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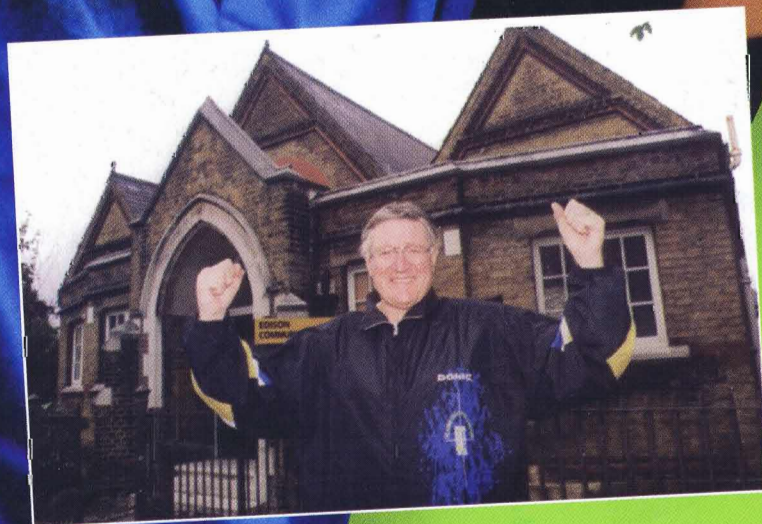
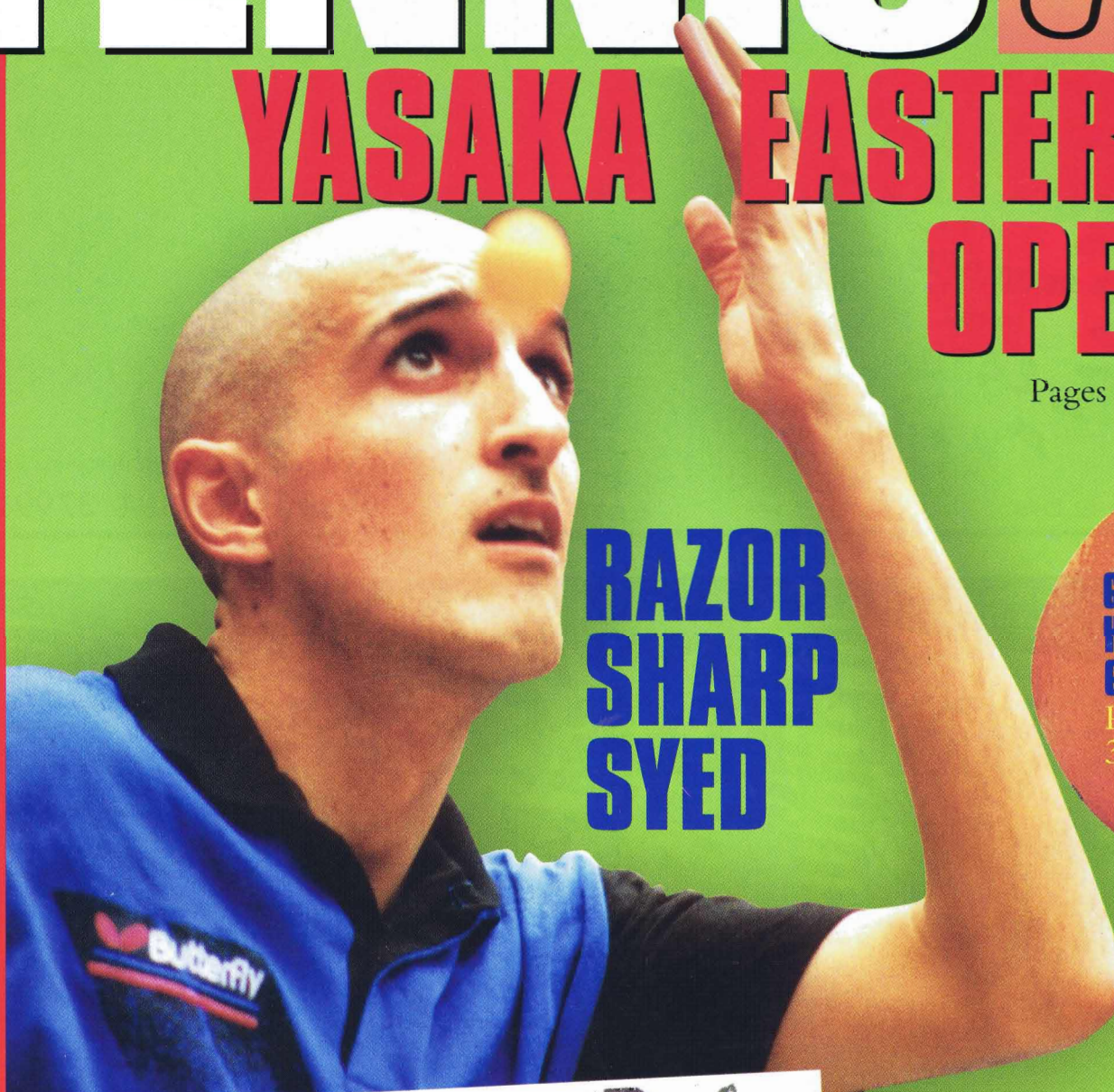
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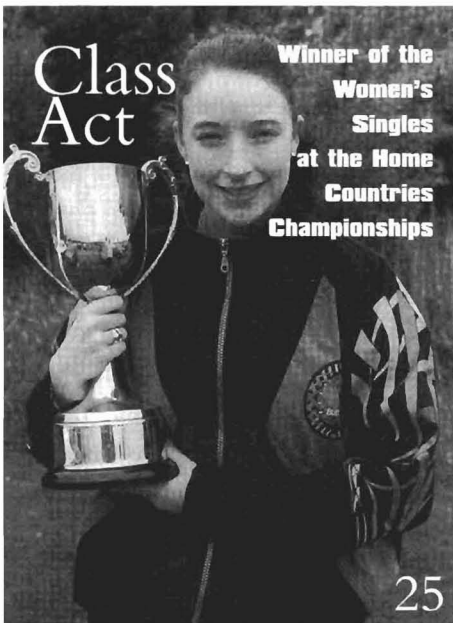
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£1.375 MILLION

GREAT NEWS! YES THE REALLY GREAT NEWS IS THAT EDISON TABLE TENNIS CLUB, IN HARINGEY LONDON, HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN THEIR NATIONAL LOTTERY BID, TO THE TUNE OF £1.375 MILLION!

When TTN editor John Wood heard of this fabulous news, which is the biggest ever grant for table tennis, he decided to pay a visit to Crouch End.

The young kids who went to Edison before it was closed down by the Church of England authorities and put on the market, saw Edison not only as a table tennis club but a way of life.

Because some of them who had learning difficulties discovered that they could learn a skill, not just sitting at home watching T.V. or wandering the streets of London, but getting involved in a community project and learning to be good at table tennis and becoming good people and being part of the community spirit, within Haringey.

Everyone who lives in Crouch End knows of Edison Table Tennis Club, and the name of Reg Rockall. The man who made Edison successful who was the driving force behind this successful National Lottery bid!

John Wood toured around the Crouch End patch interviewing residents who had a big interest in Edison Table Tennis Club.

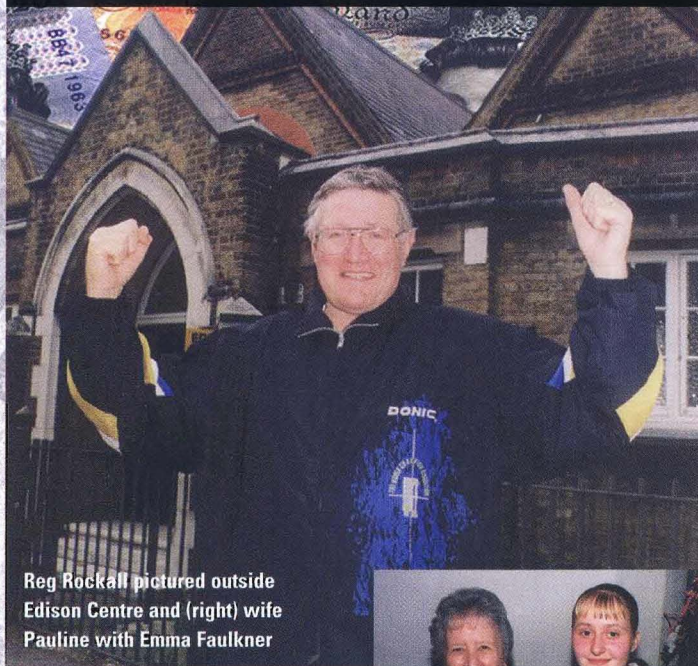
JAN VANDEN-BOSCH

Who lives just across the road from Edison said, "It is not just a Table



Glen Wilkes

YOU COULD BE NEXT!



Reg Rockall pictured outside Edison Centre and (right) wife Pauline with Emma Faulkner



Tennis Club it is a focus for the local community, everyone around here is proud of Edison. Since it has been closed I have seen kids walking about at a total loss. It's terrific news, it's all down to one man, Reg Rockall."

"I have been watching and reading in the national press about other Lottery handouts, and thought what about us, yes what about Edison!"

CAROL UNDERHILL

Also a neighbour of Edison said, "It is the best news I have heard in a long time in this area. I am happy to spend a £1 a week now, because I know it is going to a good cause!"

REG ROCKALL

The project co-ordinator said, "With the excellent support from the ETTA London Regional Projects Officer Sue Adamson and the feasibility study by Avanti Architects Ltd. carried out by John Allen whose two boys also attended Edison TTC, also the assistance from Claudia Bloom the other architects and of course the help of the ETTA National Facilities Officer Paul Baker, we have been successful. I could not have done this without the love and support of my wife Pauline. From the word go she has been very supportive of me and the project."

what should have happened in the first place, not allowing Edison to close. It should have been a smooth transition."

EMMA FAULKNER

Student coach and a member of Edison for eight years said, "When it closed I was upset and angry, but I am very happy now that it will be re-opening.

"I started playing at Edison when I was 9 years old, and by the time I reached the age of 12, I did 279 consecutive forehand drives. When the club reopens I want to be a committee member. I go to Southgate College now doing 'A' Levels and Uniformed Recruits course. I have wanted to be a fire-fighter as well as a table tennis player since I was 10 years old!"

BARBARA ROCHE

The local Labour party MP for Wood Green and Hornsey (the Shadow Minister for Small Businesses), who has always been supportive of the Edison Community Centre and especially the table tennis club said, "I am absolutely thrilled. Reg and his wife Pauline, are very good people and they are really doing something for the local area. The young and the old and people with disabilities love this place and it is thoroughly good news!"

GLEN WILKES

Former British league player with Edison and Deputy General Manager of the Ham & High Newspaper Group, who have been supportive of the Edison Community Centre campaign said, "If enthusiasm for the sport and dedication to his main mission in making Table Tennis accessible to everyone were measurable in monetary terms, Reg could have bought Edison ten times over."

"The whole family are responsible for Edison philosophies and achievements over the last 18 years. In Simon and Chris, and a host of other players who have risen through the ranks, their philosophies are proven. Not only has Simon become a strong top 50 player, but with Chris and Reg they plough their talents back into the centre and the local community."

PAULINE ROCKALL

The Booking Secretary and Luncheon Club Officer said, "The past 18 years that I have been involved with the centre, as Booking Secretary for the Edison Community Centre and the last 8 years also as the Luncheon Club Officer in charge of Senior Citizens and people with learning difficulties. It was a very sad day when the centre closed."

"I have also met people from all over the world being involved with the table tennis club."

CHRIS ROCKALL

Coach at Edison TTC said, "The potential of the Centre is really enormous we will have a lot of work to do over the next few years. If we are successful and this project comes together we will see the promotion of this sport change for the better."

SIMON ROCKALL

Coach at the Centre for three and a half years said, "A damn good thing, its

EDISON SCORP

ENHANCED PRO TOUR STATUS for ENGLISH OPEN

The 1997 English Open Championship has been awarded top status within the ITTF Pro Tour for the second year. The Open is to be played at the venue first used last year, the Kettering Arena in Northamptonshire, from the 7th-12th January.



The inclusion in the Pro Tour will again guarantee the English Open a first class entry including most of the leading players from both Asia and Europe.

The Championships are to be covered by BBC TV in Saturday Grandstand on the 11 January with the finals scheduled to be played on Sunday 12 January being broadcast later that week. The television coverage will be shown via Star TV to approximately 70 countries throughout Asia and by a number of broadcasters in Continental Europe who are expected to show at the event. The ITTF recently signed a lucrative 6 year deal with Star TV for covering all the Pro Tour tournaments for transmission throughout Asia.

The Open will follow a similar format to last year. The provisional schedule includes the high standard qualifying groups that take place on Wednesday 8th and Thursday 9th with the last 64 of the singles being played on Thursday afternoon and evening. The last 32 are played on Friday 10th with the last 16 and quarter finals being played on Saturday 11th. The semi-finals will be played on the morning of Sunday 12 January with the finals staged in the afternoon. Ticket information and posters will be available from the ETTA office during November.

Sweden's Top Coach to Manager England's Men

Soren Ahlen the former Swedish men's coach who helped his squad carry off virtually all of the titles in the European Championships in Bratislava last April is to take over as the England men's coach from the beginning of November. Soren has worked for the Swedish Table Tennis Association since 1988. He was initially responsible for the junior and cadet teams and then the women's national team. In 1993 he was given the job as National Coach for the Swedish men's team, a position he relinquished after the recent Olympic Games in Atlanta in line with Swedish policy of changing their men's coach every three or four years. In Sweden, Soren was a player in the first division of the National League and was responsible



Soren Ahlen proudly holds the Men's Team Cup at the European Championships at Bratislava in May.

for managing the Swedish team in tournaments, matches and training camps. Soren will be in charge of the English men's team from the beginning of November initially until the end of the World Championships in Manchester. We are very pleased to have been able to engage a coach with these qualities, experience and reputation. The task of rebuilding the English men's team will not be an easy one and we all wish him every success.

Sports Council Lottery Fund Revenue Funding

The Sport Council have called two meetings, for governing bodies who have been given the new priority status which includes table tennis to discuss details of the extensive new revenue funding that will be available from the National Lottery from the beginning of next year. The first programmes to benefit from the Lottery will be targeted at improvement for the elite players and the most talented. This will eventually incorporate the establishment of a National Academy for Sport. In the meantime, acting on advice received from the Sport Council we are arranging a number of training camps in conjunction with the British Olympic Table Tennis Committee at the Holme Pierrepont Water Sports Centre in Nottingham. Holme Pierrepont has recently developed some new facilities which include a medium sized sports hall with a sprung wooden floor which is ideal for at least 6 tables for senior squad training and up to 12 tables

for the cadet squad. A sports science centre is opening at Holme Pierrepont and extra residential accommodation has been built. This facility will enable training opportunities for all of the squads in first class facilities. It is possible that Holme Pierrepont maybe selected as the main centre or hub for the Academy in due course. There is no doubt that this programme will accelerate the improvement of our future England players.

ITTF Approve Single Venue Strategy for Manchester

The single venue concept which was explained in this article last month was approved by the ITTF Executive Committee at their meeting in Hong Kong at the end of September. With the venue settled all the arrangements for Manchester are now proceeding a pace. The ticket prices have been agreed, a travel and tour operator Aspect International has been appointed and information for spectators will be available very shortly. As part of the World Championships arrangements, the ITTF Sports Science congress will be held in conjunction with the second World Congress of Science and Racket Sports at Lilleshall in Staffordshire from Tuesday 22 to Friday 25 April 1997. An advanced course for coaches entitled World 97 international Coaching Course will be held at GMEX during the World Championships from Saturday 26 April until Thursday 1 May. Coaches from all over the world are expected to participate in the course which is being organised by the ETTA National Coaching Scheme in conjunction with the ITTF, the British Olympic Association and the International Olympic Committee Solidarity Fund. I encourage as many English coaches to enrol as possibly as one of the best ways of learning the techniques of top level table tennis is to study the top players in action in important competitions and this course will give the participants the opportunity to do this at the same time as benefiting from the comments of the expert course leaders and fellow coaches. Full details of this course can be obtained from the E.T.T.A Coaching Administrator, Jill Parker.

Jumbo Ball Experimental Tournament

The ITTF are planning further experiments with a larger ball and have asked the E.T.T.A if they can include a test tournament using the new larger ball towards the end of the World Championships in Manchester for players who have been eliminated in the early rounds of the singles. The current table tennis balls approximate size is 38mm and the new larger version will be approximately 40mm. Playing the event at the same venue as the World Championships will enable the ITTF to gather a large number of opinions from players, coaches and other experts on the merits of the larger balls.

£1.3 million Lottery Award for Edison Centre

The Edison Centre Youth Table Tennis Club in North London has been advised that the Lottery Sports Fund have agreed in principle to a grant of in excess of £1.3 million for the purchase of the freehold, refurbishment and modernisation of the Edison Centre and to provide a table tennis club with 8 courts of grade 3 size. This will allow the club's manager Reg Rockall, one of the sports greatest enthusiasts to develop an exciting and much needed new club in North London. Reg has been assisted with his application by the ETTA Regional Development Officer, Sue Adamson and the ETTA Facilities Officer, Paul Baker.

Paul has been the principle author of a new document produced by the ETTA Facilities Committee entitled "Facilities Strategy for Table Tennis". This document is available from the English Table Tennis Association office in Hastings provides a strategy for the development of table tennis facilities well into the next century and offers guidance for facilities of all types and standards. There is no doubt that funding for table tennis facilities is more readily available now than at any other time in the past and local clubs and leagues are encouraged to identify their facility needs into the next century and to combine with the ETTA Regional Development Officer in their particular area to work towards the provision of the appropriate facilities.

THEY THINK IT'S ALL OVER - BUT NOT QUITE YET

Just to put a couple of things straight from the October issue, page 4, headed "Farewell to Jack & Dave". I am not retiring from umpiring completely. I shall still be umpiring county games for Middlesex and British League for Yellowbrick Progress. I have also umpired in three World Champs not two and going back to the Worlds in Birmingham in 1977 I umpired the Ladies Singles Final with Dave Perry as my assistant, not as printed. (Another fine mess you have got yourself into John.)

Forty-four years of proof reading and being diabetic has taken its toll on my eyes and I find it a great strain at tournaments. With the likes of Dave Perry and myself dropping out where are the new umpires? We certainly need some more. Tournaments need umpires so they can run efficiently (even Vets). I mean umpires not point counters.

I have had 27 good years of umpiring and when I look back I think of two umpires in particular I looked up to, Fred Groom and Jack Randall. They were the best as far as I was concerned. Fred packed it in a few years back but Jack is still going strong after nearly 50 years (I hope the ETTA recognise this).

To finish there are five people I would like to thank for making certain tournaments happy times for umpires, Dick Roffe (Organiser supreme) and wife Valerie, also Phil and Sue Gower; any tournament they were involved with you knew the umpires would be well looked after. Last but not least Doreen Stannard who got me started 27 years ago.

Jack Melnick
(International Umpire)
Wembley, Middlesex

FEEDBACK

In response to your request for feedback on Table Tennis News I would like to make the following comments:-

In the September issue there were a number of typographical errors, plus the usual problem of out of date events eg. Manchester City is no longer a Premier League Club, not since May. I did find the inclusion of the Ranking List useful, but

perhaps the characters could be enlarged. As a suggestion it might be of interest to cover Table Tennis on the Internet. At my local library (Woking) there is a free Internet service and I found that there is quite a bit of Table Tennis on it. A Sussex League is covered and on the international scene a USA page has been set up where visitors are invited to leave their names and addresses and comments - I think 80,000 people have visited it, so far.

John C. Fairweather
Woking, Surrey.

DINOSAURS

Although I have not seen any statistics, judging from reports there is still a downward trend in the size of local leagues. There are of course a number of reasons, but I believe that one is the reluctance of players to change from the 7.30 - 10.30 (or later) match

(other competitive sports are much more flexible). We may assume that young juniors will find 10.30 to be too late for their parents to approve! Secondly, as leagues decline, the lower divisions will be dropped so entry for any but established league players is very difficult. However, the Dinosaur factor prevails!

The Bridgwater league proper is now down to eleven teams. But, we have a new division 'Bridgwater 96' in which we have encouraged ex-players and juniors to enter. Matches are to be from 7-9 pm - time for an early night, time for a drink and/or some social time afterwards. We propose to play the first two games up to 11 and if it goes to three to 21 in the third. We have a new division of six teams - so the Bridgwater league has increased its numbers by 50% over last season.

A number of people not yet entered have expressed interest. In the new year we will run an invitation cup tournament to include them.

Les Bridges
Bridgwater, Somerset

GREAT DANGER

The recent demise of both Grove and Team Peniel as leading clubs in the British League should serve as a warning to the ETTA. The future of Britain's main club competition is in great danger of becoming nothing more than a 2 star tournament

version of league competition.

At the British League conference back in May of this year, the Chief Executive made the point that the Premier Division champions were picking up a prize of £2,000 - £500 less than the 1979 winners. Taking inflation into consideration, the champion club should have collected a prize more than ample to continue competing in the league. Many other clubs will have to make the same decision with costs increasing and the rewards so low for what the ETTA say is their equivalent of the foreign national leagues.

Our club in Darlington have four teams in the British League with a further six in Junior, Veterans, and Women's British Leagues. We too will have to seriously consider whether the huge costs are really worthwhile when the ETTA continue to either bury their heads in the sand or make the same old excuses about how difficult it is to raise sponsorship. They have willingly made the attempt to bring two major championships (Euro '94 and the 1997 Worlds). The gamble of attracting investment and TV coverage is seemingly worthwhile. It is great to see the world's top players coming to Britain. It would be even better if we had a structure where clubs could attract them to national league competition. Instead more and more English players are abandoning the British League. The British League is well managed by its Committee. It has clubs working towards the top level, and clubs already there with the will to make the British League the place to be for every top player. What the British League lacks is a governing body with the foresight and courage to give its management team and clubs the support they deserve.

Our club in Darlington found the interest of Sir John Hall, originally back in October 1995. As someone who is prepared to invest heavily in a scheme he believes in the current Sporting Club of Newcastle. I will leave to the imagination his response to the questions about British League prize money, match crowds, TV coverage etc. For our club, or any other in the sport to gain that sort of interest and investment, we need the full commitment of the ETTA. Heed the warning signs of Team Peniel and Grove. The two clubs had different reasons for leaving the British League but both decided the input of finance and effort not

to be worthwhile.

Privately, I have written to the Chairman of the British League about these concerns. However all clubs in the league must surely share the same fears. They all have the huge financial burden where venues have to be paid for, travelling costs shared, and in the higher divisions the cost of overnight stays. The entry fees are astronomical and the rewards in every division a mere pittance compared to the beginning of the national team structure some 17 years ago. If finance cannot be found, the British League will have to look at ways of helping clubs, such as playing over a full weekend. The lunacy cannot go on.

Keith Wilson
Darlington TTC

VETERANS

While reading through the County Notes in the October edition of Table Tennis News, I noticed that in Cheshire's County ranking lists, 6 of the top 7 seniors and the top 3 veteran ladies are in the top 7 of the seniors.

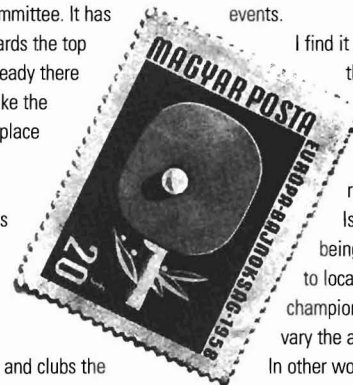
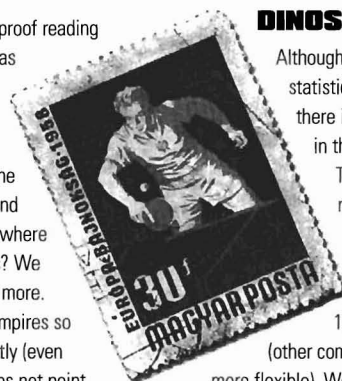
For some years now I have been of the opinion that veterans should begin at 50 not 40 years of age, as more and more leagues have the same situation where 'vets' are young enough to win the seniors events.

I find it unreasonable for 40 to be the age at which I qualified to be a 'vet' (a long time ago!) and I wonder what other readers think? Is there any chance of this being reviewed or is it down to local leagues to amend their championship rules if they wish to vary the age qualification?

In other words, more and more 'vets' by definition are quite capable of holding their own in seniors rankings, veterans events should be for genuine veterans not 40 year old seniors. The game must cater for us older ones too!

Incidentally, I like the new TTN format and the content is always of interest. My only thought is can you identify all the next years tournaments and organisers to encourage entries for cadets and juniors. Us parents need reminder information.

C. R. Westney
Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk



Preview of this season's ETTA tournaments by Mike Johns

SMITH on top

YASAKA EASTERN OPEN

APART FROM THE LATE FINISH ON THE SUNDAY NIGHT, THE TOURNAMENT WAS WELL RECEIVED.

Thomas Berner, the President of Yasaka Europe, attended on the Saturday. He was pleased with the event and also offered to fund one under 21 player to attend a training camp at a leading Swedish club next summer. It was decided that the player winning the highest number of Grand Prix points in the five qualifying tournaments should be the one to attend. After the Yasaka Eastern Open, the leading point earners are:

1. Emma Smith (Y) 185,
2. Michael James (Y) 172,
3. Gareth Herbert (Bk) 171,
4. Tracy Davies (E) 158,
5. Scott Friday (E) 149.

Mark Smith (Y) created the surprise of the tournament when he reached the semi finals of the Mens Singles. For this feat he won the Jarvis Sports Young Player of the Tournament Award.

My thanks to all the officials and local volunteers who

worked so hard to make the tournament a success.

YASAKA WESTERN OPEN

Plans are well in hand for the staging of the second Grand Prix tournament to be held at Bath on 2nd and 3rd November. We have received approximately 300 entries but have been forced to return almost 60. The schedule for the Sunday has been changed in an attempt to stop long waits between the groups and the knockout stages and Referee Tim Harris, is confident that we will be able to keep to the time schedule.

YASAKA SOUTHERN OPEN

The 3rd Grand Prix event will take place at Andover Sports and Leisure Centre on 21st and 22nd December. Because of the orange coloured walls, Donic Double Happiness white balls will be used instead of the orange used in the other Grand Prix events. By using a secondary hall adjacent to the main hall, we are able to increase the number of tables to 23, allowing us to accept additional entries.

ENGLAND V SLOVAKIA (MEN)

The European League match to be staged at Crewe, has been brought forward a day to Friday 8th November. An additional match will now be played the following evening at the Cippenham Table Tennis Centre (Slough). For further details or to purchase tickets, please contact Garvis Upton 01270 589981 (Crewe). Ken Phillips 01628 36664 (Cippenham).

ENGLAND V CROATIA (WOMEN)

England women face Croatia in the European Super Division in Bridgenorth, Shropshire on Tuesday 12th November 1996.

ENGLISH JUNIOR NATIONALS

Entry forms have been distributed and arrangements are going well for the championships which are being held for the first time at the Stratford Leisure and Visitors Centre, Stratford-upon-Avon. Parking is available but there is a charge.

JUNIOR AND CADET MASTERS

This event will be held on 5th/6th April 1977 at the Cippenham Table Tennis Centre.



Yasaka



FORTHCOMING EVENTS 96/97

2/3 November	Yasaka Western Open (Bath)
8 November	England v Slovakia (Crewe)
	Men's European League
9 November	Veterans British League (Bletchley)
9/10 November	Senior Premier Weekend (Lichfield)
12 November	England v Croatia (Bridgenorth) Womens European League
23/24 November	Woolwich Junior British League (Kettering)
30 Nov/1 Dec	English Junior National Champs (Stratford-upon-Avon)
21/22 December	Yasaka Southern Open (Andover)
7-12 January 1997	English Senior Open (Kettering)
18/19 January	Women's British League (Stourbridge)
8/9 February	Final Junior/Cadet Trial (Kings Lynn)
8/9 February	Yasaka West Midlands Open (Stratford-upon-Avon)
15/16 February	Senior Premier Weekend (Saltash)
22/23 February	Woolwich Junior British League (Kettering)
1/2 March	Veterans Premier Weekend (Ashford)
1/2 March	Junior Premier Weekend (Hyndburn)
14/15 March	English Senior National Championships (Brighton)
5/6 April	Junior & Cadet Masters (Venue TBA)
5/6 April	Veterans British League (Lancaster)
12/13 April	Yasaka Northern Open (Sunderland)
24 April-5 May	World Championships (Manchester)
10 May	Yasaka Grand Prix Finals (Bath)
24/25/26 May	English Junior Open
7/8 June	Under 10/11/12 National Championships (Venue TBA)
14/15 June	National Team Finals (Saltash)



MEDALLION MAN MARRIES!

Popular veteran player Dave Solman, who is a Chief Superintendent of the Metropolitan Police force in London, met his match off the table when he married the Commander of the City of London Police, Judy Davidson, at Canizzaro House, Wimbledon Common, London, on the 6th September 1996.

They first met 20 years ago when Judy was a young naive constable, and the new Mrs Solman said "I took an instant dislike to him he was medallion man. In fact he didn't have much hair even then! "Then we met-up once again 7 years ago through work and he assured me that he was a new man and I believed him! "Actually getting back to the wedding it was absolutely perfect, it was beautiful."



EURO LOSSES

Sadly both our Men's and Women's senior teams lost their European away league fixtures recently.

The Men's team had an 'Italian Job' done on them when they were defeated 4-1 by Italy. Matthew Syed won the consolation game for England.



England's women fared no better, also losing 4-1 when they were overwhelmed in Hungary.

Lisa Lomas registered England's only win rounding off a dismal week for England in Europe.

Maccabiah Games

These games, recognised by The World Association of International Sports Federations, are held every four years in Israel and are classed on a par with other World Regional Games.

The next games will be held from 14th - 24th July 1997 and the British Maccabiah Organising Committee intend to send a squad of over 350 athletes comprising OPEN athletes (aged 17-35), JUNIOR athletes (born 1981/82/83) and MASTERS (Over 35's).

SPORTSMATCH AWARD

Confirmation has been received that Sportsmatch will be supporting the very successful Woolwich Junior League programme for the third and final year.

There are now over 100 leagues nationwide providing opportunities for new young players to become involved at grass roots level.

"The WJL format has been very well received, the young players love it and the local organisers are doing a fantastic job" commented ETIA Director of Development Dicoon Gray.

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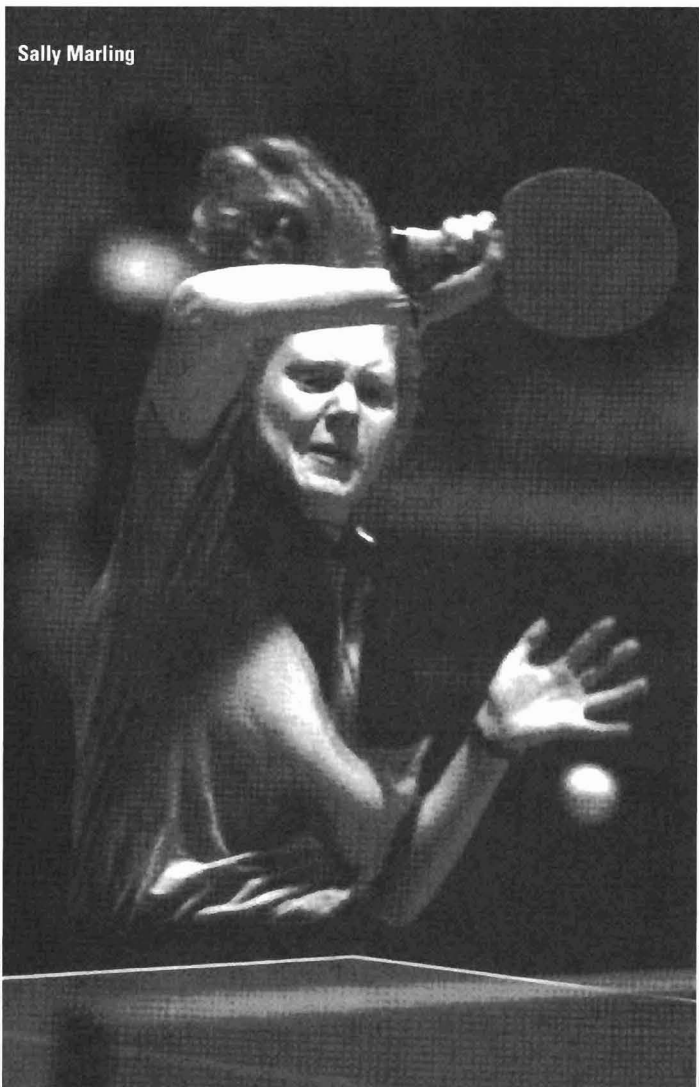
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Brian Lamerton reports from the Meadowside Leisure Centre

John Wood photographs the Women of Burton-on-Trent

HULL SANDHILL *out in front*



Sally Marling

FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MANY YEARS IT WAS NOT A CRY OF "WHO'S GOING TO BE SECOND" WHEN THE 9TH SEASON OF THE WOMEN'S BRITISH LEAGUE OPENED AT THE MEADOWSIDE CENTRE, BURTON ON TRENT. **WRITES BRIAN LAMERTON**

So glad as we were to see Grove shorn of their stars (the ever supportive Ian Marshall however managed to fit in a visit amongst his world wide travels saying "I've never missed one yet") it did provide for a very open event. Throughout the first day, South Kesteven Sovereigns led the perpetual bridesmaids Hull Sandhill on sets average and as Hull's Sally Marling had lost her opening game, 25-23 in the third to Bribar Yorkshire's Debbie Toole the result of Sunday morning's clash between the two leaders was by no means certain. Linda Radford who remained unbeaten throughout got Hull off to the perfect start, albeit narrowly as she overcame Karen Smith 22-20, 22-20. Sally put Hull further ahead with the 18 & 16 defeat of Jill Harris before Sovereigns opened their account when Helen Newbound got the better of Zoe Fisher 22-20; 21-19. Linda ensured Hull a share of the points, defeating Jill 20 & 11, and then a remarkable set in which Karen defeated Zoe 21-5, 19-21, 21-4 and took

the match to the wire where after another deuce game Sally beat Helen 21-13, 24-22. Final score 4-2 to Hull. With one defeat each Sally and Karen lie joint second to Linda in the individual averages. Whilst looking comfortable in second place Sovereigns were taken to the third game in each of their 4 winning sets when they defeated Bribar Yorkshire in their final match, writes Brian Lamerton.

Carol Giles (a maximum 10 wins), Helen Lambert (9) and Joanna Barraclough (8) played unchanged throughout to give DML White Hart what would appear to be an unassailable lead at the head of Division 1; their superiority being underlined when defeating second placed Pinewood Fullarians by 5 sets to 1, a match in which Pinewood's Lesley Keast ended Helen's unbeaten run 23-21, 21-19 and later lost her own record, going down 11 & 13 to Joanna.

Team Peniel's dominance of Division 2 was even greater, defeating runners up Shinewater EBC without the loss of an end



Helen Lambert

and with Tracy Davies, Lisbeth Poulson (both unbeaten), and Verity Cleminson occupying the top three places in the individual averages.

Newcomers Cippenham, led by Sue Collier (ever present and 100%) lead South Kesteven Sovereigns 2 in Division 3 only by

the fact that Jackie Thomas took the opening game before losing to Jane Strawson in the 3-all draw between these two teams. Sovereigns came from 3-1 down in a match which saw the only defeats of Janet Dunning and Sandra Duncan, both by Sue Collier. Third placed Global Sports changed their name during the week end to South Hame Leisure Centre as a result of sponsorship. Division 2's third placed team, Bristol, are also to be congratulated on obtaining sponsorship from 4 local business concerns.

Helen Lambert (DML White Hart) was nominated "Woman of the Weekend" and Cippenham "Team of the Weekend"; all receiving engraved pieces of crystal, which was also the gift of an occasional award made for outstanding support by a non player; on this occasion the recipient was



Hull Sandhill (Left to Right) Zoe Fisher, Sally Marling & Linda Radford

John Wood - he almost dropped his camera! Despite invading Burton over their

festival weekend we were delighted that the Deputy Mayor & Mayoress, Councillor & Mrs C B Cornell, were able to join us for a short while on the Sunday together with senior leisure department members of East Staffordshire Borough Council. It has become customary to thank Leisure Centres for their help, always justified, but on this occasion the staff of Meadowside

excelled - they even "posted" 2 stewards in the hall for the whole playing period. Next season's final weekend will see the league's 10th anniversary; negotiations have already commenced for this to be at Meadowside where it all started. Any and all celebratory ideas for this occasion will be very welcome and receive consideration.



Cippenham Ladies (Left to Right) Jacquie Lovell, Isabel Walker, Sue Collier & Jackie Thomas

Results

Team	Pld	W	D	L	S/F	S/A	Pts
Premier Division							
Hull Sandhill 1	5	5	0	0	24	6	10
S Kesteven Sovereigns 1	5	4	0	1	22	8	8
Bribar Yorkshire	5	2	1	2	15	15	5
Horsham	5	2	0	3	12	18	4
Grove 1	5	0	2	3	9	21	2
Graham Spicer	5	0	1	4	8	22	1

Team	Pld	W	D	L	S/F	S/A	Pts
First Division							
DML White Hart	5	5	0	0	27	3	10
Pinewood Fullarians	5	3	1	1	16	14	7
Bristol Ladies	5	2	1	2	14	16	5
Stockport Ladies	5	1	2	2	13	17	4
Grove 2	5	1	0	4	9	21	2
Irish Ladies	5	0	2	3	11	19	2

Team	Pld	W	D	L	S/F	S/A	Pts
Second Division							
Team Peniel	5	5	0	0	28	2	10
Shinewater EBC	5	4	0	1	18	12	8
Gonerby	5	3	0	2	15	15	6
Scottish Ladies	5	2	0	3	14	16	4
Norton Ladies	5	1	0	4	8	22	2
Darlington	5	0	0	5	7	23	0

Team	Pld	W	D	L	S/F	S/A	Pts
Third Division							
Cippenham	5	4	1	0	25	5	9
S Kesteven Sovereigns 2	5	4	0	1	26	4	9
South Hams L C Global S	5	3	0	2	15	15	6
Oakwood Ladies	5	1	1	3	10	20	3
Fast Track Norwich	5	0	2	3	7	23	2
Team Juic	5	0	1	4	7	23	1

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Bas den Breejen with Ivor Montagu in Tokyo, 1984

GESCHIEDENIS VAN HET NEDERLANDSE TAFELTENNIS - VAN SPEL TOT SPORT VAN PIONIER TOT PROF

Although my Dutch is somewhat limited - to say the least - I have no doubt at all about the quality of Bas den Breejen's history of table tennis in Holland.

He starts, quite properly, with the origins of the game in England and other countries, and reproduces early photographs (some of which are new to me) then goes on to deal at length with the founding of the first clubs in Holland and the beginnings of the NTTB as well as its first ventures into the international scene and its progress right up to the 1990's.

The book is splendidly produced (in large format) with high quality paper, printing and artwork, and it is clear that Bas has carried out extensive research into his subject. There is a wealth of detail -

extending to 276 pages.

The book is published in co-operation with the NTTB, showing, once again, the considerable enterprise of the Association. How many others have published their own history? Perhaps, about looking for an historian in their own midst; every association has an interesting story to tell, but it will not often be told as well as this.

World Championships Programme 1955



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Ron Spencer reports from Sussex by the sea

BILLINGTON & RADFORD Home & Dry



Linda Radford

THIS YEAR'S TOURNAMENT SAW FIVE OF THE SEVEN TITLES CHANGE HANDS WITH THE SINGLES HONOURS GOING TO HOLDER BRADLEY BILLINGTON AND LINDA RADFORD WRITES RON SPENCER.

Billington had a comfortable passage only going to 3 sets with Daniel Feshkhatson and beating Ben Johnson in the quarter-final. He met Ian Musk in the semi-final, who had already taken out seeded Ritchie Venner, and won in straight sets. The other half of the draw saw seeded Gareth Herbert come through to the semi-final where he met 2nd seed John Holland who had a tough three set quarter final against Nigel Eckersley. Holland took the semi-final comfortably. In the final, it was Billington who easily took the first set and seem to be cruising to the win. Holland, however, came back to take the 2nd set but Billington made no mistake in the 3rd and retained his title.

The Women's Singles event was decimated by the absence of three of the top four seeds called away on England duty. This left Linda Radford as the sole

survivor and any thoughts of her having an easy ride were soon dispelled with successive hard three set matches against Debbie Toole and Joanna Roberts, losing the first set in both. Having survived those, she had an easier time in beating Joanna Barraclough in the semi-final. With both seeds absent from the other half of the draw, the other final spot was open to anyone. Last year's winner, Sue Collier went out to Kubrat Owolabi who in turn lost to Anja Heijnen, from Holland now playing in Hampshire, in the semi-final. The final saw Anja take the first set from Linda, who in turn, bounced back to easily take the 2nd and went into a 9-3 lead in the 3rd. Anja then pulled back and took the lead before Linda dug in to edge the 3rd set and take the title for the second time.

The Veterans Singles saw some good close matches with the two top seeds, Eckersley and Brian Johns coming through to the final. Mike Johns had to concede the semi-final to Eckersley, due to fatigue, and his brother put out Paul Beck in the other semi-final. Eckersley went on to retain his title in 2 sets.

RESULTS

MEN'S SINGLES:

Semi-final: B.Billington b. I.Musk 21, 11;

J.Holland b. G.Herbert 17, 15

Final: Billington b. Holland 12, 14, 14

WOMEN'S SINGLES:

Semi-final: L.Radford b. J.Barraclough 12,

9; A.Heijnen b. K.Owolabi 16, 13

Final: Radford b. Heijnen -18, 11, 18

MEN'S DOUBLES FINAL:

J.Kennedy/R.Venner b.

B/M.Johns 19, -9, 17

MIXED DOUBLES FINAL:

B.Billington/J.Roberts b.

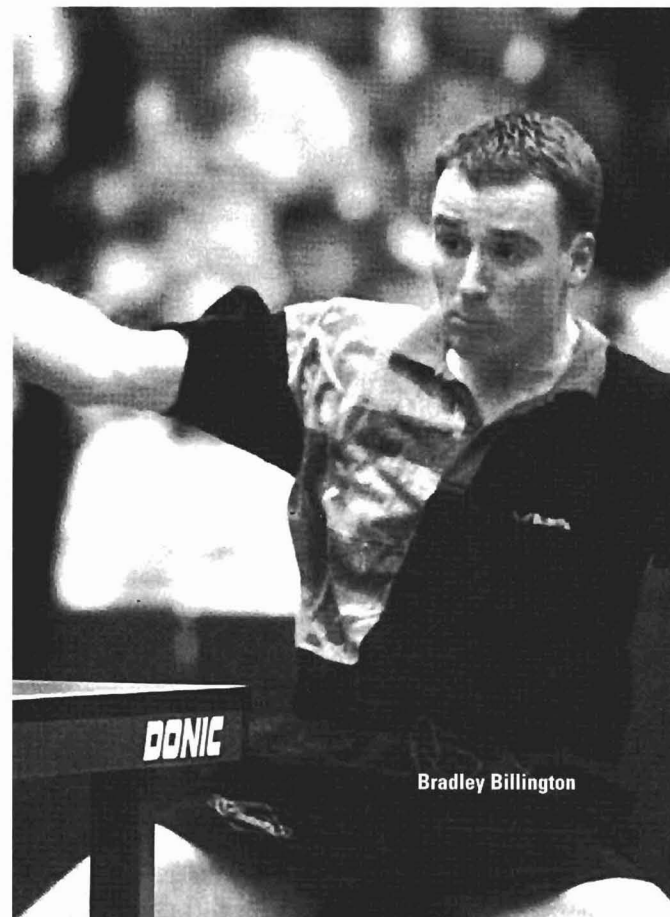
G.Herbert/L.Radford 18, -16, 19

VETERAN'S SINGLES FINAL: N.Eckersley

b. B.Johns 19, 14

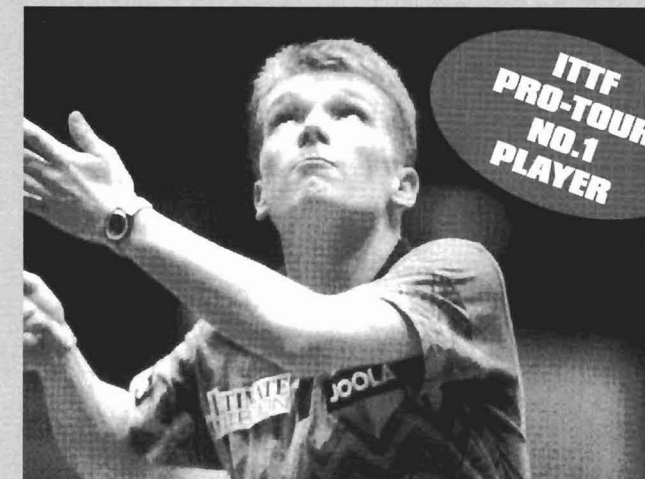
CLASS 2 MIXED SINGLES FINAL: P.Cox b.

I.Musk 16, -20, 19



Bradley Billington

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS Player Profile



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WERNER SCHLAGER OF AUSTRIA

Name: Werner Schlager

Birth Date: 28.09.72

Birth Place: Wr. Neustadt

Parents: Rudolf and Friederike

Brothers & Sisters: 1 brother, Harald 3 years older

Home Town: Vienna

Car: Kia Sportage MRDi

Have you got any annoying habits: None (I hope!)

Blade & Rubbers: Butterfly Adolescen FL

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Favourites:-

(1) TV Show: RTL Samstag-Nacht

(2) Music: Seal, Terence

Trent D'Arby, Peter Gabriel

(3) Song: Angel by A-HA

(4) Food: Lasagne

(5) Film: Braveheart

(6) Film Actor: Mel Gibson,

Al Pacino, Robert De Niro

and Jack Nicholson

(7) Film Actress: Sandra

Bullock, Demi Moore and

Jodie Foster

(8) Holiday Resort: Scottish

Highlands

(9) Book: Austrian Phone

Book

(10) Sporting Hero: Tom

Muster

Career Highlights:

1995 Austrian Singles

Champion

1995 Poland Grand Prix

Winner, 2nd in Doubles

1996 Olympic qualification,

2nd in Doubles

1996 ITTF Pro Tour England,

1st in Doubles

1996 Australian Open

Men's Singles Champion

1996 Australian Open

Doubles Champion with

Karl Jindrak

If you could have a meal

with anyone in the

world, who would it be?

Bill Gates (Because he

would pay!)

What is your ideal way

to relax?

Love & music

What are your ambitions

away from table tennis?

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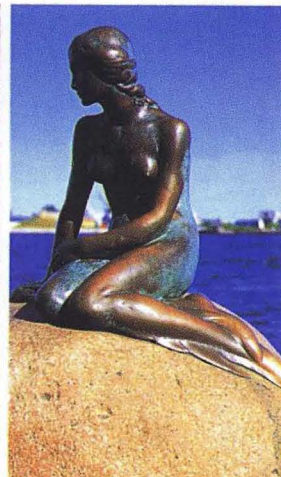
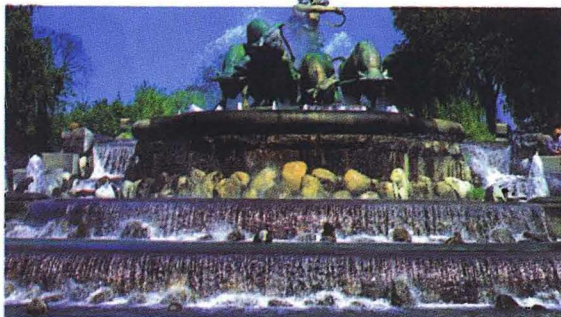
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'hobby-programmer'.



THE FRENCH AND DANISH CONNECTION

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Leeroy Pye



RYAN JENKINS & TERRY YOUNG WRITE FROM DENMARK

We are writing to you from the cold city of Copenhagen, where we are both training extremely hard and doing A LOT of physical exercise!!!

We are having a great time and missing the English circuit - but don't worry, we'll be back - Unfortunately for the players!

We know the hard training is paying off - selection in the World's in Manchester can only be the next step (hint hint!). Anyway, time flies and we need some sleep because we have another 5 hours training tomorrow. See you in the near future.

Ryan Jenkins & Terry Young

LEEROY PYE WRITES FROM ETRETAT IN FRANCE

Things have worked out really well and I've had a really good start to a promising season. I started here on 23rd August, training every day for 3 hours a day. The club US YPORT is situated in the north west of France and my apartment is practically on the beach. My first experience with the club was a team training camp which took place on the 28th August and finished on 1st September. 8 of the top 20 French players took part. My next experience was the CAEN International Team Tournament (the team finished 6th). Again many top players took part - including Desmond Douglas' club SPO ROUEN (who, incidentally, finished 3rd).

I then played in the first individual competition of the season (regional). I lost in the final against Julian Novarr of Desmond's club. He is a classment 15.

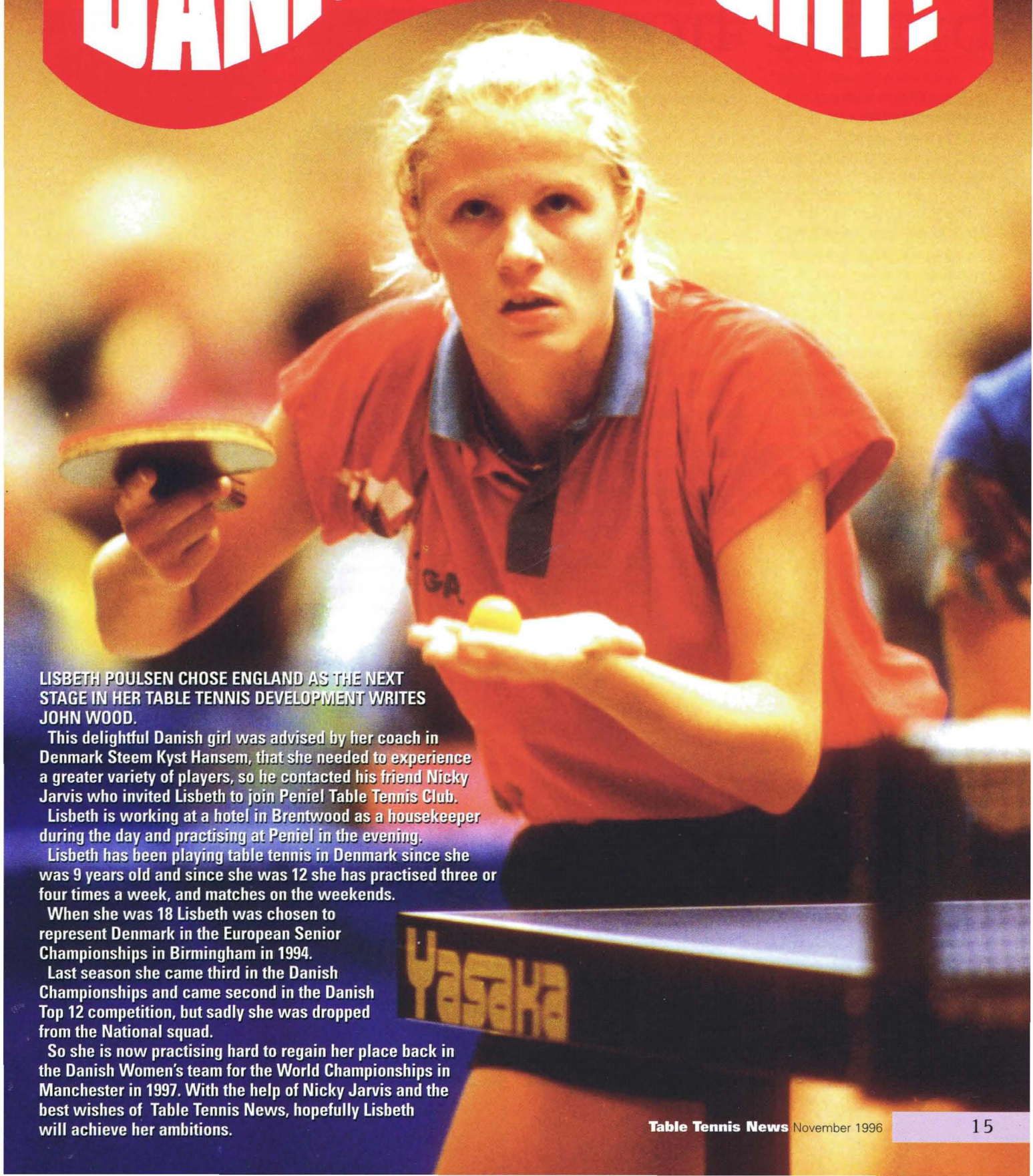
You may or may not know about the French ranking system but it is basically like this: you play National League and tournaments throughout the season and at the end of each season you are judged with a classment. I personally, am classment 15 but during this particular tournament I played well and beat Gallier the No 36 in France, David Pille, No 29 in France and No 2 in Desmond's team and Cornell Stroiker, No 56 in France so there is a very good chance that next season if I continue in this form I will have a high national ranking in France. If I was to lose to a lower ranked player on a regular basis my classment would drop to 20: (65, 60, 55, 50 and so on until 15 and then you become one of the top 50 French players).

I have also played 2 National League games, at the time of writing, and I have a clean sheet so far (touch wood!). About my contract, I have a two year contract with this club and we are currently in National 2, but promotion is looking good for December. The players I play with are:

- Lillian Lavalee (No 15 in France)
- Cornell Stroiker (No 56 - he is Romanian), Vincent Aumoit (Leeroy Pye (Class 15), (Class 30).

Regards Leeroy Pye

DANISH DELIGHT!



LISBETH POULSEN CHOSE ENGLAND AS THE NEXT STAGE IN HER TABLE TENNIS DEVELOPMENT WRITES JOHN WOOD.

This delightful Danish girl was advised by her coach in Denmark Steem Kyst Hansem, that she needed to experience a greater variety of players, so he contacted his friend Nicky Jarvis who invited Lisbeth to join Peniel Table Tennis Club.

Lisbeth is working at a hotel in Brentwood as a housekeeper during the day and practising at Peniel in the evening.

Lisbeth has been playing table tennis in Denmark since she was 9 years old and since she was 12 she has practised three or four times a week, and matches on the weekends.

When she was 18 Lisbeth was chosen to represent Denmark in the European Senior Championships in Birmingham in 1994.

Last season she came third in the Danish Championships and came second in the Danish Top 12 competition, but sadly she was dropped from the National squad.

So she is now practising hard to regain her place back in the Danish Women's team for the World Championships in Manchester in 1997. With the help of Nicky Jarvis and the best wishes of Table Tennis News, hopefully Lisbeth will achieve her ambitions.



John Wood reports on the Southern Masters in Portsmouth

ECKERSLEY & MILVEK

breeze home

NIGEL ECKERSLEY AND KAI MILVEK FROM ESTONIA BATTLED THEIR WAY TO SUCCESS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE OVER 40'S SINGLES COMPETITIONS, AT THE VETTS SOUTHERN MASTERS TOURNAMENT IN PORTSMOUTH IN OCTOBER WRITES JOHN WOOD.

Eckersley beat Dave Welsman in the final surprisingly easily, 8 and 17, considering the fact that Welsman had won their last two encounters.

Milvek won her final against Penny Perry 17 and 17, in a classic attacker versus defender battle.

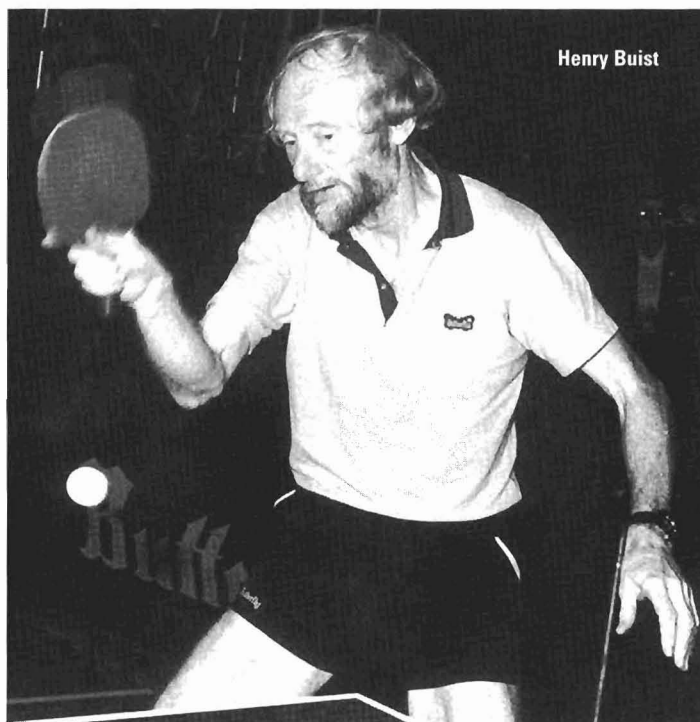
Milvek, who comes from Tallinn in Estonia, made friends with English veterans in the World Championships in Lillehammer, and was invited to join the English VETTS Association. She joined up

because of the friendships, but also because they do not have veteran tournaments in Estonia.

Milvek said, "I am amazed at the amount of veterans playing here in Portsmouth. The atmosphere is absolutely great!"

OLD-FASHIONED

By far the best match of the tournament was an old-fashioned, 'hard bat' battle between Brian Hill from Lincolnshire and Henry Buist in the Final of the Men's Over 50s. Buist, hitting the ball very hard in his perpetual motion style, forced Hill back from the table, relying on chop and float. This encounter drew a large audience who clapped every point and Buist finally won -6, 12, 16. Both Hill and Buist are total table tennis enthusiasts, with Hill being probably the most dedicated. Being self-employed he has organised his working life so that he can play more table tennis. He delivers flowers and pot plants all over



Henry Buist

Lincolnshire, Nottinghamshire and Yorkshire. Every Monday and Thursday he sleeps in his lorry so that he can practice at Doncaster YMCA and when Denis Neale was still living in Doncaster he also practiced with him. Then on Tuesdays Brian arranges his deliveries to Grantham so that he can practice at the centre.

OTHER RESULTS

OVER 60 MEN'S SINGLES FINAL:

D.Schofield b. H.Levinge (Ireland) -20, 10,

12. OVER 70 MEN'S SINGLES FINAL:

H.Levinge b. R.Etheridge 12, 22

OVER 40 MEN'S DOUBLES FINAL:

M.Johns/N.Davies b. D.Holman/D.Newton

21, 21. OVER 50 MEN'S DOUBLES FINAL:

B.Allison/B.Hill b. D.Schofield/M.Shearer

16, 17. OVER 60 MEN'S DOUBLES FINAL:

R.Etheridge/H.Levinge b. G.Bax/R.Lush 19,

-18, 15. MIXED DOUBLES FINAL:

N.Eckersley/C.Hewett b.

M.Johns/D.Pearce -14, 11, 17

OVER 50 WOMEN'S SINGLES FINAL:

G.Stennett b. P.Wales 13, 18

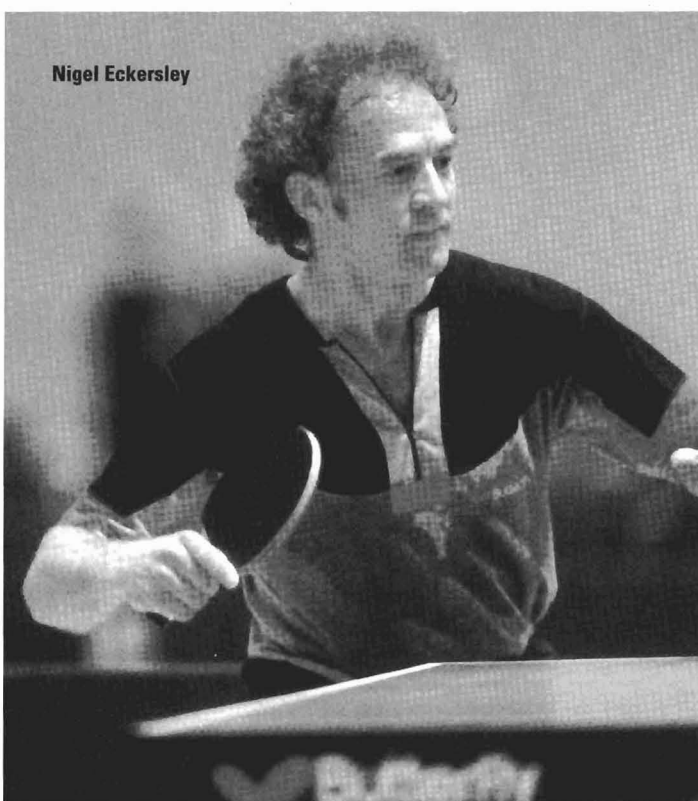
OVER 40 WOMEN'S DOUBLES FINAL:

P.Perry/C.Hewett b. S.King/K.Milver 20, 20

OVER 50 WOMEN'S DOUBLES FINAL:

M.Stafford/G.Knightley b.

S.Tyler/M.Dignum 17, -18, 14

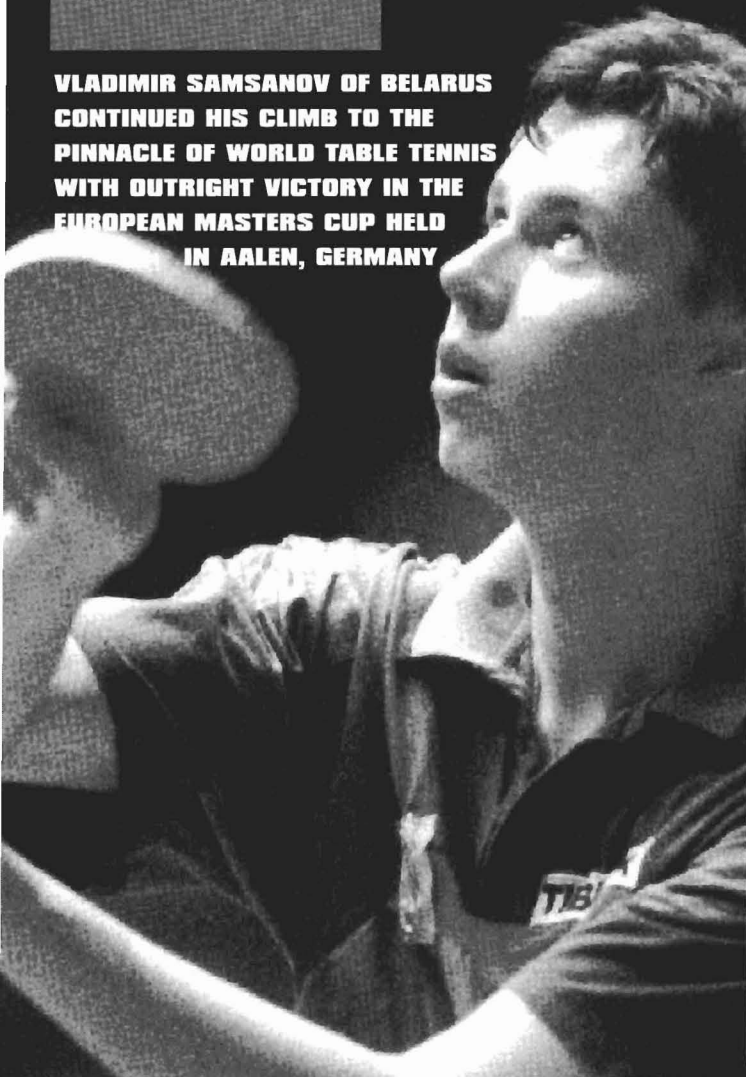


Nigel Eckersley



Kai Milvek

VLADIMIR SAMSONOV OF BELARUS CONTINUED HIS CLIMB TO THE PINNACLE OF WORLD TABLE TENNIS WITH OUTRIGHT VICTORY IN THE EUROPEAN MASTERS CUP HELD IN AALEN, GERMANY



Samsonov supreme

The new World No. 6 was far too sharp for Zoran Primorac (Croatia) winning easily in three games. Kim Taek Soo got off to a flying start in the semi-final but Samsonov then lifted his game to win 3-1. The popular Belgian, and World No 4, Jean-Michael Saive, extended the champion in the final but eventually lost 11, -16, 14, 20. *Final positions:* 1. Samsonov V (Belarus), 2. Saive J.M. (Belgium) 3. Kim Taek Soo (Korea), Grubba A. (Poland), 5. Primorac Z. (Croatia), Chila P. (France), Kreanga K. (Greece), Waldner J.O. (Sweden), 9. Persson J. (Sweden), Keen T. (Netherlands), Franz P. (Germany), Roskopf J. (Germany).

The Balkan Youth Championships were held in Greece recently and the host country gave notice that they have serious ambitions for the future. They won the girls event and were runners up to Romania in the boys competition. Gionis thrilled the locals

when he beat Crisan of Romania to win the boy's singles title.

Top players in the European Ranking List for Juniors and Cadets are:
 Junior Boys 1. Magnus Molin (Sweden) 2. Timo Boll (Germany) 3. Jorg De Cock (Netherlands) Junior Girls 1. Mihaela Ecer (Romania) 2. Olga Kashulina (Russia) 3. Svetlana Ganina (Russia) Cadet Boys 1. Michael Maze (Denmark) 2. Fedor Kuzmin (Russia) 3. Alexei Liventsov (Russia) Cadet Girls 1. Martina Safran (Slovenia) 2. Andrea Bakula (Croatia) 3. Krisztina Szvitan (Hungary)

England has no representatives in the top 30 in either the boys or girls junior or in the top 20 of the counterpart cadets lists.

Darlington TTC lost to TTC Industrogradnja Zagreb by 4 sets to 3 in the 1st round of the ETTU Nancy Evans Cup.

Joola European Men's League Super Division Results: Hungary 2 Belarus 4, Sweden 2 Poland 4, Germany 3 France 4, Austria 4 Netherlands 1.

1st Division Results: Denmark 1 Czech Republic 4, Yugoslavia 3 Greece 4, Italy 4 Slovakia 1, England 4 Turkey 0.

Joola European Women's League Super Division Results: Hungary 4 Croatia 2, England 4 Italy 0, Rumania 4 Belarus 1, Sweden 2 Germany 4.

Chile won all seven titles in the South American Championships held in Curacao.

Sally Wong of British Columbia won the over 40 and over 50 events in the Canadian Veterans Championships in Vancouver. Paul Chow, also from British Columbia won the Men's over 40s.

Souleymane Sanogo justified his no. 1 ranking by winning the Men's Singles Championships of Burkina Faso.

Obituary: The death is announced of Dr Bela Simon of Hungary. He had outstanding success as a coach and was instrumental in guiding Zoltan Berczik to become European Champion. He was married to the former world star player Agnes Simon who survives him.

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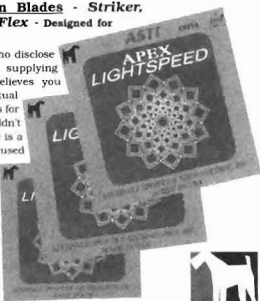
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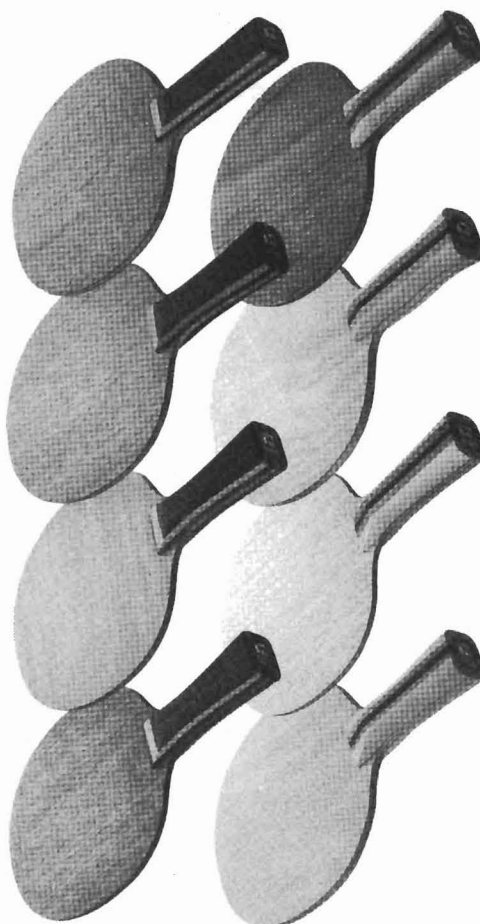
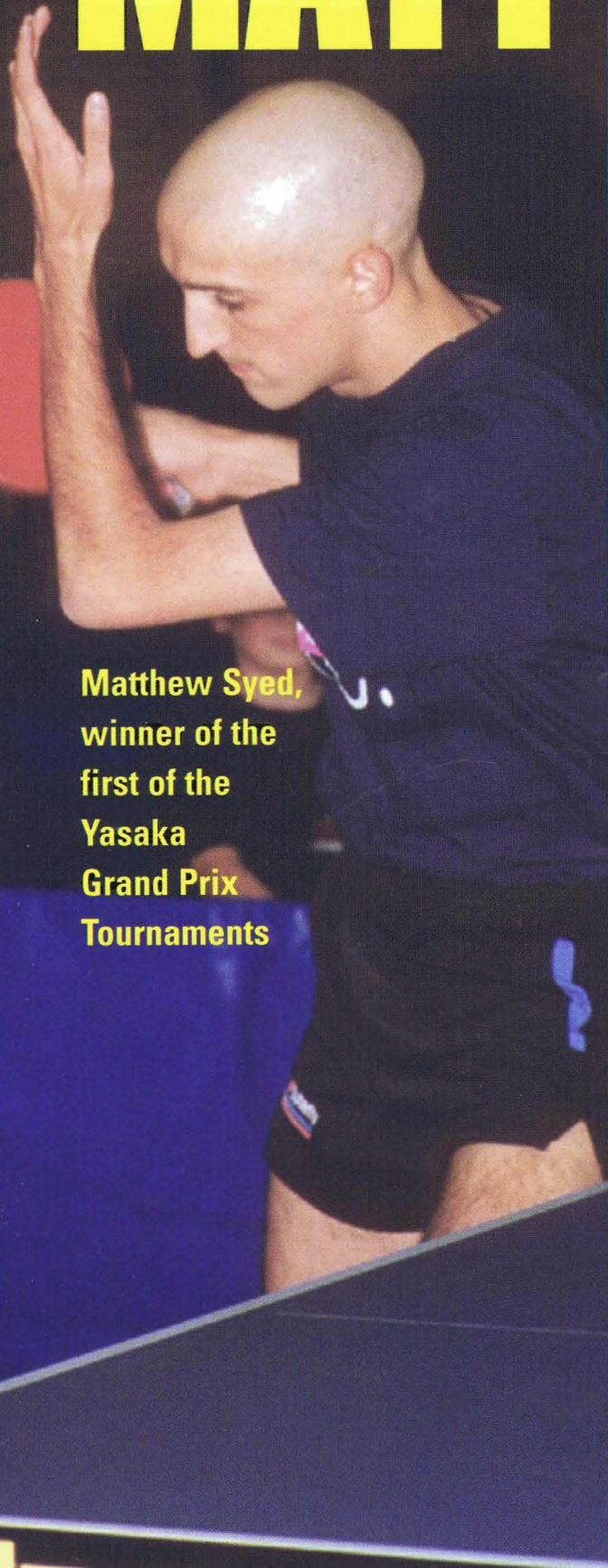


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MATT SHINE



**Matthew Syed,
winner of the
first of the
Yasaka
Grand Prix
Tournaments**

TTN Editor John Wood had a tea-time chat with England No.1 player Matthew Syed, at the King's Lynn Yasaka Eastern Open tournament. After he had asked Matt about his close-shave with the barber (he actually did it himself), he asked him his opinion about the future of English table tennis.

John Wood: Matt I've just got to ask you what everyone wants to know, why did you shave your head bald?

Matthew Syed: Well, two cousins on my mother's side of the family, James and Paul Heard, had their's shaved and I became jealous. It really suited them. James is a Christian missionary and Paul is the keyboard player and song writer for M People, so I thought if I had it done, I would also look real cool!

JW: Well Matt, I don't think that it suits you.

MS: Thanks!

JW: What are your plans for the future?

MS: I am in strict training and I will peak for the World Championships in Manchester, where I hope to win a medal.

JW: What do you think of England's chances in Europe this season?

MS: I would like to think that we can gain promotion back to the Super Division, so our matches against Italy and Slovakia are of prime importance and will be very tough matches. These are matches we must win! We must field our strongest team of those who are in the strongest form to win promotion.

JW: What are your opinions of the new Yasaka Grand Prix?

MS: The Yasaka Grand Prix circuit could be a great

success, but it's important that the Organiser gets the system that suits the desires and needs of the tournament player. I personally think it's the right product for the players.

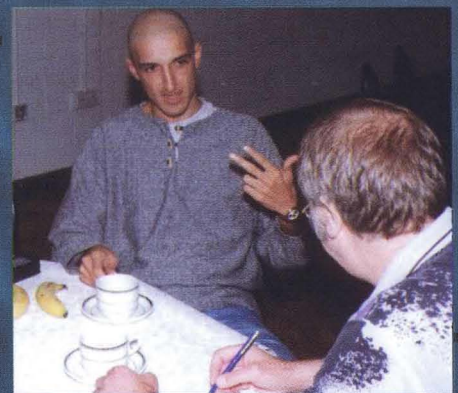
JW: How do you see the future for English table tennis?

MS: In order for any institution to be successful in the competitive market place of today, it must make sure that it provides the best product in each and every circumstance. That applies to the British League, tournament circuit, affiliation to the ETTA, the Leagues and TV.

This approach must focus first and foremost on marketing and market research. If the ETTA are going to be successful it must strive to be a dynamic commercial enterprise.

This season provides an ideal opportunity for table tennis in this country, since both the crucial elements for success will coincide. Firstly, getting table tennis on TV due to staging the World Championships and secondly getting table tennis into schools through BT Top Sport initiative scheme.

Now is the time, a window of opportunity for table tennis, through which the English Table Tennis Association, to come of age. The ETTA must grasp it!



Matthew Syed in The Hot Seat

Matthew Syed, looking like a Tibetan Monk, won the opening Yasaka Grand Prix tournament, the Eastern Open, with consummate ease taking the Men's Singles and Men's Doubles, at Lynnsport, King's Lynn, at the end of September.

Syed's majestic march to victory only suffered one slight hiccup, when he had a close shave at 8.30am on Sunday morning against Nottingham's Mark Green, narrowly winning -18, 13, 14. Yes, even superstars have to play in the groups at these tournaments.

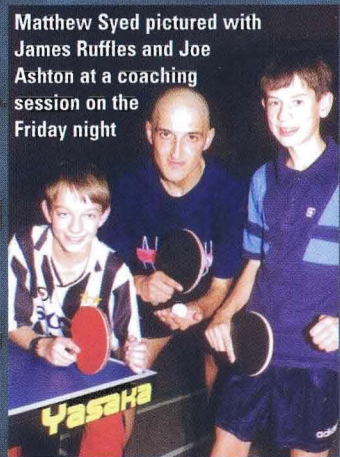
The final was the climax to a full days labour, where Syed displayed his magical style of floating and chopping interspersed with rapier like attacking forehands and backhands, to the delight of a rapturous audience, where he went on to defeat the No. 2 seed Nicky Mason, in two straight entertaining games, following a classic battle between an expert attacking looper and master defender.

In the Semi-Finals Syed saw off the challenge of Yorkshire's Mark Smith 16 and 7, whilst Mason beat Syed's early morning tormentor Mark Green 18 and 15.

This tournament saw the coming of age of Helen Lower whose determination to succeed overcame a super sharp display by Nicola Deaton in the final.

Deaton, fresh from two highly successful weeks, where she achieved the sweet taste of success, firstly against Italy playing for England and then winning the quadrangle in the Isle of Man, had seen off all the opposition in style, in reaching the final where she took the opening leg with powerful attacking down both flanks and looked set for the trophy, before Lower

RAZOR SHARP SYED



Matthew Syed pictured with James Ruffles and Joe Ashton at a coaching session on the Friday night

made a real fight back to deny Deaton's dreams of a treble success.

Lower beat brave Sue Collier from Buckinghamshire 6 and 17, whilst Deaton ended the march of Berkshire's Gemma Schwartz 16 and 12.

Early Quarter Final matches in the Women's Singles proved equally exciting where Schwartz saw off the challenge of Sally Marling following a breathtaking three setter and the game between Collier and Linda Radford was really nail biting close with Collier just edging out the Essex

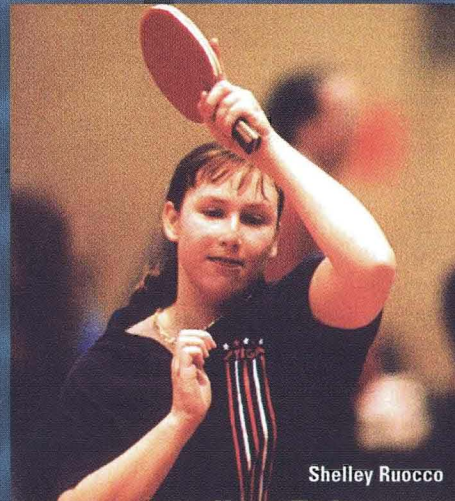
Thompson 12 and 11, whilst Tracy Davies once again defeated Lancashire's Lindsey Thornton 16 and 19

YASAKA TRAINING SCHOLARSHIP

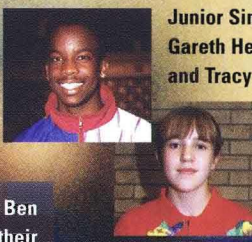
Thomas Berner, president of Yasaka Eurpoe has announced that Yasaka will sponsor an under 21 player male or female, for a 1

Under 21 Contenders for Yasaka Scholarship After Yasaka Eastern Open

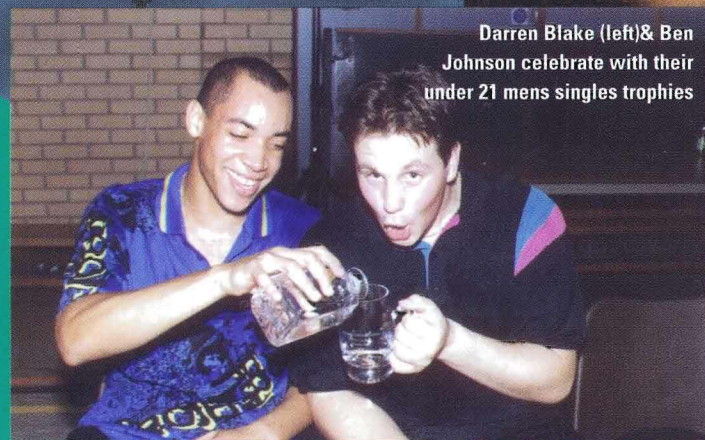
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Michael James (Y)	172
Gareth Herbert (Bk)	171
Tracy Davies (E)	158
Scott Friday (E)	149
Christian Thompson (K)	142
Darren Blake (Sy)	134
Shelley Ruocco (E)	123
Michael Marsden (Du)	120
Lisbeth Poulson (Den)	119
Lyndsey Thornton (Ia)	111
Martin Rogers (Aus)	106
Ben Johnson (Bk)	91
Joanna Barraclough (Dv)	87
Peter Marshall (Y)	85
Reagen Nettleingham (E)	69
Karen Lockwood (Ch)	68
Glenda Ashison (Sy)	52
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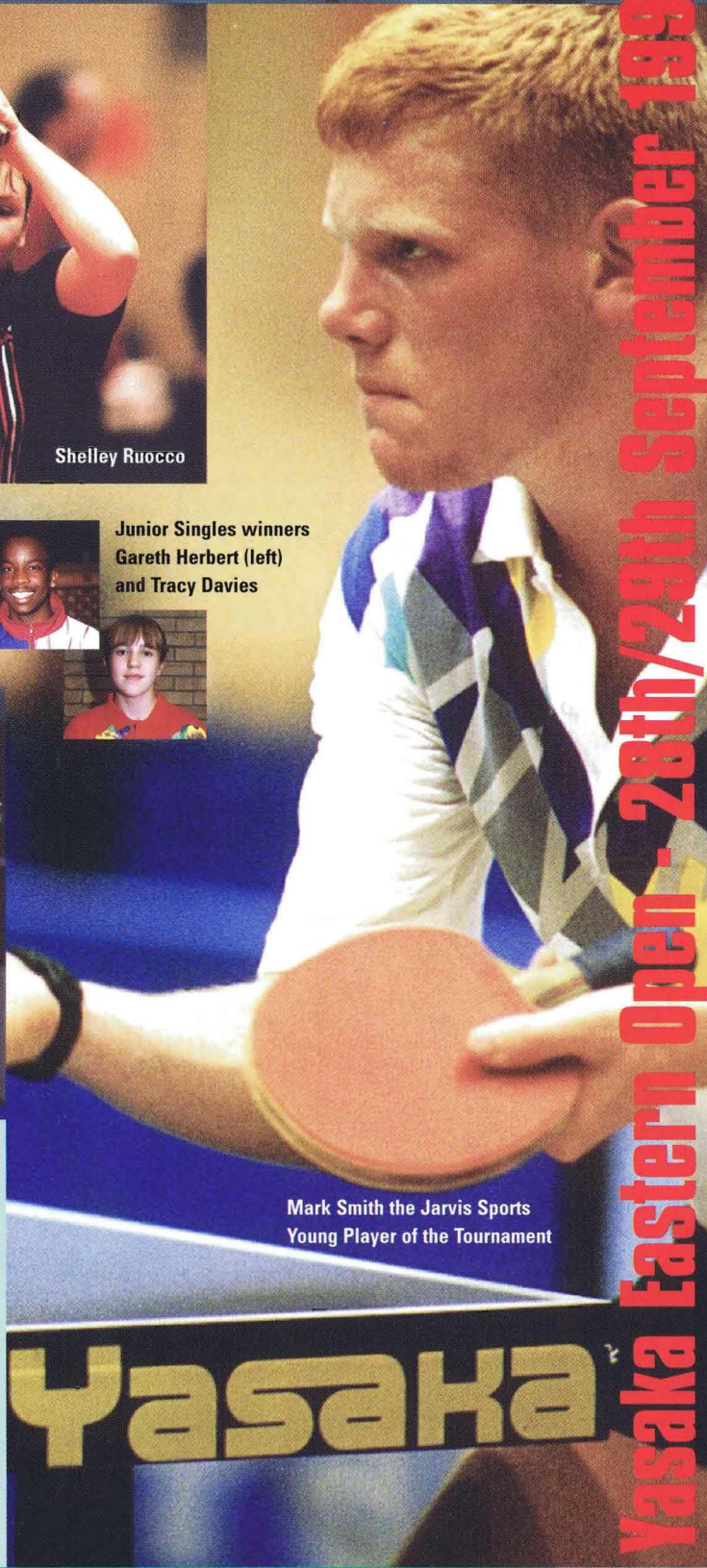
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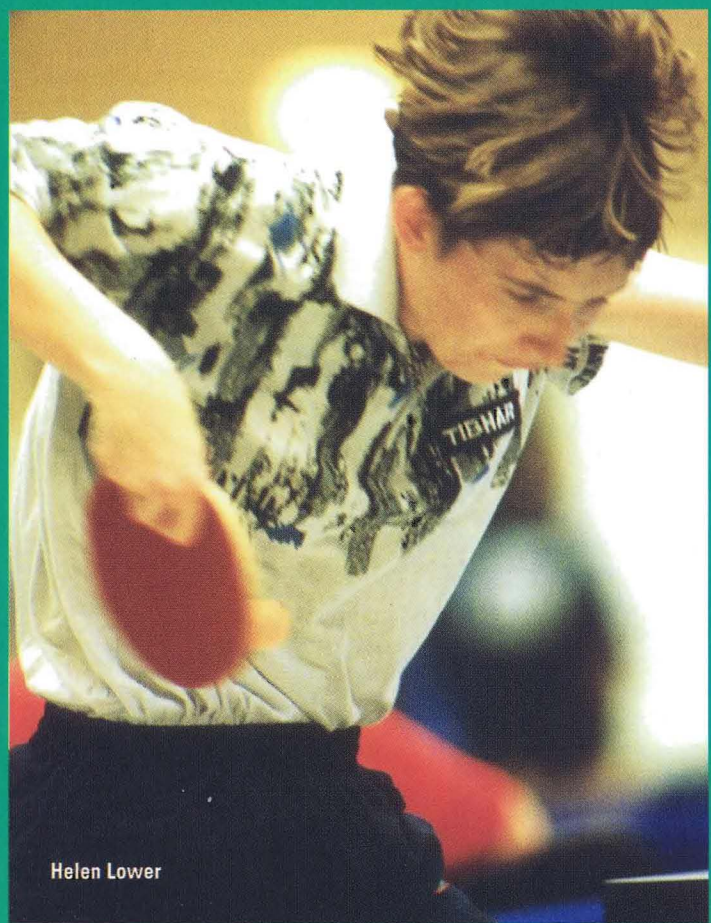
Junior Singles winners Gareth Herbert (left) and Tracy Davies



Darren Blake (left) & Ben Johnson celebrate with their under 21 mens singles trophies



Mark Smith the Jarvis Sports Young Player of the Tournament



Helen Lower



Winners Matthew Syed & Helen Lower

girl 23 - 21 in the third.

Darren Blake flew in from Sweden to take the Men's under 21 title by storm. In swash-buckling style he blew away all challengers, including Ben Johnson in the final, where the man from Berkshire gave Surrey's Blake his closest game of the tournament, before he went onto win 13, -15, 18.

Essex's Shelley Ruocco won the Women's under 21 title beating Denmark's Lisbeth Poulson 13 and 21.

The Junior Boys title went to Gareth Herbert who beat Kent's Christian

week training camp at one of the top clubs in Sweden next year.

The winner of this fabulous scholarship will be the under 21 player who obtains the highest number of Grand Prix points in the five tournaments excluding the finals. The points gained in all events entered will count ie. a player may earn: 40 points in Juniors, 25 in Under 21's, 10 in Band 3, 35 in Band 4 and 5 in Open Singles, so for the tournament he or she would have earned 115 points. The winner will be announced at the final in Bath next May.

RESULTS

Men's Singles	Matthew Syed (Wa)	Nicky Mason (Sx)
Women's Singles	Helen Lower (St)	Nicola Deaton (Dy)
Men's Band 1	Michael James (Y)	Martin Rogers (Aus)
Women's Band 1	Susan Collier (Bk)	Rosemary Rainton (Sx)
Men's Band 2	Richard Smith (Y)	Anthony Corbin (Mi)
Women's Band 2	Emma Smith (Y)	Nicola Smith (Y)
Mixed Band 3	Craig Milwood (He)	John Turner (Ca)
Mixed Band 4	Michael Marsden (Du)	Malcolm Kidd (Li)
Veteran Men's Singles	Nigel Eckersley (Ch)	Terry Guymer (E)
Veteran's Women's Singles	Sandra Rider (Y)	Marilyn Bawden (E)
Under 21 Men's Singles	Darren Blake (Sy)	Ben Johnson (Bk)
Under 21 Women's Singles	Shelley Ruocco (E)	Lisbeth Poulson (Den)
Junior Boy's	Gareth Herbert (Bk)	Christian Thompson (K)
Junior Girl's	Tracy Davies (E)	Lindsey Thornton (La)

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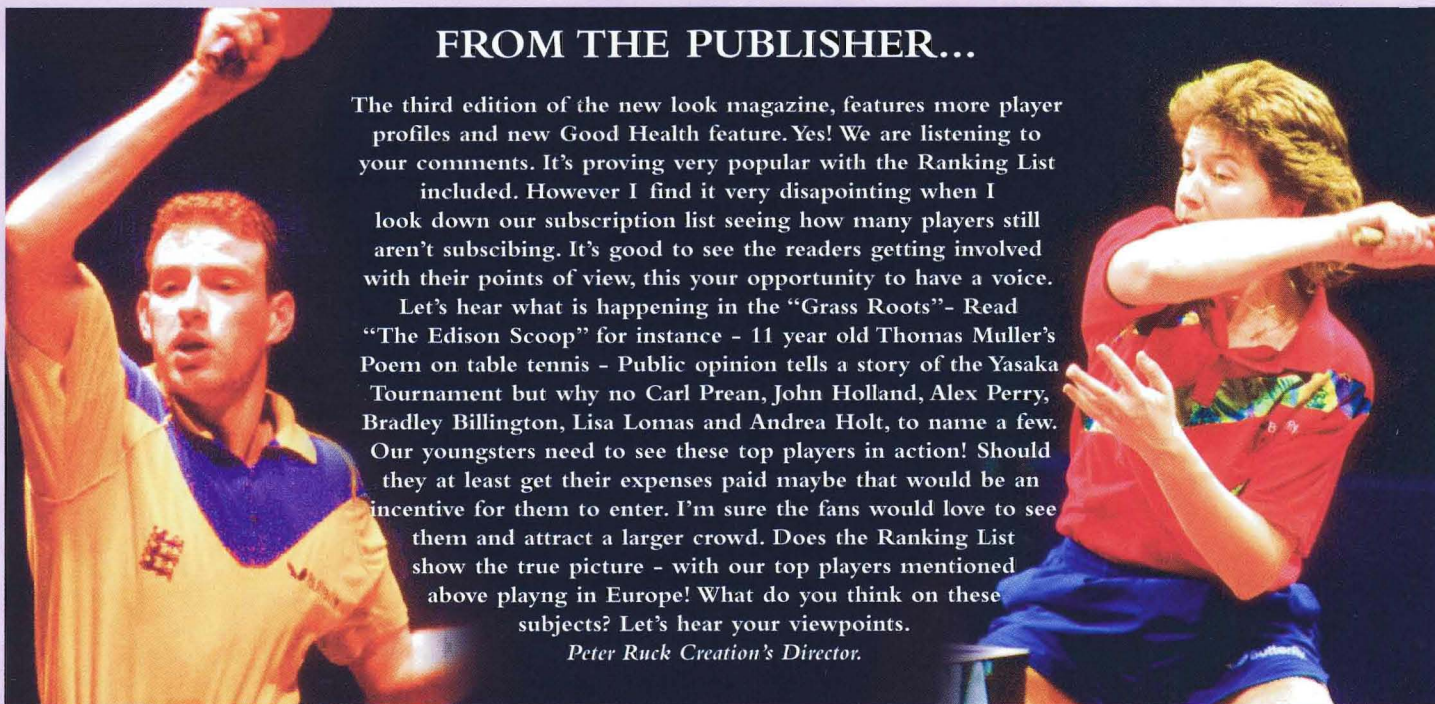
'GREAT ATMOSPHERE'

FROM THE PUBLISHER...

The third edition of the new look magazine, features more player profiles and new Good Health feature. Yes! We are listening to your comments. It's proving very popular with the Ranking List included. However I find it very disappointing when I look down our subscription list seeing how many players still aren't subscribing. It's good to see the readers getting involved with their points of view, this your opportunity to have a voice.

Let's hear what is happening in the "Grass Roots" - Read "The Edison Scoop" for instance - 11 year old Thomas Muller's Poem on table tennis - Public opinion tells a story of the Yasaka Tournament but why no Carl Prean, John Holland, Alex Perry, Bradley Billington, Lisa Lomas and Andrea Holt, to name a few. Our youngsters need to see these top players in action! Should they at least get their expenses paid maybe that would be an incentive for them to enter. I'm sure the fans would love to see them and attract a larger crowd. Does the Ranking List show the true picture - with our top players mentioned above playing in Europe! What do you think on these subjects? Let's hear your viewpoints.

Peter Ruck Creation's Director.



TTN EDITOR JOHN WOOD ASKED PLAYERS, OFFICIALS AND COACHES THEIR VIEWS ON THE NEW YASAKA EASTERN OPEN AT KING'S LYNN, WHICH WAS THE FIRST OF THE GRAND PRIX CIRCUIT.

CRAIG MILLWOOD

Hertfordshire Winner of Band 3 After getting over the initial shock of not having umpires, you get used to it, it was then okay.

The blue tables were shiny and skiddy, but once again it was getting used to it, and I did. The lighting could have been better. I think it will be a big success!

ROSEMARY RAINTON

Hastings Finalist in Women's Band 1 Not bad, but it needs umpires, apart from that it was okay.

It would have been an assistance if playing information was displayed better.



LISBETH POULSON

Denmark I think this tournament is really good. I like playing against different styles, especially pimples.



They don't have under 21 tournaments in Denmark, because there are not enough players.

The hall was too small for spectators but okay for the players.

I really hope that this new Yasaka Grand Prix is a big success.

MIKE BOARDMAN

Hertfordshire On the whole I think it was well organised, considering the large number of players.

The conditions are good and like the blue tables, but I would like more umpires.



MARTIN ROGERS

Australia Great atmosphere, lighting a bit dodgy, some courts are okay, but it hasn't been a problem for me. The centre is really good with lots of



facilities.

We need more tournaments like this, I really like playing against seniors and veterans.

The group system means we get lots of games. Great!

JESPER HOUGAARD

Cippenham 12 years old I liked playing against different age groups and especially awkward players with long pimples.

I wished there was a cadet section as well.



ADAM BREWER

King's Lynn I really liked the mixture of different styles and ages.

The conditions are too hot, but apart from the heat everything is going really well.



LES GRESSWELL

Former England National Trainer - now coach at Ashford TTC I think this type of tournament is the future of English Table Tennis. Once the schedule is sorted out it will be great for all age groups. Obviously such events will attract sponsorship, it's ideal for local and national sponsors. It's not the panacea for what ails English table tennis, but it's a step in the right direction. The banded sections will create more interest for local players.



MARIE BREWER

King's Lynn, One of the small army of helpers! It brings quality players to more distant areas of the country.

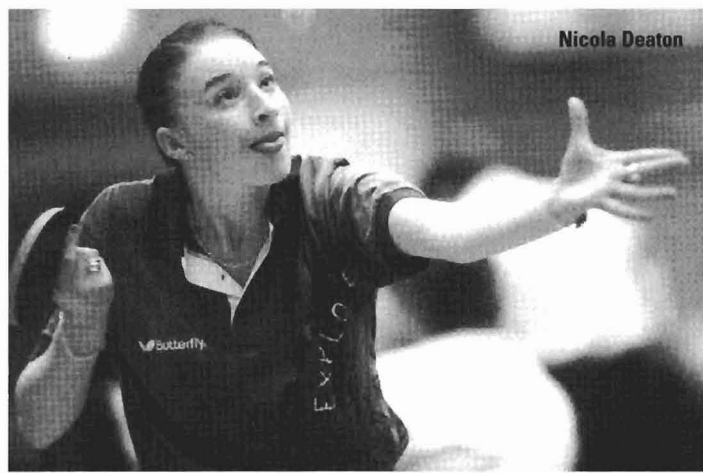


I enjoyed selling the raffle tickets, people were really generous. Lynnsport's catering service was excellent. Perhaps the scheduling could have been improved. Apart from that it was a wonderful weekend.

Isle of Man SUCCESS

THE ENGLAND SQUAD MADE A SUCCESSFUL RETURN TO WHAT WAS THE QUADRANGULAR AND IS NOW THE HOME COUNTRIES CHAMPIONSHIP WRITES TONY CHATWIN.

England's team of Terry Young, Chris Oldfield, Nicola Deaton and Helen Lower captained by Derrick Marples became the first winners of the 'Evan's Trophy' the team competition. England's women held the key as they were undefeated. The result was in doubt until the end as in their final match against Wales, the Welsh only required a draw to be successful. The men lost 3-2 with Terry Young beating Ryan Jenkins 19, 20. The women won 4-1 with Helen Lower losing to Natasha Williams 19, -14, 10. Nicola's match with Natasha brought the hall to a standstill. It was a magnificent match, the best women's match that I have seen in years. Nicola won -19, 17, 18. The individuals saw Nicola remain undefeated, again beating Helen Lower in the final with Helen gaining revenge over Natasha in the semi-final. The men's event was won by Euan Walker



Nicola Deaton

who defeated Steve Ward with Chris and Terry going out in the quarters and semi-final respectively. The event was admirably organised by Jeff Bubb and we are all looking forward to next year's event which will be held in Ireland with Scotland staging the event in 1998.

SCOTTISH NEWS
by Linda Powell

The season is now well under way, though some of us are still casting lingering looks

at tennis courts in memory of an all-too-short summer. The most newsworthy item so far is Euan Walker's singles win at the Home Internationals, when he beat Steve Ward of Wales in the final. Sarah Hurry also did us proud by reaching the semi-final of the Ladies' event. All the National Assessments have now taken place. Ian Stokes, the Scottish number 2, was the Men's winner, dropping only one set all day. Sarah duly took the Women's

title, but only after a nasty fright when she lost in straight sets to Claire Bentley. Two juniors, both from Dumfries, made their mark in the Ladies' event: Nicola Bentley came in second and Tamara Powell third. In the Junior Assessment the honours were taken by Niall Cameron (Elgin) and Tamara Powell. The Cadet Girls' title was won by Gillian Edwards (Perth), whilst the Minor Girls' title went event further north, to Natalie Gallan (Aberdeen). Both the boys' titles in these age-groups were won by an on-form Gordon Trotter from my own neck of the woods in Dumfries. The stranglehold on the girls' titles previously held by Dumfries has now been broken and there is a healthy distribution of talent from north to south. Aberdeen coach Max Singer has several young players (of both sexes) around the age of eleven of twelve who are beginning to make an impression. Forays over the Border would seem to be limited this year by the disappearance of several northern English tournaments, but we live in hope of being able to flex our muscles amongst you soon!



LUTON TIGERS ROAR BACK

Former Luton Lions Table Tennis Club have roared back under the new name of Tigers, at the Luton Regional Sports Centre, on Thursday nights. This newly formed club which disbanded 3 years ago due to rising costs, are the only club in Luton where anyone can walk in off the street and be coached or play a game for just £2 (£1.50 for juniors). As well as coaching and practice, the Tigers run two teams in the Luton and Dunstable League.

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A round-up from around the country by Doug Moss

50th SEASON

THE 1996/7 SEASON IS A VERY SPECIAL AND IMPORTANT ONE IN THE HISTORY OF TABLE TENNIS AND THE NATIONAL COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS. THIS IS THE 50TH SEASON OF THE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS WRITES DOUG MOSS.

The County Championships started in the 1947/8 season when 15 Counties were represented and 19 teams participated. The inspiration for the Championships came from the late Geoffrey Harrower, who was an international player and a professional journalist. Geoffrey was Founder Secretary of the Middlesex T.T. Association and it was Middlesex who won the Premier Division Championship for the first 8 seasons!

In recording history of the Championships I would mention that the Junior Section started in the 1949/50 season and it was not until 1970/71 that there was a Veterans Section.

In this 50th season the Championships prove to be ever more popular. The Current season shows an increase of 7 teams to a total of 212! It is a healthy sign that the Junior Section has gained 4 more teams to a total of 64. The Senior Section has dropped just 1 team on last season but the popular Veteran Section has again increased to a total of 88 teams.

Arrangements for matches to be played over 2 or 3 weekends, rather than spread over the 7 allocated dates, seems to have become even more popular. This applies especially in the Senior section where all 6 Divisions have, in varying degrees, made such arrangements. In Senior Divisions 1A, 2A and 2C the teams, along the lines of the 3 Premier Divisions, will meet just twice during the season. The group arrangements apply in only 2 Junior Divisions. The Veterans obviously favour playing just 1 match on the allocated dates and only Division 1A teams have arranged to meet on 2 dates during the season.

Below are results and comments on matches played by 21 September:-

SENR DIV 1B: E2. 5 BU 5. MI.2 5 SY 5. Essex 2nds, on promotion, led Bucks 5-2

but, in the end, had to settle for a draw. Ian Musk, Susan Collier and Steve Cowley each won in straight games to earn the point for Bucks. Richard Nettleingham (E2) and Sue Collier (BU) were unbeaten. Middx 2nds did well to get a draw against Surrey 1sts, although they led 5-3. Surrey fought well with Glenda Achison beating Yuki Gresswell at 16 in 3rd game and then Howard Quartey (Sy) beat Nicky McKoy (Mi2) at 20 in the deciding game!

JUNR DIV 1B: BU.1. 3 HA.1. 7 MI.2. 1 SY.2. 9. K2. 8 AV 2.

Hants, runners-up in the Div. Last season, made a good start with a 7-3 win over Bucks. Hants girls-Carly Scaddan and Lucy pointer - were unbeaten and were well backed up by Chris Butt, who also got 2 good wins. Middx 2nds found it "hard going" on promotion to Div.1. They got just 1 win when Eliza Magnusen beat Claire Lane -19,17,19.

WO. 9 GN4. 1. WI. 10 DV2. 0. WI. 7 CO. 3. SO. 5 DO. 5.

Glos got off to a good start with an 8-2 win over Herefords. Glos girls Ann Humble and Suzy Robinson - won their 4 matches and will be a strong force in this Div. Worcs had 2 excellent wins against Glamorgan 3 and 4 teams. Lewis Cook and Phillip Nicholls (Wo) were unbeaten, Charlotte Avery (Gn4) played very well to beat Kate Hughes 22 and 18. Wilts also had 2 good wins - 10-nil against Devon 2nds and 7-3 against Cornwall. In the latter match Graham Worth (Co) was ill and had to concede both his matches. Dorset visited Frome Cricket Club to meet Somerset and did very well to secure a draw. Dorset boys-Lee Dredge, Anthony Forster and Dean Haskett - won 5 singles events.

JUNR DIV 2D: SX2. 8 SX3. 2. SX3. 3 K3. 7. SX2. 7 K3. 3. BK1. 5 SY3. 5. BK2. 2 SY3. 8. BK1. 10 BK2. 0. HA2. 5 BU2. 5.

Of 7 matches, played on 14 and 21 Sept. only Sussex 2nds, after demotion from Div. 1, got full points. They beat their 3rd team 8-2. Nicola Ritchie (SX3) had 2 very good wins and was promoted to Sussex 2nds for their match against Kent 3rds. Nicola responded with 2 easy wins. Berks 1st team, on demotion, had a 10-nil win against their 2nd team - although 5 events went to a decider and then Berks 1 drew with Surrey 3rds. Sara Maher (BK1) was unbeaten. Hants 2nds led Bucks 2nds 5-3 but Rachel McAndrew and David Ralls fought back to secure a draw and a point for Bucks 2nds.

VETS DIV 1B: K2. 3 DV1. 6; HA. 6 WO1. 3; BU 6 SY2, 3; AV 7 BK, 2;

Devon made a good start to the season with a 6-3 win against Kent 2nds at Sidcup. Mike Short and Penny Perry were again to the fore with 3 singles wins and the mixed doubles. Denis Gibbs and Phil Reeves weighed in with a singles win apiece. Worcs, without the services of Trevor Washington, did not fare well on their transfer to this Div. It was a hard fought match against Hants the first 3 events taking 1hr 40 mins! Ken Walton (WO) was unfortunate to lose his singles matches at 19 and 21 in 3rd games. Chris



Chairman of the County Championship Committee, Doug Young (left) is pictured receiving an engraved decanter on his retirement, presented by Richard Habgood who was representing the ETTA Management Committee

SENR DIV 2B: DV.3. 8 DV.4. 2.

Just 1 match in this Division with Devon 3rd team getting a comprehensive 8-2 win over their 4th team. Doone Cooper (DV4) played very well to win her singles against both Liz May and Dana Kratochvila.

SENR DIV 2D: K2. 3 SY2. 7. BK2. 7 HE2. 3.

Surrey 2nds went into a 3-nil lead against Kent 2nds and consolidated to secure a 7-3 win. Rasul Farhat and Anna McNamara (SY2) were unbeaten. Berks 2nds conceded the 2 events due to be played by Tony Duffield but nevertheless won 7-3. Martin Adams and Mark Banks (BK2) won their 4 singles events and Michelle Budden won 1 event for Herts 2nds in beating Denise Rolfe 14 and 11.

JUNR DIV 2B: NK1. 9 NK3. 1. E3 3 HE2.7.

HU2. 2 NK2. 8. HU1. 6 BD 4. CA 2 SK2. 8. SK2. 10 NK3. 0. NK 1. 6 E3. 4. NK1. 5 SK2. 5. E3. 5 HU2. 5. HE2. 2 HU1. 8. NK2. 6 CA. 4. BD. 6 NK3. 4. HU1. 6 NK2. 4. HE2. 4 HU2. 6. BD. 6 CA. 4.

15 matches were played on one day at St. Neots T.T.C. Hunts 1st team was the only one to win their 3 matches. Claire Shannon won her 6 matches for Hunts including two 19 in 3rd wins against Norfolk 2nds to secure a 6-4 win. Norfolk 1sts and Suffolk 2nds dropped just 1 point when they met in a drawn match. Suffolk 2nds came from 3-5 down to force the draw.

JUNR DIV 2C: GS. 8 HR. 2. WO. 8 GN3. 2.

Shelter and Chris Wilshire contributed 5 wins for Hants. Surrey 2nds visited Milton Keynes T.T.C. and went down 3-6 to Bucks. There were 2 vital wins from R. Harman and Mrs. M. Hooker (Bu) who both won matches at 20 in the 3rd game. The 2 teams promoted teams to this Div. met and Avon came out well on top with a 7-2 win over Berks. Bob Davies (Bk) did well to beat Gary Baldwin 10 and 18 and Bob Murray at 15 in 3rd game.

VETS DIV 2A: WA3. 5 NG 4. NP1.5 ST1. 4. Y2. 6 LA2. 3. ND 9 WA2. 0. (Conceded) Notts went 4-1 down against Warwick 3rd when Dorothy McFarlane (Ng) turned things around with a 19, -12, 20 win over Ann Lloyd. Barrie Russ and Mike Peska (Ng) followed up with singles wins but Notts lost 5-4. Barry Hunt (WA) won both his singles matches. Northants, on demotion from Div.1, got off to a good start with a 5-4 win over Staffs 1st team in a match in which only 1 event went to a decider. Martin Pickles had 2 good wins for Staffs. Yorks 2nds met Lancs 2nds and it was surprising that only events went to a decider. The Yorks team was generally on top and led 5-2 when Brian Clements (LA) halted the slide with a win over Phil Cawser. However with Trevor Williams (Y) winning his 3 events Yorks won 6-3. Warwick 2nds made a bad start to the season by conceding to Northumberland.

VETS DIV 2B: SK. 7 BD 2. E4. 3 CA 6. NK2. 8 BK3. 1. Suffolk, on promotion, got away to a 7-2 win over Beds. Fred Dove and Ian Brown (SK) played well to win their 5 events. Cambs "got off to a flyer" on their visit to Essex 4ths, to lead 6-1. They got 2 narrow, but important, wins in the men's and mixed doubles. Joyn Turner (CA) won his singles matches and the closely contested men's doubles, partnered by Malcolm Stennett. Norfolk 2nds, on promotion, got a resounding 8-1 win over Berks 3rd team. The tightest match was the ladies singles in which Sue Allen (NK) beat Sharon Mitchell 17, -22, 18.

VETS DIV 2C: K4. 6 HE3. 3. Mi.1. 8 BK2. 1. SY3. 5 Mi.2. 4. Kent 4th team won 6 of the 7 singles events against Herts 3rd team. Herts comfortably won the 2 doubles events with successes FROM Jim and Sue Felstead and Gary Kiers/Tony Teff. The first event of the match was an important one when Ted Tydeman (K) beat Gary Kiers -19, 19, 20! Middx 1st team was in fine form with an 8-1 win over Berks 2nds at Ashford T.T.C. Ian Schwartz/N. Heaps got the 1 win for Berks BY/winning the men's doubles at 18 in 3rd game. There was a close contest

between Surrey 3rds and Middx 2nds. Middx won the 2 doubles events and led 4-2. Surrey 3rds came back to take the final 3 events with wins by Chapman, Langheim and Callcut.

VETS DIV 2D: GS. 6 DQ2. 3. OX. 5 HA2. 4. SO. 8 SX3. 1. WI. 5 HA3. 4. Dorset 2nds visited the Cirencester T.T. Centre and managed to hold the Glos. team at 3-3. Dorset had a particularly good win in the mixed doubles when Brian Bickell/Jean Smith beat John Fannin/Julie Taylor 20 and 21. Alan Giles, John Fannin and Roy Fowler won the final 3 singles events for a 6-3 win Glos. Oxon/Hants 2nds was a hard fought match with the score inevitably reaching 4-4. At this stage Eddie Herrity (OX) beat Bob Cox 17 and 6 for an Oxfords 5-4 win. Sussex 3rd team, on promotion, had a hard time against Somerset. They managed only 1 win when, in the final event, Chris Baker beat Graham Green at 18 in the 3rd game. The Wilts 1sts encounter with Hants 3rd team was evenly matched with the match score reaching 4-4. Brian Powell (WI) then beat Ray Lush (HA) 16 and 16 to give Wilts the win.

VETS DIV 3A: Y3. 5 BD2. 4. HE4. 7 CH3. 2. NP3 4 NP2. 5. Newcomers Yorks 3rds first match with Beds. 3rd team went to a 4-4 scoreline. Doug Bartle clinched a win for Yorks by beating Alex Murdoch 18 and 15 for a Yorks win and he added to a previous singles and mixed doubles success. With Ch3rds having to concede 2 events Herts 4th team got a 7-2 win. Alan Phipps (HE) won his singles events and the men's doubles with Keith Hartridge. Northants 2nds, with Dave Huddle winning both his singles at 18 in 3rd games, and Alan Ashberry getting similar success, got a 5-4 win over their 3rd team.

VETS DIV 3B: MI.3. 5 SK3. 4. BD3. 3 NK3. 6. Newcomers Suffolk 3rds put up a determined fight against Middx 3rds. Although 0-3 down Suffolk came back to win the 2 doubles events and, again at 2-4, fought back to level at 4-4. Jeff Ailward (MI) then got a 2 straight win over Stewart Sharman to give Middx a 5-4 win. Beds 3 and Norfolk 3, also newcomers, met in their first match. Norfolk 3rds went 3-0

ahead and concluded with a 6-3 win. G. Ridley and D. Dixon (NK) won their 4 singles events and combined to take the men's doubles.

VETS DIV 3C: DV3. 3 OX2. 6. SX4. 5 BU.2. 4. BK4. 3 Wi.2. 6. HA4. 7 HE.6. 2. Oxfords 2nds, on demotion, started with a 6-3 win over Devon 3rds by virtue of 2 wins at 19 and 21 in 3rd games. Alf Davies (OX) won his singles matches and combined with Sue Gokger to win the mixed doubles. Sue Gokger also beat Liz Newman at 16 in 3rd game. There were some very close finishes in the Sussex 4/Bucks 2 match. The Sussex team went into a 5-2 lead. Mike Atkinson (BU) then beat Chris Hatton 22, -19, 21 and Nick Hansell (BU) had a 17 in 3rd win over Trevor Wiramandaden but it was Sussex who got the 5-4 win. Wilts 2nds went into a 3-nil lead against Berks 4th team at the Kingfisher T.T. Club, Reading. Mike Oxley and Tony Mileham (WI) won their 4 singles and the men's doubles which gave Wilts a 6-3 win. 6 events went to a decider in the Hants 4/Herts 6 match but Hants were generally well on top to get a 7-2 win. Peter Mathews and Norman Stagg were involved in 4 of the Hants wins.

VETS DIV 3D: WI.3. 3 DV2. 6. WO2. 7

HR 2. GS2. 8 HR.2. 1. DV4. 6 SO2. 3. Devon 2nds went into a 5-1 lead on their visit to Wilts 3rd team. Colin Thompson PERFORMED Well for Wilts with singles wins over Graham May and Peter Nicholson. Wally Walton (DV) was involved in 3 wins and Pat Lyon won her 2 events in Devon's 6-3 win. Newcomers Worcs 2nds started well with a 7-2 win over Herefords. Clive Cook and Helen Pogmore (WO) were unbeaten. Harry Jutle and Neville Meredith each got a win for Hereford. Herefords 2nds are also newcomers and in their first match visited the Cirencester T.T. Centre to meet Glos 2nds. The Glos team was well on top and it was not until the final event that Norman Merchant got a win for Hereford 2nds when he beat Graham Holton 19,-20, 10. Devon 4th team met Somerset 2nds at Ilfracombe T.T. Club. Devon went into a 4-nil lead. Although Somerset then won the men's doubles and Wendy Pryce won her singles 12 and 14 Devon re-asserted to win 6-3.

LATE RESULTS -

JUNR DIV 1B: GN1. 10 Middx 2. 0. GN1. 8 GN2. 2. GN2. 1 SY2. 9. GN2. 6 Mi.2. 4. GN1. 8 SY2. 2.

VETS DIV 2B: HU. 2 E3. 7.

VETS DIV 2C: 8 K3. 1.

FROM A YOUNG READER

**A poem sent to Table Tennis News
by Thomas Müller aged 11 years,
from Rainham in Kent.**

*I love table tennis it's my favourite game,
I love to play it time and time again,
None of my friends play it and I wish they could,
If they new how good it was I know they would,
My Dad is a fanatic and so is my Mum,
All the family are budding stars we think it's so much fun,
There have been so many times I've dreamt of becoming a star,
I know if I keep practicing I will go far,
Winning is just so brill,
It gives me such an amazing thrill,
Table tennis is my favourite thing to do,
I hope it is the same for you.*

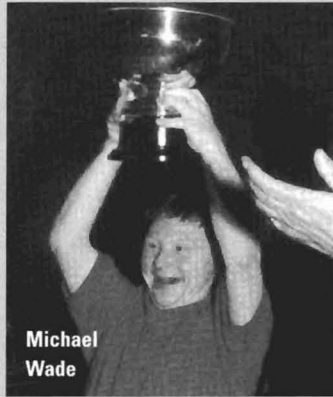
Well done Thomas!

Ian Littlewood reports on the BSAD Nationals and the BTTAD AGM

TABLE TENNIS was the winner

YORKSHIRE & HUMBERSIDE TOOK THE PLAUDITS IN BSAD NATIONALS. WHEN TIM VERNON, MANAGING DIRECTOR OF RECKITT & COLMAN, HANDED THE 'PLAYER OF THE TOURNAMENT' TROPHY TO MICHAEL WADE OF THE NORTH WEST, EVERYONE KNEW THAT TABLE TENNIS WAS THE WINNER! **WRITES IAN LITTLEWOOD.**

The BSAD National Championships, held at the Woodford Leisure Centre, Hull, for the first time, thanks to the Sponsorship of Reckitt & Colman and the support of Kingston upon Hull City Council, were most certainly a victory for Table Tennis. They were proof that a sport specific approach, rather than confining competition to particular definitions of



Michael Wade



Sue Gilroy

disability, is the way to eliminate discrimination between people of varying disabilities, The only item on the agenda this time being Table Tennis.

The Yorkshire & Humberside squad won the competition for the third consecutive time by winning 21 of the 32 class events available. The reason being the sheer size

of the Y & H squad. All credit to them, they must surely be a lesson to other regions who jealously view their success.

Supported ably by Kingston upon Hull City Council. With Wendy Watson, Humberside Disabled Sports Association's PR officer and Steve Hopkins, the ETTA development officer, striving to develop the squad.

They had winners Judy Smith (Women's Standing), Sue Gilroy (Wheelchair) and Colin Woodford (Men's Wheelchair) taking their respective Open titles. The only person breaking the mould being Tim Heaps of Southern region taking the Male Standing Open.

The North West took second place, their winners including Joyce Cockcroft (Class 3), Nadeem Ahmed & Barry Crook (Class 10 Doubles) and Joe Hennigan and Stuart Diamond taking the Class 2 Doubles. Stuart though actually represented Eastern region.

The Woodford Centre provided an excellent stage for the tournament and plaudits must go to Tournament referee Craig Milner and the ball boys and girls from the Sea Cadets and Preston and Hall Road Primary Schools.

Finally, Michael Wade was voted 'Player of the Tournament' by Match organisers and umpires. His face said it all in how much winning this prestigious award meant, and ultimately, how Table Tennis was the winner.

RECKITT & COLMAN

Five years ago in Reading the seeds of a dream were sown which finally came to fruition when the Reckitt and Colman British Sports Association for the Disabled National Table Tennis Championships were held in Kingston Upon Hull recently.

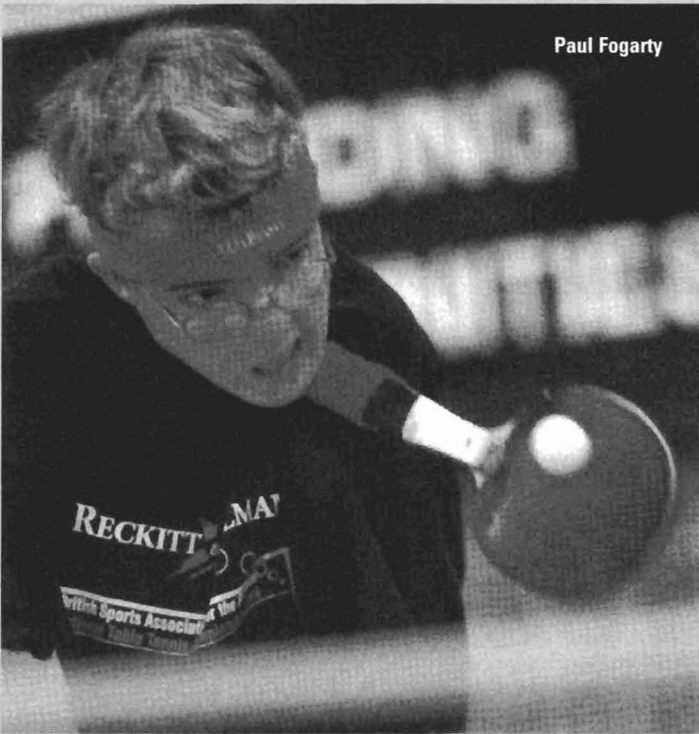
It was at Reading that the Yorkshire and Humberside squad came from nowhere to take the National Team Trophy runners up spot, losing out to the much fancied Southern Region by the narrowest of margins, and the campaign to bring this prestigious event to Hull was born.

It all started six years ago when the Hull Irish Centre offered the Humberside Sports Association for the Disabled a regular Monday evening base for an indoor Sport and Recreation Club.

The driving force behind the club was the HDSA's Wendy Watson. Wendy said "The Hull Irish Centre have been terrific. They gave us the base from which we could build and have supported us throughout".

So determined were Yorkshire and Humberside to succeed that several members of the squad are now qualified English Table Tennis Association Coaches and all their hard work has paid off.

Wendy concluded "Last weekend was the icing on the cake, It was a brilliant Championships which would not have happened without the support of Reckitt and Colman, Kingston Upon Hull City



Paul Fogarty



BTTAD AGM

The AGM was opened by Ted Inge, President of the Association. He introduced Phillip Lewis, chairman, who then underlined the achievements and objectives of the BTTAD.

Over 40 people attended the meeting to hear Phillip describe how the Association is developing since its inaugural meeting, two years ago. He outlined that the association whose outline was formed on disability, instead of sport, had first been suspicious of forming an intergrated Table Tennis association, had now become supportive of their fellow members and players.

The Scottish, Northern Irish and Welsh Table Tennis associations were now encouraging development of disabled players and looking at ways to increase the opportunities to further sport. The need for a national development officer was outlined to the members and it is hoped that the Sports Council and ETTA will align their responsibilities to enable a full time development officer to co-ordinate the regional officers in their efforts to create a squad that will be envied by the rest of the world.

The Blind and Partially Sighted have shown interest in joining the association and it is hoped other disabilities would follow suit.

The Chairman congratulated John Wood on the new format of Table Tennis News and thanked him for creating a vehicle to promote the sport amongst disabled players. Then, congratulations were given to those who were successful at the Paralympics and European Championships, earlier this year.

A committee was elected to back the officers and are thus:-
Chairman-Phil Lewis
Vice Chairman-John Jenkins
Treasurer-Bob Churchill
Secretary-Dave Russell
Committee members-Jane Blackburn, Martin Evans, Ron Gore, George Monaghan, Jim Munkley & Ian Littlewood
Co-opted members of the committee will be nominated by various sports disability organisations, i.e. UKSAPLD, CP SPORT, BALASA, BS & BDSC.

Council and all the people and organisations who have helped us to get where we are now." She added "I would also like to thank the Humberside Table Tennis Development Association, the Referee and Officials and not least the ball boys and girls who were drawn from the Sea Cadets and Preston and Hall Road Primary Schools. They were brilliant."

The Championships were a huge success both for the Yorkshire and Humberside squad and for the City of Kingston Upon Hull. Team Manager David Young said "The Championships were a tremendous team effort both on and off the table. I would like to thank the people of Hull for their support together with hosts Hull City Council and the Championships Sponsor Reckitt & Colman, who have been tremendous". He added "We want to win it again next year and I hope that it will be in Hull."

Results

MEN'S STANDING OPEN-Tim Heaps (Southern). **WOMEN'S STANDING OPEN**-Judy Smith (Y & H). **MEN'S WHEELCHAIR OPEN**-Colin Woodford (Y & H). **WOMEN'S WHEELCHAIR OPEN**-Susan Gilroy (Y & H).
MEN'S: CLASS 1-Ian Roberts (East Midlands). CLASS 2-David Russell (South). CLASS 3-Kevin Plowman (Y & H). CLASS 4-Alistair Balmont (Wales). CLASS 5-Colin Woodford (Y & H). CLASS 6-Clive Warley (Y & H). CLASS 7-David Hope (Y & H). CLASS 8-Michal Tran (Y & H). CLASS 9-Peter Taylor (Y & H). CLASS 10-Tim Heap (Southern). CLASS 11-Michael Snow (Y & H). **WOMEN'S:** CLASS 1-Margaret Hudson (Y & H). CLASS 2-Cathy Mitton (Y & H). CLASS 3-Joyce Cockcroft (North West). CLASS 4-Susan Thomlinson (Y & H). CLASS 5-Susan Gilroy (Y & H). CLASS 6-Tracy Long (Y & H). CLASS 8-Anne White (Eastern). CLASS 10-Judy Smith (Y & H). CLASS 11-Jackie Smith (Eastern). **DOUBLES:** CLASS 2 -Stuart Diamond (Eastern) & Joe Harrigan (North West). CLASS 3-John Seatter (Eastern) & Peter Downing (Eastern). CLASS 4-Cathy Mitton (Y & H) & Susan Gilroy (Y & H). CLASS 5 -Kevin Plowman (Y & H) & Colin Woodford (Y & H). CLASS 8-Michale Tran (Y & H) & Clive Warley. CLASS 9-David Hope (Y & H) & Peter Taylor (Y & H). CLASS 10-Nadeem Ahmed (North West) & Barry Crooks (North West). CLASS 11-Michael Snow (Y & H) & Alan Water (Y & H).

TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS (Top four)

1) Yorkshire & Humberside	292 Points
2) North West Region	86 Points
3) Southern Region	55 Points
4) Eastern Region	49 Points

TARGETS

AT A COMPETITION MOST PLAYERS WILL SET THEMSELVES A TARGET FOR THE DAY, OR FOR A PARTICULAR MATCH.

The type of target that they set will have a large influence on many aspects of their game such as

- What they are thinking about during the game
- The ability to take the game one point at a time
- On how they cope when the game is close (e.g. 20-20)

There are three main types of target that players can set aside for any specific match or an event as a whole.

(1) OUTCOME TARGETS

Outcome targets are based on the result or outcome of a performance in relation to others. At most tournaments this will end up with the target being simply

- To win the next match

These targets are easy to measure as it is obvious if the player has won or lost. These type of targets can be rather poor targets as they are often too easy or too difficult for the opponent that is being played. They can also put pressure on the player during the match, especially if they are losing, which many players do cope with well. This is not to say that wanting to win is bad but, as a target, it is not something that can be easily controlled by a player or coach.

A more controllable target can be set in the form of 'Performance Targets'.

(2) PERFORMANCE TARGETS

These are targets where you compare yourself to some kind of absolute standard such as the score in points or games. In table tennis good examples of performance targets are:-

- To take a game off an opponent
- To take a certain number of points in a game (e.g. get into double figures each game)
- To beat an opponent by a certain number of points (keep the opponent to single figures)

Although these targets can sometimes help players to cope with the possibility of losing they can also be rather unhelpful

targets. For example from a 10 - 10 scoreline the game will often slip away from the supposed lesser player because they think their job is done having set a target of getting into double figures.

With an emphasis on OUTCOME OR PERFORMANCE TARGETS these only tell us about WHERE we are going and say nothing about HOW to get there.

Therefore a third and rather more useful targets are 'Process Targets'.

(3) PROCESS TARGETS

This type of targets focus on the types of things players need to do in order to achieve success. For example, within the table tennis world an example could be to play a particular tactic i.e. to play the third ball wide to the forehand.

In theory, table tennis is a very simple sport in that all you need to do is to win one point at a time. If you do this often enough then you will win the game. The process oriented targets help players to break table tennis performance down into a succession of smaller packages of performance that they can feel they have some level of control over. Examples of other process oriented goals could be:-

- To remain relaxed during the rallies
 - To play positively on all strokes
 - To attack the third ball when serving
 - To serve short when you attempt to etc.
- Therefore the recommendations for setting targets for competition in table tennis are:
- Always set a specific process target for each game agreed between player and coach
 - Make any target realistic to the skill level of the player
 - Write the target down on a piece of paper
 - Work out with the player after the match how they did on the target
- If you would like to receive a brochure on Targets for Table Tennis please write to:*
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PEOPLE in the KNOW

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IN RESPONSE TO A HUGE DEMAND FOR GATORADE THIRST QUENCHER IN THE UK, THE WORLD'S MOST POPULAR SPORTS DRINK IS AVAILABLE HERE NOW.

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You may be familiar with the orange Gatorade coolers seen on the sidelines of all major American sports events - the product has also proved popular with top British athletes, since 1991, the national squads from over 30 sports in the UK have chosen to drink Gatorade in training and

competition - because it works.

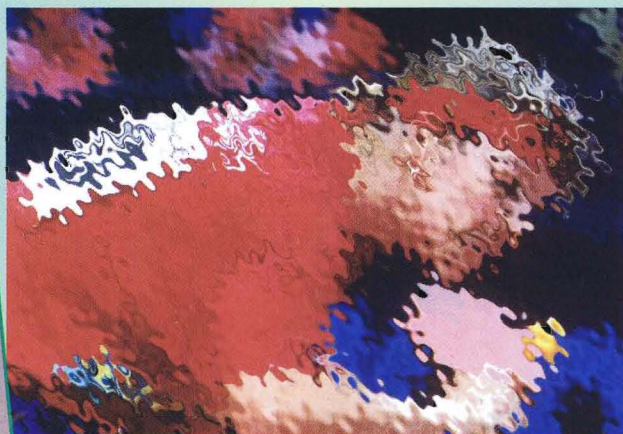
Gatorade is non-carbonated and is sold in distinctive 500ml bottles in four refreshing flavours; lemon, lemon ice, orange and tropical. Gatorade is currently available nationally at Woolworths and Shell Select outlets, along with a variety of London based convenience stores and gyms.

Brand Manager for Gatorade in the UK, Richard Bell, says: "Gatorade has been so popular with our National squads in the past few years - we are delighted that the product is now available for sportsmen at all levels."

So, if you want to perform at your best, reach for a cold Gatorade to really quench your thirst.



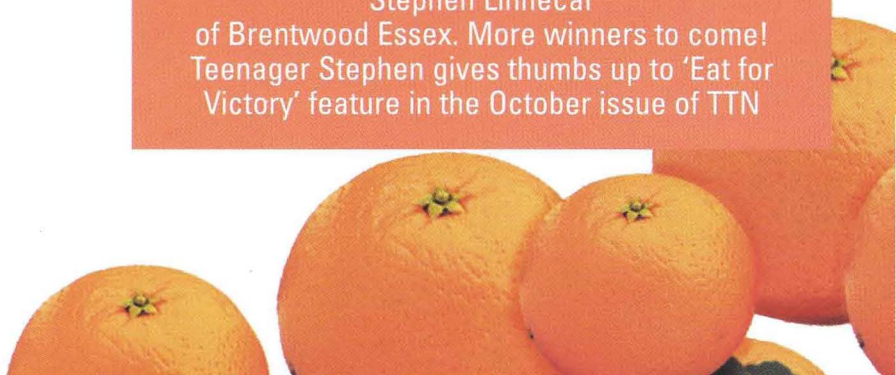
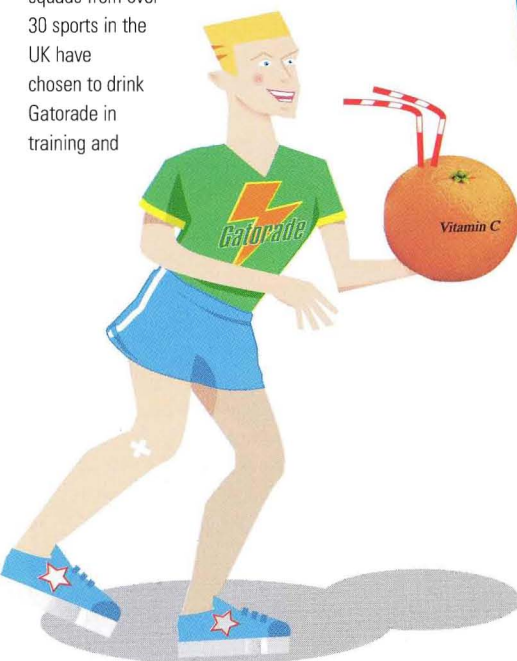
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STOP PRESS

First **FREE** 'Fit Banana' T-Shirt was won by Stephen Linnecar of Brentwood Essex. More winners to come! Teenager Stephen gives thumbs up to 'Eat for Victory' feature in the October issue of TTN



VITAMIN 'C' may reduce muscle damage

LARGE DOSES OF VITAMIN C - A GRAM A DAY - HELP REDUCE FREE RADICAL DAMAGE TO ATHLETES MUSCLES, A NEW STUDY REVEALS. A LEADING UK INVESTIGATOR NOW SUGGESTS THAT ATHLETES MAY BENEFIT FROM ADDING A HIGH DOSE VITAMIN C TO THEIR DAILY TRAINING REGIMES.

The new, ongoing study investigated vitamin C's benefits in a small number of student rugby players. "Rugby players damage cells in two ways," says Professor Rudolph Riemersma, associate director of the Cardiovascular Research Unit at Edinburgh University. "Firstly, through physical contact and, secondly, because intensive exercise leads to metabolic stress inside cells." Professor Riemersma explained that metabolic stress results from an exercise-induced increase in free radicals. "When we exercise there is a dramatic increase in oxygen consumption," he adds. Mitochondria, the cell's powerhouses, convert oxygen into water during respiration. But mitochondria also converts a small amount of oxygen into free radicals. Free radicals are atoms or molecules with an uneven number of electrons. This leaves the free radical highly unstable. To achieve stability, the free radical either removes an electron from another molecule or atom. This damages the surrounding cells. For

example, oxygen free radicals react with fatty acids - especially linoleic acid in cell membranes. As a result, athletes can, for example, suffer muscle stiffness, which impairs their performance.

This reaction, known as lipid peroxidation, also turns butter rancid. But measuring lipid peroxidation is difficult. Free radicals are short lived. "Until now we've had to rely on indirect measurements of free radical's effects," Professor Riemersma says. "now we have, in collaboration with the Government's Central Science Laboratory, Norwich, developed a method that documents lipid peroxidation in the body."

Our bodies evolved defences against free radical attack. For example, certain enzymes, antioxidant vitamins and other dietary antioxidants readily lose an electron without becoming unstable. This blocks the generation of free radicals and prevents damage. Our bodies are constantly trying to balance free radical production with our ability to mop up these toxic metabolites. "Our method detects any disturbances in that balance," Professor Riemersma adds.

During the first visit, the rugby players exercised on a stationary bike to determine their maximum oxygen consumption. The students, who train about six hours a week, then

returned after 2 and 4 weeks and exercised at 75 per cent of their maximum oxygen consumption for an hour. Half the students took 1000mg vitamin C daily for ten days before the second visit, the other half received placebo for ten days. The two groups then swapped regimens before the third visit. The researchers then measured blood lactate, oxidised linoleic acid, creatine kinase (a measure of muscle damage), plasma vitamin C levels and albumin (to correct for dehydration) before and after exercise.

On entering the study, the students had average vitamin C levels of 57 micromoles per litre. To put this in perspective, Professor Riemersma comments that scurvy develops once levels fall below 10 micromoles per litre. In Scotland, the general public's plasma vitamin C levels average 35 micromoles per litre. "The higher plasma vitamin C levels among these students may reflect competitive athletes greater awareness of a healthy diet," Professor Riemersma speculates. "This makes our results even more interesting. It means that even athletes eating a healthy diet can benefit from vitamin C supplements." After taking supplements, plasma vitamin C levels rose to 113 micromoles per litre.

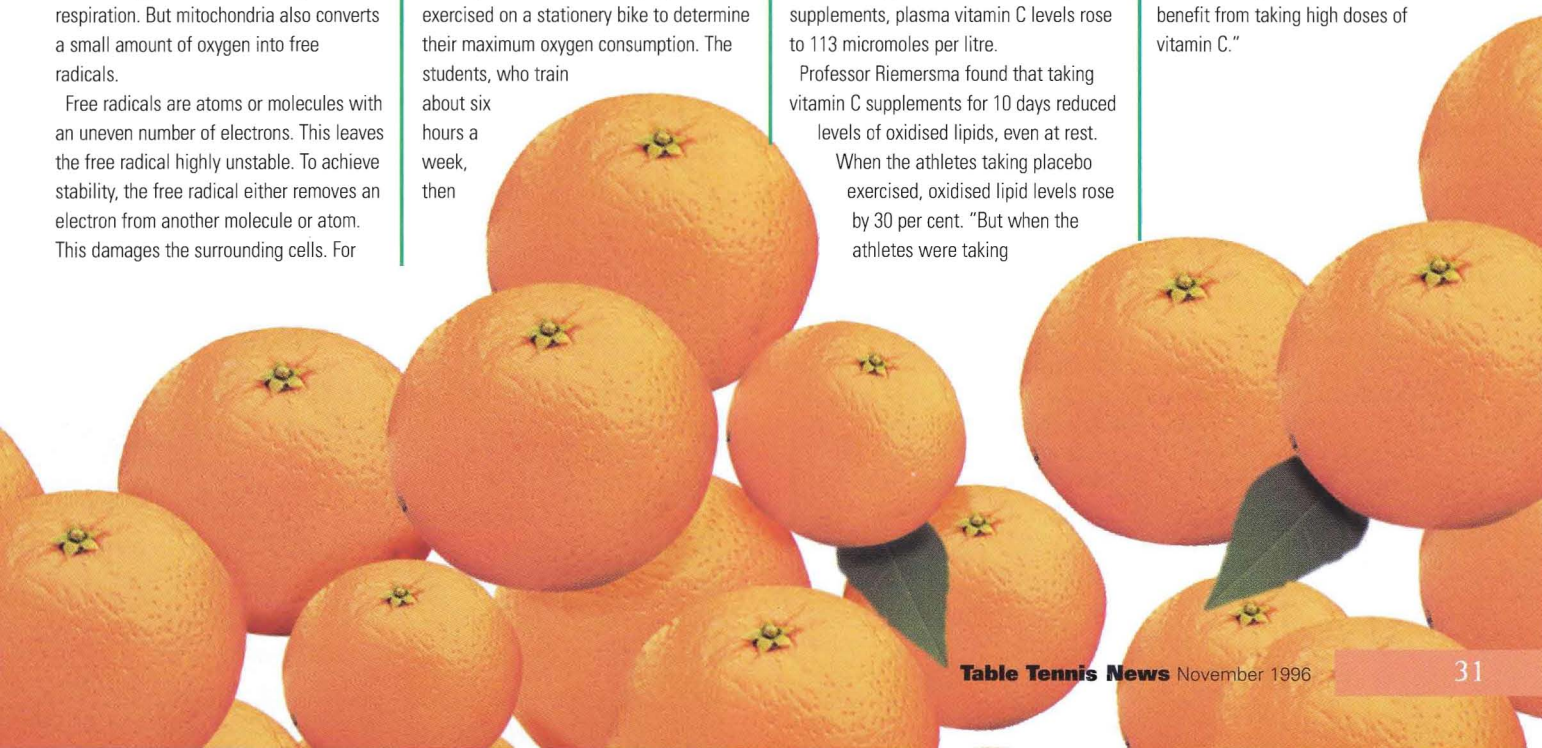
Professor Riemersma found that taking vitamin C supplements for 10 days reduced levels of oxidised lipids, even at rest.

When the athletes taking placebo exercised, oxidised lipid levels rose by 30 per cent. "But when the athletes were taking

vitamin C there was almost no increase in oxidised lipids during the first 20 minutes of exercise," he added. "However, the levels began to rise slightly towards the end of the hour's exercise. So it seems vitamin C supplements allow you to exercise for longer without suffering oxidative damage."

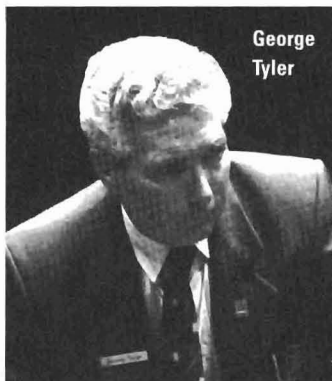
Moreover, students taking vitamin C supplements showed lower levels of creatine kinase before exercise. "The students were still training while they were taking vitamin C, so the lower levels of creatine kinase suggest that vitamin C either prevents muscle damage or results in the enzyme being excreted more rapidly," comments Professor Riemersma. "You can't avoid bumps and bruises on the rugby pitch, but maybe vitamin C supplements ameliorate the injuries."

"These initial results are very interesting and we now need to confirm these in a larger study and in other types of athlete, for example non-contact sports," Professor Riemersma concluded. "Our study suggests that a large dose of vitamin C reduces or delays lipid peroxidation. As a result, vitamin C also seems to help reduce muscle damage. So athletes may benefit from taking high doses of vitamin C."



The George Tyler column

WHO Needs Umpires?

George
Tyler

AN INTRIGUING QUESTION THAT NEEDS THINKING ABOUT. DO PLAYERS NEED UMPIRES? PLAYERS NEED UMPIRES TO ENSURE FAIR PLAY AND A FAIR RESULT, FOR WITHOUT UMPIRES, HIGH PROFILE MATCHES COULD DEVELOP INTO 'WAR' AS HAS BEEN WITNESSED IN ONE OR TWO VETERAN MATCHES. PLAYERS NEED UMPIRE SO THAT THEY CAN CONCENTRATE ON WINNING EACH POINT, EACH GAME, EACH MATCH.

PLAYERS NEED TO FEEL CONFIDENT THAT THE GAME WILL BE CONTROLLED FAIRLY, ACCORDING TO THE CURRENT RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Do spectators need umpires? Most spectators want umpires so that the game they are watching is skilful, exciting and correctly fought; so that it doesn't become bad tempered, petty and out of control. By using knowledge, expertise and experience, umpires can influence the presentation of the game and add to the enjoyment with moments of good humour and wit.

POCKET MONEY

Do the parent associations of table tennis need umpires? Do they want umpires? The answer must surely be yes, since umpires are to be seen at world, continental, international and national events. The I.T.T.F. and the E.T.T.U. even lay down regulations regarding qualification, numbers required and the amount of pocket money payable. The programmes of recruitment and qualification organised by parent associations is further evidence of the need for qualified umpires. What of the umpires themselves, do they see a need for umpires? They must do else why would they spend time and money accepting invitations to officiate at tournaments large and small.

POLITICAL PRESSURE

However there have been several occasions when the importance of the umpire has been subjugated by political pressure. Best known occurred at the World Championship at Dortmund during the final of the men's team event. The umpire called fault for the second time on serve, the player objected, the team captain protested and requested that the umpire be changed. The referee refused but after some thirty minutes he bowed to pressure and the umpire and his two assistants were changed. The spectators were amazed when an announcement was made stating that the umpire was correct in his decision, but that he was to be changed. Would it happen to a football referee after awarding a penalty or to a cricket umpire for giving a batsman out lbw?

Who needs umpires? I would welcome comments, agreeable or otherwise, on this subject.

TOO CRITICAL?

The first of the 'no-umpire' tournaments took place at Kings Lynn recently and I was interested to read a letter from a spectator, who is also a county umpire. In his own words he may be 'too critical', but he noticed services, equipment, player's clothing, coaching during games and behaviour going unchecked during most of the rounds. If this was so, might it not become the 'norm' for subsequent events? At best it will create problems of inconsistency for umpires.

For player-umpires the rule highlighted this month:

"The ball and the racket shall be above the level of the playing service from the last moment at which the ball is stationary before being projected until it is struck."

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Cheshire

Mike Johns

COUNTY TRIALS

The Cheshire Junior and Cadet trials were held at the Mid Cheshire Table Tennis Centre, St. Nicholas High School, Northwich over the weekend of 14th and 15th September. Winners were:

- CADET BOYS Kevin Ingham
- CADET GIRLS Lynsey Powell
- JUNIOR BOYS John Coysh
- JUNIOR GIRLS Gemma Lloyd

Following the trials the selectors announced the following ranking lists:

- JUNIOR BOYS**
 1. Chris Dunne (Wirral), 2. John Coysh (Liverpool), 3. Thomas Kennedy (Chester), 4. Matthew Machin (Crewe), 5. Kevin Ingham (Halton), 6. Michael Barker (Wirral), 7. Ian Heatley (Halton), 8. Russell Haresign (Chester)
- CADET BOYS**
 1. Kevin Ingham (Halton), 2. Ian Heatley (Halton), 3. Roger Dowsett (Stockport), 4. Daniel Horner (Wirral), 5. Mark McCormack (Wirral), 6. Neil Powell (Ellesmere Port), 7. Paul Rawlingson (Stockport), 8. Matthew Johnson (Chester)
- JUNIOR GIRLS**
 1. Karen Lockwood (Stockport), 2. Alice Howard (Wirral), 3. Gemma Lloyd (Wirral), 4. Terri-Ann Nolan (Wirral), 5. Tracy Latham (Crewe), 6. Rebecca Nolan (Wirral), 7. Kerry Hazelden (Mid-Cheshire), 8. Gillian Spragg (Stockport), 9. Lynsey Powell (Ellesmere Port)
- CADET GIRLS**
 1. Binita Joshi (Tameside), 2. Lynsey Powell (Ellesmere Port), 3. Kerry Hazelden (Mid-Cheshire), 4. Maire Teirney (Wirral), 5. Ruth Melling (Wirral), 6. Katy Ingham (Halton)

Arrangements are well in advance for the Men's European League match between England and Slovakia which will take place at the Victoria Centre, Crewe on Friday 8th November, commencing at 7.30pm. This is a vital match for England who must win to retain a chance of promotion to the Super Division. Neither side has, as yet, announced their teams but I believe that it is possible Carl Preat may make his return to the England colours.

For further information, contact Garvis Upton (01270 589981)

Derbyshire

Colin Deaton

KINSELLA COMEBACK

How pleasing it was to hear of the comeback into competitive table tennis of Martin Kinsella.

Former Irish International Kinsella has been involved in table tennis on the Derbyshire scene for several years playing a prominent part but for the last few years has been taking a back seat.

However, he is now back on form and playing National League table tennis for Uxbridge who are Derbyshire's only National League representatives. Apparently he played against Humberstone in the Division One north fixture and

was unbeaten. Well done Martin, carry on the good work. He was always a hard nut to crack and beware veteran players because he could well be a force to be reckoned with in the future.

Burton have developed a new star in table tennis but on this occasion it is not in the form of a young player but as a young umpire. Twelve year old Shaun Clifford has been acting as a twiddler for quite a while for all the National League matches at the UXBRIDGE Centre. At the last match he actually refereed his first match under the supervision of County Umpires Secretary Wilf Rhodes.

His ambition is to become fully qualified. We wish him well in this venture and we will monitor his progress with real interest.

Meanwhile Derbyshire star Steven Shaw continues his involvement with the UXBRIDGE Club in Burton by featuring a one night per week coaching session. How pleasing it is to hear of players of Steve's calibre putting something back into the game.

The Burton area continues to grow in table tennis circles. The latest acquisition being the forming of a new social centre with four tables namely St Chads. St Chads have already entered the Area Youth tournament for the first time.

John Anderson the Headmaster of Dronfield Junior School is again to organise the Derbyshire Schools Individual and Team Championships. These Championships have provided a platform for Derbyshire and England players in the past.

Congratulations to Bradley Billington on winning the men's singles in The Sussex Open. Bradley combines playing in the French League and work as a part-time Development Officer for Nottinghamshire and Lincolnshire areas.

Nicola Deaton produced some good form to win the Quadrangular Home Counties women's singles event and also remained unbeaten in the team event which England were the proud winners.

There can be no denying that Derbyshire could be well represented in the prestigious World Championships held in Manchester in the early New Year.

Alan Cooke, Bradley Billington and Nicola Deaton, injury apart could well be in the England Squads.

As a staunch follower of our game for forty years, I am more than concerned as to why no appointment has been made for the vacancy of the National Team Managers post.

I am reliably informed that an extensive search for the right man has been taking place. My personal view, and I know I have a lot of support when I say "Give Cookie the Job".

Our game, in lots of aspects is in the doldrums and I personally get very disappointed in our

game and the way it is being run and handled. However, we are told things are to change but I remain mystified that little or no progress is being made.

We spend 2 million pounds each year promoting and presenting all aspects of sport and sadly, I have to say we are falling further and further behind. We live in hope.

Finally, the dedicated Michael Isherwood has informed the County that he is to fly over from Germany to play in the Junior Premier Weekend. 'Ish' is already missed in Derbyshire Table Tennis Circles and his decision to commute to play for Derbyshire in the important weekend is further confirmation of the loyalty of this young player.

Devon

Tony Sweet

JUNIOR SCENE

After losing our top three junior boys the County is faced with a large rebuilding programme. It is refreshing for John Vincent, our Coaching Officer, to visit a tournament held at Exmouth Community College and organised by Brian Worts, in search of new talent.

Michelle Barrett (Plymouth) won the under 13 and under 16 events. In the under 13 boys Tim Watson (Plymouth) finished runner-up to the talented Craig Bryant (Somerset). Tim made a fine recovery in his quarter-final from 12-18 in the third against the promising Daniel Matthew (Exeter) to win 22-20. He then beat Daniel Strutt (Somerset) in the semi-final. Arjuna Neuman did well reaching the semi-final of the boys under 13 where he gave Craig Bryant his hardest game before losing 21-18, 21-18. All these Devon players are under 12 and showing good potential.

In the Division 2C of the County Championships Devon 2 are using a squad system of mainly cadet players. A defeat of 10-0 away at Wiltshire did not reflect the closeness of some of the games. Next a 6-4 home victory over Herefordshire was heartening. Cadet Stuart Gibbs (Newton Abbot) won 2, Michelle Barrett won 1 plus a very good effort against Leanne Neads (ranked 79) 15-21, 21-16, 19-21 justifies playing the eleven year old. Jessica Rotas (Torbay) also won both her games. Worcestershire outclassed our young team in Plymouth winning 10-0. However we competed well with positive play and no attitude problems.

SENIOR SCENE

Devon 3 and Devon 4 got their 1996/7 campaigns

underway in the County Championship when they played each other. The first game proved to be the closest contest of the day with the 4th teams No.1 man Shane Scott narrowly losing to the experienced Jon May 21-16, 20-22, 18-21. The next 3 matches all went Devon 3rd's way. These included wins for Colin Snow and Peter Thomas getting the better of Rory Harries and Daniel Adams. Both Rory and Daniel were making their Senior team debuts after serving the Juniors admirably for the last few seasons.

The Senior 4th's then pulled one back when Doone Cooper beat Dana Kratochvila 21-16, 16-21, 21-14. The only other success for the 4th team was when Doone Cooper completed a fine double by beating Liz May in straight sets.

VETERAN SCENE

At the time of writing I only have details of one County Veteran result. Devon's Veteran 1st team made the long trip to Kent a happy one when they got their campaign off to a winning start with a 6-3 victory. Devon's No. 1 Vet Mike Short won both his games in straight sets beating Keith Clark and Paul Beck. Mike was ably supported by Dennis Gibbs and Phil Reeves who both won one match each, Dennis beating Paul Beck and Phil defeated Dave Kellard. Penny Perry won her singles and along with Mike Short won the mixed doubles. The men were not so fortunate with Dennis and Phil losing out to Clark/Kellard in the third set.

OTHER NEWS

The Beacon Electrical Plymouth and District Table Tennis League are organising a fund raising tournament in aid of Sick Children in Crisis. The event will be held at the Plymouth League Headquarters on Sunday 8th December. The day will consist of Men's and Ladies' Singles events and will be played on a group basis. There will also be a fun drawn doubles event. Entry forms can be obtained from Cyril Whiting (01752) 223813. It is hoped players from all parts of the County will support this very worthwhile cause and have a good days Table Tennis in the process.

Essex

Steve Kerns

CAMPAIGN

The Senior second team began their campaign at Milton Keynes with a 5-5 draw against Bucks 1. Reagan Nettleingham led the way with two wins including and excellent two-straight success against Ian Musk, whilst Clive Carthy, Nikki Kennard and So Man all won one singles. The girls' wins both at deuce-in-the-third against Jacquie Lovell proved vital in gaining a point.

The Junior Ranking Committee have met and produced the following ranking lists. The junior first team were relegated from the Premier division last season and will be looking to rebuild this year. The Ilford league has made the greatest impression in the junior boys list with four players - Matthew Spero, Robin Glassberg, Stephen Spry and Daniel Cantale in the top ten. Also pleasing is the fact that the Clacton league (where the term junior normally refers to players under the age of 40) have three ranked junior boys - Matthew Howes, Hamish Wilson and David Hodgson.

The potential of our girls is quite exceptional and four of the top six under 17 girls, namely Natalie Bowden, Hannah Cook, Amy Wright and

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Nicole Todd are still under 13s.

Full lists are as follows:

JUNIOR BOYS:

1. Paul Lucas, 2. Matthew Spero, 3. Robin Glassberg, 4. Stephen Spry, 5. Andrew Hurry, 6. Gary Brignall, 7. Joe Benson, 8. Michael Piper, 9. Ben Warner, 10. Daniel Cantale, 11. Paul Woodcock, 12. David Kao, 13. Andrew Faiers, 14. Michael Ward, 15. Stephen Menon, 16. Philip Purser, 17. Charles Sweeney, 18. Daniel Spurling, 19. Andrew Grant, 20. Mark Palmer, 21. Dean Pearcey, 22. Matthew Siveyer, 23. Peter Ashworth, 24. James Mullane, 25. Matthew Howes, 26. Casey Cross, 27. Hamish Wilson, 28. Ben Stewart, 29. Dan Stewart, 30. David Hodgson.

JUNIOR GIRLS:

1. Catherine Woodcock, 2. Natalie Bawden, 3. Hannah Cook, 4. Amy Wright, 5. Nicole Todd, 7. Vicky Wood, 8. Clare Wright, 9. Kay Barham, 10. Karla Bryant, 11. Ana Siveyer/Katie Siveyer, 13. Lorraine Johnson, 14. Katie Mauthoor, 15. Caroline Faiers, 16. Louise Purser, 17. Katie Hanney, 18. Jenny Ashworth.

CADET BOYS:

1. Joe Benson, 2. Michael Piper, 3. Philip Purser, 4. Daniel Spurling, 5. Andrew Grant, 6. Peter Ashworth, 7. James Nelson, 8. Fadi Mikhail, 9. James Kayani, 10. David Brierley, 11. Ben Stewart, 12. Dan Stewart, 13. Aron Fennell, 14. Craig Webb, 15. Jamie Hanney, 16. David Hodgson, 17. Neil Disley, 18. Michael Sheehan.

Gloucestershire

Alf Pepper

County trials were held at Deer Park School, Cirencester, over the first two weeks of September, the organisers were Mrs Gill Smith, Graham Slack, Ken Bridle and John Bunn.

It was indeed pleasing to note such a large attendance, and equally welcoming to see the large number of juniors present, especially girls - the County have long suffered from a lack of lady players to call upon, but having said that we have always managed to get by, by the stalwart help of a small minority of ladies, who were available at the time, but currently both juniors in the boys and girls section appear to be heading for perhaps a new era of table tennis in the County.

Much hard work has gone into coaching and development of late, and Graham Slack, Dave Harvey and Steve Moreman should be congratulated for their efforts in this direction.

There will be some surprises in this 1st ranking list of the season - this is due to a policy change by the County Association, all future ranking lists other than Veterans, will only include players who have made the commitment that they are prepared to represent the County "For Tournament Purposes" and "County play". The following players have been given an honorary ranking: Natasha Williams, Dave Harvey, Graham Slack.

JUNIOR GIRLS:

1. Ann Humble, 2. Suzy Robinson, 3. Tiffany Hopton, 4. Rebecca Wherrett, 5. Sally Shuttleworth, 6. Katie Broad, 7. Katie Shuttleworth, 8. Rebecca Davis, 9. Jakia Hussain, 10. Nicola Burton.

JUNIOR BOYS:

1. Chris Roberts, 2. John Simmonds, 3. Daniel

Nelmes, 4. John Broad, 5. James Pugh, 6. Matthew Brooke-Smith, 7. Kitt Pogson, 8. Mark Pogson, 9. Russell Dowsett, 10. Adam Bonshill/Luke Davis.

SENIOR MEN:

1. Darren Griffin, 2. Dave Harvey, 3. Graham Slack, 4. William Dawe, 5. Dennis Holland, 6. Sylvester Callum, 7. Lawrence Symonds, 8. Alan Giles, 9. John Fannin, 10. Roy Fowler.

SENIOR LADIES:

1. Natasha Williams, 2. Ann Humble, 3. Julie Taylor, 4. Barbara Wynn, 5. Sheila Matthews, 6. Elaine Bassett, 7. Elaine Marshall, 8. Liz Johnson, 9. Suzy Robinson, 10. J Parker.

VETERANS:

1. Dave Harvey, 2. Dennis Holland, 3. Alan Giles, 4. John Fannin, 5. Roy Fowler, 6. Rob Wilsher, 7. Dave Adamson, 8. Peter Wood, 9. Graeme Holton, 10. Clive Little.

Continuing my reports of well known clubs around the County, this month we talk about "The Woodchester TT Club in the Stroud League". This must be the senior citizen club of the respective local region - following Sheepscombe and Nailsworth in strict terms of long and continuous membership.

Formed in 1967 by the members of the local Cricket Club, two of which are still playing today namely Chris Jenkins and Mike Hanks.

In the 1970 Olympic run by John Bunn merged with Woodchester to form two teams under the Woodchester banner, the afore mentioned became the Sec/Treasurer of the club, a position that he holds to this day.

John Smith joined the club in the 1972/3 season and is currently the club Chairman.

The maximum number of teams that the club has turned out in a season is 5, but for many years it has been running 4, with teams being split between Divisions 1 & 2.

The League honours list shows a Woodchester name on all the Divisional Cups - plus the Knock-out cup, however the highlight in the clubs long history happened when the club won the first division title in 1979/80.

Unlike many clubs when a person has joined Woodchester they do tend to stay, the clubs administrators like to think that this is because of the warm welcome which exists within the club for people who enjoy playing this great game of ours.

Natasha Williams, the Cheltenham based Welsh lady player is to play professionally in France this winter.

She has been transferred from Cheltenham Saracens, for whom she played in the British League - to Evreux. Such a move may have happened anyway, but it was hastened by the withdrawal of the Saracens team from the B.L.

Quotes Williams, "I'll travel to France every other weekend to play, but I shall continue to live in Cheltenham and play in the Towns League, of which I am the current secretary. The French League that I will be playing in is an all women's League, and I feel that this is the only way forward for me. I do not know yet whether I want to become a full time professional, but if I do, this should afford me a very good opportunity."

Williams, a sports management student at the Cheltenham and Gloucester College of Higher Education, believes that she would probably be ranked in the top seven or eight in England, if she were English.

Hearty congratulations, to Stroud's long serving Chairman and Chairman of the County Selectors John Bunn upon being the recipient of "The

Maurice Goldstein Award", an award indeed richly deserved.

Mike Brown is taking over the editorship of Cheltenham's TT Newsletter - "Net & Edge, previously well-edited by Graham Slack.

Congratulations are also due to our No 1 Junior and recently ranked No 2 lady, Ann Humble upon her successes in the Clare Pengelly Memorial 3 Star Events, at Paignton, Devon.

Ann won the U17 girl's singles, lost to Bethan Daunton (Wales) in the Open Juniors, and in the senior Ladies' Tournament, Ann beat Tina Russ (Nottingham), 13, 20 to run out as winner.

Hertfordshire

John Wood

ENGAGEMENT

Good news for Hertfordshire table tennis folk, is the announcement of the engagement of Cheshunt's Mark Dare to North Herts' Lindsey Booth.

The happy couple met as players ten years ago, but then suddenly in January of this year, just like a bolt of lightning, love struck these two likeable people.

They became engaged in August and plan to marry next year.

On behalf of everyone involved in the Hertfordshire table tennis scene, I wish Mark and Lindsey a wonderful future together.

VETERAN INTER-LEAGUE

Due to fixture congestion and Bank Holiday clashes, the Veteran Inter-League opening date of Sunday 13 October 1996 was cancelled.

The new dates for this popular competition are on the following Sundays: 19th January and 2nd March 1997.

FAMILY AFFAIR

Amazingly, in the North Herts League there are two teams made up of complete families. Playing in the Premier is Settlement 'A', consisting of father Alan Harding and his two married daughters Sandra Harper and Janice Laing, whilst in Division 2 Steve Dance plays in the same team as his two sons, Sam and James, for Bedwell.

NVQ LEVEL 2

Part of the first assessment for NVQ level 2 in table tennis coaching was held at the Cavendish School, Hemel Hempstead at the end of the summer.

The picture below is (left to right) Anne Green, a TDLB Internal Verifier, Stuart Sneyd, a TDLB Assessor, Paul Tarrant, a Candidate Assessor, Bill Webster, a Candidate Coach and Sarah Fraser, a pupil.



GIFT

A £100 donation to assist with the travelling expenses of the junior county teams was anonymously donated. The county are extremely pleased and wish to express their gratitude to the donor.

100 CLUB

Hertfordshire 100 Club needs new members. The cost is £13 per year and the new list will commence on 1 January 1997. Those interested please contact Brian Gale on: 0181 440 1721.

Isle of Wight

John Prean

WARMEST THANKS

This is the first piece of any sort I have written for over a month following surgery and hospitalisation. First, my warmest thanks to all those who had written to me or sent "get well cards". I don't know how the news got around, but it was touching to see how many friends I had. I shall write to all of them as soon as I can.

Our new centre, "the Carl Prean table tennis centre" staged the first Hampshire Junior Inter-Town day. I did stumble along for an hour or two. Though somewhat below full fitness, it was good to see all those young faces who came to represent their towns in this excellent tournament, always so well run by Harold Albery and his helpers. With Lucy Pointer on holiday and without Lorna Dutch, we were always going to be pushed to equal the wins of former seasons, but this was nevertheless what we managed to do with our boys, Danny Burns, James Ovnik and Ruaoire Farrelly winning their singles in the two matches. We were grateful to Amy Jukes for turning out at short notice, particularly when we say that one of our opponents did not have a girl at all, which gave us immediate points, though perhaps not quite in the way we could wish. With maximum points and with Lucy back, we can look forward to the second session with some confidence.

Lucy was also in the news in our "Cadet Trials". Our best player last season in the Hampshire Inter-Town Cadet competition despite being a girl and three years below maximum age, the trial produced an unpleasant surprise for her, as she ended in fourth place. This produced inter alia some heartsearching for her father, John, who runs the team and he acted, as one would expect, in an entirely honourable way and dropped his daughter! I was, of course, lying in a hospital bed at the time and so was spared possible adjudication as Chairman of the County. My own inclination would have been to play Lucy on the basis of last season's record. Trials should be a

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guide, not the be-all-and-end-all. No doubt, the decision would have been criticised, but this is not unusual in table tennis life, where those who try to do things get lots of stick and those who do nothing are regarded as 'nice guys' worthy of the highest honours. It is not surprising that our sport has managerial problems and not enough people to do things.

Even without Lucy, our cadets managed to win their first two matches. The first against Southampton (10-0) was not a problem, but the second against Bournemouth (6-4) certainly was and the title was all but lost. We were saved by Dean Whittington's hat-trick and Nathan Godelphin's two, two youngsters who have been putting in their practice stints all summer and so deserved success. As usual, we shall stage a second trial, since youngsters tend to improve fast on their earlier form.

Lucy fought back with two wins for Hampshire Juniors in Division 1, which is certainly a noble effort for an U-12. She reached the semi-finals of the Peniel U-12, but, having reached the finals last year, it was not quite up to our best hopes.

The general feeling remains that the "Peniel" is the best of our junior tournaments, better than the Junior Closed. The team event offers interesting team play and a second chance to go home with some successes. Danny Burns added to his ranking points.

Despite having our own centre, which provides regular table tennis in good conditions, our numbers, as expressed by league places, were down and it would have been worse than the two team we lost, if we had not undertaken frantic last minute efforts to cobble together teams from odd players who had lost team mates and so did not have a team. My letter file indicates that this is continuing to happen all over the country. The Ryde Club, which plays at the centre, has increased their numbers and their teams, but there is a decline further away. There are plenty of theories for the drop, which we take very seriously, but one recalls Mr Samaranch's dictum that sports who get little or no television are "doomed to struggle" against sports which are the TV darlings. One recalls the last real upsurge in our numbers around 1977 when, thanks to the Birmingham World Championships, we enjoyed more than thirty hours table tennis on BBC TV in ten days. The hours have fallen steadily until they reached their present level of near-zero, at any rate on the main channels. I can see no single more urgent problem for the sport. Recent poor results from our national teams cannot have helped our cause. We seemed, after all, more intent on playing politics than saving our men's team from double relegation and, prior to the Worlds, will have little to offer to our public, only a diet of second rate matches in lower divisions of Europe.

I continue to get letters as to when our player, Carl Preen, will play for England again. There is no problem on his side after the departure of Chen Xinhua back to China and changes in team management which were overdue. If the absence of Chen had not been kept from him, Carl would have accepted invitations to play both in the European Championships and the relegation matches against Poland. Alas, politics prevailed and so we went down in two major events. To lose a winning player is sad enough, to volunteer for the resulting disaster seems particularly inept. However, I expect a happier ending eventually.

Kent Adrian Hall

BEST WISHES TO OLIVER STEVENS

Our best wishes go to Oliver Stevens who was taken ill on holiday in the summer. I understand he is making a speedy recovery and will be playing again shortly.

KENT INTERNATIONAL JUNIOR OPEN

Entry forms will be out shortly for the Kent International Junior Open and although we are back at the Black Lion Sports Centre, Gillingham, with 23 tables, we are again likely to be over subscribed, so get your entries in early. Additional Entry forms are available from Reg Thompson 01634 235865.

THREE WINS AND FOUR DEFEATS FOR COUNTY SIDES

KENT Senior II 3 - Surrey Senior II 7

Two good wins here for N W Kent's Jon Huckle, ably supported by Angie Brisow, making her senior county debut. Mark Henderson was unlucky to get nothing out of the match losing 18-21, 21-13, 19-21 to Rasul Farhat and 16-21, 22-20, 16-21 to Jerome Jonah.

Kent: Jon Huckle (N W Kent) 2, Paul Smith (Ashford) 0, Mark Henderson (Medway) 0, Angie Brisow (T.Wells) 1, Crystal Hall (Maidstone) 0.

SUSSEX Junior III 3 - KENT Junior III 7

Thanet's Stephen Beerling playing his first representative match won both his games for Kent as did Maidstone pair Oliver O'Brien and Hannah Frarey.

Kent: Oliver O'Brien (Maidstone) 2, Wesley Cheeseman (T.Wells) 1, Stephen Beerling (Thanet) 2, Hannah Frarey (Maidstone) 2, Ellen Grant (Thanet) 0.

SUSSEX Junior II 7 - KENT Junior III 3

One win each for the boys was all that a young Kent 3rd team could muster against a much older and more experienced Sussex 2nd side.

Kent: Wesley Cheeseman (T.Wells) 1, Dominic Hall (Maidstone) 1, Stephen Beerling (Thanet) 1, Emma Etheridge (T.Wells) 0, Ellen Grant (Thanet) 0.

KENT Junior II 8 - AVON Junior I 2

Two wins each for Medway's Paul Cronin, Ashford's Amanda Bateman and Maidstone's Hannah Frarey were the backbone of a solid 8-2 home win over Avon.

Kent: Paul Cronin (Medway) 2, Mark Baker (T.Wells) 1, David Richardson (T.Wells) 1, Amanda Bateman (Ashford) 2, Hannah Frarey (Maidstone) 2.

KENT Veteran II 3 - DEVON Vetera I 6

Thanet's Keith Clark and Bromley's Dave Kellard were the only singles successes for Kent.

Bromley's Paul Beck (ranked 24) was unexpectedly beaten by Devons Dennis Gibbs (178) and Kellard (119) would have been disappointed to have lost to Devon's Phil Reeves some 50 places lower in the rankings. Devon's Mike Short (14) and Penny Perry (4) were

unbeaten.

Kent: Paul Beck (Bromley) 0, Dave Kellard (Bromley) 1, Keith Clark (Thanet) 1, Pam Butcher (N W Kent) 0, Men's Doubles 1, Mixed Doubles 0.

SUSSEX Veteran II 8 - KENT Veteran III 1

Tonbridge's Roger Pongram was Kent's sole point scorer in a match where Sussex never really looked in any trouble. Andy Meads, Barry Gilbert and Sheila King were unbeaten for Sussex.

Kent: Clive Hollingsbee (Canterbury) 0, Roger Pongram (Tonbridge) 1, Mike Kiiden 0, Gloria Dowding (Maidstone) 0, Men's Doubles 0, Mixed Doubles 0.

KENT Veteran IV 6 - HERTS Veteran III 3

Kent's No's 1 and 2 Graham French (Medway) and Sittingbourne's Ted Tydeman were unbeaten as Kent got a good 6-3 win over Hertfordshire 2nds.

Kent: Graham French (Medway) 2, Ted Tydeman (Sittingbourne) 2, Colin Henderson (Bromley) 1, Brenda A'Herne 1, Men's Doubles 0, Mixed Doubles 0.

CHRISTIAN FINALIST AT FIRST YASAKA GRAND PRIX

Medway's Christian Thompson reached the final of the Junior Singles at King's Lynn, losing to Berkshire's Gareth Herbert.

NATIONAL SQUAD

Medway's Christian Thompson and Scott Friday, Gravesend's Justin Dodd and Maidstone's Dominic Hall are all training again this season with the National Squad.

Lancashire Tony Meredith

Having already supplied the details of the Lancashire Junior Trials, I now have to devote part of this column to the senior and veteran ranking lists. The men's list contains such names as Andrew Eden, Jonathan Taylor and Sean Gibson, although it is unlikely that they will represent the County due to other commitments. The same applies to the top women Andrea Holt and Maria Thornley. It is understandable, I think, that top players will sell their wares to the highest bidder, and the County Championships is certainly not high on the bidders list. Maybe County associations need to form fund-raising committees to offer remuneration to their players who have reached International level. On the plus side it would appear that the juniors are still prepared to represent their county. With the advent of the British League the county programme has taken a back seat. Surely to represent one's county should be a great honour and it should be the link between inter-league and International level. We can only hope that some developments occur to bring back to appeal of the County Championships.

Ranking lists as follows:

MEN: 1. Andrew Eden, 2. Jonathan Taylor, 3. Sean Gibson, 4. Nigel Eckersley, 5. Phil Bowen, 6. Darren Howarth, 7. Phillippe Juniver, 8. Graham Clarke, 9. Paul Hutchings, 10. Kevin Dolder, 11. Stuart Richards, 12. Keith Williams.
WOMEN: 1. Andrea Holt, 2. Maria Thornley, 3.

Lindsey Thornton, 4. Brenda Buoe, 5. Paula French, 6. Amanda Winskill.

VETERAN MEN: 1. Nigel Eckersley, 2. Phil Bowen, 3. David Newton, 4. Brian Clements, 5. Derek Watmough, 6. Barry Crook.

VETERAN WOMEN: 1. Sylvia Graham, 2. Mabel Neary, 3. Alwyn Burrough, 4. Lesley Smallwood.

The County's only British League club, Seasiders of Blackpool, are running two teams in the new campaign, one in 2 North and one in 3 North. The first team of Howard Whewell, Dave Newton, Steve Bevan and Steve McNicholas have made a reasonable start with three points out of four. Dave Newton was the star in the opening match at Abbeydale (Sheffield) and Steve McNicholas beat Abbeydale's Kevin Green in the last set of the day to give the visitors the points. Strangely it was Steve who went down in a tense match with Ken Walton in the final set of the day against Leckie of Walsall. The win for Walton gave Leckie a point and yours truly awarded him 'player of the match'.

The second string of Dave Roberts, Brian Carney (a name from the past), Martin Ireland and juniors Chris Dunne and Andrew Rushton, have fared even better. They triumphed 6-2 at CWS Manchester and 7-1 at home to Grove III. Dave Roberts was player of the match at Manchester, where Chris Dunne also had two wins. Andrew Rushton took the eye and 'player of the match' award in the Grove match. Dave Roberts and Brian Carney were unbeaten but Andrew's 19 in the third success over Trudie Bloor was outstanding. She had earlier demolished Chris Dunne in straight games.

Middlesex Tony Taylor

ANNIVERSARY

On September 1996, we celebrated the 50th Anniversary of the formation of the Middlesex Table Tennis Association. The dinner was held at the Carnarvon Hotel, Ealing Common and was attended by our President, Russell Grant, now the Lord of Ashford Middlesex, and by the Chairman of the Federation of Middlesex Sports, Fred Griggs, and his lady. Although the overall number attending was rather disappointing with none of our current leading players able to come, it was lovely to see so many of the "old" faces from our past. Michael Close, our Chairman, gave a talk on the 50 years of our existence, speaking of past achievements as well as our more recent successes. The toast to the Association was proposed by Geoffrey James, Life Member and past Chairman, and replied to by our President. Russell, who is an inveterate "Middle Saxon", stressed the importance of keeping the name of Middlesex alive, despite there being no administrative County of that name, and undertook to sponsor an Inter-Club Competition if we could organise one.

The occasion was also used as an opportunity to present Doris Moors with the Maurice Goldstein Merit Award which had been approved by the ETTA Honours Committee.

The evening was enjoyed by all who attended, and many old friendships were renewed.

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Norfolk

Ray Hogg

SHIRLEY TEMPLE?

Must get up to date with things that happened last season. Gary Hewitt with the Shirley Temple haircut, went along to the U21s and came away as a runner up. Like his daddy, a very laid back competitor with such a talent that many would give their all away to have. Virtually unbeatable in the King's Lynn league and now 2 clubs in Norwich are after his services to help them clinch the premier championship.

Wayne Thron on his way up became winner of Class 2 and runner up in Class 1 at Hull and we hope will keep up his form to help the county juniors first team. While on King's Lynn I had a look at their specific TT centre that is being built at Lynnsport. When complete this should become the premier place to be in Norfolk and with the superb organisation by the KL committee I expect great things. This organisation had much to do with the running of the first Grand Prix and having seen them in action on the Sunday deserve congratulations in saving the ETTA much money in stewardships.

County matches: Juniors - all 3 teams played 3 matches each at St Neots with now 1 and 2 ranked boys missing. This gave a chance to some new boys and girls and all played their bit and learned a lot. From reports they are all looking forward to the next time if selected. Talking of selection, I gather that there are various versions of the junior ranking list about. The only one that matters is the one I have submitted with the approval of our selectors. It was on the board at the Norwich TT Centre but was removed after being vandalised. Vets 2nd team without Mick Musson who had been selected to play tennis for the England Over 45 team enabled us to give a debut to Trevor Bunn who is capable of and is expected to do very well in the veterans scene. Vets 3rd in their first ever match had the experienced Jim Defty leading some new to County play veterans to a 6-3 victory. Already I hear that we could have a 4th veterans team as the word gets round how enjoyable it is and all the players unable to get in to the current 3 teams would welcome it. Something to think about later in the season.

Northamptonshire

Dennis Millman

PROMISING

Following the disappointments of last season, Northants Veterans made a promising start to the new campaign, with the three sides producing a maximum quota of two wins, for with the Seconds and Thirds in direct opposition, only one side could emerge victorious.

In the event, though hard pressed by Phil Slade's team, it was the Seconds who came out on top, albeit by the narrowest of margins. Alan Ashberry and David Huddle both won twice, with only Ashberry's game against Gerald Finney not going the distance, whilst the Seconds' other win came in the mixed doubles from Brian D'Hooghe and Muriel Cox.

Sue Moloney made her county debut and upset

the rankings when she beat Mrs Cox in straight games, while Bill Fletcher, Finney and a Slade/Finney doubles made sure that the eventual winners could never become complacent.

The Veteran Firsts entertained Staffordshire and were again unable to find a place for Northants highest ranked player at both national and county level, Gordon Shaw.

However all Northants team members contributed to the win, with only Margaret Maltby avoiding defeat in both singles and doubles, something she accomplished with her customary skill and determination. Additional successes came from Michael Edwards and Keith Jones, who both accounted for the Staffs No 1 John Riley, whilst Edwards combined successfully with Brown to add an excellent men's doubles.

More than thirty juniors were put through their paces by Development Officer Dave Marsh and Junior Administrator Ian Yarnall at Wellingborough's Sanders Gate, when a County Junior Assessment was staged. At the end of an absorbing day the following players qualified for a series of eight coaching sessions scheduled from October to February.

Advanced Training Centre: Andrew Thomas, Majid Soorty, Imran Soorty, Darren Toogood, James Fitton, Gabrielle Evans, Mark Stockley, Greg Yarnall, James Trunk, Ashley Vertigan, Ian Grant and Ben Foster.

County squad: George Caruana, Louise Gallagher, Neil Jarrett, Andrew Naidu, Carlton Elwood, Lorraine Hart, Lizzie Todd, Paul Skipper, Laura Mines, James Rumford, Paul Chaffield and Carl Barric. Reserves: Michael Clark and Karl Houghton.

Additionally James Fitton, Greg Yarnall and Imran Soorty were nominated to take part in regional squad training with Yarnall and Fitton selected to participate in the England trials at Grantham. Meanwhile Gabrielle Evans will continue to pursue her regional training in the Eastern Region under coach Ken Marchant.

Maybe it won't be long before some of these youngsters appear high on the Queensbury Scimitar County Ranking List currently headed by Kieron Dabbs, with beaten county men's singles finalist Ryan Keates in second place. Other leading players include: 3. Gordon Shaw, 4. Alan Ashberry, 5. Andy Edmonds, 6. Graeme McKim, 7. Andy Trott, 8. Ian Hawes, 9. Richard Elliott, 10. Adrian Roper, 11. Keith Jones, 12. Julian Marshall, 13. David Gallo, 14. Steven Silk, 15. Ian Bird, 16. Steve West, 17. Michael Edwards, 18. Chris Gibbons, 19. Mark Nannery, 20. Terry Luxton, 21. Steve Brown, 22. Rafe Miller, 23. Mike Pond, 24. Phil Shelling, 25. Geoff Atkinson.

The Kettering season got under way with the first round of the Borough Trophy and on the first night four of the five Corby Town sides were in action at Lodge Park. Tanya Svetlova and Kenny Clarke both notched hat-tricks to put their teams through at the expense of higher rated opposition, whilst an unbeaten Andrew Thomas, conceding an average of sixteen point per end, gave Kettering Town the verdict against a Corby side, containing two players new to league play.

Although the number of teams remains the same in Kettering, one pleasing feature is the registration of more than a dozen senior players who haven't previously played competitively. Perhaps last April's English Open did have a beneficial effect after all!

Northumberland

Pauline Long

LOOKING AHEAD

The veteran's team, having been relegated to Division 2A, reverted to home and away fixtures instead of two weekends for this season, and were looking forward to their first match at home to Warwickshire II on September 21. Unfortunately Warwickshire for reasons of their own conceded the match, and I trust we are not about to return to the days when teams at various levels conceded rather than travel to Northumberland to fulfil the fixture. It is recognised that geographically we are at a disadvantage compared with other counties, but I should also point out that, to my knowledge, our County has never conceded an away match at senior, junior or veteran level, often travelling long distances in one day to fulfil our fixtures in the proper manner. If we are prepared to accept our County commitments I fail to see why it should be so difficult for some other teams.

On a happier note, we are delighted to learn that Wenad UK (Blyth) will continue to sponsor the junior and senior County teams and National Power the Northumbria League for at least this season. The new League season is at the time of writing only two weeks old, but already last season's champions Gateshead 'A' are setting the pace in Division 1, having won both their matches in convincing style. Blaydon YC 'A', Newton 'A' and YMCA 'F' in Division 2, Stanley YC 'B' and Oxhill YC in Division 4 are all unbeaten in their first two matches.

Nine players from Northumberland and North Tyneside took part in the British Sports Association for the Disabled (BSAD) National Championships at Hull over the weekend September 20-22, the majority having some Division 4 League experience with Crumlington 'E' team. Arthur Wade and Liz Cree each won silver in their events, while Noreen Wade, Andy Holland and Paul Agrew took bronze in their categories. The other competitors were Dawn Smith, Simon Smith, Keith Knox and Paul Craggs. Team manager Stan Cree deserves a special mention for his representation at team meetings and ironing out several operational problems, as well as driving the bus to Hull and back. A thoroughly enjoyable weekend was had by all and it must be said that the efforts of our less fortunate friends put some of the more able-bodied players to shame. What a contrast to the events quoted in the first paragraph of my report.

Oxfordshire

Avril Haynes

JUNIORS

At the recent trials the following were ranked:

JUNIOR BOYS:

1. Ellis Bicknell, 2. Danny Symcox, 3. James McGan, 4. James Hague, 5. Benjit Dhesi, 6. Sanjit Sidhu

JUNIOR GIRLS:

1. Nicola Pavitt, 2. Nicola Gilbert, 3. Gemma Gilbert, 4. Anna Maher

CADETS:

1. Danny Symcox, 2. Devin Cruickshank, 3. Ashley

Cox, 4. Andy Hook, 5. John Camillari, 6. Lewis Cox, 7. Oliver Parkinson

VETERANS OFF TO A GOOD START

All three teams have now played their first matches in the county veterans league with wins for the 1st and 2nd teams and only the third team losing.

RESULTS

Oxon 1 bt Hampshire 2 5-4 in an exciting match with seven rubbers going the full distance. Nat Richardson played very well for his two singles wins and was ably supported by Karl Bushell one singles win and Janey Brown who won her singles 24-22 in the third game. Eddie Herryry won his last singles easily to clinch the match.

Devon 3 and Oxon 2 at Exmouth resulted in a fine win for Oxon 6-3 who fielded a weakened side. Alf Davies won both singles and teamed up with Sue Gogkor to win the doubles, Sue Gogkor also won her singles.

Ian Arnold who was a very late replacement, won a singles after being 6-12 down in the third and recovered to win 24-22. Ian Arnold and Neil Hurford also won the men's doubles. This was a very hard match which was played in a squash court with good conditions.

Herts 5 bt Oxon 3 6-3. Nigel Taylor played well for his two victories and Chris also played well for a singles win.

Somerset

Louis Jones

IN FIGHTING

There was fighting within the ranks of the Somerset Juniors and Cadets on the 15th of September as ten of the top eighteen boys contended for a higher place on the 1996 ranking sheets. With Michael Ong, Chris Filer, Sam Reynolds and Roger Holloway gaining automatic entry to the top four slots the battle was on for rank 5.

Ben Grant and Craig Bryant were the boys to beat on the day with both Jamie Hamblin and Jon Doel each making their presence felt in the final games. All the players at the trial played above themselves and Somerset's top seedings are going to be far from settled over the next couple of seasons.

The top 10 Junior Boys Rankings are as follows:- 1. Michael Ong, 2. Chris Filer, 3. Sam Reynolds, 4. Roger Holloway, 5. Craig Bryant, 6. Jamie Hamblin, 7. Ben Grant, 8. Phil Tilloson, 9. Jon Doel, 10. David Dredge.

The biggest jump on day was made by Kevin Beale who climbed seven places from last year going from 18th to 11th.

October will see the start of the National selection process and more specifically the South West Regional trials at Cirencester. Filer, Reynolds, Holloway, Dowl and Hamblin have been forwarded to represent Somerset for the Junior Boys, and Claire Gibbs for the Junior Girls. The strong Cadet line up will consist of Craig Bryant, Ben Grant, Phil Tillotson and Kevin Beale along with Helen Round, Liz Frazer, Rachel Folland and Alison Holloway.

At Local League level Taunton made a novel start to the 96/97 season with the introduction of a pre-season "Hard Bat Tournament". Players

A look around the country

who would usually play with the more common sponge bats had to make a hurried switch to playing with the non sponge bats provided. Although at times players may have fared better with a broken and of a junior hockey stick the general level of play was kept high.

It was a bag of mixed fortunes for Somerset's Juniors and Veterans as they opened their 96/97 season last month. Vets 1 took centre stage at Westlands crushing Sussex's third team in an impressive 8-1 victory. The Brian Reeves foursome were unlucky not to have completed the white wash after leading 8-0. Vets 2 didn't fare so well at Ilfracombe as their scratch team bowed to a respectable 6-3 defeat at the bats of Devon.

Finally Somerset's Juniors complete the selection of results by drawing with Dorset again at home although it was left to the girls to save the match. Claire Gibbs and Helen Round each won both their singles matches and Chris Filer made it five. Sam Reynolds and Michael Ong made disappointing starts to the season neither winning a single game.

NEXT MONTH

Juniors play a doubles fixture at Godnay against Cornwall and Devon 2, Hampshire 3 and Gloucestershire 2 take on the Vets.

The Seniors open their season with a double clash with Devon 3 and Devon 4. Until then....Happy Batting.



UNTHINKABLE

On behalf of South Yorkshire may I thank Rea Balmford for his kind words to the leagues who have left his county association to form their own. Twenty years ago our departure from Yorkshire would have been unthinkable but subsequent events have gradually forced us into an untenable, isolated position from which severance was inevitable. However, we will miss the likes of Rea.

The new county officials are: Chairman - R Loxley; Vice-chairman - L Stocks; General Secretary - S Wainwright; Assistant Secretary - L Patrick; Treasurer - Mrs L Swift; Publicity Officer - J Hatfield; Development Officer - A Dawson; County Match Secretary - K Whittaker; Competition Secretary - K Whittaker; Coaching Secretary - I Folger; Tournament Secretary - M Travis; Umpires Secretary - S Wainwright; National Councillor - R Loxley.

We are obviously disappointed to have missed the county championships this season but Keith Whittaker and Mick Travis are busy organising a South Yorkshire inter-club competition and county closed tournament respectively.

The race for the championship of Division One in the Hallam League appears wide open with five obvious contenders. Last season's Sheffield titleholders Vulcan still look powerful despite losing Andrew Horsfield who has joined brother Stephen to mount a serious challenge from Stockbridge.

Fletchers have a strong Doncaster flavour to their impressive squad while Abbeydale's formidable line-up includes Mark Short, Trevor Williams, Clive Guest and David Charlton. Crookes pipped at the post several times recently for the Sheffield title, could clinch top spot with

Nicola Deaton leading a posse of Derbyshire stars.

As a keen local historian, I am indebted to TTN compilers for pointing out, in my September notes, two alternative spellings for the ancient place name Hallam. I was quite unaware of these and other variations in spelling.



STRUGGLE

Sussex are going to face an ever bigger struggle to stay in the premier division of the county championships this campaign. Several narrow wins in the past have been achieved on the strength of our ladies - Sally Weston and Teresa Bennett.

But, Teresa has made a temporary retirement to start a family and that will not help Sussex stay up. In her place will be Joanna Bush-Harris the young Brighton women's champion. But Jo has heavy commitments - she is just starting a three-year course in physiotherapy at Brighton University here in Eastbourne and will, she feels, need to give her studies top priority. She has been picked for the first premier weekend in place of Teresa.

Horsham are flying high at the top of the premier division of the British League where for the first time since the league started, the competition is not dominated by two teams - Grove and Peniel.

The former Horsham No 1, Nigel Tyler is now away working in Germany, so Horsham are having to rely on the volatile but extremely hard-hitting Mike Hammond, and the experience of Ritchie Venner.

They had hoped to see new "signing" Christian Thompson filling in at No 4 in the premier side, but things are not working out for Christian. He lost one game in his first match in Division 1 and then was unable to play in the next match because he was practising with Alan Cooke.

36 Sussex players appeared in the English National Championships at the swish Brighton Centre last March. As the event is again being held at the Centre this March, it is hoped that nearer 50 local players will be participating.

The search continues for a breakthrough from the junior ranks. Robert Abbotts is holding the No 1 position on the new Sussex junior list with Chris Hancock and Mark Forder at Nos 2 and 3. Abbotts spent some time in Sweden this summer, but can any of these three afford "to give up their day-jobs" (studies) and concentrate on table tennis?



UNAVAILABILITY

As promised in the October Notes, I bring you news of the opening County Veteran matches from the County Championship, played on Saturday 21 September. The Veteran 1sts (Ken Walton, Ray Dixon, Roy Norton and Janet Hunt), travelled to Southampton to tackle Hampshire 1 whilst the newly formed 2nds entertained near neighbours Herefordshire at Jim's Gym in Lye.

Unavailability of one or two players meant an opportunity for Willie Aherne, Martin Clark and Clive Cook, along with Helen Pogmore, to open their accounts for the 2nds and more info on the fixture in the next notes.

The 1sts suffered a 6-3 reverse in an entertaining match, with Janet and Roy taking a singles each, and Ray and Janet the mixed. Defeats at deuce in the 3rd and 19 in the 3rd against Chris Shetler and Chris Wilshire respectively for yours truly, gave a glimpse of what might have been! Senior 1sts and 2nds begin their quest for glory on October 26th with matches also in Hampshire, against Somerset, Avon, Cornwall and Gloucestershire with initial hopes resting on messrs Horton, Brookes, Rogers, Roden, Hunt, Totley, Siket, Ward, Hill and Price, so best of luck to all concerned. Following requests from last season, players have been made clearly aware of the criteria used for Selection, and everyone now hopes that they can concentrate their efforts on playing and winning...the hard bit. Confirmation of County Closed dates as follows: Juniors, 24 November at Christopher Whithead School, and February 2 (Seniors) at Droitwich L.C. Haven't heard from Syntegra City of Worcester in Division 3 of the British League, but with the likes of Dave Harvey, Dawer Griffin, Bill Dave and Lewis Siket in the squad, they will certainly take some beating!!

Finally this month (along with County Rankings), news from the Dudley league points to Bromley 'A', Hill Top and Jim's Gym 'A' and 'B' fighting it out for Division 1, with the 2nd and 3rd divisions harder to predict.

Rankings

SENIOR MEN

1. Steve Horton, 2. Mark Brookes, 3. Dave Rogers, 4. Adrian Totley, 5. Lewis Siket, 6. Craig Ward, 7. Mark Fiddian, 8. Nick Mytton, 9. Steve Dorrell, 10. Mike Brown, 11. Willie Aherne, 12. Ian Wood (Junior)

SENIOR WOMEN

1. Sandra Roden, 2. Carrie Hunt, 3. Joanne Hill, 4. Sarah Stone, 5. Stephanie Price, 6. Janet Hunt, 7. Helen Pogmore, 8. Lynda Reid

VETERAN MEN

1. Trevor Washington, 2. Ken Walton, 3. Ray Dixon, 4. Roy Norton, 5. Mervyn Wood, 6. Eric Hardman, 7. Ray Williams, 8. John Stafford, 9. Martin Clark, 10. Willie Ahern, 11. Clive Cook/Kwok Chan, 13. Eric Calver

VETERAN WOMEN

1. Janet Hunt, 2. Helen Pogmore, 3. Lynda Reed, 4. Beryl Shannon, 5. Sheila Ashby

Selectors Are:

- Ken Walton - Chairman
- Sandra Roden
- Bernard Leach
- Roy Norton (Veterans Only)

All rankings current as at September 1996 but subject to change.



LOOKING BACK

I will open these notes with a brief look back into the close season where with a very good friend of table tennis, and particularly Yorkshire table

tennis, Cyril Villiers from the Sports Council, presented the awards at the County's annual Dinner and Presentation Evening.

Noteworthy among the individual trophies was the Leslie Forrest Memorial Award, which went to Scarborough supreme John Caton for his tremendous work in the resort - isolated geographically, but very much to the fore in table tennis activities.

And two other awards are well worthy of mention in this column - the J A Cram award for the most improved junior, which went to Wakefield's Mark Heptonstall, in his final Junior year, for a series of consistent performances on the tournament circuit, and a 'Special Badge' to Granville Thornton of the Bramley Ebernezer club in Leeds.

I am not going to list Granville's achievements in detail - let us just say that when something needs to be done, he is the man who always seems to be on hand to do it.

Still with the summer season and over to Halifax - a League who have been in the shadows for a number of years but, with the new T T Centre proving to be a huge success, are looking to again be a force in our sport.

First League to provide me with 'copy', Halifax have enjoyed a busy summer which brought parliamentary interests to T T when local MP Alice Mahon presented prizes and certificates at the close of a holiday course at the TT Centre which featured youngsters between the ages of 6 and 18.

Final tables for the Summer League are not yet to hand, but Grasshoppers are keeping things on the boil as their squad of Denis Norburn, Alan Dickinson and youngsters Martin Bowers and Craig Normington have opened up a big gap that their nearest challengers - would you believe it - Grasshoppers III! - will find it almost impossible to close.

Hull opened their new Centre with a Summer Veteran Invitation tournament, which seemed to be enjoyed by fifty competitors from places as far apart as Birmingham, Suffolk and the North East, while two of the titles stayed at home as Carol Judson (Wakefield) and the evergreen Geoff Brook (Huddersfield) came out on top in their respective events.

Yorkshire is again well represented in the British League with City of Leeds, who have now joined forces with AALCO, fielding three teams, Derwent two and Hull one.

Also due to get underway before these notes appear in print is the Yorkshire League programme which, despite the counter - attraction of British League, will comprise no less than 84 teams in four age groups - Senior (19), Veteran (27), Junior (17) and Cadet (21) - a very healthy situation with the Veterans remaining in the sport, the youngsters coming along extremely well and the seniors providing the smallest of the three groups in competition with British League - one of the few competitions which does not operate on a 'central venue' basis.

Why not look at this pattern for British League - a move which would strengthen County and Regional competitions and save thousands of boring mile travelling up and down the country's motorways.

Back to the Yorkshire League and the three Veteran Divisiona and Men's Division 1 will play on a 'home and away' basis with all remaining divisions - Men's Premier, Ladies and all six Junior and Cadet Division using the "central venue" system.

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OBITUARIES**LOUIS HOFFMAN**

who passed away on 20th September 1996

It is very sad to have to report the death of
somebody who might well have been
called 'Mr Table Tennis'. There really was
not anything in the game which he did not
do. He was everybody's good friend and,
throughout his life, did his utmost to
advance the interests of the same.

When I first played in the North
Middlesex League circa 1959, Lou was
already a leading light and was running
the Closed Tournament. Shortly after this,
he took over the role of Representative
Match Secretary. It was at this time that
Lou had the brainwave of transforming the
ground floor of his house into a table
tennis hall, in which most of the League's
matches were staged. He also started up a
team in the Willesden League called "The
Lou Hoffman Club" and he appeared to
have registered half of London to play in
the teams, a lot of whom did not even
know that he had done so. People often
got a phone call asking whether they could
play that night and the chances are that
when they got to the Club, they found
themselves playing alongside Chester
Barnes or Les Haslam, or Connie Warren,
or the like!!

In 1972, Lou was made a Vice-President
of the North Middlesex League and
became Chairman in 1974 which position
he held until he stood down in 1985 when
he was made President of the League. He
held this position until his death.

Throughout this period, Lou was serving
on the Committee of the Middlesex County
Association and held down various posts
for them, including being their National
Councillor between 1966 and 1973. At this
time, Lou used to boost the circulation of
Table Tennis News by selling copies
throughout Middlesex and also acting as a
roving salesman at many tournaments.

Lou was never happy about the way in
which our sport was administered and he
was determined to put things right by his
own efforts, if possible. He therefore stood
as a candidate for the Chairmanship of the
ETTA in the mid-seventies but the power
of the entrenched establishment at that
time made his chance of success a rather
forlorn hope and he was defeated.
Whether Lou's fairly rough and ready
approach would have worked in the high
office to which he aspired is perhaps
doubtful, but he would have brought to the
game a great enthusiasm and love for the

In 1976, Lou was instrumental in
launching the Greater London Closed
Championships, a tournament which was
initially played in the Great Hall of the
Alexandra Palace, and now survives in the
almost equally splendid venue of the
Crystal Palace.

As most people know, Lou Hoffman was
an International Umpire and National
Referee and as such, was well loved and
admired throughout the tournament circuit.
His other big interest was lawn tennis, in
which field Lou became an umpire and
line-judge, officiating at Wimbledon on
many occasions. In addition to this, he
started the Chandos Lawn Tennis Club in
Hampstead, of which he became Chairman
and its thriving success is another legacy
to Lou Hoffman.

The one memory which we will all have
of Lou is his sense of fun and good
fellowship. Stories of him are legendary
and legion and I could fill many pages
recounting them. A good friend has passed
away and table tennis will be the poorer
for his loss. May his soul rest in peace.

Alan Shepherd

SHIRLEY ANN MERRETT

who passed away on 21st June 1996

On the longest day of this year one of
Gloucestershire's outstanding lady players
of yesteryear died at Standish Hospital,
following a long and extremely painful
illness.

My wife and I were privileged to attend
the Merrett's wedding in Gloucester in
July 1957 - and afterwards both Shirley
and Bryan flew out to Russia, where they
spent their honeymoon.

Sadly, we attended Shirley's cremation
along with a few table tennis mourners
and close friends of both.

It would be fair comment to say that from
a table tennis aspect - Shirley was always
overshadowed by her more famous
husband who won the all-England Closed
in 1959/60. Nevertheless in 1960 they both
shared duties at Butlins Holiday Camp at
Pwllheli, when Bryan was England's No 1
Player.

Shirley did however win both the
Gloucester and Gloucestershire Ladies
Singles in 1961.

The entire County offers its sincere
condolences to Bryan and Gail Elizabeth,
Shirley's only daughter.

Alf Pepperd



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Doreen Nightingale
Ranking Co-ordinator

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(2)	CHEN, Xin Hua (Y)	3695		(108)	STODART, Con (Lnr) (NG)	2147		(223)	HUTCHINGS, Richard (SK)	1854	2*	(332)	BREWER, Chris (NK)	1663	
(3)	FREAR, Nicky (SX)	3650		(109)	115 WHITELEY, Richard (Y)	2145	4*	(224)	226 BROUGHTON, Michael (NK)	1853		(333)	340 PUGH, Simon (Y)	1662	
(4)	COOKE, Alan (DY)	3514		(110)	116 FORD, Chris (LA)	2143	N	(225)	228 JOSLIN, Stephen (E)	1853		(334)	341 HOPE, John (CH)	1662	3*
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(11)	MASON, Nicky (LA)	3118		(117)	123 LOWE, Martin (SY)	2128	3*	(232)	235 THORLEY, Mike (LL)	1844		(341)	348 BUSHLEK, Karl (OX)	1650	
(12)	HOLLAND, John (DY)	3114	3*	(118)	124 MARSHALL, Peter (Y)	2127		(233)	236 TENDLER, Gary (E)	1844		(342)	349 WHITE, Steve (CY) (LE)	1649	3*
(13)	YOUNG, Terry (CK)	3060		(119)	125 GIBBS, Stuart (E)	2122	3*	(234)	237 BECKS, Martin (DO)	1844		(343)	350 DAVIS, Steve (SY)	1649	3*
(14)	ANDREW, Skyler (E)	3047	3*	(120)	126 BARRY, Paul (SX)	2116		(235)	238 NEAL, Philip (Y)	1840		(344)	351 SUBHAN, Ali (BK)	1649	
(15)	DLDFIELD, Chris (Y)	2989		(121)	127 SAMUELS, Keith (BD)	2113		(236)	239 NEAL, Philip (Y)	1840		(345)	352 MARSDEN, Michael (DU)	1649	
(16)	GILES, Paul (CO)	2872		(122)	128 BAKER, David (ML)	2104	3*	(237)	240 PAYNE, Clive (HA)	1838		(346)	353 WALTON, Ken (WO)	1647	3*
(17)	SOUTER, John (ML)	2865		(123)	129 EDMONDS, Andrew (NP)	2102		(238)	241 LEVENE, Michael (HE)	1834	1	(347)	354 STILES, Andrew (ST)	1647	3*
(18)	ROGERS, Christopher (LE)	2858		(124)	130 COWLEY, Stephen (BU)	2096		(239)	242 VERNON, John (E)	1834		(348)	355 WOODS, Simon (E)	1647	
(19)	HAMMOND, Mike (SX)	2855		(125)	131 GIRDLER, Ian (SY)	2093	3*	(240)	243 YALLOP, Steve (DY)	1834		(349)	356 HARDMAN, Eric (WO)	1641	3*
(20)	SLATER, Stephen (ST)	2850		(126)	132 WENTWORTH, Bernie (CH)	2091	2*	(241)	244 BURN, Brian (DO)	1831		(350)	357 THOMPSON, Jason (WO)	1640	3*
(21)	HILTON, John (CH)	2838		(127)	133 WOOD, Paul (NG)	2091	2*	(242)	245 HOLMES, Gordon (SY)	1827		(351)	358 THOMPSON, Pal (ML)	1640	3*
(22)	SOLDER, Grant (E)	2823	3*	(128)	134 SHEPPARD, Tim (NG)	2090		(243)	246 NICHOLLS, Andrew (Y)	1825	3*	(352)	359 WEBSTELL, Gary (DU)	1639	N
(23)	VENNER, Ritchie (SX)	2793	3*	(129)	135 BUJST, Henry (K)	2087		(244)	247 SHEARDER, Matt (LL)	1823	3*	(353)	360 RICHARDS, Dave (WL)	1637	
(24)	WHITING, Paul (DV)	2775		(130)	136 BOTTFORLEY, Tony (Y)	2087		(245)	248 FELLOWS, Keith (LE)	1822	4*	(354)	361 CARR, Tom (HE)	1636	
(25)	SMITH, Eddie (ND)	2769		(131)	137 MORRIS, Clive (K)	2087		(246)	249 DAVE, William (GS)	1820	4*	(355)	362 PHILPOTT, Alan (WA)	1636	3*
(26)	SANDELY, Graham (ML)	2739		(132)	138 RICHARDS, Stuart (CH)	2080	3*	(247)	250 CORREY, Stephen (BU)	1819	3*	(356)	363 DUNN, Christopher (CH)	1634	
(27)	BARR, David (BK)	2725		(133)	139 CHANDLER, Roger (SX)	2080	3*	(248)	251 BHALLA, Ramesh (SY)	1819		(357)	364 WORTH, Kevin (CO)	1633	
(28)	RICHARDSON, Keith (CA)	2712		(134)	140 RICHARDS, Roger (SX)	2080	3*	(249)	252 BUDLAND, Christopher (HE)	1819		(358)	365 GREENBERG, Morris (HE)	1630	
(29)	ECKERSELY, Nigel (CH)	2710		(135)	141 DAVIES, Nicky (Y)	2076		(250)	253 HARVEY, Matthew (ST)	1816		(359)	366 BROOKES, Mark (WO)	1628	
(30)	SLADDEN, Christopher (E)	2691		(136)	142 JONAH, Jerome (SY)	2071		(251)	254 PICKER, Martin (LE)	1814		(360)	367 ADEMANIWA, Ayodola (E)	1628	
(31)	WILSON, Colin (HE)	2635		(137)	143 THOMAS, Peter (DV)	2066		(252)	255 QUARTEY, Howard (SY)	1814		(361)	368 PAGE, Darren (Y)	1626	
(32)	MOORE, Adrian (K)	2632		(138)	144 MAITHIA, Mayur (SX)	2060		(253)	256 SKERRATT, David (LL)	1813		(362)	369 HORTON, Steve (WO)	1625	3*
(33)	PALMER, Stuart (SK)	2624		(139)	145 YONG, Robert (NG)	2059		(254)	257 GUEST, Steve (Y)	1813		(363)	370 DIXON, Ray (WO)	1623	
(34)	HERBERT, Gareth (BK)	2623		(140)	146 WILKES, Glen (HE)	2058		(255)	258 COPPELHEAT, Kevin (BD)	1813		(364)	371 DUNN, Christopher (CH)	1623	
(35)	JOHNSON, Ken (LA)	2622		(141)	147 MIDDINGS, Steven (WA)	2055		(256)	259 HORTON, Keith (SX)	1812	3*	(365)	372 CAWSEY, Phil (Y)	1621	
(36)	BLAKE, Darren (SY)	2602		(142)	148 WASHINGTON, Trevor (WO)	2053	3*	(257)	260 GUNNION, Ralph (WA)	1812	2*	(366)	373 HAYES, Michael (E)	1621	
(37)	CUNNINGHAM, Andy (K)	2581		(143)	149 WATHEY, Steve (Y)	2045		(258)	261 PURDY, David (DY)	1811	3*	(367)	374 PAYNE, Glenn (LA)	1619	
(38)	GANNON, Dave (LE)	2570		(144)	150 WILLIAMS, Keith (LA)	2042	3*	(259)	262 AINS, Paul (K)	1805		(368)	375 BELL, Keith (Y)	1618	
(39)	AVERY, Vincent (E)	2569	3*	(145)	151 SWEET, Tony (DV)	2042		(260)	263 BOLDING, Derek (HE)	1800	2*	(369)	376 DAVIS, Cecil (NG)	1618	2*
(40)	GREENBROOK, Scott (SX)	2568		(146)	152 SMITH, Phil (LE)	2039		(261)	264 HOLLAND, Dennis (GS)	1800		(370)	377 PRYKE, Simon (HU)	1614	
(41)	SHAW, Steven (ST)	2566		(147)	153 OWENS, Michael (HR)	2030		(262)	265 BOLAND, Adrian (NG)	1799	3*	(371)	378 SENORIN, Joganes (ML)	1614	
(42)	TILFORD, Richard (NG)	2538		(148)	154 WILKES, Glen (HE)	2029		(263)	266 GUYMER, Terry (DY)	1799	3*	(372)	379 DUNN, Christopher (CH)	1614	
(43)	WILSON, Philip (LA)	2531	3*	(149)	155 GODDOLD, Dave (DU)	2023	3*	(264)	267 SLACK, Graham (GS)	1789	3*	(373)	380 SALTER, Geoff (DU)	1612	
(44)	CHARLES, Neil (ML)	2531		(150)	156 BAMFORD, Jason (DY)	2020	3*	(265)	268 DONOGHUE, Mark (HU) (Y)	1789		(374)	381 WRIGHT, Andrew (K)	1611	
(45)	PYE, Leeroy (NK)	2500	2*	(151)	157 MCGUINER, Peter (DU)	2013	1	(266)	269 HOLMAN, Derek (SY)	1788		(375)	382 KEATES, Ryan (NP)	1609	
(46)	MORRIS, David (SP)	2497		(152)	158 THOMPSON, Spencer (K)	2014	2*	(267)	270 EMERY, Dave (K)	1787	4*	(376)	383 MAYMAN, Philip (CH)	1609	3*
(47)	TAYLOR, John (HE)	2491		(153)	159 SKETE, Errol (ML)	2008		(268)	271 ROSS, Chris (HA)	1785	3*	(377)	384 RICHARDSON, Nthul (OX)	1605	
(48)	DYSON, Tim (Y)	2488		(154)	160 GILES, Steve (DV)	2004		(269)	272 SKINNER, Justin (HE)	1784		(378)	385 HANNIDES, Christos (HA)	1605	
(49)	DIXON, Adrian (BK)	2466	3*	(155)	161 COX, Philip (K)	1995		(270)	273 WICKSON, Mark (E)	1783		(379)	386 MALCOLM, Michael (LA)	1604	2*
(50)	ROCKALL, Simon (ML)	2461		(156)	162 O'LEARY, Mick (SY)	1986	3*	(271)	274 BUDELL, Kevin (DV)	1782		(380)	387 MEAD, Justin (HA)	1601	1
(51)	NEIL, Lee (NG)	2450		(157)	163 AUCHTERLONIE, Mike (DO)	1991		(272)	275 ROBINSON, John (SY)	1779	4*	(381)	388 JOEL, Stephen (BK)	1601	1
(52)	BROWN, Mark (K)	2448		(158)	164 CHARTERLONIE, Mike (DO)	1991		(273)	276 KERRY, Trevor (NG)	1778	3*	(382)	389 CLEMENTS, Brian (LA)	1601	
(53)	HOWARTH, Darren (LA)	2446		(159)	165 O'LEARY, Mick (SY)	1986	3*	(274)	277 BEVAN, Steve (LA)	1776		(383)	390 OUTRIM, Graham (SY)	1598	
(54)	KENNEDY, Joseph (E)	2430		(160)	166 WAMPSON, Roger (CH)	1981	4*	(275)	278 DAWTRY, Scott (K)	1775	2*	(384)	391 CAMPBELL, Trevor (ML)	1598	3*
(55)	KITCHENER, John (SK) (K)	2429		(161)	167 HAMPSON, Roger (CH)	1981	4*	(276)	279 DIXON, Stephen (LA)	1774	4*	(385)	392 SHETLER, Christopher (HA)	1597	
(56)	GUNN, Phil (WA)	2408		(162)	168 WALSH, Jimmy (HE)	1978		(277)	280 BAXTER, Danny (BU)	1770		(386)	393 SMITH, Kevin (J) (DO)	1595	4*
(57)	WELSMAN, David (NP)	2401		(163)	169 MURRELL, Tony (K)	1969		(278)	281 JOHNS, Ian (CH)	1768	3*	(387)	394 HAMS, Frank (SY)	1594	
(58)	CLAYTON, Tony (DO)	2393		(164)	170 JAMES, Richard (E)	1963		(279)	282 MILLWOOD, Craig (HE)	1767		(388)	395 SMITH, Darren (WA)	1594	4*
(59)	COLE, Martin (E)	2385		(165)	171 WILKES, Glen (HE)	1962		(280)	283 MCGILVER, Don (E)	1763		(389)	396 PIERCY, Lee (CO)	1592	4*
(60)	BURLETON, John (BU)	2379		(166)	172 WORSWELL, Stuart (LL)	1966		(281)	284 BLOTT, Jack (DY)	1762	3*	(390)	397 NICHOLLS, Christopher (Y)	1586	
(61)	RICH, Andy (ST)	2379		(167)	173 WALKER, Andy (SX)	1964	4*	(282)	285 HARRIS, Peter (BK)	1762	3*	(391)	398 DOYLE, Kevin (SX)	1582	
(62)	WITHERS, Andy (HE)	2378		(168)	174 DUFFIELD, Tony (LA)	1964	4*	(283)	286 GRAHAM, Vidal (ML)	1757		(392)	399 MCEVERN, Frazer (Y)	1580	
(63)	JAMES, Michael (Y)	2365		(169)	175 NEWTON, David (LA)	1964		(284)	287 ROBERTS, David (Vett) (CH)	1756		(393)	400 GRIFFITH, David (CH)	1579	2*
(64)	JONES, Brian (CH)	2356	2*	(170)	176 HOWLETT, Steve (NK)	1961		(285)	288 HILL, Barry (DO)	1756		(394)	401 CRAIGHILL, Jeff (CH)	1578	
(65)	ROBERTSON, Ian (ND)	2354		(171)	177 WERNER, Mark (DO)	1961		(286)	289 SULLIVAN, David (SY)	1755		(395)	402 BAKER, Keith (ST)	1577	3*
(66)	MUSK, Ian (BU)	2354		(172)	178 MURPHY, Tony (K)	1960		(287)	290 BANKS, Mark (HE)	1745		(396)	403 SMITH, Richard (Y)	1577	3*
(67)	HOLLAND, Damian (E)	2347		(173)	179 COX, Simon (SX)	1959		(288)	291 BUSH-HARRIS, Wesley (SK)	1755		(397)	404 LLOYD, Trevor (WL)	1577	
(68)	BAKWEEL, Brian (ST)	2346	4*	(174)	180 KNIGHT, Chris (K)	1958		(289)	292 SEAHOLME, David (HE)	1752		(398)	405 HAYWARD, Richard (WA)	1576	3*
(69)	CLARKE, Graham (LA)	2343		(175)	181 KNIGHT, Chris (K)	1958		(290)	293 O'NEILL, Timothy (HE)	1749	2*	(399)	406 SIMMONDS, Brian (SY)	1575	
(70)	GREEN, Mark (NG)	2341		(176)	182 DOBBINS, Steve (CH)	1954	3*	(291)	294 POWELL, Raymond (GS)	1749	4*	(400)	407 HYDE, David (BD)	1574	
(71)	RAND, Steven (E)	2333		(177)	183 SANNAN, Valmikii (JA)	1952	2*	(292)	295 JORDAN, Gary (CA)	1749	3*	(401)	408 WATMOUGH, Derek (LA)	1574	
(72)	WURAOOLA, Abdul (SY)	2330		(178)	184 EVANS, Mark (ST)	1952	4*	(293)	296 JEMIOY, Absyone (Y)	1749	2*	(402)	409 EMEEZ, Emil (SY)	1570	3*
(73)	HORSFIELD, Andrew (Y)	2327		(179)	185 ROMANO, Mark (K)	1952		(294)	297 CHRISTOPHER, Andrew (LA)	1747	2*	(403)	410 HARRISON, Wayne (Y)	1559	
(74)	LAMBERT, Gary (DY)	2325		(180)	186 ISHERWOOD, Michael (DY)	1948	2*	(295)	298 FRANK, Andy (ST)	1745	4*	(404)	411 PHILIPSON, Richard (Y)	1552	3*
(75)	WILKINSON, Andrew (ND)	2303		(181)	187 HEWITT, Lee (LA)	1948	2*	(296)	299 LEE, David (DY)	1745		(405)	412 PHILIPSON, Richard (Y)	1552	3*
(76)	ELPHICK, Nick (SK)	2300		(182)	188 HARDING, David (SY)	1937		(297)	300 JARLON, Paul (ML)	1742		(406)	413 RADFORD, Peter (E)	1552	
(77)	ELPHICK, Nick (SK)	2300		(183)	189 SCHIFFELD, Derek (CH)	1935	2*	(298)	301 ORHEVA, Kayode (K)	1740		(407)	414 KEERS, Gary (HE)	1552	
(78)	JONES, Barry (WA)	2275		(184)	190 WILLIAMS, Jeremy (CO)	1934		(299)	302 WHITTAKER, Keith (Y)	1735		(408)	415 STENNETT, Malcolm (CA)	1554	3*
(79)	ILLINGSWORTH, Mark (LE)	2270		(185)	191 COLE, David (E)										

(536)	536	DAVISON, Paul (E.)	1349	3*	(657)	667	BIRCH, Paul (BD.)	1167	(798)	798	NICHOLSON, Peter (DV)	937	N	(950)	929	POUNTNEY, Paul (SY.)	591	2*	(568)	57	RIDER, Sandra (Y)	2013	
(534)	537	BEER, Jonathan (Y)	1347		(658)	668	MORRISON, Alex (SX)	1165	(809)	799	HUMBLE, David (E.)	937	2*	(967)	930	MARSHALL, James (Y)	591		(568)	58	BADWEN, Marilyn (E.)	2008	
(540)	538	PERSON, Alan (WA)	1346	4*	(664)	669	WILSON, David (HE)	1165	(831)	800	ROBERTS, Robert (E) (SY)	937	1	(952)	931	HILL, Dennis (WO)	589	3*	(568)	59	JOHNSON, Cathryn (Y)	2007	
(541)	539	HARE, Anthony (CH)	1342	3*	(667)	670	BROPHY, Stephen (HL)	1165	3*	(811)	801	JOYCE, Dennis (DU)	937	3*	(956)	932	SYMCOX, David (OX)	587		(568)	60	DAVISON, Sarah (SX) (E)	2003
(541)	540	REID, John (SO)	1342		(668)	671	BROOK, Geoff (Y)	1164	2*	(812)	802	WHALEN, Peter (E)	931	1	(963)	931	ATKINSON, Alexis (LA)	586	2*	(61)	61	BARRE, D. (K)	1984
(571)	541	O'CONNOR, Sean (Y)	1341		(690)	672	SAVAGE, Brian (BU)	1164	2*	(815)	803	PRENDERGAST, Chas (HA)	929	4*	(954)	934	JACKSON, Stephen (WO)	581	3*	(62)	62	DAWSON, Marjorie (E)	1993
(542)	542	MCLONE, George (K)	1339	4*	(658)	673	DEFTY, Jim (NK)	1164		(816)	804	MOIR, Michael (LA)	929	3*	(957)	935	SMITH, Andrew David (WA)	579	4*	(65)	63	GUTHRIE, Caron (ND)	1960
(592)	543	FORBES, Stephen (HL)	1336		(680)	674	SIMPSON, Timothy (Y)	1164	3*	(814)	805	BIGGS, Allan (LA)	927	2*	(958)	936	WINFIELD, Russell (DY)	579	4*	(67)	64	MALTBY, Margaret (NP)	1953
(557)	544	TAYLOR, John (ST)	1335		(670)	675	BROWNING, Len (Y)	1161	3*	(830)	806	MEREDITH, Neville (HR)	925		(961)	937	WITTON, Craig (NG)	576	*	(66)	65	FERRIE, Ruth (Y)	1949
(444)	545	SCOTT, Shane (DV)	1334	1	(661)	676	MARLIN, Ian (MI)	1161		(817)	807	PRINGLE, John (NK)	925	2*	(960)	938	HOWARD, Michael (SY)	574	*	(74)	66	DIGNIUM, Margaret (WO)	1944
(579)	546	BROWN, Anthony (WJ) (HA)	1334		(666)	677	JONES, Peter (CH)	1160		(818)	808	OSBORNE, Howard (SK)	924	4*	(962)	939	WHITEMAN, James (DV)	571	*	(68)	67	WHITE, Jean (LL)	1943
(551)	547	HARE, Andrew (WA)	1334		(674)	678	RUIE, Martin (BU)	1159		(809)	809	POWELL, Brian (WA)	924	4*	(991)	940	BONFACE, Peter (HA)	570	1	(69)	67	SHERRY, Zoe (Y)	1935
(539)	548	DOX, Bob (HA)	1332		(674)	679	CLINGBIE, Daniel (ML)	1159	2*	(825)	810	WAINMAN, Tony (CH)	922	N	(963)	941	LAWES, Luke (CA)	570	*	(70)	69	KING, Paul (SX)	1930
(548)	549	BUTLER, Dave (K)	1332	3*	(673)	680	PHILLIPS, Ken (BU) (BK)	1158	4*	(819)	811	POSFORD, Christopher (SY)	921	3*	(955)	942	NEAL, Adam (BK)	569	1	(71)	70	MEDDINGS, Nicola (ST)	1924
(550)	550	WINES, Geoff (SY)	1332	3*	(760)	681	HOUAGARD, Jasper (BU)	1155	4*	(823)	812	BOWERS, Martin (Y)	920		(959)	943	PEGG, Michael (BD)	565	1	(78)	71	H-MIDDLEMORE, Joan (WA)	1921
(551)	551	CHARLEMAGNE, Darren (E)	1331	4*	(679)	682	FORDER, Mark (SX)	1153	*	(820)	813	WORTLEY, Mark (NK)	920	3*	(968)	944	NORMINGTON, Craig (Y)	563	3*	(73)	72	GREN, Jill (HA)	1914
(552)	552	D MARTINO, Trevor (DU)	1329	3*	(683)	683	HANCOCK, Christopher (SX)	1144	*	(845)	814	WOLFMFIELD, Gary (NK)	920	3*	(959)	945	BUXTON, Adam (NG)	562	2*	(76)	73	STEDMAN, Sarah (SX)	1911
(555)	553	TAYLOR, Scott (Y)	1328	1	(625)	684	ATKINSON, Geoff (NP)	1141	2*	(821)	815	SCHOFIELD, Paul (CH)	919	3*	(934)	946	BRIGHTMAN, Gary (E)	561	*	(72)	74	STEELE, Pauline (SX)	1910
(576)	554	TYDEMAN, Ted (K)	1327		(665)	685	ELLIS, Shaun (Y)	1141	4*	(822)	816	HANCOCK, Paul (SK)	918	4*	(970)	947	PORTER, David (AV)	560	2*	(85)	75	SMITH, Emma (Y)	1903
(556)	555	CHEW, John (Y)	1326		(686)	686	WHITALEY, Neil (WA)	1140	4*	(824)	817	DUNSTAN, Peter (DV)	914	4*	(939)	948	LONG, Martyn (DY)	555	1	(77)	76	BAX, Sally (HE)	1898
(539)	556	WHITE, Andrew David (Y)	1325		(684)	687	HOWARD, David (DO)	1139		(825)	818	STEERS, Ashraf (K)	912	3*	(971)	950	WILSON, Alex (SX)	555	N	(79)	76	JUDSON, Carol (Y)	1898
(573)	557	REEVES, Philip (DV)	1325		(687)	688	NEWTON, Chris (EN)	1139	2*	(826)	819	ATKINSON, Jonathan (SX)	912	*	(971)	950	WILSON, Alex (SX)	555	N	(75)	78	CLEMONSON, Verity (E)	1896
(560)	558	HARSE, David (OX)	1323		(710)	689	CRAFTREE, John (SO)	1137		(827)	820	BICKNELL, Ellis (OX)	908	3*	(972)	951	BUNN, Jonathan (GS)	555	3*	(91)	79	SMITH, Sarah (NG)	1877
(559)	559	FIRTH, Gary (Y)	1323		(688)	690	HAYDON, Chris (SK)	1136		(828)	821	FREYD, Mark (HE)	908	3*	(973)	952	MITCHELL, Ian (MI)	554	3*	(82)	80	SIMPSON, Linda (Y)	1870
(562)	560	CHASE, Alan (LA)	1323	3*	(692)	691	YARDY, Alex (E)	1133	3*	(829)	822	COLE, Damien (SY)	905	3*	(974)	953	MURRAY, Shaun (CA)	553	1	(80)	81	MASSEINGHAM, Nicola (LL)	1868
(564)	561	RUSS, Barrie (NG)	1323		(691)	692	BARRETT, Michael (SY)	1133	3*	(828)	823	PERRY, Jim (MI)	901		(974)	954	GODDEN, Daren (K)	552	3*	(83)	82	COOP, Joyce (DO)	1868
	562	TURNER, Ronald (E)	1318	1		693	WEST, Gavin (E)	1132	N	(854)	824	FLETCHER, William (WA)	900		(989)	955	BEERLING, Stephen (K)	548		(81)	83	BUTCHER, Pamela (K)	1866
(567)	563	ALWARD, G Jeffrey (MI)	1317		(694)	694	BAX, Geoff (HE)	1130		(832)	825	LICKFOLD, Antony (K)	898	3*	(956)	956	ALLEN, Matthew (CU)	548		(106)	84	HUNT, Janet (WO)	1862
(568)	564	WILSON, George (DU)	1315	4*	(695)	695	CLINGBIE, Daniel (HE)	1130		(825)	818	DUNSTAN, Peter (DV)	914	4*	(975)	957	MIDDLETON, Neil (CA)	516	2*	(85)	84	BALLES, Alan (GS)	1857
(568)	565	BOYCE, Jeff (E)	1314	2*	(678)	696	CHARLEMAGNE, Ernest (E)	1124		(834)	827	DORRINGTON, Michael (SY)	893		(966)	958	BARHAM, Lee (CA)	544		(99)	86	VAJDA, Carmen (SY)	1857
(569)	566	BROOKMAN, Bill (MI)	1312	3*	(697)	697	THAIN, Barry (SK)	1122	4*	(835)	828	KEEGAN, John (Y)	893	2*	(976)	959	ADAMS, Paul (AV)	543	3*	(87)	87	SWAWEY, Jane (DV)	1856
(547)	567	PRETTY, Robin (SY)	1310		(698)	698	ROPER, Ian (DU)	1122	4*	(837)	829	REARDON, William (SX)	891	3*	(960)	960	KASBEKHAR, Anand (BU)	541	1	(88)	88	GODFREY, Bev (SK)	1855
(572)	568	HARRIS, Michael (BK)	1309	4*	(699)	699	YEATES, Harry (BU)	1121	3*	(838)	830	LINNECAR, Stephen (E)	888	4*	(977)	961	SINGH, Durgendra (CA)	529	4*	(89)	89	WHITAKER, Debbie (SY)	1854
(580)	569	JONES, Keith (NP)	1307		(700)	700	WILSON, Keith (DU)	1120	2*	(841)	831	HOLT, Alan (WA)	885		(978)	962	CLIFTON, Terence (NG)	525	2*	(100)	90	SPENCER, Tracey (ST)	1853
(546)	570	BURNHAM, David (Y)	1307		(703)	701	BROWN, Keith (WO) (HA)	1118	*	(833)	832	MATTHEWS, David (WA)	885		(963)	963	NICHOLLS, Philip (WO)	522		(102)	91	SMITH, Nicola (Y)	1852
(574)	571	REYNOLDS, Tony (HA)	1307		(706)	702	BUNNAGE, Derek (HU)	1117	4*	(842)	833	LEES, Leigh (AV)	877		(979)	964	THOMAS, Andrew (NP)	515	4*	(93)	92	BENTLEY, Caroline (Y)	1852
(565)	572	WADSWORTH, John (DU)	1305		(705)	703	WALTON, Alan (CA)	1117		(843)	834	PATTON, Andrew (NP)	872		(980)	965	MIDDLETON, Neil (CA)	516	2*	(84)	93	BALLES, Alan (GS)	1839
(589)	573	MURDOCH, Alexander (HE)	1304		(704)	704	CRIPPS, Graham (BD)	1109		(843)	835	THURMAN, Peter (HE)	870		(995)	966	CAVENY, Adam (DV)	516	94	(94)	94	BROYD, Brenda (LA)	1838
(577)	574	WARD, Craig (WO)	1302	3*	(711)	705	CAMPBELL, Craig (SP)	1108	2*	(844)	836	WOOD, John (HE)	867		(981)	967	MCILLAN, Andrew (MI)	514	*	(82)	95	THOMAS, Jackie (BU) (BK)	1834
(578)	575	THOMPSON, Allan (DU)	1301	3*	(713)	706	DAWSON, Clive (BK)	1104	3*	(852)	837	WOOD, Ian (WO)	866		(983)	968	WILLIAMS, Jason (NG)	512	*	(94)	96	LLOYD, Ann (WA)	1833
(586)	576	HARRIDGE, Keith (HE)	1298		(693)	707	HANNA, John (AV)	1104		(847)	838	MEREDITH, Tony (LA)	863	3*	(982)	969	BADHAM, Mark (BD)	512	*	(97)	97	POGMORE, Helen (WO)	1825
(581)	577	SCHWARTZ, Ian (BK)	1296		(759)	708	AVIS, Tim (SK)	1104		(849)	839	MURFIELD, Leonard (NG)	862	2*	(994)	970	MURRELL, Richard (HE)	507		(103)	98	CRICK, Brian (K)	1816
(575)	578	JACKSON, Keith (SX)	1295	3*	(710)	709	PROSSER, Roy (WA)	1103	1	(850)	840	FERGUSON, Ian (SP)	861	2*	(984)	971	LANCASDOR, James (LE)	503	4*	(95)	99	BRISTOW, Angie (K)	1815
(582)	579	SUNGER, Tony (CH)	1295	3*	(729)	710	BICKELL, Brian (DU)	1099	3*	(833)	841	MULLY, John (E)	859	2*	(985)	972	CHARCROFT, David (LK)	498		(104)	100	TAYLOR, Alison (ST)	1815
(584)	580	HARRIS, Norman (NP)	1294	3*	(712)	711	HIGHAM, John (K)	1095		(834)	842	POLLOCK, Peter (CA)	856	3*	(986)	973	ANDERSON, Neil (CA)	498	N	(105)	101	BRISTOW, Alison (ST)	1814
(585)	581	WILSON, Terence (HE)	1293	2*	(717)	712	JURDY, Steven (SO)	1090	1	(859)	843	FO, Lawrence (BU)	854	3*	(986)	974	FITTON, James (NP)	496	2*	(107)	102	SCHOFIELD, Jill (Y)	1809
(582)	582	WATSON, Phil (HA)	1293	N	(718)	713	WEBBER, Colin (SY)	1089		(860)	844	STEVENS, Oliver (K)	853	2*	(988)	975	COOPER, Paul (E)	495	*	(120)	103	KENNARD, Nikki (E)	1806
(583)	583	WILCOXSON, Michael (Y)	1291		(727)	714	BUTT, Chris (HA)	1089		(862)	845	GASCOYNE, Chris (Y)	846	2*	(987)	976	CRONIN, Chris (LA)	495	3*	(105)	104	DUTCH, Lorna (IW)	1800
(716)	584	SUFKIN, Norman (MI)	1289	1	(728)	715	WALTON, Ian (DV)	1087		(866)	846	LEMON, Chris (Y)	843		(990)	977	RIDDLE, Stewart (HA)	494	3*	(116)	105	LEE, Brenda (WI)	1793
(588)	585	SYDNEY, Robert (MI)	1289	1	(719)	716	NICHOLS, Lee (SY)	1086	4*	(867)	847	WILLIAMS, Marc D (Y)	841		(982)	978	HITCHENS, Daniel (LA)	493		(98)	106	NEWBY, Karen (ND)	1792
(588)	586	CALLUM, Sylvester (GS)	1289	4*	(735)	717	WIRMANADAN, Trevor (SX)	1084		(863)	848	NASH, Mike (SY)	839	4*	(992)	979	WYATT, Geoffrey (NG)	489	3*	(108)	107	FRENCH, Paula (LA)	1790
(587)	587	FARNILL, Mike (Y)	1288		(734)	718	ADAMSON, David (GS)	1084		(865)	849	TAYLOR, John D (NG)	832		(997)	980	PILKINGTON, David (LA)	485	2*	(110)	108	GRESSLER, Yukiko (MI)	1778
(588)	588	PRINCE, Anthony (BK)	1286		(737)	719	WATSON, John (K)	1083		(866)	850	ROBERTS, David (MI)	831		(998)	981	WATSON, David (MI)	482	3*	(112)	109	THORNTON, Mary (BU)	1776
(589)	589	WILSON, Dave (SX)	1279	7*	(720)	720	CRIPPS, Michael (K)	1082	1	(868)	851	ROBERTS, David (B) (HI) (SK)	822		(999)	982	DAVIES, Nathan (E)	480	*	(110)	110	THYLL, Sylvia (HE)	1774
(586)	590	DAVIES, Alf (HA)	1274		(724)	721	HOLLIN, Graham (GS)	1079		(869)	852	ROGERS, Phil (Y)	819	2*	(983)	983	ROBERTS, Chris (GS)	479	4*	(115)	111	RUSS, Tina (NG)	1771
(600)	591	MASCARENAS, Wtr (MI)	1272		(725)	722	WALTER, Tim (HE)	1078	3*	(870)	853	KING, Daniel (NK)	816	4*	(984)	984	GILLET, Daniel (HE) (MI)	477	3*	(114)	112	GRAHAM, Sylvia (LA)	1771
(594)	592	MCCANCE, John (MI)	1271	3*	(723)	723	MACFARLANE, Malcolm (VA)	1072		(879)	854	YARDY, Tim (E)	816	4*	(985)	985	ARROWSMITH, Steven (HR)	476	1	(123)	113	BROOD, Trudy (SP)	1768
(595)	593	HOWARTH, John (LA)	1270	*	(780)	724	LANSELY, Chris (DU)	1070	1	(871)	855	WORTHLEY, Derek (NK)	813	4*	(986)	986	RADENHURST, Sam (SY)	474	3*	114	RYAN, Kate (WA)	1767	
(594)	594	ENGLAND, Mark (E)	1269	N	(676)	725	WILKES, Colin (BK)	1068	1	(873)	856	WILLIAMS, Mark A (WA)	807	3*	(987)	987	SHAW, Paul (CH)	467	2*	(113)	115	BICKERTON, Julie (ST)	1767
(598)	595	COLE, George (HA)	1268		(726)	726	HARGER, Barry (BU)	1068		(875)	857	RALLS, David (BU)	803		(988)	988	DAVIES, Philip (CH)	467	2*	(127)	116	LEAK, Pauline (HU)	1761
(614)	596	DUKE																					

(188)	188	HALL, Crystal (K.)	1427	(339)	319	GIBBS, Claire (SO.)	661	(445)	41	AVIS, Tim (SK.)	1104	(170)	172	DAVIES, Philip (BK.)	467	303	FERGUSON, Joe (BU.)	78	N		
(195)	189	NEWMAN, Elizabeth (DV)	1426	(347)	320	GOLDSTRAW, Claire (SP)	655	(38)	42	BUTT, Chris (HA.)	1089	(169)	173	SHARMAN, Mark (LL.)	463	304	WAITE, Roger (BU.)	78	N		
(196)	190	RAYMOND, Sally (MI.)	1423	(341)	321	MERCURY, Kelly (DY) (ST)	647	(18)	43	HILL, Greg (SY.)	1079	(172)	174	BROOK, Christopher (SO)	462	(294)	305	PATER, Paul (LL.)	72	1	
(197)	191	TAYLOR/DWARD, M(SY)	1426	(344)	322	THURKETTLE, Sarah (SK)	624	1*	(42)	44	COLLINS, Stuart (NG.)	1041	(175)	175	BELLI, Robert (MI.)	461	(295)	306	BRAHAMM, Paul (LA.)	70	1
(198)	192	STEEERS, Heidi (K.)	1420	(343)	323	DEARING, Emily (Y.)	632	(47)	45	RUSHTON, Andrew (LA.)	1026	(173)	176	PIPER, Michael (E.)	449	(3)	307	HUNTOFF, Ian (LA.)	70	1	
(196)	193	GRAY, Victoria (SK)	1418	(345)	324	ATKINS, Katie (ST.)	627	2*	(44)	46	JAMIESON, Christopher (E.)	1011	(176)	177	PARKER, Richard (NG.)	444	(298)	308	HANSELL, Robert (BJ.)	63	1
(200)	194	BARLOW, Wendy (BU) (BK)	1417	(349)	325	ROBINSON, Suzy (GS.)	623	(55)	47	DREDDGE, Lee (DO.)	998	(177)	178	GOEL, Atin (SY.)	442	(297)	309	WHEELER, Charles (BK.)	58	2*	
(195)	195	MOLE, Joanne (NK)	1414	(348)	326	SADD, Michelle (NK)	623	(48)	48	MANN, Richard (SK.)	994	(177)	179	WHITAKER, Andrew (E.)	442	(299)	310	WILSON, Chris (MD.)	53	2*	
(201)	196	YULLDON, Tracy (WV.)	1410	(346)	327	BAKARE, Toyin (SK)	605	4*	(49)	49	WAKELAM, James (HE.)	990	(178)	180	HASKETT, Dean (DO.)	441	(288)	311	JACKSON, Steven (CU.)	52	1
(223)	197	PERRY, Lucy (DV)	1407	(350)	328	PAPINI, Sabrina (MI.)	595	2*	(51)	50	KRONIN, Paul (K.)	986	(182)	181	BROOK, Christopher (SO)	439	(280)	312	CLARKE, Martyn (CV.)	51	N
(206)	198	CURRY, Janice (BU)	1405	(352)	329	MERCURY, Helen (CH)	595	2*	(52)	51	Lee, Greg (LA.)	972	(180)	182	HODSHIP, Tim (WV.)	439	(281)	313	ARDEN, Christian (CH.)	51	3*
(206)	199	DONALD, Alice (CH)	1399	(353)	330	SEYMOUR, Elizabeth (BU)	573	4*	(52)	52	CLEMMINSON, Sam (E.)	952	(180)	183	TULLY, Eric (LA.)	432	(301)	314	WAITE, Andrew (CU.)	50	4*
(205)	200	DONNELLY, Joanne (ND.)	1394	(352)	331	MELLOR, Aline (NJ)	565	3*	(53)	53	CLEMMINSON, Tim (E.)	944	(172)	184	KIRWAN, Michael (NK.)	430	(302)	315	COX, Ashley (DY.)	50	3*
(207)	201	COX, Muriel (NP)	1387	(355)	332	BLAKE, Camille (SY)	561	(54)	54	KURLE, Stuart (WA.)	942	(185)	185	JEAVONS, David (K.)	429	(303)	316	MCEWAN, Kevin (SK.)	49	3*	
(209)	202	BOOTH, Lindsay (HE.)	1379	(358)	333	POINTER, Lucy (WV)	561	(56)	55	MOIR, Michael (LA.)	929	(184)	186	SHARMAN, Ian (LI.)	422	(304)	317	YARNALL, Gregory (NP.)	45	2*	
(215)	203	HILL, Joanne (WV.)	1357	(354)	334	COOK, Hannah (E.)	558	(65)	56	BLOOMFIELD, Gary (SK.)	920	(158)	187	ALCOCK, Phil (LA.)	420	(305)	318	RAWLINSOON, Paul (CH.)	38	1	
(213)	204	CHEESMAN, Anna (E.)	1357	(356)	335	MAHER, Claire (BK.)	553	(67)	57	BOWERS, Martin (Y.)	920	(185)	188	WILSON, Robert (BU.)	420	(306)	319	LISTER, Matthew (Y.)	29	2*	
(215)	205	DIXON, Joy (NK)	1356	(359)	336	MAGNUSSEN, Eliza (MI.)	552	(58)	58	ATKINSON, Jonathan (SK.)	912	(186)	189	CANTALE, David (E.)	419	(307)	320	BOLLI, Samuel (DY.)	14	1	
(216)	206	CHEERS, Alison (SK)	1352	(367)	337	SHERWIN, Rachel (WV)	541	3*	(59)	59	BICKELL, Elis (CH.)	908	(187)	190	HALL, Dominic (K.)	419	(308)	321	MAGNUSSEN, Andrew (Y.)	1	1*
(216)	207	SPINK, Charlotte (Y.)	1352	(360)	338	WILLIS, Rachel (WV)	536	3*	(60)	60	BOND, Mark (HE.)	908	(188)	191	FOSTER, Steven (BU.)	409	(309)	322	GASCOYNE, Andrew (Y.)	1	1*
(218)	208	HART, Katy (SY.)	1351	(362)	339	SHANNON, Claire (CA.)	531	(61)	61	LICKFOLD, Antony (K.)	898	(190)	192	DE CAUX, John (SX.)	407	(310)	323	KIND, Jon (Y.)	1	N	
(220)	209	SMITH, Jean (DO.)	1348	(361)	340	FARRIER, Kelly (SJ.)	526	3*	(62)	62	LINNEACR, Stephen (E.)	888	(189)	193	HUCKETT, Stephen (LI.)	405	(311)	324			
(219)	210	PICKERING, Shirley (LE.)	1347	(371)	341	DAINTY, Cheryl (Y.)	516	(62)	63	MATTHEWS, David (WA.)	885	(202)	194	KENNEDY, Thomas (CH.)	402	(312)	325				
(238)	211	GOKGÖR, Sue (DX.)	1342	(364)	342	KERR, Helen (SP)	514	(64)	64	ILES, Leigh (AV)	877	(227)	195	ROBINSON, Paul (LA.)	400	(313)	326				
(222)	212	COX, Jody (LI.)	1341	(363)	343	HARDIDGE, Katie (AV)	513	(66)	65	PAEEL, Dhiren (SY)	872	(191)	196	UPPAL, Kim (CV)	399	(4)	327				
(223)	213	LÜCKHURST, Shirley (CO.)	1338	(365)	344	EMMERSON, Clair (SK)	502	(68)	66	WOD, Ian (WV.)	866	(192)	197	MORGAN, Laurence (SX)	391	(1)	328				
(225)	214	HEZARD, Sarah (WV)	1338	(374)	345	ROBERTS, Sharon (SJ)	474	1*	(70)	67	LOUWRENS, David (WV)	850	(193)	198	CRUICKSHANK, Kevin (DO.)	390	(2)	329			
(225)	215	NUNAN, Kathleen (MI.)	1332	(368)	346	SIMON, Remy (LI.)	472	2*	(71)	68	STEVENS, Oliver (K.)	853	(200)	199	FINESLIVER, Ben (BU.)	390	(3)	330			
(224)	216	MURPHY, Sylvia (WV)	1330	(367)	347	KNAPP, Hayley (ST)	472	2*	(74)	69	LEMON, Chris (SY)	843	(195)	200	DIXON, Zeke (CU.)	390	(4)	331			
(231)	217	BRUTON, Sylvia (BK)	1328	(369)	348	DAVIES, Beth (ST.)	468	2*	(73)	70	TAYLOR, John D V (NG.)	832	(196)	201	STILWELL, Matthew (SY.)	388	(5)	332			
(226)	218	WATSON, Theresa (BK)	1327	(370)	349	BAKER, Claire (ST.)	468	2*	(75)	71	YARDY, Tim (E.)	816	(195)	202	EMBLING, Andrew (E.)	384	(7)	333			
(227)	219	BROOKES, Patricia (CH)	1321	(383)	350	FRAERY, Hannah (K.)	461	(76)	72	KING, Daniel (NK.)	816	(194)	203	INNES, David (Y.)	384	(6)	334				
(228)	220	KRATÓCHVILLA, Dana (DV)	1319	(372)	351	SPARKES, Aimee (SK)	459	(77)	73	WILLIAMS, Mark A (WA.)	807	(204)	204	REED, Stephen (BU.)	380	(8)	335				
(230)	221	MILNES, Carol (HR.)	1315	(373)	352	CICKENS, Katie (BU)	444	3*	(78)	74	RALLS, David (BU.)	803	(199)	205	BROOKS, Richard (NG)	379	(9)	336			
(232)	222	ELLS, Debbie (NG.)	1314	(374)	353	EVANS, Gabriel (NP)	433	4*	(79)	75	WATERS, David (HE)	794	(200)	206	REEDER, Lewis (CU.)	379	(10)	337			
(233)	223	WORTH, Judith (SK)	1308	(375)	354	CALDWELL, Iristy (CH)	423	2*	(80)	76	SEED, Douglas (SY)	783	(198)	207	DAVISON, Jon (BU) (BK)	379	(11)	338			
(234)	224	STONE, Sarah (WV.)	1308	(381)	355	COBLEY, Melanie (WV)	405	(80)	77	FESEHATTI, Fesum (MI.)	775	(201)	208	GODDARD, Stephen (SY)	374	(12)	339				
(236)	225	BOONE, Shirley (ST)	1304	(376)	356	HOPKINS, Jenny (Y.)	405	(82)	78	MARRIOTT, Daniel (LE.)	769	(205)	209	DHESI, Benit (CU.)	371	(13)	340				
(229)	226	ALLEN, Susan (NK)	1302	(387)	357	CARPENTER, Stacey (WV)	401	(81)	79	KAY, Roddy (BK.)	769	(203)	210	MOORE, Richard (WA.)	363	(18)	341				
(237)	227	BARRON, Mary (HA.)	1298	(380)	358	HUNTLEY, Tracey (SX)	398	(69)	80	ONG, Michelle (SO.)	757	(210)	211	BELL, Martin (BK.)	362	(17)	342				
(240)	228	CHAMBERS, Kim (NK)	1279	(379)	359	LAMBERT, Johanna (SY)	397	(83)	81	HUNT, Adrian (BD)	756	(206)	212	BIRD, Keith (DY)	357	(2)	343				
(242)	229	LAMPKIN, Vickie (SY)	1278	(378)	360	CHIGYE, Kate (Y)	390	(84)	82	GRANTHAM, Andrew (BK)	742	(207)	213	BOYSH, John (E.)	350	(15)	344				
(239)	230	MILWARD, Norma (SY)	1278	(382)	361	GODDY, Lucy (NK)	380	(85)	83	JACKSON, David (BU)	739	(208)	214	JACKSON, Peter (WV)	349	(28)	345				
(243)	231	BROWN, Janice (SY)	1265	(382)	362	ASHCOTT, Gill (SY)	389	(85)	84	COLLEY, Judd (Y)	735	(212)	215	GREENWELL, Rikio (MI.)	349	(23)	346				
(246)	232	ROBERTS, Paula (E.)	1258	(384)	363	CALCUTT, Lisa (BK)	378	(87)	85	MANN, Andrew (SK.)	723	(208)	216	RESS, Ioan (WV.)	347	(19)	347				
(249)	233	THOMPSON, Hannah (WV)	1253	(385)	364	BELLAMY, Loraine (LI.)	378	(81)	86	PENNAL, Christopher (DU.)	713	(209)	217	THOMPSON, Mathew (Y.)	346	(20)	348				
(247)	234	BUDDEN, Jenny (HE.)	1248	(388)	365	REED, Joanna (BK)	364	(88)	87	HANYS, Christian (K.)	709	(215)	218	MCDUGALL, Donald (CV)	338	(21)	349				
(248)	235	JACKSON, Valerie (SX)	1236	(391)	366	RITCHIE, Nicola (SO.)	363	(107)	88	THORN, Wayne (NK.)	705	(216)	219	BUZZARD, Matthew (BK)	334	(22)	350				
(246)	236	HOMEWOOD, Carol (K.)	1234	(393)	367	DOONELLY, Sarah (Y)	362	(90)	89	WILSON, Nicholas (BU)	704	(251)	220	WHITEHEAD, Paul (CH)	323	(24)	351				
(263)	237	MAY, Elizabeth (DV)	1233	(395)	368	BROOME, Nicolette (DO)	362	(91)	90	ACKRED, Peter (SP)	704	(222)	221	O'BRIEN, Oliver (K.)	314	(26)	352				
(251)	238	SHAWMA, Elizabeth (WA)	1229	(386)	369	ROYAS, Jessica (LI)	358	(1)	91	WATERMAN, Alistair (CH)	694	(219)	222	SWAN, Peter (BU)	314	(34)	353				
(252)	239	WADDE, Sarah (SY)	1229	(387)	370	MATTHEWS, Gilly (WA)	358	2*	(94)	92	SMITH, Brian (AV)	699	(219)	223	MENON, Stephen (E.)	313	(37)	354			
(241)	240	MITCHELL, Sharon (BK)	1216	(389)	371	CHARLTON, Helen (CA)	355	(1)	93	FORSTER, Anthony (DO)	696	(220)	224	BEER, Andrew (SX)	312	(31)	355				
(255)	241	MORTON, Karen (HE.)	1215	(390)	372	BELLI, Lilian (MI)	349	(95)	94	HALL, Alexander (WV)	696	(214)	225	CHAN, William (OX.)	311	(28)	356				
(254)	242	PRYCE, Wendy (SO.)	1212	(392)	373	GAWLER, Kate (DO)	337	4*	(97)	95	WELSH, Daniel T. (DU)	687	(221)	226	KIRK, James (SY)	309	(31)	357			
(253)	243	LISTER, Joanne (Y)	1212	(394)	374	MCANDREW, Rachel (BU)	331	(1)	96	LOWE, Philip (Y)	683	(213)	227	MASON, Wayne (NK)	309	(3)	358				
(256)	244	NOLAN, Terri-Anne (CH)	1183	(396)	375	SMITH, Sophie (CH)	322	(102)	97	BAWSE, Paul (LI.)	677	(225)	228	DUNN, Carl (Y)	299	(32)	359				
(258)	245	PARKER, Katy (LA)	1181	(401)	376	ROBERTS, Hannah (LA)	320	(101)	98	BOKER, Mark (K.)	676	(223)	229	COYSH, John (LA)	292	(30)	360				
(257)	246	ROBERTS, Kim (LI)	1177	(413)	377	INGHAM, Katie (CH)	319	(1)	99	COX, Lewis (LI)	673	(230)	230	CHEESMAN, Wesley (LI)	292	(34)	361				
(259)	247	WATSON, Barbara (WA)	1174	(397)	378	GROVER, Jennifer (WA)	317	(104)	100	BALDWIN, Simon (Y)	671	(232)	231	HURRY, Andy (BU)	289	(36)	362				
(260)	248	TONGE, Karen (CH)	1171	(398)	379	WILLIAMS, Janny (SK)	317	(105)	101	DOMINGUEZ, Michael (MI)	672	(229)	232	CROWLEY, Peter (LI.)	284	(37)	363				
(261)	249	BUTCHER, Helen (ST)	1170	(400)	380	SORRENTINO, Atelle (CH)	304	2*	(106)	102	WHITAKER, Jonathan (E.)	671	(230)	233	WOODFORD, Paul (LI.)	282	(38)	364			
(270)	250	COHN, Sara (SX)	1169	(403)	381	HIGGS, Lucinda (CH)	302	2*	(106)	103	SOORTY, Majid (NP)	668	(232)	234	GORVETT, Chris (DV)	280	(35)	365			
(264)	251	SWAN, Katherine (CU)	1155	(404)	382	CLEMMINSON, Hannah (E.)	302	(118)	104	EVANS, Andrew (BU)	664	(234)	235	KENNY, Matthew (Y)	279	(42)	366				
(257)	252	WATSON, Pat (SX)	1151	(405)	383	CHAPMAN, Gemma (BK)	292	(108)	105	DAVIES, Stephen (LI)	660	(236)	236	COSTELLO, Paul (CV)	274	(39)	367				
(265)	253	FROST, Helen (WV)	1132	(406)	384	JENKINSON, Zoe (Y)	291	2*	(110)	106	PEARCE, Robin (DY)	659	(237)	237	MASON, Ashley (BU)	274	(39)	368			
(266)	254	WOODEN, Rachel (K.)	1130	(412)	385	WORTH, James (Y)	281	(108)	107	POOK, David (BU)	658	(236)	238	WATSON, Andrew (BU)	273	(41)	369				
(268)	255	WILLIAMS, Sarah (Y)	1129	(407)	386	CHEESMAN, Hannah (Y)	281	(109)	108	DOMINGUEZ, Luis (MI)	659	(239)	239								

