	3	42	28	8
Suffolk	7	3	2	2	39	31	8
Hertfordshire	7	4	0	3	38	32	8
Cambridgeshire	7	2	1	4	34	36	5
Northumberland	7	2	1	4	30	40	5
Cleveland	7	0	0	7	9	61	0

**DIVISION 1B**

Buckingham	7	4	3	0	47	23	11
Sussex 2nd	7	3	4	0	40	30	10
Essex 2nd	7	3	3	1	36	34	9
Surrey	7	2	4	1	40	30	8
Hampshire	7	1	5	1	37	33	7
Devonshire 2nd	7	2	2	3	30	40	6
Middlesex 2nd	7	1	2	4	33	37	4
Cornwall	7	0	1	6	17	53	1

**DIVISION 2A**

Yorkshire 2nd	8	7	1	0	64	16	15
Nottingham	8	6	2	0	59	21	14
Stafford 2nd	8	5	2	1	56	24	12
Lancashire 2nd	8	5	0	3	49	31	10
Cheshire	8	2	3	3	43	32	7
Leicester 2nd	8	2	1	5	25	55	5
Cumbria	8	1	2	5	31	49	4
Clwyd	8	1	1	6	17	63	3
Stafford 3rd	8	1	0	7	16	14	2

**DIVISION 2B**

Worcester 1st	8	6	2	0	60	20	14
Worcester 2nd	8	6	0	2	48	32	12
Hampshire 2nd	8	4	2	2	51	29	10
Avon	8	5	0	3	43	37	10
Somerset	8	4	2	2	42	38	10
Devonshire 3rd	8	3	0	5	35	45	6
Cornwall 2nd	8	1	3	4	34	46	5
Gloucestershire	8	1	1	6	29	51	3
Devonshire 4th	8	1	0	7	18	62	2

**DIVISION 2C**

Kent 3rd	8	7	1	0	64	16	15
Lincolnshire	8	7	1	0	55	25	15
Warwick 1st	8	6	0	2	55	25	12
Norfolk	8	2	3	3	33	47	7
Bedfordshire	8	2	2	4	37	43	6
Suffolk 2nd	8	3	0	5	35	45	6
Northampton	8	2	1	5	34	46	5
Huntingdon	8	2	1	5	29	51	5
Warwick 2nd	8	0	1	7	18	62	1

**DIVISION 2D**

Wiltshire 1st	7	5	1	1	47	23	11
Berkshire 2nd	7	5	1	1	41	29	11
Sussex 3rd	7	4	1	2	44	26	9
Surrey 2nd	7	4	1	2	37	33	2
Hertford 2nd	7	3	0	4	37	33	6
Essex 3rd	7	2	1	4	34	36	5
Kent 2nd	7	2	1	4	30	40	5
Wiltshire 2nd	7	0	0	7	10	60	0

**NOTE** Hertfordshire 3rd have withdrawn, their record has been deleted

**JUNIORS**

PREMIER	P	W	L	F	A	Pts	
Yorkshire	7	7	0	0	56	14	14
Surrey	7	6	0	1	48	22	12
Kent	7	4	1	2	42	28	9
Sussex	7	4	1	2	41	29	9
Middlesex	7	3	0	4	41	29	6
Warwickshire	7	2	0	5	27	43	4

Derbyshire	7	1	0	6	15	55	2
Devonshire	7	0	0	7	10	60	0

**DIVISION 1A**

Clwyd	7	6	0	1	52	18	12
Yorkshire 2nd	7	6	0	1	47	23	12
Cheshire	7	5	0	2	41	29	10
Suffolk	7	5	0	2	37	33	10
Lancashire	7	2	1	4	30	40	5
Nottingham	7	1	2	4	30	40	4
Hertfordshire	7	1	0	6	20	50	2
Essex	7	0	1	6	23	47	1

**DIVISION 1B**

Glamorgan 1st	7	7	0	0	62	8	14
Surrey 2nd	7	5	0	2	44	26	10
Hampshire	7	4	1	2	37	33	9
Middlesex 2nd	7	4	0	3	32	38	8
Glamorgan 2nd	7	2	1	4	26	44	5
Buckingham	7	1	0	6	22	48	2
Avon	7	0	1	6	18	52	1

**DIVISION 2A**

Lincolnshire	9	9	0	0	72	18	18
Warwick 2nd	9	6	1	2	59	31	13
Leicestershire	9	5	2	2	55	35	12
Lancashire 2nd	9	4	3	2	52	38	11
Cleveland	9	4	1	4	43	47	9
Nottingham 2nd	9	4	1	4	43	47	9
Northants 1st	9	2	1	6	38	52	5
Northants 2nd	9	1	0	8	25	65	2
Northumberland	9	0	0	9	12	78	0

**DIVISION 2B**

Huntingdon 1st	9	9	0	0	68	22	18
Norfolk 1st	9	7	1	1	67	23	15
Suffolk 2nd	9	6	2	1	67	23	14
Norfolk 2nd	9	5	1	3	51	39	11
Bedfordshire	9	3	3	3	48	42	9
Essex 3rd	9	2	3	4	44	46	7
Norfolk 3rd	9	2	1	6	26	64	5
Cambridgeshire	9	2	0	7	31	59	4
Huntingdon 2nd	9	1	2	6	27	63	4
Hertford 2nd	9	1	1	7	21	69	3

**DIVISION 2C**

Worcestershire	9	8	1	0	77	13	17
Gloucestershire	9	6	2	1	57	33	14
Dorset	9	5	2	2	59	31	12
Glamorgan 3rd	9	5	1	3	55	35	11
Cornwall	9	5	1	3	43	47	11
Wiltshire	9	4	0	5	44	46	8
Glamorgan 4th	9	3	1	5	40	50	7
Somerset	9	3	1	5	35	55	7
Devonshire 2nd	9	1	0	8	18	72	2
Herefordshire	9	0	1	8	22	68	1

**DIVISION 2D**

Berkshire 1st	9	8	1	0	63	27	17
Buckingham 2nd	9	5	3	1	50	40	13
Kent 3rd	9	5	2	2	52	38	12
Sussex 2nd	9	3	3	3	50	40	9
Surrey 3rd	9	2	5	2	43	47	9
Essex 2nd	9	2	4	3	46	44	8
Oxfordshire	9	2	2	5	40	50	6
Hampshire 2nd	9	1	4	4	37	53	6
Berkshire 2nd	9	2	2	5	34	56	6
Sussex 3rd	9	1	2	6	35	55	4

**VETERANS**

PREMIER	P	W	L	F	A	Pts	
Cheshire	7	7	0	0	51	12	14
Lancashire	7	5	2	39	24	10	10
Yorkshire	7	4	3	34	29	8	8
Dorset	7	4	3	34	29	8	8
Surrey	7	4	3	33	30	8	8
Kent	7	2	5	22	41	4	4
Leicestershire	7	2	5	22	41	4	4
Sussex	7	0	7	17	46	0	0

**DIVISION 1A**

Essex 1st	7	6	1	45	18	12	12
Lincolnshire	7	6	1	44	19	12	12
Norfolk	7	6	1	42	21	12	12
Hertford 1st	7	3	4	36	27	6	6
Cheshire 2nd	7	3	4	23	40	6	6
Essex 2nd	7	2	5	24	39	4	4
Warwickshire	7	2	5	20	43	4	4
Hertford 2nd	7	0	7	18	45	0	0

**DIVISION 1B**

Avon	7	7	0	42	21	14	14
Devonshire	7	6	1	40	23	12	12
Hampshire	7	4	3	34	29	8	8
Berkshire	7	3	4	35	28	6	6
Kent 2nd	7	3	4	32	31	6	6
Worcestershire	7	3	4	27	36	6	6
Buckingham	7	1	6	24	39	2	2
Surrey 2nd	7	1	6	18	45	2	2

**DIVISION 2A**

Yorkshire 2nd	7	7	0	50	13	14	14
Lancashire 2nd	7	5	2	41	22	10	10
Northants	7	5	2	33	30	10	10
Northumberland	7	4	3	39	24	8	8
Warwick 2nd	7	3	4	27	36	6	6
Warwick 3rd	7	2	5	18	45	4	4
Staffordshire	7	1	6	25	38	2	2
Nottingham	7	1	6	19	44	2	2

**DIVISION 2B**

Essex 3rd	7	7	0	46	17	14	14
Suffolk	7	6	1	44	19	12	12
Cambridgeshire	7	5	2	42	21	10	10
Essex 4th	7	4	3	35	28	8	8
Norfolk 2nd	7	3	4	32	31	6	6
Bedfordshire	7	2	5	23	40	4	4
Huntingdon	7	1	6	21	42	2	2
Berkshire 3rd	7	0	7	9	54	0	0

**DIVISION 2C**

Middlesex 1st	7	7	0	50	13	14	14
Sussex 2nd	7	6	1	46	17	12	12
Surrey 3rd	7	5	2	37	26	10	10
Middlesex 2nd	7	4	3	29	34	8	8
Kent 4th	7	2	5	23	40	4	4
Kent 3rd	7	2	5	23	40	4	4
Berkshire 2nd	7	1	6	23	40	2	2
Hertford 3rd	7	1	6	21	42	2	2

**DIVISION 2D**

Oxfordshire	7	7	0	45	18	14	14
Somerset	7	6	1	42	21	12	12
Hampshire 2nd	7	4	3				

# BT TOP Sport Table Tennis

## Media Launch

**Lisa Lomas (England No.1) helped to launch BT TOP Sport Table Tennis on Saturday 26th April, at the World Championships in G-Mex, Manchester, writes Director of Development Diccon Gray.**

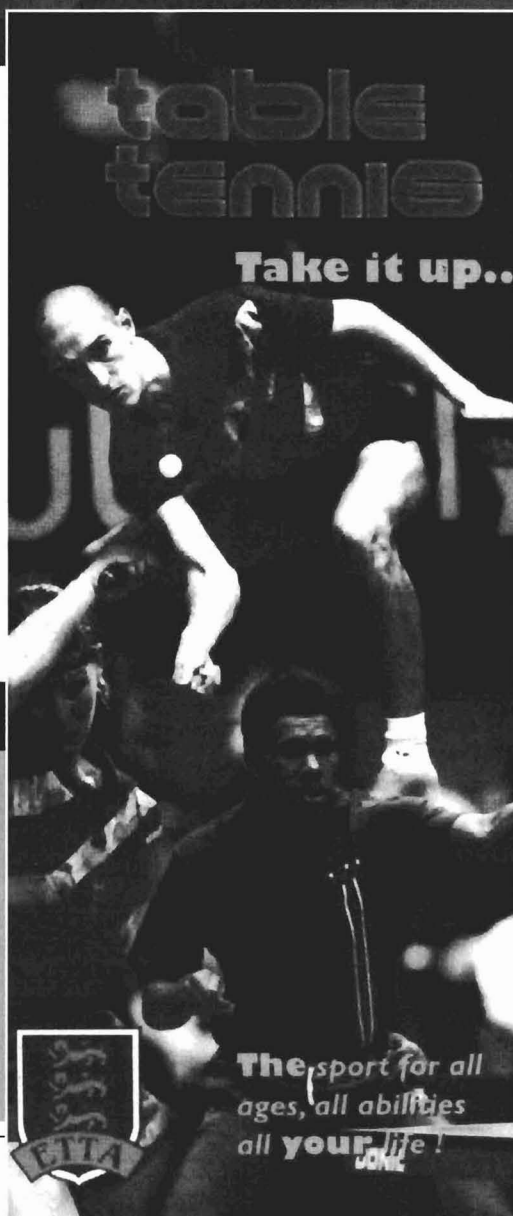
A press conference involving Sue Campbell MBE (Chief Executive, Youth Sport Trust) and Alan Ransome (Chairman, ETTA), was followed by an excellent demonstration by pupils from Openshaw County Primary School of table tennis activities that are part of the programme. The session was led by Gail McCulloch (ETTA Vice Chairman, Coaching) who was ably assisted by Campbell Eaton (ETTA North West Staff Coach).

Trans World International

(World Championships TV production company) gave the launch a boost by filming footage to include as a feature item in the World Championships highlights programmes.

BT TOP Sport - part of the Sports Council's National Junior Programme - is a scheme developed by the Youth Sport Trust to introduce fun games to 7-11 year olds. ETTA and ESTTA have worked closely with Youth Sports Trust to produce a Table Tennis equipment bag and activity cards. The scheme is delivered by trained primary school teachers during (school) curriculum time.

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# COACHING COURSE

by Paul Tarrant

An international Coaching Course took place during the recent World Table Tennis Championships at the G-Mex Centre in Manchester, reports Paul Tarrant, Eastern Region Staff Coach. Coaches from as far afield as Australia, New Zealand, Mexico and the Middle East attended the course to further their knowledge of Table Tennis Coaching at Elite level. The course was organised by Gail McCullough, with assistance from Reg and Pauline Rockall and Mandy Winskill. Guest speakers and some of the topics they covered were as follows:

**Glenn Osth** Former Swedish National Coach during the height of their World Supremacy and coach to Jan-Ove-Waldner in his junior years; Swedish Coaching Philosophies, Training Techniques and Match Analysis from a 'Non Playing Captains' perspective.

**Don Parker** England Mens Team Captain and Director of Coaching from 1984 to 1995, now a Technical Director for the British



Olympic Committee; Captaincy and Looking after Elite Players.

**Gail McCullough** the ETTA Vice Chairman of Coaching; Match Analysis techniques.

**Michel Gadai** The National Coach for Canada since 1993 and previously personal coach to Jean-Philippe Gatien; Training for Excellence and Adapting Advanced Techniques.

**Zhang Xielin** Chinese National Womens Team Coach and Director of Coaching; Coaching in China and the Chinese National Squads.

**Sue Sherriffs** Physiologist at Aberdeen University; De-Hydration and Re-Hydration and the Metabolism of Creatine.

**Peter Hirst** Former English

National Coach and co-founder of the ETTA Coaching Manual he is now an executive on the New Zealand Coaching Federation; The Role of the Coach, Captaincy, Player Attributes, Tactics and Preparation for Performance.

**Colin Clemmett** Chairman of ITTF Rules Committee; Rules and proposed future changes from the ITTF perspective.

**Nick Jarvis** Former England No.1 player, Top Coach and equipment specialist; Advanced Techniques.

**Kenny Owens** USA team Physio and Consultant at the 'Delos' Clinic in Houston; Prevention and treatment of injury, the role of the muscles in the cause of pain

and dysfunction.

**Shu Huang** ex Chinese Player and Coach, now working in London; Coach Education and the Coaching Scheme in China.

Lisa Lomas Current English No.1; Relative strengths and weaknesses in the Womens International game and a players view of the ideal coach.

Thanks to some behind the scenes effort by Gail, Reg and the 'team' the course ran reasonably smoothly and the participants were able to return home, not only having seen the worlds best Table Tennis play in the main arena but also with fresh inspiration for their future coaching endeavours.

## NEW ETTA MERCHANDISING

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Of all the games for quality and feeling of the atmosphere, the Men's Team final between China and France was great. I was surprised however that some of the lower UK ranked players weren't edited a bit more to allow us the chance to see the top ranked international players, as they surely do for Wimbledon.

All in all a great event and many hours of tapes to cherish.

*Richard Stone*

*Luton, Bedfordshire.*

#### **POSITIVE FRIENDSHIPS**

I write to give my views on the 44th World Championships, which I attended for the 12 day duration.

There were some very positive friendships cemented during these championships, not only between players within the competing groups, but also the integration of umpiring teams.

When it is considered that the previous opportunity to organise this event fell some 20 years ago, with personnel and technology having moved on now, perhaps it was not surprising that not everything was "right first time."

The Chinese, Korean and French supporters particularly showed us how to get behind their players with unreserved vocal backing, horns, trumpets and singing. England supporters were very quiet in direct comparison.

There were excellent contributions from Hugh Porter/Stephen Joel, to inform audiences on the main show courts and Colin Wilson succeeded in introducing the key players and technical aspects to Sky Sports via the television coverage.

In summary there was plenty to be proud of in efforts to promote the image of the sport in wider circles.

If Sky Sports could cover matches in Europe with for instance, a 30 minute spot once a fortnight, I feel viewing figures would reflect their commitment.

*Mick Reynolds*

*Sherborne St.John, Hampshire.*

#### **COACHING**

At a time when British sport is striving to move forward with government backing to be competitive from a firm

foundation of grass root development, it is deeply depressing to suffer verbose criticism from ill-educated so-called experts on the decline of the coaching structure.

The ETTA Coaching System has undergone its greatest shake-up since inception over the last 3 years. The coaching qualifications have been revised and links with sports scientists established; the basic coaching manual has been updated and an advanced manual written; tutor training programmes have been developed and quality controls have been established. This has not come cheaply. Prices have been increased, but the belief is that improved quality of coaching is better than mass production of mediocrity.

The Coaching Scheme is still not perfect and probably never will be. However, since 98% of coaching is performed by unpaid volunteers, the system will always have flaws. This does not mean that the coaches and the Coaching Department will not continue to strive to do their best for the youngsters within their charge.

Whilst money is in limited supply there will always be problems. Volunteers are not accountable in the same way as are paid personnel. This does not presuppose that their worth to the ETTA is of any less value, nor necessarily their competence.

Constructive criticism will always be welcome as we aim to provide the best service to our young players as our abilities and finances allow. However, a negative tirade of abuse from persons unwilling to commit any time or expertise is demotivating and destructive and will not further the current effort and good-will that is prevalent in table tennis. Encouragement and assistance is the very least that those working within our sport deserve.

To coin a recent political phrase "If you have nothing good to say, say nothing". (Unfortunately the 'knockers' of the sport are unlikely to read this article, as the likelihood of them supporting the Association by buying the magazine is small).

*Gail McCulloch*

*Vice Chairman, Coaching.*

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## Cumbria

By Gordon Brown

### BARROW TAKE TWO

Barrow took two of the three titles at stake in the Cumbrian Closed Championships.

Kevin Hodgson took the men's singles and J.Proudfoot the veteran singles.

**RESULTS: MEN'S SINGLES:** s/f Hodgson b. Clarkson 11, 14; Dixon b. Temple 12, 10. Final: Hodgson b. Dixon 18, 12. **MEN'S DOUBLES:** s/f S. & M. Temple b. Dixon & Rushton 13, 18; Hodgson & Hillbeck b. Allen & Eales 12, 16. Final: S. & M. Temple b. Hodgson & Hillbeck 18,-16, 15. **VETERAN SINGLES:** s/f Halesworth b. Allen 15,-11, 18; Proudfoot b. Eales 12, 14. Final: Proudfoot b. Halesworth -14, 14, 11.

## Essex

By Steve Kerns

### REAGAN TAKES FOUR TITLES.

Reagan Nettleingham took centre-stage at this year's Essex Closed championships held at BATTs, Harlow over the weekend of 19/20 April by taking four titles - the men's singles, men's doubles (with Ian Attridge), U21 men's singles as well as the badly supported team event. His success in the men's singles final was undoubtedly the highlight of his season as he toppled top seeded Clive Carthy for a truly outstanding success. This gives him a hat-trick of men's singles titles as he also took the honours in the Chelmsford and Brentwood leagues. Natalie Bawden celebrated her call-up for the World Championships by taking the ladies' singles from newcomer Valerie Blake whilst Terry Guymmer dominated the veterans events and Gavin West took the popular restricted men's title. Up-and-coming veteran Glenn Johnson had an excellent weekend scoring a shock win over David Cole in the men's singles as well as reaching the veterans final with further fine wins over Dave Wright and John Tendler whilst Gary King was another to excel reaching the men's singles semi-final after ousting Gary Tendler. Amy Wright dominated Saturday's play taking the U12 girls' singles and cadet girls' singles whilst Paul Lucas finished his junior career by defending his junior boys' singles title. Another newcomer to impress was Keith Lesser who took the junior boys' restricted singles title and performed excellently to reach the junior boys' doubles final with 12 year-old Daniel Spurling.

Results were as follows:

**Men's Singles Final:** Reagan Nettleingham beat Clive Carthy 19,-13,19.  
**Ladies' Singles:** Natalie Bawden beat Valerie Blake 15,9.  
**Men's Doubles:** Reagan Nettleingham/Ian Attridge beat Rik James/David Cole 19,-15,12.  
**Mixed Doubles:** Rik James/Natalie Bawden beat David Cole/Catherine Woodcock 12,-17,19.

# COUNTY Notes

County Notes is for the publicity of county activities. The accuracy of what is published is the responsibility of the county associations as the editor cannot possibly know the 'facts' may be incorrect. Copy containing libellous or personally abusive matter or 'political' comment will not be published.

**Ladies' Doubles:** Ann Gilliam/Joan Hand beat Sue Hickman/Catherine Woodcock -15,20,18.  
**U21 Men's:** Reagan Nettleingham beat Stephen Spry 8,3.  
**U21 Ladies':** Natalie Bawden beat Catherine Woodcock 15,-19,11.  
**Restricted Men's:** Gavin West beat Ronnie Turner 12,11.  
**Men's 040s:** Terry Guymmer beat Glenn Johnson 21,-17,16.  
**Men's 050s:** John Tendler beat Ken James 10,17.  
**Men's 040s Doubles:** Terry Guymmer/Geoff Morgan beat Dave Wright/Neil Brierley 17,14.  
**Mixed 040s Doubles:** Terry Guymmer/Ann Gilliam beat Phil Gower/Sue Hickman 13,15.  
**Team Event:** Hook & Fade (Attridge/Nettleingham) beat Redbridge (Gary & John Tendler) 3-2.  
**Junior Boys' Singles:** Paul Lucas beat Matthew Spero 11,19.  
**Junior Girls' Singles:** Amy Wright beat Vicky Wood 12,18.  
**Junior Boys' Doubles:** Matthew Spero/Daniel Cantale beat Daniel Spurling/Keith Lesser 14,17.  
**Junior Mixed Doubles:** Matthew Spero/Catherine Woodcock beat Paul Lucas/Nicole Todd -9,16,22.  
**Cadet Boys' Singles:** Joe Benson beat Jamie Kayani 14,16.  
**Cadet Girls' Singles:** Amy Wright beat Nicole Todd -14,9,17.  
**Cadet Girls' Doubles:** Amy Wright/Nicole Todd beat Leanne Bentley/Kay Barham 12,14.  
**Cadet Boys' Doubles:** Michael Piper/Daniel Spurling beat Joe Benson/Philip Purser 19,14.  
**Junior Boys' Restricted Singles:** Keith Lesser beat Charles Sweeney 19,17.  
**Junior Girls' Restricted Singles:** Leanne Bentley bt Vicki Stredder 12,9.  
**U12 Girls' Singles:** Amy Wright beat Leanne Bentley 12,9.  
**U12 Boys' Singles:** Lee Daines beat Daniel Spurling -13,17,12.

## Herefordshire

Geoff Mutton

### CHALLENGING HARD

The recently held County championships saw most events won by established players, but there was evidence of some of the younger players challenging hard. The men's

singles was won by Mark Owen 21-11 21-15 19-21 21-10 over reigning champion Michael Owens. Michael had been given a shock in an earlier round by Steven Arrowsmith, who took a game off him. Steven leaves the junior ranks this year, and certainly showed at this tournament that he will have no problems competing at the higher level. He won the restricted open in a fine match against Gordon Stables 21-18 15-21 21-19. I hope he has a large trophy cabinet at home, because he also came away with the junior boys title, beating Neil Richards 21-15 21-14, and the junior mixed doubles with Anita Jutle beating Neil Richards and Jenny Spencer. He was also losing finalist in three other events, one of these being the Audrey Lawrence Handicap Cup, which was again won by a Bromyard club player, this time, Colin Gale.

Andy Castle showed what an excellent doubles player he is, by featuring in four doubles finals. He lost the men's doubles final, partnered by county veteran Norman Merchant, to Mark Owen and Harry Jutle, 19-21 21-14 21-8. In the mixed, Andy, and Sharon Powell retained the title they have held since 1990, by defeating Mark Owen and Linda Ashman 24-22 21-16. He also won two other handicap doubles competitions. Sally Davis held on to her Ladies' singles title by beating team-mate Sharon Powell 21-12 21-17. Sharon had her revenge in the doubles, when, with Linda Ashman, they retained their title, beating Sally and her partner, Jill Owens. The new name on the veteran's cup belongs to Richard Smith, who beat last year's winner, Harry Jutle, 21-17 21-18. Finally, I'd like to mention someone who although not a winner this time, will I'm sure bring plenty of silverware home soon. Jenny Spencer, a county cadet, was a runner-up in four finals, displaying both considerable skill and a fine temperament.

The league season has now finished, with Div one honours going to Green Farm Challengers. The combination of county coach Mark Stubbs, county veteran Richard Owens, last year's No. 1 junior Chris Jones, and this year's No. 1 junior Steven Arrowsmith has proved too strong for everyone, losing only once, to runners-up, Hereford TTC Clippers. Challengers completed a

double by beating Clippers in the final of the Wenderlish Cup. Inco had a great season, the A team winning Div 2, and the B side winning Div 3. In Div 4, it was success at the first time of asking for newcomers Leominster Loopers.

Our County sides have once again demonstrated that it is the taking part, not the winning that counts! The junior side did achieve one draw, but failed to give the support to Steven Arrowsmith that could have turned 4-6 defeats into victories. The veterans second team, in their first year of County Championships had a lot of fun, but alas, no points! Our veterans firsts, however, gained two victories, and I'm sure will be expecting to build on this platform next season.

## Hertfordshire

By John Wood

### BATTLE ROYAL

This season's Senior Championships was as exciting as ever, producing a great deal of effort and top class performances from top class players, at the Barnet Table Tennis Centre, earlier this year.

The Men's Singles was a battle royal, with Barnet's veteran John Taylor proving that he is still the top man in the county, when halting the march of Watford's Glen Wilkes, winning -16, 16, 16, in a pulsating final of tremendous backspin and float from Taylor, and aggressive attack by Wilkes.

In the semi-finals Taylor beat North Herts' Keith Samuels, a previous winner, 11 and 10, where the Barnet man's heavy chop was just too consistent for the wristy topspinner Samuels, whilst Wilkes won a battle of the big guns by beating Cheshunt's Chris Marlow, 18 and 13.

Taylor and Samuels paired-up in the Men's Doubles, beating Gary Morgan and Antony Corbin, -18, 17, 18, in the final.

Taylor and Samuels beat Wilkes and Tim Waller in the semi-finals -19, 18, 14, whilst Morgan and Corbin reached the final by winning against Perry Somers and Morris Greenberg, 15,-16, 17.

Once again Hemel Hempstead's Emma Hurling won the Women's Singles title, when she overcame the challenge of Watford's Sarah Seaholme, winning the trophy for the seventh time, -21, 9, 9.

In the semi-finals Hurling beat Caroline Seaholme 4 and 11, whilst Sarah Seaholme won her way to the final following an all Watford semi victory against Sally Bax, 14,-22, 17.

The Seaholme sisters, Caroline and Sarah tasted success when they won the Women's Doubles final, beating Emma Hurling and Michelle Budden 12 and 16.

The Mixed Doubles competition also proved to be a battle royal with Keith Samuels and Sarah Seaholme coming out on top following a thrilling final against Glen Wilkes and Emma Hurling, 14,-15, 16.

But it was in the semi-finals where the real drama took place, with Derek Rogers and Janice Laing taking Wilkes and Hurling very close indeed, losing -20, 20,-16, whilst the eventual winners Samuels and Seaholme also had a bumpy ride before defeating blast from the past Rob Liquorish and Caroline Seaholme 8 and 20.

Other results were: Chris Budden won the Men's Veteran Singles final beating Derek Balding 15,-20, 17; Gary Keers and Alan Jones won the Men's Veteran Doubles beating Dave Wilson and Keith Hartridge 22, 19; Geoff Bax won the Men's Senior Veteran Singles final where he defeated Alan Lamprell 10, 14; and not to be out-done by her husband Sally Bax won the Women's Veteran Singles title in a round robin competition, Karen Morton was runner-up.

## *Isle of Wight* John Prean

### SYMPATHISE

Some of our members visited the World Championships in Manchester and returned with worrying reports. I could only sympathise with those who had booked and paid for their seats long ago only to find someone else sitting there, whilst they queued to sit somewhere else. Often, they told me, there were rows of empty seats in which they were not allowed to sit "to support our man Carl Prean" as they put it. It was an embarrassing time for me, as I had encouraged friends to go. It was advice not many appreciated in the light of what went on.

Carl Prean tells me that he, too, was not allowed into the hall in order to watch and other players 'enjoyed' the same fate. He saw the finals in his hotel room on "Sky".

Nobody, including the players, could follow the new format in order of play. It seemed extraordinary to start with 4 groups of 6 instead of the previous first category matches over two groups of 8 which ensured much better matches. Having ended in third place in their group, England then had to play Egypt who had arrived from nowhere and defeat would have meant a very low place indeed after so promising a beginning. Having won that match, however, England's men were matched with Sweden and the victorious Swedes had to play China in the quarter finals. Everything worked out so badly that later developments came as no surprise.

Our own main hope had been that the event would stimulate interest and that new players would appear as a result. That certainly happened in 1977 when the event was last played in this country. We went from five divisions to seven. No such luck this time. Interest seems at a record low and not a single new enquiry was received during or after the event. I thought the coverage on "Sky" of good quality, better than what is usually on BBC, rare though this now is. What let us down were probably the low viewing figures and the generally off-peak times when our sport was shown. Instead of enthusiasm what I heard most were complaints about the

organisation and the venue which most thought very poor.

Our man, Carl Prean, had quite a good team event in which our team generally did well and 14th place was a very poor reward. I found it hard to follow the tactics at times as expressed by the order of play. After his big day when he won two against Japan (England lost 3-2) and after winning his solitary singles against Hungary (England won 3-1) Carl found himself at No. 3 against France the following day! In the final match against Italy (England lost 3-2) he did not find himself in the team at all, although he had won against the Italians in the Qatar Open, the only time we did beat them last season. A meaningless match perhaps (for 13th place) but this was the World Championships, after all, and ranking points at stake.

In the singles Carl was the only one to reach the fifth round from a very large British contingent and so we saw one of our players on the box at least. In Round 5 Carl had an excellent win against the former Olympic Champion Yoo Nam Kyu when he certainly played very well. Less so perhaps in the earlier round against the Italian Piacentini when, after leading by two games to nil and 17-4 he went to a fifth and final game. He went out against a Chinese in Round 6, the last 32. If he had won, he would have played Samsonov, not the greatest of draws.

Our players did enough to indicate that in team terms better days may be ahead after last season's nightmare (I refer to 95/96 when everything went wrong and deserved to). One hopes, of course, that the rumours are wrong which forecast that some top players will stop playing to go into coaching, as the latter will be so much better paid within current ETTA plans submitted to the National Lottery. I can well believe this, knowing that Carl has to go abroad to make a living. I doubt whether his English earnings have ever topped in any one year the take home pay of an unemployed man, such is the reality of life in English Table Tennis. The departure of Don Parker is a further tragedy. He was a man who understood such things and under whom English Table Tennis enjoyed enormous success in happier days.

My last notes were near the end of our domestic season, but our highlight, the Island Games are yet to come. This time they will be played in Jersey and many of the world's smaller islands will do battle, including some who actually played in the recent World Championships. We shall have Carl, who was also there, Roger Hookey, Danny Burns, Mike Turner, Lorna Dutch and Lucy Pointer, a very good team. The Swedish Island of Gotland will be our main rival.

Lucy Pointer won the English Schools Under 13 Girls, adding this to the two Under 11 titles won previously. She ended at No. 4 in the national Under 12 rankings and will now bow out of that group to compete more often against the Under 14 girls. I hope to see her knocking at the gate of a place in England Teams and the "European Youth" should be the ultimate incentive. Enormous dedication will be needed to get there. Even then the competition is strong.

I shall be stepping down as Chairman of the Island Association at our AGM after a 3 year term, a period of substantial achievement in finance, structure and facilities, but one in which we did not manage to buck the national trend of reduced membership completely. I shall remain involved in the management of our centre, coaching and writing and whatever else the future may bring. I hope to continue with this column, not least because I have had such a good response from time to time and made so many new friends as a result.

## *Kent* By Adrian Hall

### THOMPSON AND FRIDAY TAKE ON THE WORLD

And in the words of Christian "and lost". What a great experience for Kent's top two juniors and in fact all the other juniors from around the country that were selected for the World Championships, held in Manchester at the beginning of May. Although both players lost in the first round of the mixed doubles, Christian won one match in his group of four in the singles event and Scott reached the semi-final of the experimental "big ball" event.

### FIRST THE GOOD NEWS MAIDSTONE GRANT FOR TABLE TENNIS CENTRE

The Kent bid for £1.2m of lottery cash to build a 32 table Table Tennis Centre at Impton Lane, Walderslade, has been given the backing of Maidstone Council with a grant of £10,000. The £1.8m centre will provide 32 tables suitable for international play, with accommodation facilities for visiting players, a health suite, social centre and specialist sports shop.

### NOW THE BAD NEWS

As I write this report we hear that the Kent lottery bid has been rejected. Although meeting all the criteria for funding, it has been turned down mainly I understand due to the size of the project. For those that have had the opportunity to travel abroad, 30 table venues are common place and if only can we begin to compete and carry on the good endeavours of selecting our juniors for world championship experience if they have somewhere to train afterwards.

We will carry on seeing all our top players going abroad to train if we don't invest in centres like the one proposed by Kent. With resident overseas coaches and international playing partners forming part of the strategy of the bid, surely the ETTA must come to our support for a revised bid.

### KENT BARBECUE

Kent's annual fund raising Barbecue will again take place at Chairman Reg Thompsons house on Saturday 2nd August 1997 with as usual good food, plenty of drink and excellent live music supplied by Thake Transport. It's a great night out. Tickets from Reg Thompson 01634 235865 or Adrian Hall 01732 844756.

### KENT PLAYERS EXCEL AT ESSEX JUNIOR OPEN

Maidstone's Dominic Hall and Gravesend's Justin Dodd won the U12 Boys singles and U14 Boys singles respectively at the Essex Junior 3\* open on Easter Saturday and then figured in two more finals in the U17 events on the Sunday.

Hall seeded No 1 won the U12 singles beating 3rd seed Edward Qualtrough (Surrey) in the semi-final and then the second seed Jonathan Davidson (Bucks) 21-15, 21-17 in the final. Dodd the No 1 seed for the U14 singles struggled in the first two legs of the final before taking control to beat the second seed Jesper Hougaard (Bucks) 22-20, 17-21, 21-9.

Kent were also well represented in the final stages of the U17 event on the Sunday with Medway's Paul Cronin reaching his second open tournament semi-final in succession finally losing to the eventual champion Robert Pountney (Surrey) in two straight legs. Pountney just back from representing England Schools at the World Schools Championships in Belgium then had to fight off Gravesend's Justin Dodd in the final 21-15, 21-16.

### BRIBAR KENT JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE

The finals of the Bribar Kent Junior League, played at Tonbridge produced the following results with the winners of each division winning tracksuits. All the finalists were previous winners of zone competitions and had already been presented with table tennis shirts and shorts to go with their trophies.

DIVISION ONE - MEDWAY 'A' - Paul Cronin 100%, Carl Thompson 66.67%  
DIVISION TWO - MAIDSTONE 'D' - Mark Pinkney 100%, Andrew Bratley 83.33%  
DIVISION THREE - SITTINGBOURNE 'C' - Anthony Bingham 100%, Michael Bingham 83.33%  
DIVISION FOUR - MAIDSTONE 'G' - Alan Morton 100%, Guy Blackwell 66.67%  
DIVISION FIVE - MAIDSTONE 'H' - Andrew Heath 100%, Aidan Rantfler 83.33%

### CHRISTIAN TURNS PROFESSIONAL

Medway's Christian Thompson joins German Club SSV Reutlingen, on an initial one year contract from August this year. Good luck Christian. Christian tells me that the club in a small town outside Stuttgart has resident coaches and a playing area so large (30-40 tables) that it can be divided up into smaller arenas using dividers that drop from the ceiling electrically.

### OBITUARY - ALLEN COOPER (Maidstone League Chairman)

It is with great regret that we have to announce the death of Maidstone league chairman Allen Cooper. Allen was a quality sportsman playing Cricket at top club level and Table Tennis in the top divisions of the local leagues representing Maidstone at Inter league level. He was the top Maidstone player in 1978/79 finishing with 100% in the premier division. He was also actively involved in junior football administration. His presence

will be greatly missed and our love and best wishes go to wife Janie, daughter Emma and son Mark.

**RON TERRY**

It is also with great regret that I must announce the death of another friend Ron Terry. Ron an all round keen sportsman was until very recently a regular on the veterans circuit and a player in many of the Kent leagues around the Sevenoaks area. Our condolences go to his wife Sandra and family.

**YASAKA GRAND PRIX**

The excellent concept of the Yasaka tournament circuit, climaxing with the Grand Prix Finals saw Kent's Christian Thompson win the U17 event and come runner up in the U21 singles.

**MASTERS**

Kent were once again well represented in the Junior Masters with Christian Thompson 2nd, Scott Friday 6th and Justin Dodd 11th in the U17 event and Justin Dodd 4th and Oliver Stevens 6th in the Cadet event.

**LUXEMBOURG 13TH YOUTH GAMES**

Kent have again been honoured with an invitation to participate in the Luxembourg International Tournament played 6th-8th June 1997. Kent's team will be Christian Thompson & Kelly Grant - U17, Justin Dodd & Hannah Frayre - U14 and Dominic Hall & Natalie Bawden - U12.

**WANG DA YONG TO COACH IN KENT**

Kent have once again with the assistance of the Kent County Council Sports Development Unit been able to obtain the services of Belgium's National Coach and personal coach to the ex World Champion Jean-Michel Saive for a five day training camp for Kent's County squad players at the end of May.

**JUSTIN DODD SELECTED FOR ENGLAND SCHOOLS**

Gravesend's Justin Dodd has been selected to represent England Schools in the Home International Tournament at the end of June. Well done Justin and good luck.

*Lancashire*  
*Tony Meredith*

Many Lancashire people have asked the question 'where are the Lancashire Notes'. I have sent in copy and expressed my disappointment to the Editor after discovering their non-appearance. I only hope that these notes are not cut in any way as a County of Lancashire's standing should be allocated its fair proportion of space.

Now, regarding the table tennis. The County teams have all held their own. Senior firsts finished third in division 1A. Not too bad, when one considers who actually played. The current first team is virtually made up of second team players and the seconds struggled, period. Their middle of the table final position in 2A is really quite

remarkable..Both junior teams ended up in mid-table positions, 1A and 2A. The veterans came closest to success. The first team were runners-up to the very strong Cheshire side (Johns incorporated) in the Premier and the seconds were runners-up to Yorkshire in 2A.

The Lancashire & Cheshire League has gone through a season of turmoil. The passing of long-serving secretary Dennis Smith has left a hole which can never be filled. Joan Rushton has stepped in and done very well to pick up the pieces. Final tables are now enclosed. It was no surprise that Liverpool won the first division title. With such players as Kevin Dolden, Keith Williams, Stuart Richards and Adam Robertson, they are unbeatable. Thirteen year old Robertson is certainly the most talked about youngster in Britain at the moment. His performances for Wales in the recent World Championships were just breathtaking. Wirral have done well to finish second. They won their match at Warrington 7-3 with Bernice Wentworth remaining unbeaten. In a depleted 2 North division it was Blackpool who took the title without losing a match. Their final match resulted in a 7-3 win at Tameside (runners-up) where Steve Bevan was in his usual steady form. There was an interesting finish in 2 South where Salford & Tamworth pipped Preston for the title by just one set. The teams met in the final match and, not surprisingly, it ended in a draw. Blackpool 'A' were champions of division three with Tameside 'A' in second place.

Liverpool emulated their men's team when they won the ladies division. Paula French starred in the 7-3 victory at Manchester. Second placed Wirral met neighbours Liverpool in the final match with the teams sharing the honours. Clare News excelled in this match but it wasn't enough - Liverpool were champions by just two sets!

Wirral won junior 1 and were the only unbeaten side in the division. The Wirral second string did likewise in junior 2 but only on sets average over Preston 'A', who had beaten Southport 6-4 where Paul Robinson won three.

Stockport took the vets title for the ninth year running when they beat Preston 8-2. Roger Hampson was unbeaten and so was the little man in the boiler suit (I think he's called Darren Snowfield or something). Manchester were runners-up just nine sets behind. Maybe the gap is slowly narrowing?

**LANCASHIRE CLOSED**

Liverpool's Keith Williams regained his men's singles crown by defeating Kevin Dolden also of Liverpool in a three game final. It was, in fact, a repeat of last year's final when Williams won deuce in the third, but this time the third was not so close. The women's final was also a repeat of the previous year with Brenda Busey reversing the result over her Liverpool team mate Paula French.

German student Peer Reich who is studying in Bolton won the men's band 2 with an easy victory over Steve

McNicholas of Bury, and Liverpool's Denise McEvoy edged out Preston's Sue Crook in the women's band 2 final. Jimmy Findlow from Bury was a popular winner in the veteran singles with a three games victory over Burnley's Roger Whewell.

County junior No. 1 Michael Moir was an easy winner in the junior boys final against Paul Whitehead of Oldham. Michael from Blackburn came close to causing an upset when he went down in three games to No. 1 seed Paul Hutchings in the men's event. Blackpool girl Kim Roberts defeated arch rival Andrea Harrison of Burnley in the junior girls event.

The men's doubles was won by holders Paul Hutchings and Stuart Richards (Liverpool) who beat Kevin Dolden and Keith Williams in a close final. Holders of the women's doubles Paula French and Brenda Busey retained their title when they accounted for the scratch pairing of Julie Owen (Bolton) and Denise McEvoy. Hutchings and Busey beat Chris Fond and McEvoy in the mixed doubles.

Thanks must go to Ken Armson M.B.E. who assisted yours truly in the refereeing of the event, umpires Eric Pentland, Alex Gould, Ron Georgeson, and Dave Heanaghan and also to the members of the Blackburn League, Dave Pilkington, Steve Lyons and Mark Gleave who worked very hard in setting up the venue. I would like to thank Arthur Upton, our chairman, for presenting the trophies and special thanks must go to Gerry Stokes of the Preston League and his good lady who have donated the men's and women's singles trophies (thanks Gerry for the nice gesture of a bottle of wine and box of chocolates).

**BRITISH LEAGUE**

Our only representatives Seasiders I & II have had their best season so far. Seasiders I ended up in 4th position in division 2 North, on level points with third placed Leckie. They went the whole of the second half with only one defeat - a 5-3 loss at home to winners Glasgow. Former National Champion Denis Neale has dropped just two sets since the Christmas week. Both his losses were snatched from the 'jaws of success' - he was a game and 14-8 up against Glasgow's George Innes and a game and 18-14 up against Vymura's Graham Clarke. At 52 I suppose he can be afforded one or two lapses in concentration. I think the team would have been challenging for the title had Denis played from day one.

The second team just lost out to Glasgow in the division 3 North battle (and it was a battle). With two matches to play the two teams were on level points with Seasiders having a one set advantage. Unfortunately they met what would appear to be their bogey team and went down 5-3 to Derwent: they lost by the same score in the first half. It was rather ironic that they should lose twice to Derwent having taken three out of four points against winners Glasgow.

**ASTRA T.T.C.**

I have received interesting information

about the Astra Table Tennis Club who compete in the Preston League. The club was formed in 1954 by Bob Wade who is still an active player and committee member. Over the years the club has won every competition open to them, at some point. This season has been their most successful ever, lifting twelve trophies (team and individual). The highlight has been the bottom four teams who have all gone the whole of the season without losing a single match. Juniors, Dean Walmsley, Paul Robinson, Danny Hitchens and Daniel Dean are expected to be the future backbone of the Club says current secretary George Helm.

**SUMMER SCHOOL**

A summer school is to be held at Blackpool Sports Centre from 10th-15th August. Desmond Douglas, Denis Neale, John Hilton and Andrea Holt will all be involved with the coaching and there will be evening seminars covering health and fitness, sports psychology and the laws of the game. The course is limited to twenty participants on ten tables with the emphasis on lots of personal attention. Those attending can look forward to an enjoyable week in Britain's premier holiday resort.

*Norfolk*  
*Ray Hogg*

**CELEBRATIONS**

Our 50th Norfolk championships coincided with the County Championships 50th. We very nearly celebrated by our 3rd veterans team winning promotion at the first attempt. Middlesex 3rd team beating them 5-4. The crunch match showed Alan Nicholls 20-17 up in the third of the 8th game and then lost. Try again next year.

County Championships singles winner at last after many years trying, Gary Hewitt of Kings Lynn beat Doug Bennett many times winner in the past over 3 games in a most sporting encounter. Maybe we will see more of him next season possibly playing for the County.

Kim Chambers took the ladies title from the favourite Wendy Hogg after 3 tough games. A fitting reward for the effort and practice she has put in all season.

To mark our 50th anniversary Edna Fletcher has organised a get together for all possible players and officials from 1947 to date. At time of writing about 125 are coming from all parts of the country and from abroad. Edna herself played in the very first championships and with very few breaks played in the 50th at Kings Lynn.

One sad note is that we hear John Turner has died. A great servant and character to Norfolk for many years and recently with Cambridgeshire.

Next season we have entered a second senior team as many players have indicated that they would like to play. It takes some believing but some players said that they did not know we had a team in the County Champs. A 4th

Veterans team has been requested which has to be ratified at our A.G.M. as to officials and finance. Usual 3 Junior teams are entered as we have an influx of potentially useful players coming through in the 11-13 year old bracket, and hope to use some of these in our 3rd team.

## Northants

By Dennis Millman

Shock results provided the highlights on the opening day of the Queensberry Scimitar County Closed Tournament but on the following night, when Andy Trott dominated the main events, the atmosphere had become much more circumspect.

After reaching the singles final without being extended, only complacency could have prevented Trott's vast repertoire of shots from ensuring a third title. Holder and three times winner Kieron Dabbs was the opposing finalist, and he too was engulfed by Trott's casual brilliance, until a spirited late rally produced a more respectable scoreline.

Former Northants county cricketer Neil Stanley had been seeded four, but he failed to reach the competition proper when he was ousted 26-24, 21-18 by Paul Adams, who went on to beat both Michael Edwards and David Gallo, before bowing out to Dabbs at the semi-final stage. Stanley, however, gained some consolation when paired with Trott, the Higham Band pairing, playing together in the event for the first time, carried all before them to a final in which they came from behind to beat Richard Elliott and Mark Nannery.

Trott had never previously entered the Mixed Doubles, but paired up with Muriel Cox, a winner in 1988, he achieved victory at the first attempt. After dropping the first end to holders Ryan Keates and Maxine Shears in an absorbing final, Trott's service and fierce topspin backhand proved the decisive weapons.

Shropshire's Sarah Creasey justified her top seeding in the women's events, taking the singles title after a fast and furious battle with her county championship colleague Viv Smiley, and then teaming up with Sue Moloney, to take the doubles at the expense of Smiley and Clem Little, runners-up for a third successive time. Creasey then confirmed her undoubted supremacy by accounting for men's semi-finalist Paul Adams in the final of the Gwil Evans Memorial Class One Singles.

Female domination of the classified events was carried a stage further, with Smiley beating her doubles partner Little, in the Class 2 final, and Ruth Huddle getting the better of Tanya Svetlova at Class 3 level. Only at Class 4 was there a ray of hope for the men as Paul Chatfield beat Colin Hughes-Rowlands by two games to one.

The Veterans Singles proved the most entertaining event with shocks galore. Alan Ashberry, current holder of the Kettering title, went out in the first

round to Bill Fletcher, and he was quickly followed by his Wellingborough counterpart Steve Brown, who was a Geoff Atkinson victim. Atkinson himself didn't survive round three, for the controlled game of Greg Dobrowolski, allied with a penetrating backhand, reigned supreme, as it did at the semi-final stage after another tense clash with highest ranked veteran Gordon Shaw.

In the other semi-final County title-holder Michael Edwards met a recent recruit to the veteran ranks in Phil Snelling, and it was the comparative youngster who came out on top to qualify for a final showdown against Dobrowolski.

With Snelling in his first season as a veteran and Dobrowolski eligible for the Over 60s for the first time, the result should have been a formality, but it was the elder statesman who took control, and though Snelling fought back to level in the second, the outcome was never in real doubt as the fully fledged veteran pulled off an epic and well deserved victory.

It was a memorable tournament for the Northampton based player, who reached five of the six veteran finals. Surprisingly his only other outright success came in the Over 60 Doubles, partnered by Bill Fletcher, who then beat Dobrowolski in straight games in the corresponding singles.

At Over 50s level, Gerald Finney proved a convincing winner, after surviving a 22-20 third end cliff-hanger against Fletcher in the semi-final. He then added the doubles in partnership with Atkinson, before joining Ashberry to retain the Over 40s title.

In the Over 40 Women's singles, Sue Moloney capped an excellent season with a final win over Muriel Cox, after ending Clem Little's sequence of three successive wins at the semi-final stage.

County Secretary Denise Barnett, runner-up last year, went one better when she took the singles event for the disabled, with a confident display against Corby's Reg Bentley.

The Rod Marchant Memorial Trophy for 17 to 20s went to Paul Adams, whilst the new junior boys title holder is Andy Thomas, who started well but eventually was made to fight all the way by the up and coming Greg Yarnall.

Greg with three, and younger brother Tim with two, contributed to the customary family haul of trophies, while it was also a good day for Gabrielle Evans who regained her Under 17 crown. Richard White and Darren Toogood surprised much of the opposition to take the Under 17 Doubles, whilst other junior winners were Lucy Ellingham, Lizzie Todd and James Fitton, who had a clear-cut win over Imran Soorty.

Jamie Chamberlain and Dave Smith retained the Class One Doubles title, with Phil Slade and Dennis Millman as beaten finalists. Perhaps a less than adequate reward for Slade, who together with Ken Marchant and Tournament Organiser Arthur Palmer,

had worked unstintingly to bring a tournament with a record breaking entry to a highly satisfactory conclusion.

## Northumberland

By Pauline Long

It had been hoped that the decision to hold the JOYNSON OFFICE EQUIPMENT Northumberland Closed Championships at Wallsend Sports Centre on Easter Sunday, March 30, might have resulted in an increased entry, but sadly this proved not to be the case, with only 38 competitors (including three women) eventually taking part. It would seem for next season we will have to look at ways of encouraging more players, especially women and girls, to enter the tournament and possibly arrange more events for players from the lower League Divisions.

Eddie Smith was the most successful player, regaining his Open Singles title and also taking the Open Doubles in partnership with Andrew Wilkinson. Karen Newby retained her Women's Singles title and was also runner-up in the Consolation event.

### RESULTS

Open Singles: Eddie Smith bt Ian Robertson 15, 15.  
 Women's Singles: Karen Newby bt Joanne Donnelly, 16, 24.  
 Open Doubles: Smith/Andrew Wilkinson beat Robertson/Dave Goldbold 13, 16.  
 Junior Singles: Peter Scatchard bt Adam Woodhouse 13, 16.  
 Veterans' Singles: Robertson bt Geoff Salter -18, 6, 14.  
 Class 2 Singles: Salter bt Fred Woodhouse 20, 13.  
 Class 3 Singles: Scatchard bt Graeme Elsander -12, 15, 19.  
 Handicap Singles: Jimmy Scope (scratch) bt Dave McAllister (+8) -17, 19, 19.  
 Consolation Singles: Steve Penman bt Newby 14, 23.

the extremely long National Power Northumbria League season was not due to end until Friday May 2, but all the winners and most of the runners-up have already been decided. St. Gabriel's have won the Division 1 title, and although Gateshead 'A' are currently in second place, North Shields YMCA 'A' are only two points behind with two games in hand and should finish in second place. Newton 'A' are Division 2 winners, with Blaydon 'A' as runners-up. Whitley Chapel are champions of Division 3, while second place will be taken by either Cramlington 'A' or Stanley YC. Division 4 has been a two-horse race for much of the season between eventual winners Blaydon YC 'B' and runners-up OXHILL YC. The Handicap Knock-Out Cup Final between Newton 'A' and North Shields YMCA 'B' has yet to be arranged.

The shorter Summer League season was due to start in late May and will be sponsored by County senior and junior team sponsors WENADE UK of Blyth. Sadly, Dave Scholfield has found it necessary to resign from both his posts as League Secretary and County Treasurer, and although there have been one or two volunteers to organise Divisions for the summer, no-one has yet applied to take overall control. Dave

did an excellent job and our most grateful thanks are due for his work in both fields. The World Championships in Manchester in Manchester from April 24 to May 5 will undoubtedly attract a lot of interest from younger players and with this in mind it is intended to organise a shorter League season of not more than 12 teams in each Division, commencing in September. This will leave more time for other events such as the Handicap Knock-Out Cup and possibly a separate League Competition for beginners and less advanced players if there is sufficient demand. Hopefully these proposals will result in an upsurge of interest in table tennis, which, in common with other Leagues across the Country, has suffered a considerable decline in recent years.

## Sussex

John Woodford

### TWO TITLES

Ritchie Venner has been the most successful player in Sussex in the season now completed.

In the final weeks of the campaign he captured two titles - the Seaman invitation cup at Hove and retained the Hollington Open mens singles title at Hastings.

He is left with one big problem for the summer - recruiting some strong players for the Horsham team in the premier division of the British League.

Horsham, who finished a gallant second to Launceston have lost two men who played at Launceston in the "final".

Mike Hammond seems determined to carry out his threat of pulling out and Christian Thompson having signed for a German club on a professional basis is now unable to play in the British League.

At Hollington, Venner defeated in the final the Kent No. 2 Andy Cunningham but only after a fierce struggle -19, 18, 21.

Sussex champion Rose Rainton held on to the Hollington womens singles crown, but only after a tough game beating Teresa Bennett who returned to competition only 4 weeks after having her baby, a son. Rose won 11, -16, 14.

Crawley struck twice at Hove - Venner took the Seaman cup and it was Sally Weston who regained the Nicholls Cup after a massive battle with Rose Rainton.

Mark Forder reached the final of the junior boys singles at Hollington but he was defeated by Lee Dredge of Dorset - 9, 16, 11. Forder from Worthing is one of a group of Sussex juniors who reach senior status now, leaving Sussex junior top team in the premier division but facing a mountain-climb next season to stay up.

## West Wiltshire

By Trevor Lloyd

Another successful end of season

Presentation Dinner/Dance of the League was held on 18th April, 1997 when the awards for successes during the season were presented. The winners and runners-up were:  
 Divisions: Premier Division - 1. Heywood, 2. Swindon; Division One - 1. Wanderers 123, 2. Bradford 'B'; Division Two - 1. The Bats, 2. Grittleton; Division Three 1. Hilperton 'B', 2. Devizes Dodgers; Team Competitions: Melksham Shield - 1. Swindon, 2. Trowbridge 1; Phillips Shield - 1. Grittleton, 2. The Bats; Handicap Shield - 1. Hilperton 'D', 2. Bradford 'B'; Premier Division K.O. - 1. Westinghouse 'B', 2. Bradford 'A'; Division One K.O. - 1. Trowbridge III, 2. Bradford 'C'; Division Two K.O. - 1. Bradford 'E', 2. Westbury Centre North; Division Three K.O. - 1. Westbury Centre South, 2. Westbury Centre West.

The evening also saw the presentation of 'The Kathleen Waters Memorial Trophy' to John Ford, Chairman of the League, for his services to table tennis in Wiltshire. In announcing the award, League Secretary, Malcolm Phillips, spoke of the reasons why the League Executive Committee had nominated John, who had started playing in the League at the age of 12 and was still considered a formidable player to overcome, combining a solid defence with a decisive backhand attack. He represented the League at junior, senior and veteran level and holds the distinction of still being the only player to have won the Junior Singles, Mens Singles (three times) and Veterans Singles (three times). He has also been runner-up in the Veterans Singles four times, won the Mens Doubles seven times and the Mixed Doubles three times. At County level, he has been Junior Champion twice and Veteran Champion once. At this level also he is still the only player to have held both these titles. He has represented the County at both Senior and Veteran level and became the first Wiltshire player to be nationally ranked at Veteran level. On the administrative side he was first elected to the Executive Committee in 1957 and at various times since then has served as Results and Registration Secretary, Inter-League Secretary, Team Competition Secretary, Individual Championships Secretary and County Representative. His long-standing and dedicated service to the League culminated in him being elected Chairman of the League in 1987.

The Trophy was presented to John by Roy Hazell, President of the Wiltshire Table Tennis Association.

### Worcestershire By Ken Walton

#### MORE HONOURS

In this last column for Season 96-97, I can report on success for both Senior 1sts and Juniors, in winning Divisions 2B and 2C respectively, as well as more honours for the newly formed Vets 2nds (winners of 3D) and in Division 1B (vets), the 1sts pulling through 5-4 against Kent 2nds, to retain their place for next season.

Congratulations to all players concerned, especially the winners who

I have mentioned on numerous occasions throughout the season.

In the County League decider between Worcester and Dudley, one of the best matches ever witnessed at the Y.M.C.A. (and even one that had spectators!!) resulted in a 6-3 win for Worcester, but with Table Tennis as a whole the winner.

Sporting, competitive and skilful were words used to describe the occasion in which Simon Claxton, Lewis Siket and Craig Ward, defeated Steve Horton, Ken Walton and Jason Thompson, in a match lasting until 11.35 pm!! Every game bar 2 went the distance, with Craig, despite performing well, losing his 3, and ultimately, home advantage giving Worcester the edge. Congratulations to them for a match that had everything.

Other items of note include another Dudley League title from Bromley 'A' with Jim's Gym 'A' taking the runners-up spot, and Steve Horton again proving 'Individually' the strongest, most consistent player. In the Second Chance Cup Final, Jim's Gym exacted revenge over Bromley, with a 5-2 victory, in which Mervyn Wood and Roy Norton proved excellent back up to Matthew Harvey. Well Done.

Finishing on some personal notes, by the time you read this I will once again have visited John and Carl Preat on the Isle of Wight, and received an excellent welcome at the Carl Preat centre, where hopefully this time, I will have managed to have a game with one of England's finest, so thank you for your hospitality again, and at the recently held Department of Education and Employment Championships at Keele University, I met and played John Peters from Doncaster land.

I promised you a mention John, so hope you have seen the article.

Finally, hope you all enjoyed the Worlds, have a great summer, England win the Ashes, and more and more people take up this great sport of ours. See you next season.

### Yorkshire By Rea Balmford

#### MAYORESS

I make no apology for opening this month's notes on a political note with a 'blast from the past'. Most of the older school of table tennis fanatics in the County will remember Kath Best, former Yorkshire and England star who married County coach and captain Alan Thompson and continued to play under her married name.

Kath has been retired for many years now, but is about to be the recipient of a major honour outside the sport when she takes over the duties of Lady Mayoress of the City of Leeds, where her sister, Cllr. Mrs Linda Middleton has been elected as Lord Mayor.

All those elder brethren who knew Kath in her playing days will wish her every success and know that she will give her year of office the same

commitment as she always gave to her sport.

Congratulations to those Yorkshire youngsters who figured high in the final placings in the Yasaka Series of tournaments. Players from the County took top place in no less than seven of the eleven categories - Mike James (Bridlington) - Men Band 1 and Under 21 Men, Huddersfield brothers Richard Smith - Men Band 2 and David Smith - Mx Band 3, and Peter Marshall (Hull) - Junior Boys ; with other 'top ten' finishers as follows: Marshall - 9th Mens Singles, Nicola Smith (Leeds) - 9th Ladies Singles and 2nd Ladies Singles Band 1, Helen Shields (Bradford) - Vet. Ladies 2nd, Sandra Rider (Bradford) - Vet. Ladies 4th, Mark Smith (Bradford) - 6th Men Under 21 and Emma Smith (Selby) - both Ladies Under 21.

Harrogate's top man Richard Whiteley was presented with an engraved glass tankard following the recent Harrogate Closed Championships. Whiteley, who received the award from Harrogate Chairman Lewis Ward, who is also the County's rep. at E.T.T.A., earned the

award after claiming the title for what must be an unprecedented tenth time.

Good to hear from one of our smaller Leagues - in numbers and not area! - Ryedale extends from Scarborough on the east coast to Westow near York and from Kirby Moorside to Spaunton on the North York Moors.

Twenty teams compete in two divisions with Swinton A having claimed the title in Division 1 and Ryedale Lachenby 'A' doing likewise in Division 2.

Mike Burnett took the Individual Closed title, with 13 year old Ryedale coaching scheme pupils Steve Hughes and Andrew Rudd meeting in the Handicap Final, the verdict going to Hughes by a single point!

Good wishes go to Bradford Ladies - Linda Simpson, Helen Shields, Sandra Rider - who will be looking forward to the clash with the winners of the North Middx - Maidstone tie in the Final of the Pat Archdale Cup at Saltash (Cornwall) in mid-June.

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(511) 471 CROMIN, Paul (K.)	1518	(601) 586 BURNS, Daniel (W.)	1355	(686) 701 WOOD, Peter (GS.)	1217	**	(809) 816 BARTRAM, Tony (WO.)	1065	**	(924) 931 PATTMAN, Nicholas (K.)	825	**
(467) 472 CLARK, Keith (K.)	1516	(582) 587 RULE, Martin (BU.)	1355	(687) 702 LAMPRELL, Alan (HE.)	1217	**	(849) 817 BOYLE, Alan (MI.)	1064	**	(926) 932 GLASSBERG, Robin (E.)	821	**
(475) 473 MURRAY, Bob (AV.)	1515	(602) 588 HARSE, David (OX.)	1355	(695) 703 MORRISON, Alex (SX.)	1216	*	(807) 818 ASHBERRY, Alan (NP.)	1061	*	(925) 933 KING, Daniel (NK.)	818	**
(495) 474 HOWELL, Mike (WA.)	1513	(581) 589 SMITH, Vic (Y.)	1352	(696) 704 HAGGER, Brian (HU.)	1212	*	(809) 819 D'HOOGHE, Brian (NP.)	1056	*	(934) 934 MEREDITH, Tony (LA.)	813	**
(793) 475 FESEHATSON, Fesum (MI.)	1513	(587) 590 DAVISON, Paul (E.)	1351	705 BIRCH, Ted (LA.)	1212	I	(811) 820 YARDY, Tim (E.)	1055	*	(927) 935 BALDUS, Simon (Y.)	809	**
(462) 476 STENNETT, Malcolm (CA.)	1507	(628) 591 PICKLES, Martin (SNr) (ST.)	1351	(704) 706 WILSON, David (HE.)	1208	**	(814) 821 MACHIN, Keith (BK.)	1054	I*	(928) 936 MANN, Andrew (SK.)	800	***
(470) 477 FULCHER, Charles (SC.)	1507	(588) 592 BARBER, Steve (NK.)	1349	(698) 707 BAX, Geoff (HE.)	1207	*	(812) 822 STONE, Ray (SK.)	1054	I*	937 JEVONS, David (K.)	800	**
(528) 478 SWAYNE, David (Y.)	1506	(590) 593 BAINBRIDGE, Fred (LA.)	1347	(702) 708 BURTON, Kenneth (HA.)	1205	**	(813) 823 CHEESEMAN, Daniel (K.)	1054	**	(930) 938 JONES, Stephen (CH.)	792	**
(490) 479 WALLER, Tim (HE.)	1506	(591) 594 THORLEY, Mick (DV.)	1347	(693) 709 LUCAS, Paul (E.)	1204	**	(817) 824 GALE, Brian (HE.)	1054	**	(932) 939 SMITH, Brian (AV.)	790	**
(471) 480 GASCOYNE, Tam (BU.)	1504	(592) 595 NOUTCH, David (Y.)	1342	(705) 710 WILKES, Colin (BK.)	1204	*	(818) 825 BALAAM, Lee (SK.)	1048	**	(931) 940 HODGES, Nim (HR.)	790	I*
(469) 481 MURRAY, Ray (E.)	1505	(657) 596 ROWE, Kevin (DV.)	1341	(707) 711 ALBERT, Reuben (E.)	1202	***	(800) 826 WHEELER, Tony (OX.)	1046	I	(960) 941 MARSHALL, James (Y.)	787	**
(472) 482 SEFTON, David (LA.)	1502	(593) 597 HALLIDAY, Dave (SK.)	1340	(708) 712 DEFTY, Jim (NK.)	1201	**	(820) 827 HURFORD, Neil (OX.)	1044	**	(934) 942 MULLISS, Robert (SO.)	785	I*
(474) 483 CHIPPERFIELD, Leighton (NK.)	1501	(594) 598 HYDES, Glynis (SJ.)	1339	(711) 713 TEFF, Anthony (E.)	1199	*	(819) 828 WITHYMAN, Michael (AV.)	1042	I	(933) 943 WILLIAMS, Mark A (WA.)	785	**
(476) 484 BOUSFIELD, John (CV.)	1497	(595) 599 ALLWARD, G Jeffrey (MI.)	1336	(713) 714 DAVIES, Howard (DO.)	1196	*	(822) 829 TOMPKINS, Paul (BU.)	1041	**	(935) 944 BROWN, Daniel (LI.)	784	**
(485) 485 KEERS, Gary (HE.)	1497	(611) 600 RUSS, Barrie (NG.)	1335	(717) 715 ANTHONY, Farrel (Y.)	1194	**	(823) 830 JUTLE, Harry (HR.)	1040	**	(936) 945 HILL, Alexander (WO.)	783	**
(586) 486 BROWN, Anthony (WI) (HA.)	1496	(596) 601 BOYCE, Jeff (E.)	1334	(719) 716 SNELLING, Phil (SY.)	1191	*	(824) 831 BURTON, Mick (Y.)	1038	I	(938) 946 BROOK, Barry (DV.)	776	I*
(494) 487 MAUTHOR, Feizal (E.)	1492	(606) 602 RIDER, Raymond (Y.)	1333	(721) 717 HESKINS, Ian (GS.)	1190	I*	(802) 832 LOWE, Michael (Y.)	1036	***	(939) 947 HUNT, Adrian (BD.)	775	**
(479) 488 PICKFORD, Gary (ST.)	1492	(597) 603 MASCARENHAS, Walter (MI.)	1333	(722) 718 MABLIN, Ian (MI.)	1189	*	(821) 833 BOWERS, Martin (Y.)	1034	**	(941) 948 WAKELAM, Oliver (HE.)	771	**
(485) 489 ADAMS, Brian (E.)	1491	(599) 604 TAYLOR, John (ST.)	1332	(723) 719 HATCHEL, Chris (SX.)	1188	*	(886) 834 POSFORD, Christopher (SY.)	1034	I	(937) 949 COOK, Lewis (WO.)	769	**
(473) 490 IRELAND, Martin (LA.)	1490	(600) 605 HIPPERSON, Tony (NK.)	1332	(724) 720 WHEATLEY, Neil (WA.)	1187	*	(826) 835 SLADE, Phil (NP.)	1033	**	(940) 950 DOMINGUEZ, Michael (MI.)	766	**
491 GUNN, Martin (K.)	1488	N	1329	(725) 721 MOYNIHAN, Snr, Tim (BD.)	1187	*	(898) 836 DAVIES, Stephen (LI.)	1031	**	(948) 951 BLOOMFIELD, Gavin (SK.)	765	**
(502) 492 PARKINS, Terry (WI.)	1488	(603) 607 CHAPMAN, Barry (K.)	1329	(720) 722 STOKES, Darren (ST.)	1185	I	(702) 732 POWELL, Kevin (K.)	1030	**	(942) 952 OWENS, Richard (HR.)	763	**
(480) 493 JOHNSON, Glenn (E.)	1487	(607) 608 BURRIDGE, Tim (DV.)	1328	(726) 723 PRENDERGAST, Charles (HA.)	1185	***	(827) 838 RICE, Kevin (DV.)	1028	**	(944) 953 RIDDELL, Keith (WA.)	762	**
(484) 494 SHAVE, Maurice (HA.)	1485	(623) 609 MURDOCH, Alexander (HE.)	1326	(727) 724 WRIGHT, Terry (DV.)	1184	**	(828) 839 RUDLEY, Gerald (NK.)	1026	I*	(943) 954 WILLCOCKSON, Richard (HU.)	762	I**
(548) 495 CONTEH, Abraham (LE.)	1484	(605) 610 BARTLE, Doug (Y.)	1324	(728) 725 CLEMENSON, Tim (E.)	1183	**	(851) 840 TAPPENDEN, Michael (E.)	1026	**	(945) 955 ONO, Michael (SO.)	761	****
(530) 496 FANNING, John (GS.)	1484	(608) 611 WILKINS, Thomas (MI.)	1323	(709) 726 MCTAVISH, Alastair (K.)	1183	**	(829) 841 MILEHAM, Tony (WI.)	1023	**	(951) 956 BELL, Robert (MI.)	760	**
(486) 497 SPENSON, Dave (HE.)	1483	(610) 612 COOPER, John (BU.)	1321	(729) 727 STAFFORD, John (WO.)	1182	***	(831) 842 READING, Martin (SO.)	1017	**	(946) 957 MARRIOTT, Daniel (LE.)	760	**
(431) 498 CHAPMAN, Gordon (SY.)	1479	(612) 613 PULLIN, George (OX.)	1321	(731) 728 PILLAR, Richard (DV.)	1180	**	(837) 843 PERRY, Alf (LA.)	1016	I*	(947) 958 SAGE, Ben (WI.)	759	I
(488) 499 GRANGE, Geoff (Y.)	1478	(611) 614 WHITE, Andrew David (Y.)	1321	(790) 729 MACFARLANE, Malcolm (WA.)	1179	**	(835) 844 SEWARD, Andy (SO) (WI.)	1010	**	(949) 959 LONG, Martyn (DV.)	751	**
(492) 500 KELLARD, Dave (K.)	1477	(614) 615 BAKER, Chris (SX.)	1320	730 RUSHTON, Geoff (LA.)	1179	**	(845) 845 O'DONNELL, Vin (CH.)	1010	**	(950) 960 BAKER, Mark (K.)	750	**
(493) 501 RUSSELL, Dave (WI.)	1476	(615) 616 ALCOCK, Maurice (SP.)	1320	(732) 731 TAN, Peter (MI.)	1177	*	(834) 846 KIRSPOR, Alan (HU.)	1010	**	(952) 961 TAYLOR, Peter (LI.)	749	**
(483) 502 MONTGOMERY, Syd (BK.)	1475	(613) 617 COLLINS, Dennis (NG.)	1320	(733) 732 BALLARD, Peter (E.)	1177	**	(836) 847 ANWISON, Ron (NK.)	1005	I*	(953) 962 BOWSER, Paul (LI.)	746	**
(497) 503 WATTS, Graham (SY.)	1470	(635) 618 MAIDEN, Chris (WA.)	1320	(734) 733 MUSSETT, Richard (NK.)	1172	**	(838) 848 ATTRIDGE, David (NK.)	1004	**	(987) 963 SKEEN, David (DU.)	746	**
(499) 504 ISAACS, Maurice (MI.)	1469	(580) 619 SCHWARTZ, Ian (BK.)	1318	734 STALBURG, Del (E.)	1171	N	(833) 849 BLOOMFIELD, Gary (SK.)	1004	**	(954) 964 SINGH, Gurdeep (WA.)	744	**
(505) 505 BATTRICK, Stan (E.)	1465	(629) 620 BURNHAM, David (Y.)	1317	(735) 735 FINNEY, Gerald (DV.)	1171	I*	(839) 850 BUTTERWORTH, Peter (SO.)	1003	**	(956) 965 SPURR, Matthew (E.)	741	**
(501) 506 WATTS, Michael (E.)	1464	(619) 621 MCGLOONE, George (K.)	1316	(736) 736 CRIPPS, Michael (K.)	1171	**	(840) 851 AVIS, Chris (SK.)	1002	**	(957) 966 GANDY, Matthew (SY.)	735	**
(500) 507 BURROWS, Peter (E.)	1464	(620) 622 BELL, Neil (AV.)	1316	(762) 737 DICKENS, Christopher (BU.)	1169	I*	(841) 852 JOHNSON, Brian (Y.)	1001	**	(958) 967 DOW, David (DV.)	732	**
(504) 508 MORRIS, Anthony N (SX.)	1463	(617) 623 CHEW, John (Y.)	1314	(738) 738 STOCKHAM, John (SO.)	1168	***	(842) 853 BROWN, Ivan (BD.)	1000	**	(974) 968 RIDDELL, David (AV.)	732	**
(503) 509 MARLOW, Christopher (HE.)	1460	(621) 624 WOOLERTON, Mark (WA.)	1313	(740) 739 CROFTREE, John (SO.)	1167	**	(843) 854 OLDFIELD, Brian (LA.)	998	I	(947) 969 EDEN, Richard (DU.)	731	**
(505) 510 DALTON, Hugh (GS.)	1457	(622) 625 BOJAS, Keith (SY.)	1313	(741) 740 BROPHY, Stephen (LI.)	1165	I	(844) 855 GOULDING, Phil (DV.)	998	**	(959) 970 GRANTHAM, Andrew (BK.)	724	**
(506) 511 CALLUM, Sylvester (GS.)	1456	(624) 626 NOUTCH, Paul (ST.)	1311	(742) 741 BIRCH, Paul (BD.)	1165	**	(846) 856 MATTHEWS, David (WA.)	996	**	(962) 971 GOMERSALL, Michael (CU.)	722	**
(515) 512 LE BUTT, Andy (LE) (WA.)	1455	(625) 627 SLIFKIN, Norman (MI.)	1310	(743) 742 WALTON, James (CA.)	1165	**	(847) 857 COLEMAN, Steve (BD.)	996	I*	(961) 972 WILSHERE, Mark (HA.)	722	**
(507) 513 LEE, Peter (LA.)	1454	(627) 628 JAMESON, Christopher (E.)	1310	(744) 743 PHILLIPS, Barry (HE.)	1164	*	(848) 858 BIRKSHOP, John (SK.)	995	I*	(962) 973 ARKELL, Bobby (WA.)	718	**
(508) 514 WHITTAKER, John (DY.)	1454	(626) 629 JACKSON, Keith (SX.)	1310	(745) 744 BROWNING, Len (Y.)	1161	I	859 MOSS, Roger (CH.)	994	**	(963) 974 UPPAL, Kim (CV.)	714	**
(481) 515 HEGEDUS, Bela (BK.)	1454	(509) 630 BAKER, Keith (ST.)	1308	(746) 745 BURDIE, Steven (SO.)	1158	**	(850) 860 WHITE, Terry (HA.)	990	***	(966) 975 FORSTER, Anthony (DO.)	706	***
(510) 516 BRYANT, Paul (Y.)	1454	(630) 631 SLINGER, Tony (CH.)	1305	(767) 746 BUTT, Chris (HA.)	1158	**	(867) 861 FLETCHER, William (WA.)	988	**	(968) 976 KAY, Roddy (BK.)	702	**
(513) 517 SAMUEL, Jonathan (BK.)	1450	(643) 632 MCCANCE, John (MI.)	1304	(806) 747 ADAMSON, David (GS.)	1150	**	(853) 862 EVANS, Frederick (E.)	986	I*	(969) 977 COLLEJ, Judd (Y.)	702	**
(514) 518 TURNER, Michael (IW.)	1450	(632) 633 TAYLOR, Scott (Y.)	1303	(868) 748 WILKINS, Michael (BD.)	1146	**	(865) 863 MANN, Richard (SK.)	985	**	(970) 978 KASBERG, Anand (BU.)	701	**
(516) 519 MUIR, Pat (NG.)	1446	(633) 634 FALCONER, Keith (HA.)	1300	(755) 749 CHARLEMAGNE, Ernest (E.)	1146	**	(855) 864 NICHOLSON, Peter (DV.)	985	**	(971) 979 ACKRED, Peter (SP.)	696	**
(518) 520 HEWETT, Martin (K.)	1445	(634) 635 BROWN, Ian (Vet) (SK.)	1300	(740) 750 ALCOCK, Philip (SNr) (ST.)	1144	***	(854) 865 TYLOR, George (HE.)	985	**	(984) 980 LOWE, Philip (Y.)	695	**
(522) 521 JONES, Alan (Y.)	1443	(700) 636 NELSON, Dave (CH.)	1297	(752) 751 SUECD, Stephen (SY.)	1140	**	(857) 866 PETERSONS, Andy (Y.)	981	I	(972) 981 MCGACHAN, Shaun (NG.)	691	**
(519) 522 CAIT, Anthony (HA.)	1443	(609) 637 PRATT, Colin (CH.)	1297	(752) 752 BUCK, George (SY.)	1139	I*	(858) 867 SHANNON, Bernard (CA.)	976	***	(973) 982 THORIN, Wayne (NK.)	685	**
(523) 523 HENDERSON, David (NK.)	1443	(672) 638 WEBBER, Colin (SY.)	1297	(751) 753 NEWTON, Chris (NG.)	1139	I*	(860) 868 MEREDITH, Neville (HR.)	970	**	(977) 983 WALMSLEY, Dean (LA.)	684	**
(512) 524 CHILDS, Keith (HA.)	1438	(639) 639 BUTLER, Dave (K.)	1296	(749) 754 JONES, Peter (CH.)	1138	**	(859) 869 LICKFOLD, Anthony (K.)	970	**	(975) 984 ARMORY, Jonathan (K.)	683	**
(524) 525 LEMILLIERE, Neil (K.)	1430	(637) 640 WARD, Craig (WO.)	1296	(754) 755 TAYLOR, Nigel (OX.)	1136	**	(862) 870 GEORGE, Derek (HE.)	966	***	(989) 985 O'BRIEN, Clive (K.)	670	**
(520) 526 CLARKSON, Peter (Y.)	1428	(639) 641 TRIMMING, Graham (BU) (BK.)	1295</									

(24)	24	RODEN, Sandra (WO.)	2323	(148)	141	MURDOCH, Valerie (HE.)	1681	(256)	258	NOLAN, Terri-Anne (CH.)	1157	(68)	71	HANYS, Christian (K.)	873	(187)	188	ROBERTS, Chris (GS.)	494					
(40)	25	PESTKA, Debbie (NG.)	2311	(137)	142	STEVENSON, Esme (CO.)	1679	(255)	259	SWAN, Katherine (CU.)	1140	****	(72)	72	ILES, Leigh (AV.)	872	*	(190)	189	DAVIES, Nathan (E.)	489			
(35)	26	SHIELDS, Helen (Y.)	2283	(143)	143	ALLISON, Sue (LI.)	1667	(258)	260	BROWN, Haruko (SY.)	1122	1	(70)	70	DOMINGUEZ, Luis (MI.)	861	*	(188)	190	CRUICKSHANK, Kevin (OK.)	487			
(36)	27	PERRY, Penelope (DV.)	2256	(169)	144	FLOWERDAY, Anne (E.)	1661	(257)	261	JOHNSON, Susan (BK.)	1118		(71)	74	WILSON, Nicholas (BU.)	861	*	(191)	191	FITTON, James (NP.)	486			
(32)	28	MARLING, Samantha (MI.)	2256	(142)	145	LIEBIG, Sabine (MI.)	1657	**	(246)	262	SPINK, Paisley (ST.)	1112	74	75	WOOD, Ian (WO.)	859	*	(192)	192	BELLET, Amanda (SY.)	484			
(26)	29	MARSHALL, Claire (SP.)	2255	(141)	146	PLUMBRIDGE, Claire (BU.)	1657	**	(259)	263	ROLFE, Denise (BK.)	1112	**	(75)	76	LINNEGAR, Stephen (E.)	858	**	(189)	193	MURRAY, Shaun (CA.)	484		
(25)	30	BONGERS, Jose (ST.)	2254	(145)	147	BLANCH, Elizabeth (MI.)	1656		(260)	264	LLOYD, Gemma (CH.)	1111		(86)	77	GASCOYNE, Craig (NU.)	857	**	(192)	194	FILIP, Christopher (SO.)	482		
(52)	31	SMITH, Emma (Y.)	2254	(146)	148	LESLIE, Kay (BK.)	1650	**	(273)	265	ROBINSON, Suzy (GS.)	1107		(104)	78	SHEENA, Yezan (BU.)	855	**	(194)	195	PIGGER, Michael (BO.)	481		
(30)	32	HEWETT, Carol (SK.)	2248	(143)	149	BAYFORD, Barbara (SX.)	1649		(254)	266	CHARLTON, Dawn (LI.)	1103	76	79	FREYD, Mark (HE.)	852	**	(181)	196	NICHOLLS, Philip (WO.)	475			
(41)	33	SCHOFIELD, Doreen (CH.)	2226	(150)	150	THOMPSON, Hannah (WL.)	1636		(263)	267	HARRISON, Andrea (LA.)	1101	77	80	TAYLOR, John D V (NG.)	851	**	(195)	197	GRESSWELL, Rikito (MI.)	474			
(39)	34	RAINTON, Rosemary (SK.)	2222	(141)	151	FISHER, Kathleen (LI.)	1629		(261)	268	MCKENNA, Sharon (CO.)	1098	113	81	PENNAL, Christopher (DU.)	847	**	(196)	198	WILSON, Robert (BU.)	471			
(28)	35	BENNETT, Teresa (SX.)	2207	(159)	152	ADAMSON, Susan (SY.)	1625	**	(262)	269	WATSON, Pat (SK.)	1088	111	82	HOBSON-WEST, Nicky (CV.)	846	****	(197)	199	GOEL, Atin (SY.)	470			
(33)	36	COHEN, Michele (AV.)	2196	(153)	153	RIGGS, Carly (K.)	1621	**	(265)	270	NOTUCH, Sarah (Y.)	1081		(81)	83	PATEL, Dhiren (SY.)	837	*	(201)	200	BROOK, Christopher (SK.)	466		
(29)	37	NEWNS, Claire (CH.)	2194	(150)	154	MOLONEY, Sue (NP.)	1622	I	(264)	271	BRADLEY, Joanne (ST.)	1073	**	(83)	84	GLASSBERG, Robin (E.)	831	**	(198)	201	HYTE, Adam (HA.)	464		
(31)	38	LAMBERT, Helen (DU.)	2190	**	(158)	155	HOWARD, Alice (CH.)	1621	**	(266)	272	BUDDEN, Michelle (HE.)	1050	101	**	(82)	85	KING, Daniel (NK.)	818	**	(199)	202	WAKE, Leigh (LI.)	463
(27)	39	DUNNING, Janet (ST.)	2189		(156)	156	ALABASTER, Amanda (K.)	1620	N	(267)	273	TURNER, Helen (VA.)	1042	**	(84)	86	BALDUS, Simon (Y.)	809	**	(200)	203	KIMAKHOM, Arthit (SX.)	463	
(34)	40	KEAST, Lesley (HE.)	2178		(155)	157	SPOONER, Pamela (BK.)	1615		(268)	274	WOODCOCK, Catherine (E.)	1042		(85)	87	MANN, Andrew (SK.)	804	**	(202)	204	O'LEARY, William (HE.)	456	
(42)	41	LOCKWOOD, Karen (CH.)	2165		(156)	158	RAINFORD, Helen (DY.)	1614	*	(269)	275	CODD, Rachael (Y.)	1038	**	(172)	88	JEAVONS, David (K.)	800	**	(203)	205	HASKETT, Dean (DO.)	456	
(38)	42	SMITH, Angela (MI.)	2147		(157)	159	LANE, Sarah (SY.)	1613	**	(270)	276	PRICE, Stephanie (WO.)	1028	67	89	SMITH, Brian (AV.)	790	**	(204)	206	HOWLETT, Matthew (NK.)	454		
(45)	43	SHALER, Eileen (LE.)	2118		(159)	160	MERSH, Jackie (K.)	1609	**	(271)	277	FOX, Donna (SK.)	1023	108	90	MARSHALL, James (Y.)	787	**	(206)	207	KENNEDY, Thomas (CH.)	453		
(48)	44	SPARKES, Rebecca (SK.)	2100		(160)	161	COLLINS, Sandra (K.)	1609	**	(272)	278	KNOWLES, Linda (ST.)	1018	**	(88)	91	WILLIAMS, Mark A (WA.)	785	**	(205)	208	HIPKINS, Sebastian (WO.)	448	
(46)	45	WESTON, Sally (SX.)	2094		(147)	162	GRAY, Victoria (SK.)	1601	**	(274)	279	KING, Debbie (MI.)	1012	**	(89)	92	HILL, Alexander (WO.)	783	**	(207)	209	JACOBS, Daniel (BU.)	441	
(44)	46	MOORE, Claire (K.)	2094	**	(161)	163	O'LEARY, Caroline (MI.)	1601	*	(275)	280	TAYLOR, Danielle (NG.)	1011	**	(92)	93	HUNT, Adrian (BD.)	775	**	(217)	210	PIPER, Michael (E.)	439	
(37)	47	WOODWARD, Kathryn (CH.)	2087		(162)	164	LYNES, Sandy (MI.)	1594		(283)	281	GIBBS, Claire (SO.)	1006		(90)	94	WAKELAM, Oliver (HE.)	771	**	(208)	211	PUGH, James (GS.)	438	
(43)	48	RIDER, Sarah (Y.)	2083		(163)	165	WILDE, Karen (SY.)	1587	I****	(276)	282	GRANT, Kelly (K.)	1002		(93)	95	COOK, Lewis (WO.)	769	**	(209)	212	BULL, John (DV.)	435	
(50)	49	KNIGHTLEY, Gillian (BK.)	2059		(166)	166	SAVAGE, Barbara (HA.)	1581		(277)	283	PRYKE, Kirsty (HU.)	999	**	(91)	96	DOMINGUEZ, Michael (MI.)	766	**	(210)	213	ARROWSMITH, Steven (HR.)	434	
(47)	50	PARKS, Nicola (AV.)	2057		(165)	167	WILLIAMS, Maria (HE.)	1579		(278)	284	COLLINS, Stacy (NG.)	994	**	(98)	97	BLOOMFIELD, Gavin (SK.)	765	**	(211)	214	WHITAKER, Andrew (E.)	434	
(49)	51	BARNETT, Dawn (NP.)	2050		(164)	168	GILLET, Sharon (He) (MI.)	1572		(284)	285	DONNELLY, Janine (Y.)	986	**	(95)	98	RIDDELL, Keith (WA.)	762	*	(212)	215	MASON, Wayne (NK.)	432	
(56)	52	MALTYBY, Margaret (NP.)	2049		(167)	169	RICHARDSON, Karen (LA.)	1556	I**	(282)	286	DEARING, Emily (Y.)	982	**	(94)	99	WILCOCK, Richard (HU.)	762	I**	(223)	221	SMITH, Adam (NK.)	429	
(60)	53	DIGNUM, Margaret (WO.)	2048		(168)	170	BURGIN, Carla (K.)	1554		(279)	287	LEWIS, Elaine (CO.)	974	I	(96)	100	ONG, Michael (SO.)	761	I****	(214)	217	MADDERN, James (CO.)	428	
(51)	54	PEARCE, Di (K.)	2033		(215)	171	NELSON, June (HE.)	1552	I	(285)	288	NOLAN, Rebecca (CH.)	972		(97)	101	MARRIOTT, Daniel (LE.)	760	**	(216)	218	CHILD, Graham (SP.)	426	
(54)	55	DAWSON, Marjorie (E.)	2028		(193)	172	HUMBLE, Ann (GS.)	1550		(280)	289	MAHER, Sara (BK.)	961		(101)	102	BELLI, Robert (MI.)	760	**	(218)	219	DE CAUX, John (SK.)	424	
(66)	56	BANDEN, Marilyn (E.)	2027		(173)	173	LINCOLN, Helen (E.)	1545		(297)	290	POINTER, Lucy (W.)	966		(100)	103	LONG, Martyn (DY.)	751	*	(224)	220	CHEESEMAN, Wesley (K.)	424	
(63)	57	SIMPSON, Linda (Y.)	2023		(172)	174	ALLEN, Susie (WA.)	1538	**	(281)	291	FRAREY, Hannah (K.)	966	**	(99)	104	BAKER, Mark (K.)	751	**	(219)	221	STILLWELL, Matthew (SY.)	423	
(53)	58	BUSH-HARRIS, Joanna (SX.)	2022		(171)	175	CREASEY, Sarah (NP.)	1538	**	(286)	292	COWELL, Christine (SO.)	931	**	(102)	105	BOWSER, Paul (LI.)	746	**	(215)	222	CANTALE, Daniel (E.)	418	
(55)	59	DUNCAN, Sarah (YA.)	2017	I**	(170)	176	PORTER, Linda (SO.)	1525	I	(287)	293	GRANVILLE, Donna (HA.)	919	**	(103)	106	SKEAN, David (DU.)	746	**	(211)	223	PARKER, Andrew (BK.)	414	
(58)	60	FISHER, Zoe (Y.)	2008		(174)	177	ROBINSON, Audrey (Bd) (BU.)	1521		(288)	294	WATERS, Emma (SK.)	907	**	(103)	107	SINGH, Gurdeep (WA.)	744	**	(222)	224	FOOT, Adrian (CO.)	413	
(79)	61	JUDSON, Carol (Y.)	2004		(175)	178	EDWARDS, Eileen (CH.)	1498	**	(289)	295	ORLIK, Jessica (AV.)	904	**	(105)	108	SPEER, Matthew (E.)	741	**	(223)	225	POSTER, Steven (BU.)	410	
(57)	62	SMITH, Sarah (NG.)	1999	*	(176)	179	SIMS, Heidi (SX.)	1496	**	(290)	296	PAVITT, Nicola (OX.)	865	**	(106)	109	GANDER, Matthew (SY.)	735	*	(225)	226	MCREIDITH, Andrew (WA.)	409	
(62)	63	KING, Sheila (SX.)	1997		(177)	180	COPPERWHEAT, Anita (BD.)	1489	**	(292)	297	BATEMAN, Amanda (K.)	849	**	(115)	110	RIDDLE, David (AV.)	732	**	(223)	227	COSTELLO, Paul (CV.)	405	
(59)	64	JOHNSON, Cathy (Y.)	1989		(178)	181	DOWDING, Gloria (K.)	1487	I**	(291)	298	WALLIS, Bev (WI.)	849	I**	(107)	111	GRANTHAM, Andrew (BK.)	724	**	(226)	228	INNES, David (Y.)	400	
(95)	65	SILBURN, Nicola (Y.)	1987		(179)	182	STENNETT, Gwen (SK.)	1485	**	(293)	299	CLEMINSON, Abigail (E.)	844	**	(110)	112	GOMERSALL, Michael (CU.)	722	**	(227)	229	SHARMAN, Ian (LI.)	399	
(61)	66	STITCH, Julie (CO.)	1985	I*	(180)	183	DONNELLY, Joanne (ND.)	1482	**	(290)	300	WELSH, Amy (E.)	839	**	(109)	113	ARKELL, Bobby (VA.)	718	*	(231)	230	BELL, Martin (JA.)	396	
(97)	67	TYLER, Sylvia (HE.)	1966		(181)	184	CHAMBERS, Kim (NK.)	1477	**	(111)	114	UPPAL, Kim (CV.)	714	**	(111)	114	UPPAL, Kim (CV.)	714	**	(229)	231	WARNER, Ben (E.)	393	
(65)	68	H-MIDDLEMORE, Joan (WA.)	1965		(195)	185	WILLIAMS, Margaret (WI.)	1477	**	(114)	115	FORSTER, Anthony (DO.)	706	**	(114)	115	FORSTER, Anthony (DO.)	706	**	(229)	232	RULE, Stephen (BU.)	389	
(69)	69	BUTCHER, Pamela (K.)	1961		(182)	186	NEWMAN, Elizabeth (DV.)	1461	*	(116)	116	KAY, Roddy (BK.)	702	**	(116)	116	KAY, Roddy (BK.)	702	**	(342)	233	HUCKES, Warren (BU.)	385	
(114)	70	BROWN, Janet (OX.)	1952		(245)	187	PARKER, Katy (LA.)	1456	**	(117)	117	COLLEY, Judd (Y.)	702	**	(117)	117	COLLEY, Judd (Y.)	702	**	(320)	234	BRUOKETT, Stephen (LI.)	384	
(80)	71	GRESSWELL, Yukiko (MI.)	1944		(183)	188	BASDEN, Christine (BK.)	1449	**	(118)	118	KASBERKAR, Anand (BU.)	701	**	(118)	118	KASBERKAR, Anand (BU.)	701	**	(232)	235	KIRWAN, Michael (NK.)	381	
(64)	72	BAX, Sally (HE.)	1942		(202)	189	BOWDEN, Natalie (E.)	1449	I	(119)	119	ACKRED, Peter (SP.)	696	**	(119)	119	ACKRED, Peter (SP.)	696	**	(233)	236	ROCKES, Richard (NG.)	380	
(74)	73	VAJDI, Carmen (SY.)	1937		(184)	190	BRETTELL, Angela (NG.)	1449	**	(112)	120	LOWE, Philip (Y.)	695	**	(112)	120	LOWE, Philip (Y.)	695	**	(267)	237	HEPTINSTALL, Matthew (Y.)	378	
(75)	74	BUDEY, Brenda (LA.)	1937		(203)	191	NARENDRA, Aparna (MI.)	1448	**	(120)	121	MCGACHAN, Shaun (NG.)	691	**	(120)	121	MCGACHAN, Shaun (NG.)	691	**	(235)	238	NESBIT, David (CV.)	378	
(68)	75	GUTHRIE, Caron (ND.)	1935	**	(196)	192	LAIN, Janice (HE.)	1448	**	(6)	5	BAGGALEY, Andrew (BU.)	2458	**	(121)	122	THORN, Wayne (NK.)	685	**	(234)	239	GATES, Robert (K.)	378	
(70)	76	STEELE, Pauline (SX.)	1927		(185)	193	LYON, Patricia (DV.)	1448	**	(6)	5	ISHERWOOD, Michael (DY.)	2335	**	(123)	123	WALMSLEY, Dean (LA.)	684	**	(244)	240	BIRD, Keith (DY.)	378	
(69)	77	STEDMAN, Sarah (SX.)	1919		(186)	194	HALL, Crystal (K.)	1446	**	(7)	7	FRIDAY, Scott (K.)	2122	**	(124)	124	O'BRIEN, Oliver (K.)	670	**	(236)	241	GOOBLAR, Stephen (SY.)	375	
(71)	78	BRISTOW, Angie (K.)	1919		(187)	195	SMITH, Jean (DU.)	1446	**	(8)	8	QUARTEY, Howard (SY.)	2116	**	(133)	125	BEERLING, Stephen (K.)	667	**	(250)	242	HILLS, Keiran (SK.)	371	
(72)	79	GARLICK, Helen (K.)	1914	**	(188)	196	MOLE, Joanne (NG.)	1437	**	(10)	9	ASHALL, Darren (Y.)	2103	R	(122)	126	GOODSHIP, Tim (WI.)	666	**	(242)	243	GIBBS, Stuart (AV.)	369	
(67)	80	WHITE, Jean (LI.)	1911		(189)	197	MA, Elizabeth (DV.)	1436	**	(10)	9	MARSDEN, Michael (DU.)	2062	**	(124)	127	AVRAMA, Barry (MI.)	665	**	(237)	244	GANDER, Thomas (SV.)	368	
(100)	81	STAFFORD, Mary (BK.)	1907		(191)	198	CHEESMAN, Anna (E.)	1436	**	(11)	10	POUNTNEY, Robert (SY.)	1957	**	(125)	128	WHITEMAN, James (DV.)	664	**	(238)	245	DUNN, Carl (Y.)	367	
(76)	82	SPENCER, Tracey (ST.)	1904	**	(192)	199	RAYMOND, Sally (MI.)	1435	**	(15)	12	CHARLTON, David (Y.)	1824	**	(126)	129	POCOCK, Ben (CO.)	663	**	(239)	246	SYMCOX, Danny (OK.)	366	
(91)	83	BLOOR, Trudie (SP.)	1889	**	(201)	200	BARLOW, Wendy (BK.)	1430	**	(12)	13	CHAN, Michael (SY.)	1796	**	(127)	130	WILSHERE, Stephen (HA.)	657	**	(240)	247	WOBLES, Navved (SX.)	365	
(77)	84	LEE, Brenda (WI.)	1888		(194)	201	TAYLOR-WOODWARD, Maria (SY.)	1428	**	(13														



