

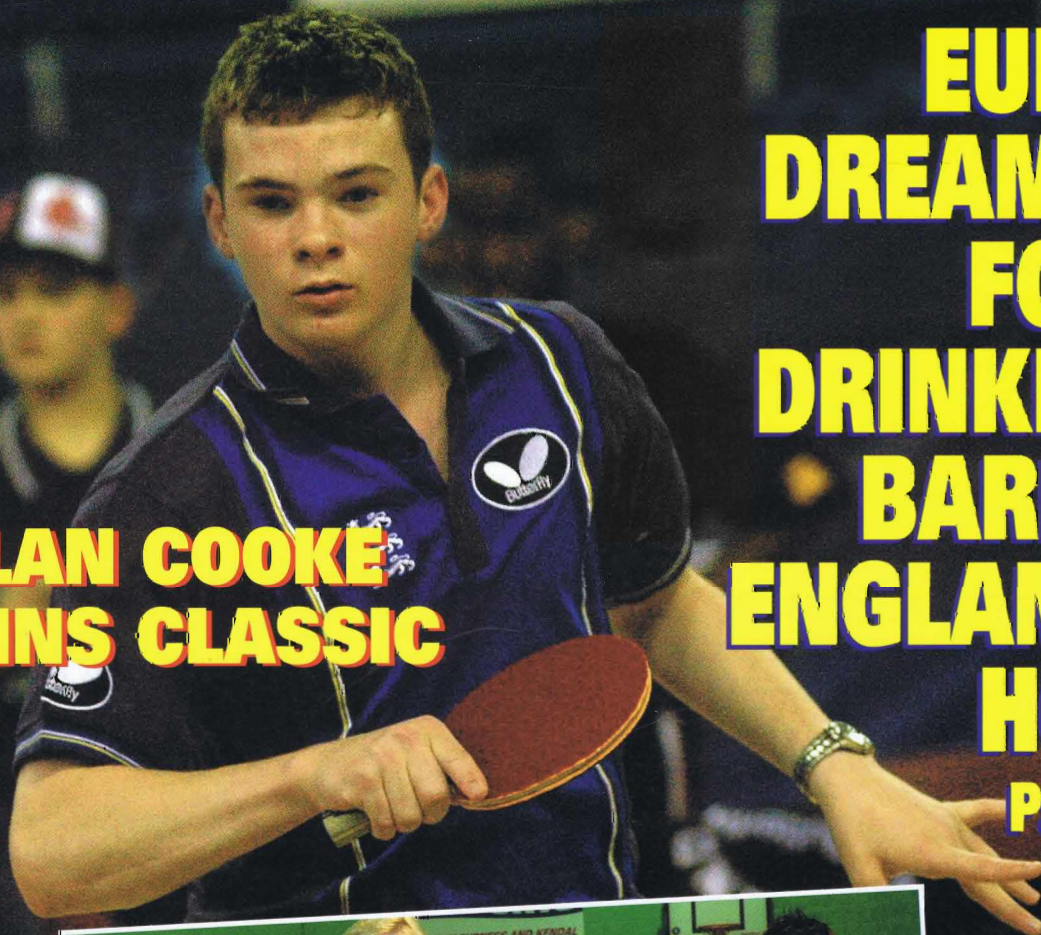
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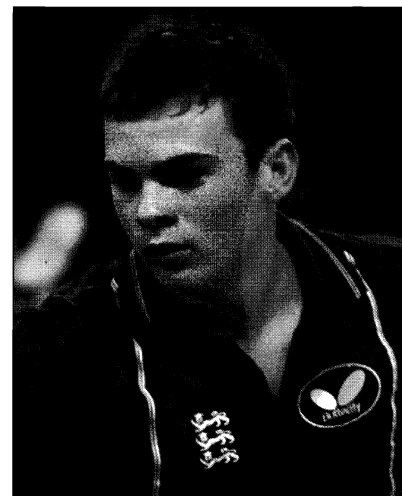
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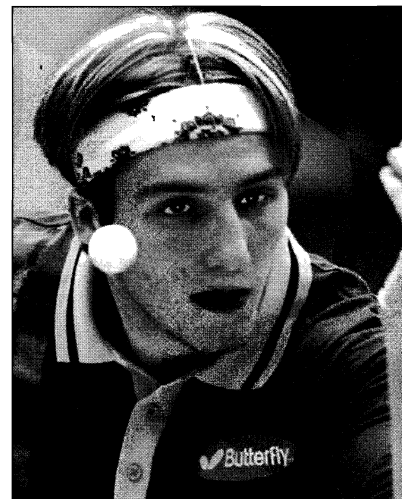
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A MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR

BABY GIRL FOR LINDSEY THORNTON

FORMER International and Junior Champion Lindsey Thornton gave birth to a baby girl 'Leah', at the Fairfield Hospital, Bury, Lancashire, on Tuesday 9th November 2004.

Little 'Leah' was born at 01.10am, weighing 8lb 10oz.

Both mother and baby are doing well, following a natural birth.

RYAN SIGNS UP WITH DRUMCHAPEL

RYAN JENKINS agreed a 3 year contract with Terry McLernon from Drumchapel table tennis club to become a part time elite coach.

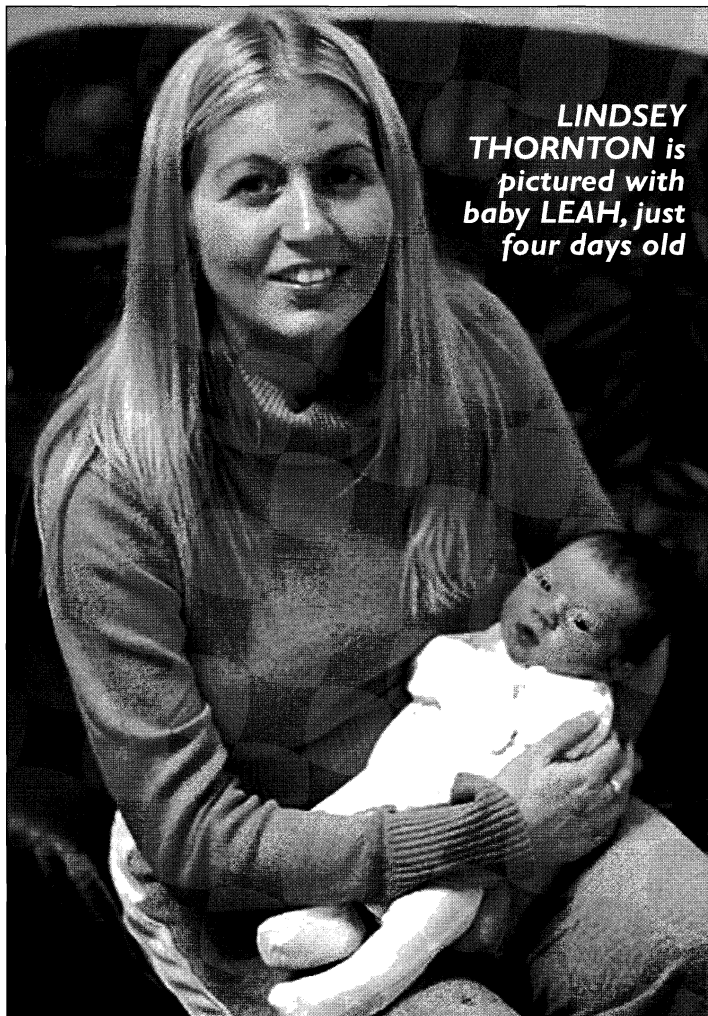
This agreement solidifies the strong connection in the past between both parties.

Ryan will have quite a busy time in December with his 'Challenge Tour', starting at on the, 10th, 11th and 12th in Glasgow, 13th and 14th at Bristol, 15th in Cornwall, 16th Devon 17th Southampton and 18th up to Northampton

Ryan will be challenging players of all standard during these nights and everyone is welcome.

The tour will be sponsored by Batskills and Butterfly.

He will then travel to Cheshire for the Satellite Grand Prix on the 19th, before taking a well earned Christmas holiday.



LINDSEY THORNTON is pictured with baby LEAH, just four days old

WOODY'S World

DECEMBER'S issue of Table Tennis News reflects the season of goodwill and happiness, and this is encapsulated in the announcement of a baby girl, Leah, born to former England international and Junior champion Lindsey Thornton, see this page.

What a fantastic European dream debut for young Paul Drinkhall, when he walked on to the court with the the match score against Holland standing at 2-2, in Barrow-in-Furness, in November, Drinkhall with the coolness of one much older than his mere 14 years, he despatched the Dutchman Barry Wijers to take the match and glory for England. See John Woodford's report pages 20 to 21.

Ryan Jenkins is once again the name on everyone's lips, following his scintillating victory over Colum Slevin in the Mens Singles at the Butterfly Bath Grand Prix. Kelly Sibley took the womens title at the same tournament, see pages 10 and 11.

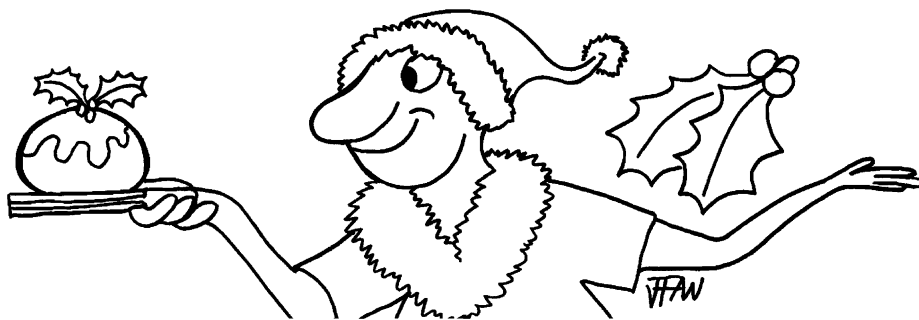
I would like to wish all our readers greetings of the season.

John Wood

WEST WILTS THE REAL CHAMPIONS

Erratum to ETTA Diary 2004/5 Roll of Honour 2003/4 National Inter-League Championships (Derby) 12th/13th June 2004 The winner of the Alec Brook trophy (Veteran Men) was West Wilts and not as shown in the diary. The ETTA apologies for this error which was due to a misunderstanding within the results received.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND
A HAPPY NEW YEAR
TO ALL OUR READERS



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WISHING YOU ALL A FESTIVE CHRISTMAS & A GREAT NEW YEAR

THIS will be the last issue of TTN prior to 2005 and I wish you all a festive Christmas and great New Year.

I have decided to stand again for the role of your Chairman for another two years in the Election process, which starts this month, and hope that you will again support me. Every month comes around very quickly and hope the following update is of interest to you.

1. Finance

We have completed our submission to Sport England with the ETTA 4 year Whole Sport Plan to start in April 2005 and it is hoped that our present level of funding will increase and continue during that 4 year period. Discussions will be taking place in the coming months and it is anticipated by early March 2005 a final decision will be made.

If our proposals are accepted it will give us a great opportunity to plan ahead and progress our sport towards the major goals of Participation and Performance and strengthen our efforts to help at grass roots level.

2. England Teams

Our recent victory over Holland in the European League, reported in this addition, ensures our participation at the top level in the European Championships next year. Details relating to our Cadet and Juniors will be covered in this issue and regular updates appear on the website. It has been without doubt a very successful period for England, I am sure you will wish all concerned well and that the improvements continue.

We have been awarded additional funding of £158K for Training, Competition and other programmes in support of our England squad as part of the build up to the Commonwealth Games in 2006. As part of the process selection criteria has been submitted to the Commonwealth Games Council along with the other 16 sports making up Team England in Melbourne 2006 and once confirmed the pool of potential players will be advised of the detail and commitments expected of them.

3. Individual Registration

This continues to progress and it is hoped that we can bring this into operation for the 2006/7 season. It is not a decision that can be made lightly and needs involvement and support from the grass roots of our sport. Further details on this will be circulated in the coming months including fee levels, benefits and costings.

4. Modernisation and Corporate Governance

We have taken a number of steps to improve communications with a Communications Manager, changes to the website and a new database

programme which should be functioning early in the New Year. You should have received the November Newsletter by now and this was to give you more detailed background information on the ETTA. Reviews are taking place by our rules committee on a number of issues including the recommendation at this years AGM for proposals to be submitted to the membership regarding the voting structure prior to the AGM of 2005.

5. UK Coaching Certificate

The Government have awarded £190K into a UK wide Table Tennis coaching programme over the next two years. The administration of this will take place at the Hastings office and a UK Coaching Manager will be appointed – further details will be published later.

6. Talented Athletes Scholarship Scheme (TASS)

Our Technical Manager, Steen Hansen, has been involved in the scheme to help young people participate and improve in our sport whilst continuing with their higher education. We have been advised that nearly 40 of our young players will initially be part of the scheme which will result in about £80K of investment in helping these young people to fulfil their potential.

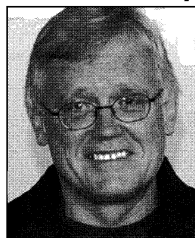
Let us continue to work together and move our sport forward, my team and I are committed to the sport and are determined to get the job done.

Alex Murdoch, ETTA Chairman

SEE OUR NEW COLUMN ON PAGE 7

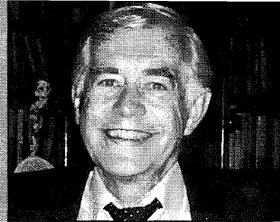
COACHING TIPS

by STEEN KYST HANSEN



England team coach Steen Kyst Hansen will be answering your questions. Whether its about rubbers, tactics, or perhaps about how to build up for an important tournament, Steen will set you off on the right path. Send your questions (keep them short please) to John Wood, 37 Duporth Road, Charlestown, St.Austell, Cornwall. PL25 3NU. Email: johnwood@macace.net

VETERANS' DIARY



A BUSY YEAR FOR **by Jim Beckley**

EILEEN ALLISON

IT'S been a busy year for Eileen Allison - and its going to get busier. The Lincoln based official won her spurs earlier this year by getting her national referees award and has now joined an elite group of women who are qualified international umpires, an award which along with another well known vet Linda Reid, she successfully picked up during the summer.

This means that she and Linda along with Cheshire's Karen Tonge, who has already reached those giddy heights, could soon be packing their bags and taking off for tournaments anywhere in the world.

And if you think that is going to make Eileen busier than usual you'd be right. Because along with her increased table tennis commitments, I'm reliably informed that she is taking a BA course in History at the Open University and then hopes to go on and win her honours degree.

With table tennis taking up 42 weeks of the year (and likely to increase) it doesn't take a genius to work out that Eileen has a packed schedule. Add to all that a teacher training course she is taking and she reckons to put in about 23 hours a week on various projects other than table tennis.

"I don't expect to get a call to umpire overseas just yet but I'm looking forward to it," she says

HENRY BUIST

NO matter how ill someone is, it still comes as a shock to hear of their death. Henry Buist had been ill for some time and although I didn't know Henry too well, nevertheless his passing hit a chord.

Henry was a fine player winning many titles at home and overseas and he will be missed. His passion for the sport was far reaching as some of the papers he wrote on the technical aspects of the game proved.

A long time member of the VETTS he was also a quiet man but member 259 was more than just a number he was a gentleman in every aspect.

MARK WAS NEARLY A CHAMPION

MARK Ramsbottom, last gasp hero of Tameside's title winning Veterans

British League side earlier this year, came within a few points of becoming the English champion - but didn't quite make it.

The occasion was fitting with over 250 cheering, clapping youngsters watching enthralled at a school in South Manchester.

But most of those children were cheering and clapping for Mark's opponent Matthew Syed.

Mark had been asked to take on the great man himself at one of Syed's coaching clinics and to Mark's surprise, Syed, forever the showman, exclaimed to the assembled crowd that the match would be for the title of English champion.

Whether or not the occasion got to him we'll never know but Mark, after a good start finally had to accept defeat and the youngsters left thinking they had seen an English champion which they had.

"What Matthew didn't tell them was that the night before we had played a couple of friendly matches and I had managed to beat him," exclaimed Mark.

BLACKPOOL FOR FRESH AIR & FUN

BLACKPOOL, traditionally the home of fresh air and fun, is set to expand its welcome to us Vets. The Blackpool Masters, which this year reverts to its original dates in March, is adding four/five extra tables

EILEEN ALLISON



Over the last few years numbers making their way to the North West resort, have increased so much so that the homely 18 table centre has been forced to increase space to house the extra tables.

It will mean groups will be four instead of three and that, for players coming any distance, is important.

Finding the extra room wasn't easy but national volunteer manager Martin Ireland, who lives in Blackpool, managed to get the

leisure centre people to find a side room which is normally used for athletics training and gymnastics.

"We have already used the room for Grand Prix events and there were no complaints," said Martin, who will miss this year's event to attend a training course in Lilleshall.

"It's right next to the main hall so you simply step from room to another." Nice one, Martin.

AWARD FOR SHEILA KING

SHEILA KING, received a rather unexpected surprise at the recent Veterans British League at Fenton Manor.

The popular BATTs player won the 'Player of the Weekend' award presented to her by the Stoke-on-Trent deputy Mayor, Councillor Maurice Lewis JP and Deputy Lady Mayoress Shirley Lewis.

Sheila is part of the ETTA staff in Hastings where she is development secretary working closely with Development Manager Diccon Gray.

"It was a complete surprise," she told the Diary. "I didn't even think about winning the award, so when my name was called out I was really taken aback."

Surprise or not, it didn't shake her up too much as she went on to help her team finish top of the Premier Division with a personal average of 75 per cent.



SHEILA KING (centre) receives her award, 'Player of the Weekend', from Deputy Mayor of Stoke-on-Trent Councillor MAURICE LEWIS JP and Deputy Mayoress SHIRLEY LEWIS

POSTBAG

TTN and the ETTA, whilst recognising the right of free speech, reserve the right not to publish letters that may prove to be libellous. Also if letters are more than 250 words may be edited

VIP SEATING

THE recent Ocean International event was undoubtedly a great success, and the event was a great showpiece for the game, but why can't we deliver such an event in a completely professional way in terms of how we deal with the logistics of booking and seating.

I booked my seats as soon as the event was announced. I tried to use Fairfield Hall website - unable to process online. I called the booking office - it took 15 minutes for them to find the event, they didn't know the seating plan. I booked what I was told were front row seats - the best available.

When we arrived for the event we were shown to the second row behind a front row consisting of chairs on the floor, not part of the theatre style seating, on the same level, i.e.. not raked like the rest of the auditorium. Of course, our front row view was now diminished.

So, who was sitting on the front row - they were "Guests and VIPs."

At any other professional sports event, if you book the front row, best available, that's what you get, because they care about you coming back. Nobody questions the right for organisers and sponsors to invite guests, but think about where you are going to seat them and don't just plonk a few more chairs in front of the auditorium, after you have started selling tickets for the event.

Garry Jones, London

Organisers response: Many thanks for your comments Garry. Apologies for any inconvenience caused - we will vigorously represent your views to the Box Office. This was a first for table tennis at Fairfield Concert Hall and things will be more efficiently handled next time. However, it is likely that the front row seats will continue to be reserved for sponsors.

TO STIFLE CRITICISM ?

READERS have asked me why my contributions of late have been both shorter and fewer. The sad answer is that I have not been allowed to write in the way I wish. All too often my articles have been cut, changed, not published at all, or lost. I had hoped,

after the elections, that I would be able to return to the format I followed in the George Yates era, that I would write again 'A letter from the Isle of Wight' including topics of interest not only in our small county, but the rest of the country.

For some time it has been official policy to confine county correspondents to parochial matters, mainly, one suspects, to stifle perceived criticism. No harm can come to the leadership, if one is shackled to limited topics like the local 'Closed' or leagues and similar matters of little national interest. There is freedom only to bore one's readers and so assist the long fall in circulation figures.

My articles, when they appeared uncensored and free, were voted in a poll the most read as well as those to which the readers turned first. The circulation of this magazine was then double today's, counting only those who paid for their copies. There were also vastly more free ones.

In that context I was saddened and disappointed that quite recently the 'Courtside' column by John Woodford had been axed, an unbelievable decision. It seemed very foolish, both in tactical and literary terms, to ban the most interesting work of the Table Tennis Correspondent of the Daily Telegraph. It was hard to avoid the conclusion that this was a denial of free speech.

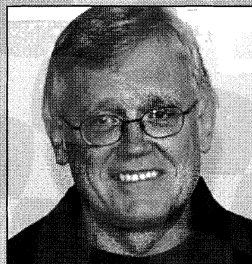
I was very happy to play my part in the National Council debate which reversed that dreadful decision by 22 votes to 15. In fact, if one excludes management committee votes, the verdict produced a score line of 21-8 against the chairman and his management team.

I was, I suppose, one of Alex Murdoch's strongest supporters when he ran for office, certainly one of the best known. It gave me no pleasure to see him defeated, but freedom of speech is not negotiable any more than the fabric of democratic government and I shall not hesitate to act again, when the need arises. Above all, I trust that TTNews will now be free and fair to all views, not merely those of the establishment of the day. The chairman has nothing to fear from such freedoms, but everything to fear from the suppression of minorities. If you take from members basic freedoms, the right to be heard, you turn them into enemies. I hope lessons will be learned, mistakes admitted, so that we can move on to ways of doing things rather better.

*John Prean,
ETTA Chairman 1986-91*

COACHING TIPS

by STEEN KYST HANSEN



Each month Steen Kyst Hansen will answer your questions. If you have a problem you think Steen can answer send in your questions (keep them short please) to: John Wood, Editor TTN, 37 Duporth Road, Charlestown, St. Austell, Cornwall. PL25 3NU. Email: johnwood@macace.net

Question: I sweat an awful lot during a match. I do drink plenty of water but I have also heard there are isotonic drinks around that can heighten levels of energy as well. Any ideas ?

Answer: It is important to learn to eat and drink during competition, and table tennis players can learn a lot from the tennis players in that area. Which isotonic drinks is best is a matter of taste - water and some extra salt will help you to heighten your energy levels and give you what you basically need.

Question: In my opinion attack versus defence produces the most spectacular table tennis. But defenders are far and few between these days. Is this because of the rubbers and blades on offer or is it because many coaches are simply not qualified enough to provide the expertise needed.

Answer: The rubbers and the blades are definitive more in favour of attacking players. Another question is the size of the ball - it is difficult for a defender who plays long pimple to "come around" the 40 mm ball, so the bigger ball is not helping the defender. We as coaches must be better to help our young players find individual styles, and England has tradition in producing defensive players, so I believe the knowledge is there - we just need patience and invest time and effort

Question: My league has finally decided to play 11-up but I'm told it requires a very different approach. Are there any special tactics that I should know about ?

Answer: Not any specific tactics are needed, but it can go very fast, so you will have to be ready technically, physical and mental from 0-0.

Question: I play in my local league twice a week. Is this enough or should I be getting in more games to improve ?

Answer: A training session or two will improve your game. What you invest in your sport normally comes back with interest.

Question: I'm fairly new to table tennis and I keep reading about the 'third ball'. What exactly is this and is it just terminology used to describe a particular part of the game.

Answer: You have the serve and the return - the two most important strokes in table tennis. After those two strokes comes the third ball, which in many cases will direct the result of the rally. The third ball is something all players should always try to improve.

Question: Is it easier to put spin on the ball with pimples or reverse rubber ? Most players seem to think reverse rubber is the answer, but I've seen players using pimples and getting plenty of spin.

Answer: You can create spin with pimples, but most players prefer to use reverse rubbers. Players like He Zhe Wen, who I had the pleasure to work with, can create heavy spin with pimples and so can Chen Weixing. Again you will have to look carefully on what is the best for your style of play.

Question: I'm trying to find a coach in my area (North West) is there a list of them and if so how do I make contact with one ?

Answer: I would try to contact The ETTA in Hastings on 01424 722525. I am sure they can direct you to someone in the North West, who can help you.

ORMESBY BOYS' MISSION

Welcome to the new season of the Junior British league.

Aldersley Leisure village was electrifying throughout this weekend and it proved this is the Junior's who's who of players from all over the country, writes Dave Cochrane.

In the Boys premier division it would seem Ormesby got themselves a good catch with their new player Tim Yarnell due to the Grove not entering teams in the higher divisions. After just losing out on the top spot from last season Ormesby were on a mission to show they are the new kids on the block and by the end of the weekend they secured a good lead from second place team Idsall.

Although Ormesby's lead is comfortable they certainly had a few battles during the weekend, namely the match with Darlington where Darlington's Gavin Evans showed he was no push over by pushing Tim Yarnell to the fifth game and winning it 11-8.

Southfields Elite star player Darius Knight is the king of the castle in the averages with 100% but only just due to beating Umair Mauthoor of London Progress 16-14 in the fifth game when they drew with them 3-3, Paul Drinkhall and team mate Danny Reed of Ormesby are breathing down his neck after only losing one match each.

In the Boys Division 1 Darlington and Cippenham A are both neck and neck at the top and Spicer A are close behind them in third place. Darlington A and Cippenham A showed they were equally matched by drawing with each other 3-3, Darren Reed of Darlington secured a crucial point for his team by coming back from 2-1 behind and beating Marc Armstrong 11-4 in the fifth. Cippenham A showed true style and sportsmanship throughout and were awarded the team of the weekend title.

Boys Division 2A are showing the men from the boys with both Clifedale Chandlers and Team Peniel A at the top with 9 points. The Mudie brothers Stuart and Andrew certainly played their part for Chandlers when they met their rivals Peniel and got the 3 points for their team in the final result of a draw 3-3. Both Paul Dewhurst and Daniel Rees of Peniel along with Andrew Mudie of Clifedale Chandlers remain the strong ones with only losing one

match each during the weekend.

In Boys Division 2B the title for this division is closer than close with Ormesby B and Stowmarket Stingrays fighting at the top with 8 points each, they both gave it their all against each other but could only finish 3-3 in the match between them.

Ormesby were challenged by Wirral Premier with Jonathan Taylor playing his part and winning both his matches, namely the 5 game clincher against Nicholas Skipp where he just won 11-9 in the fifth.

Stowmarket had no easy ride either as they had a draw of 3-3 against Hull St. Mary's, Damien Piper and team mates Luke Carrington and Matthew Dodds got a win each but Chris Doran showed he had the strength when he won both his matches 3-2 against Matthew Dodds and Luke Carrington.

Chris Doran is the top man in this division with 100% in the averages after the weekend was completed.

Boys Division 3A looks like any of the top 3 teams DML Woolwell, Byng Hall and Milton Keynes could grab the 1st place at the end of the season with DML Woolwell on 8 points and Byng Hall equal on 7 points with Milton Keynes.

In the match between DML Woolwell and Milton Keynes Daniel Anderson of M.K pulled out all the stops by winning both his matches, namely the crucial win against Chris Smith which he scraped through 18-16 in the fifth, Daniel's team mate Craig Brown likes the close matches as well, he beat DML's Harry Cutler 11-9 in the fifth which secured a crucial 4-2 win over DML Woolwell. Respect goes to the main man of Byng Hall Alec Bartlett who finished the weekend unbeaten whilst putting the icing on the cake and claiming the title of Boy of the weekend.

In the Boys Division 3B Mossford have edged ahead from Ellenborough and Rotherham Scorpions with 8 points and they certainly took the hard route to get to the top of the hill.

Ellenbrough trounced Mossford with a good result of 5-1 when they met, namely the match between Kieren Levins of Ellenbrough against Max Cornhill of Mossford, Kieren

snatched his win from the grasps of Max by winning 11-9 in the fifth.

Rotherham Scorpions gave Ellenbrough a taste of their own medicine by beating them 5-1, Tom Duncan and Peter Morgan played a crucial part by winning both their matches, namely Tom's against Joseph Chacholades when he came from 2-1 behind to win it 3-2.

In the Boys Division 4A Spicer B have taken a clear lead with 9 points with St. Andrews and Crusaders chasing not far behind them on 7 points each.

Spicer B had no real threat but had a close call against rivals St. Andrews which finished 3-3. Liam Vine showed true fighting spirit and won both his matches for St. Andrews, namely the close call against Robin Kinchin of Spicer B which he scraped through and won 11-9 in the fifth. Crusaders also gave it there all when they met there rivals St. Andrews and managed a 4-2 win over them which keeps them in the running for second place.

Boys Division 4B has shown a clear leader with the new entry of Morpeth School winning all there matches finishing with 10 points at the top of the table. Morpeth coached by Grant Solder showed they were well up for the challenge and had no real threat during the weekend. Simon Hoang of Morpeth only lost the one match and was well backed up by team mates Rashid Benallal, Raihan Muhith and Shahjajan Muhith.

The fight for second place still has everything to play for as Southampton West and Malvern are equal on 6 points each.

It's a "Ladies Night" and the feeling's right for Fastbats A in the **Girls Premier Division** as they finished the weekend without a loss on 10 points.

Naomi Owen is Queen of the averages finishing the weekend unbeaten.

Cippenham A and Team Peniel A are the contenders for second place on 6 points each and there were no prisoners taken in the match between them, Peniel A managed a 4-2 victory with Lucy Weil winning both her matches 3-0.

In Girls Division 1 Draycott & Long Eaton have just edged ahead at

the top with 7 points leaving Bridgwater and Team Peniel B on 5 to fight it out for second place.

D & L.E.'s only real threat were Peniel when they could only manage a draw 3-3 in which Rachel Jamieson of Peniel played her part and won both her matches, namely the 3-2 win over Emma Vickers where she came from 2-0 behind to win 11-7 in the fifth.

Bridgwater had a close call against Irish Girls when they drew 3-3, Fiona Dennett of Irish Girls secured a crucial point when she clinched a win 3-2 against Frances Potjewyd by winning 11-9 in the fifth. Rachel Jamieson had a good weekend as she is top of the averages by only losing one match during the weekend.

Girls Division 2 finished with a clear cut 1st and 2nd place with Byng Hall winning all their matches and finishing on 10 points and St. Andrews A on 6 points claiming second place at the end of the weekend. Byng Hall had no real challenges during the weekend but had a convincing win against there rivals St. Andrews A, Chloe Dunmall (Byng Hall) liked to go the full length in both her matches but came through for her team with a 3-2 on both occasions. St. Andrews A were awarded team of the weekend for showing true sportsmanship and fighting spirit during the weekend.

In Girls Division 3 Club Mid-Cheshire have edged ahead on 9 points in front of Ormesby who are not far behind on 7 points in second place.

The up and coming girls of Club Mid-Cheshire beat Ormesby 4-2 where Reena Ardeshana showed she's one of the northwest's new girls to watch out for when she won both her matches, namely the 3-2 win over Ormesby's Rachel Greener which she scraped through 13-11 in the fifth.

Reena had a good weekend and finished equal top of the averages with Holly Stubbings by only losing one match.

Holly gave a big smile for the camera's when she received her award for Girl of the Weekend.

A Huge thankyou goes to Ken Elliot and his team of organisers and officials of Steve and Margaret Welch, Mike Payne, Malcolm Macfarlane and of course all of the umpires who were on duty during the weekend. Without these hard working people these events would not run as well as they do. Well done!

CLEAN SWEEP IN BATH FOR JENKINS & SIBLEY

RYAN JENKINS, from Wales, set the Bath Open Grand Prix Table Tennis tournament alight with passion when he rose to his majestic best to over-whelm Ireland's Colum Slevin, in the Mens Singles final, writes John Wood.

Jenkins the No.1 seed took the first game as expected, only just though at 11-9, but this just inspired Slevin to greater heights who went on to win the second 11-6.

The third game saw the Welsh dragon soar even higher, with Jenkins now in no mood to take prisoners, he played magically to crush Slevin 11-0, and then go on to win the prize money in the 4th 11-5.

In the semi-finals Jenkins beat Devon's Craig Bryant, 11-5, 12-10, 11-4, whilst in the other semi Slevin took out Ryan's brother Stephen 11-7, 11-3, 11-7.

The Womens singles final was fought out between two of England's top young players Kelly Sibley and Natalie Bawden, with No.1 seed Sibley taking the the honours, in an all topspin battle 11-5, 5-11, 11-8, 11-6.

Bawden bounced back in the final of the Under 21 womens event, this time beating Sibley 11-9 in the 5th game.

In the semis Sibley had a big battle with Egley Adomelyte, finally overcoming the woman from Middlesex and Liuthania 8-11, 11-4, 11-6, 6-11, 11-9. After this all-topspin thriller Kelly said "At



1-5 down in the fifth game I was shaking with fear and nerves, because I could see the audience watching and expecting'.

Meanwhile in the other semi Bawden won the encounter with her England colleague Abigail Embling 11-5, 11-3, 11-6.

Nottingham's Tim Yarnall won the Mens Under 21 final beating Craig Bryant, from Wellington in Somerset, 12-10, 11-3, 11-4.

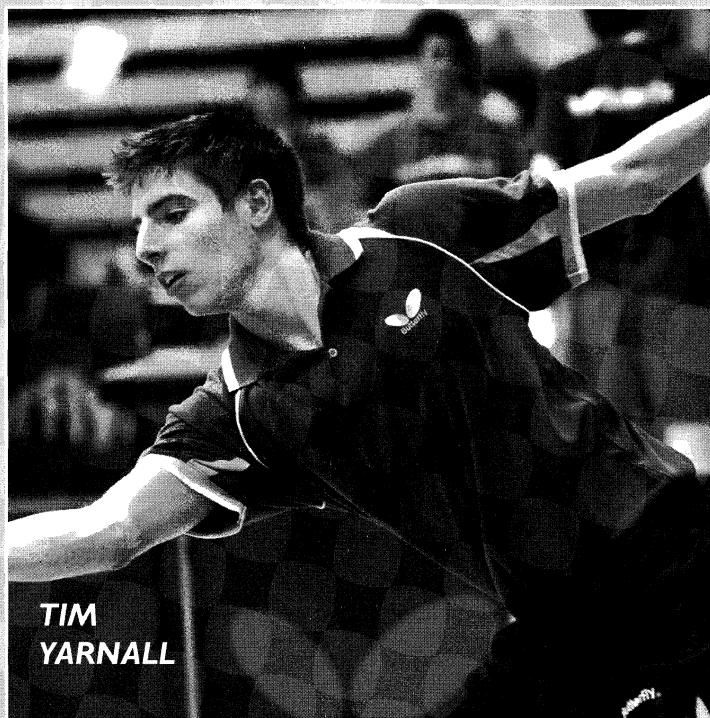
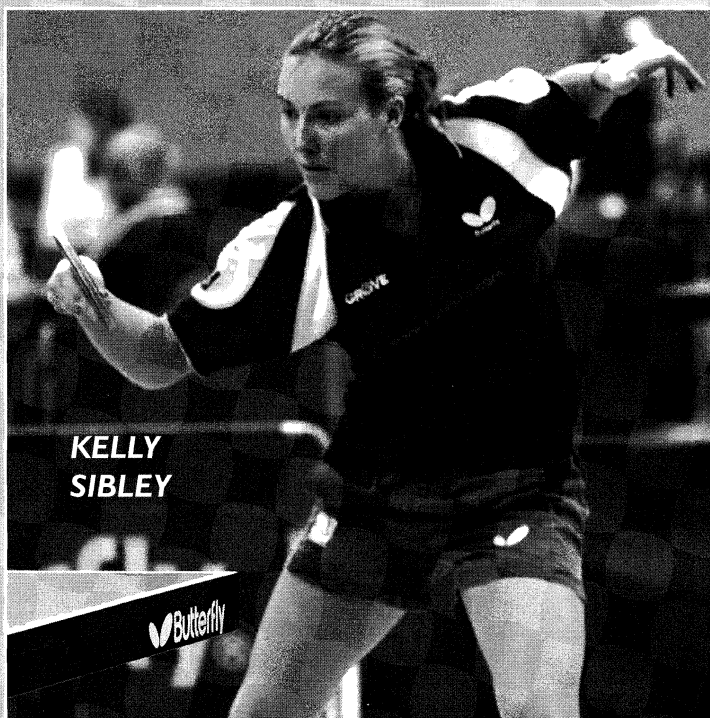
Sussex's Nigel Eckersley had a really good tournament winning both the Mens Band 1 and the Veteran Mens singles titles.

After his victory over Costas Papantoniou in the Veteran Mens Singles final, Eckersley said, "I played great this weekend, it must be Carol's expert coaching - but really I think I've finally clicked with playing with Hallmark's Super Special long pimped rubber.

A new look Eckersley won almost maximum ranking points with his victory over Lawrence Trumpauskas in the Mens Band 1 final.

The Womens Band 1 Singles crown was won by

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& JOHN WOOD**



Egley Adomelyte of Lithuania beating Alice Howard in the final 7-11, 11-7, 11-8, 11-9.

Somerset's Naomi Wilson reached the semi-final of the Womens Band 1 event where she lost to Alice Howard.

The battle of the Reed's took place in one of the Under 21 Mens groups, which saw Cornwall's Darren beat Cleveland's Daniel 11-6 in the 5th following a cracking battle between two of England's rising stars.

Results:

Mens Singles: s/f: R.Jenkins (WAL) bt C.Bryant (Dv) 5, 10, 4; C.Slevin (IRE) bt S.Jenkins (WAL) 7, 3, 7. Final: R.Jenkins bt Slevin 9,-6, o, 5.

Womens Singles: s/f: K.Sibley (Wa) bt E.Adomelyte (Mi) -8, 4, 6,-6, 9; N.Bawden (E) bt A.Embling (E) 8, 5,-3, 6. Final: Sibley bt Bawden 5,-5, 8, 6.

Mens U21 Final: Tim Yarnall (Np) bt C.Bryant (Dv) 10, 3, 4.

Womens U21 Final: N.Bawden (E) bt K.Sibley (Wa) 8,-6, 4,-5, 9.

Veteran Mens Final: N.Eckersley (Sx) bt C.Papantoniou (Mi) 5, 4, 6.

Veteran Womens R/R: Winner J.Durham (Cv), runner-up V.Murdoch (Bd)

Mens Band 1: N.Eckersley (Sx) bt L.Trumpauskas (LTU) 5, 8, 5.

Mens Band 2: D.Lynch (IRL) bt M.Armstrong (Mi) 4,-11, 6, 9.

Mens Band 3: G.Wilson (Sx) & M.Armstrong (Mi) shared points

Mens Band 4: D.Reed (Co) bt D.McNeil (IRE) 16, 8,-9, 6.

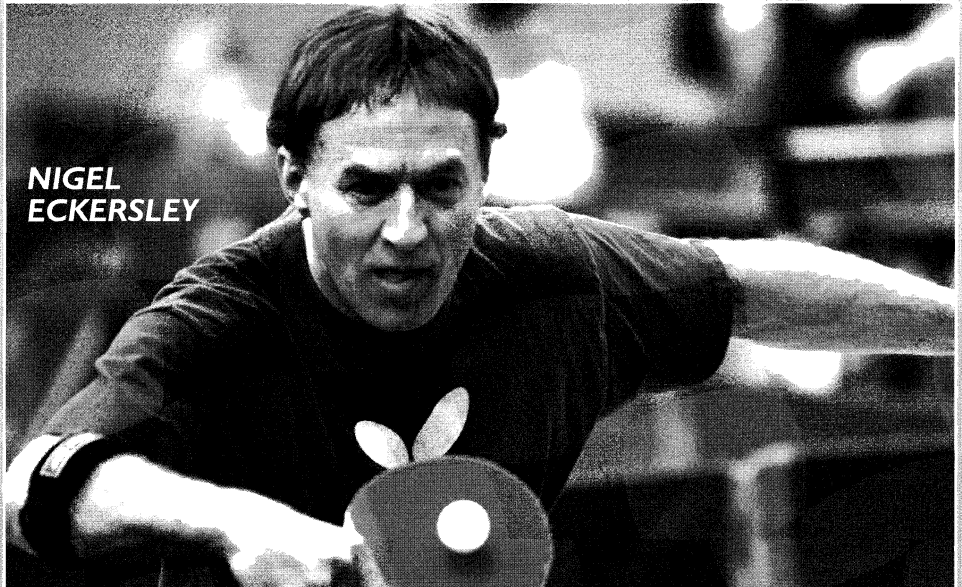
Mens Band 5: K.Knox (IRE) bt J.Andersson (Bd) 9, 3, 7.

Mens Band 6: K.Knox (IRE) bt S.Hoang (Mi) 7, 9, -11, 6.

Womens Band 1: E.Adomelyte (Mi) bt A.Howard (Ch) -7, 7, 8, 9.

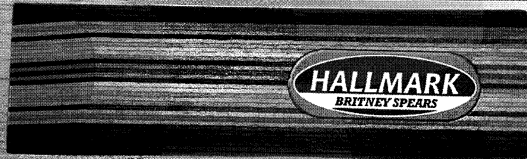
Womens Band 2: M.Farquhar (Bk) bt A.Mogey (IRL) 13, 2,-10, 4.

Womens Band 3: D.Melville (Sy) bt E.O'Sullivan (Dy) 10,-8,-7, 2, 7.



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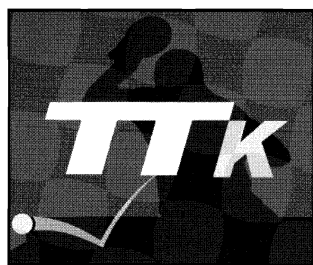
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RELATIVELY SPEAKING

by Lesley Hall-Wood

From time to time TTN will be talking to the parents or partners of table tennis players, hoping for an insight as to how it can affect family life, sacrifices made or simply 'how did they get started'?

PAULINE REED



DANIEL REED is pictured with his mother **PAULINE** at the Butterfly Bath Open Grand Prix

DANIEL REED, 14, was playing in the Butterfly Bath Open Grand Prix where he competed in the Mens Band 1 on the Saturday and in the U21 mens Singles on the Sunday, seeded No.7, as well as competing in the Mens Singles.

Supporting Daniel at this venue were his mother Pauline and coach Carole Moore. His father Alan, who plays football, tennis, squash and cricket not to mention the Great North Run, was absent on this occasion. The males in this family are obviously the sporting half, as Daniel's brother Alastair, 16, at present at 6th form college plays for Scarborough Football Club Youth Team.

Fiona at 19 the big sister is her 2nd year at Manchester University, where she is reading Economics and Accountancy. Pauline stresses the Reed girls are not sporty but then lets slip that her and Fiona together ran the 5k 'Tesco's Race for Life' for women only, in aid of Cancer Research, and that with only a bit of training.

Daniel presently ranked No.8 in Junior Boys started playing table tennis at the age of 10. Bob Hindle, a former Ormesby coach was running an after school club. Bob told Carole Moore, herself a former England International, about Daniel and a lot of work from her was involved in getting him up to speed.

Accompanying Daniel to tournaments obviously involves a lot of travelling - the furthest the family have travelled was Paignton for the Clare Pengelly Memorial Grand Prix and the closet to home, the Cleveland Open at Thornaby.

The Reeds are a very child centred family. Usually one or other parent will do the driving, but when other commitments allow they like to travel as a family.

Pauline says that it is a huge commitment at the moment, but in a few years the children will be up and flown the nest and it will be their time, hers and Alan's. She does not want to give the impression that it's all sacrifice and no enjoyment, because she loves her family and really enjoys the travelling and meeting new people.

FOLKESTONE ANNIVERSARY TOURNAMENT

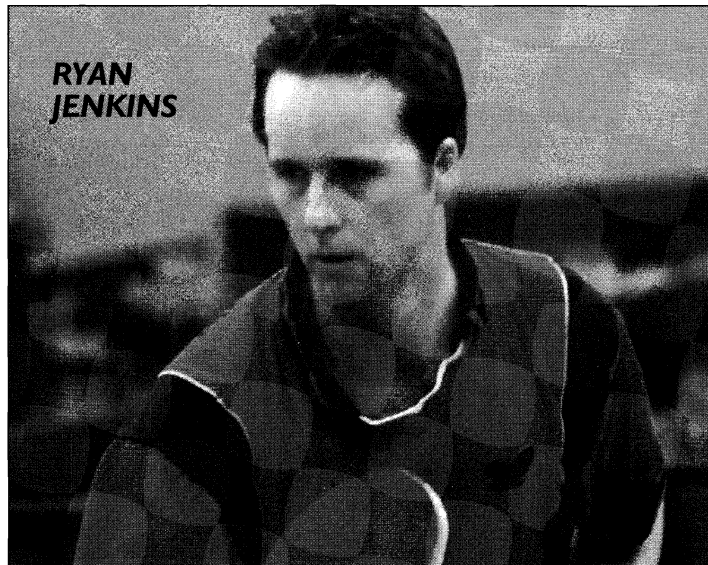
FOLKESTONE OPEN 1 STAR 75th ANNIVERSARY TOURNAMENT
 Sunday 7th November 2004

THE Folkestone and District Table Tennis Association celebrated its 75th anniversary by holding a 1 star open tournament on 7th November. This attracted more than 80 competitors from China, Wales and various places in England, including Nottinghamshire, Shropshire, Sussex, Essex as well as Kent, writes David Stanton & Steve Bispham.

The event was generously supported by sponsorship from The SAGA group, Bribar Table Tennis, Eurotunnel, R B Print, Busi-print, Homebase, John Gardiner, Peter Kemp, H Wald & Co., Silver Spring, Tracey Bebbington, Milbrooke Printers and Sterling Insurance.

Some tremendous and high quality table tennis was played on the twelve tables at the Folkestone Sports Centre, commencing at 9am and the spectators and players were treated to some enthralling table tennis, culminating in the mens' final in which Ryan Jenkins (Wales) beat Dong Da Quin from China 11-3 in the fifth set having been 2 sets down. Thus was, without doubt, the best table tennis ever seen in Folkestone.

The tournament referee was Steve Bispham, assisted by the organising committee - Bob Baker, Frank Hobbs and Peter Kemp. Also on the day, David Cue was assistant referee and John Gardiner helped enter results



RYAN JENKINS

and schedule matches.

We were delighted that the Chairman of the ETTA, Alex Murdoch, and his wife, Val, supported the tournament as competitors and that Alex agreed to present the trophies and prize money as a stand in for the Rt. Hon Michael Howard MP, leader of the Conservative Party and a vice President of the Folkestone & District Table Tennis Association, having been a former player in the league. Mr Howard had been called away on urgent political business

RESULTS

Junior singles final
 Damien Nicholls (Shropshire) bt James Winchester (Sussex) (6, 4, 9)

Veterans final

Diccon Gray (Kent) bt Phil Saxby (Kent) (6, 8, 7)

Doubles final

Ryan Jenkins (WALES)/Gary Tendler (Essex) bt Dong Da Quin (CHINA)/Ashley Nicholls (Shropshire) (6, 3, 8)

Ladies singles final

Feiming Tong (CHINA/Hampshire) bt Gemma Yarnley (Kent)(7,-13, 2, 9)

Mens singles semi-finals

Ryan Jenkins (WALES) bt Richie Venner (Sussex) (9, 3, 5)
 Dong Da Quin (CHINA) bt Lee Chin Husan (CHINA) (12, 8, 4)

Final

Ryan Jenkins (WALES) bt Dong Da Quin (CHINA) (-5, -7, 5, 7, 3)

LONDON REGION UPDATE

MY move into London as Development Officer of the 33 London Boroughs has led to lateral thinking defining the need for 4 area centres Barnet and Ellenborough - North, Langdon - East, Graham Spicer - South, and a West centre to be found. In Central London - a Champion 2012 practise centre, open all day, and The London South Bank University Excellence Centre, writes Brian Spicer.

As expected, I spend little time behind my desk during the day, administering business and reporting after closing hours.

My findings at school and club level dispute many of the falling player population figures.

London Borough of Waltham Cross:

68 players on 14 tables at Rushcroft College now linked to Heathcote TTC. 50 players on 14 tables at Norlington School. Waltham Forest College 30 players on 5 tables.

Leytonstone School 30 players on 7 tables.

Westminster L.B.

3 primary schools opened with 60 players on 6 tables, 1 senior school - 6 tables and 40 players, 1 youth club 3 tables with 20 players, and a

Sunday Premier Club - 4 tables and 30 players.

Newham L B.

Langdon School. 6 tables - 60 players, Lister School - Sportica TTC - 6 tables 50 players.

I am now contacting all School Partnership Development Managers, to assess through their school sports co-ordinators the schools that have table tennis and development opportunities, and then to development community club

coaches through the work plan, and guarantees to beat the negative disciples of our sport in achieving optimum individual members in London when the new affiliation system is launched.

Immediately I proposed community sports coaches in the 5 London Boroughs, where The London Olympic Bid is based, and LB of Islington where the Sobell Centre has been selected as the training venue for table tennis'

SARAH CLEARY NW DEV. OFFICER

I will be using my many years of international playing and coaching experience to help and develop table tennis in the North West region. I have been working for a number of years with local authorities, schools sports co-ordinators, teachers and local leagues and clubs to help develop table tennis in the region. I have also gained a lot of knowledge in sport development through my BA Hons degree at Bolton Institute in Sport Development. I have been playing in the French Super Division for a number of years and seen the major benefits a good club structure has brought to table tennis in France. I hope to help clubs in the NW to develop along similar lines through the Premier club Programme. *Sarah Cleary*

STOCKTON 4 STAR JUNIOR RESULTS

JUNIOR BOYS TEAM

Semi-final
DARLINGTON A bt ORMESBY A 3-1

Semi-final
DARLINGTON B bt LONDON
PROGRESS A 3-2

Final
DARLINGTON A bt DARLINGTON B 3-1

Bradley Evans lt Simon Nutch
7, -9, -11, 6, -9
David Meads bt Andrew Leighton 4, 7, 9
Evans/Meads bt Nutch/Leighton 7, 8, 8
David Meads bt Simon Nutch 9, 6, 8

JUNIOR GIRLS TEAM

Final
GRANTHAM COLLEGE bt
DRAYCOTT & LONG EATON 3-0
Laura Rumgay bt Emma Vickers 7, 6, 10
Karin Eggar bt Caroline Hallows 4, 5, -4, 7
Rumgay/Eggar bt Vickers/Hallows
-6, -10, 5, 11, 10

CADET BOYS TEAM

Final
DARLINGTON bt NORWICH 3-0
Myles Evans bt Jake Collins 3, 3, 10
Mark Simpson bt Ryan Collins 2, 11, 9
Evans/Simpson bt Collins/Collins 6, 1, 9

CADET GIRLS TEAM

Final
PENIEL bt BALLINA 3-1
Rachel Jamieson bt Chloe Nealon 5, 4, 3
Jessica Macken lt Susan Nealon -6, -7, -6
Jamieson/Macken bt Nealon/Nealon
6, -7, -8, 10, 9

Rachel Jamieson bt Susan Nealon
7, 6, -5, -9, 3

MINI CADET BOYS

Final
Liam Pitchford bt Oscar Selfridge 7, 9, 7

MINI CADET GIRLS

Final
Mary Fuller bt Susan Nealon
-12, 8, 8, -10, 7

CADET BOYS SINGLES

Semi-final
Damien Nicholls bt William Maybanks
5, -9, 4, 3

Myles Evans bt Mark Simpson -6, 1, 7, 8
Final

Damien Nicholls bt Myles Evans
11, 7, -4, -11, 3

CADET GIRLS SINGLES

Semi-final
Emma Vickers bt Caroline Hallows
8, 10, 8
Rebecca Russell bt Rachel Jamieson
-9, 6, 3, 6

Final
Emma Vickers bt Rebecca Russell 8, 8, 9

GRADE ONE BOYS SINGLES

Final
Allan Fullwood bt Alim Hirji
8, -22, 8, -10, 8

GRADE ONE GIRLS SINGLES

Final
Rachel Jamieson bt Caroline Hallows
4, 4, 7

JUNIOR BOYS SINGLES

Semi-final
Kenny Lindsay bt Damien Nicholls 8, 8, 7
Bradley Evans bt Simon Nutch 8, 9, 5
Final

Kenny Lindsay bt Bradley Evans
10, 11, -8, 9

JUNIOR GIRLS SINGLES

Semi-final
Rachel Jamieson bt Clare Langford 3, 7, 5
Emma Weil bt Laura Rumgay 6, 7, 6
Final

Emma Weil bt Rachel Jamieson -7, 6, 8, 9



LANCASHIRE NEWS

FIRST we'll start with a huge congratulations for the new qualifications obtained by Dave Goulden and Tom Purcell who are now International Umpires, John Bleakley, Dave Cochrane and Bob Williamson also passed their National Umpire qualifications. We welcome the two new recruits Tom Creevy and Keith Wilkinson who are now county umpires, writes Dave Cochrane.

A big thankyou goes to Ken Armson MBE who without his training and patience these successes would not be possible. In the last European men's league match against the Netherlands at Barrow-in-Furness in November Manchester's Andrew Rushton was back in the England team and proved a good choice for Steen's squad. Andrew was tactically put in as number three and it paid off as he beat Michiel Janssen 11-4, 7-11, 11-3, 11-8. Andrew was in control throughout and kept his serves tight and unleashed his mighty fast lightning forehand many times to secure the valuable

point for England. The England team won 3-2 at the end of the night which was finished off with an excellent win for Paul Drinkhall making his debut.

It is with great regret to report the death of Fred Holden Chairman of East Lancs Table Tennis League, Fred was the driving force in the league for many years and is the reason why Lancashire has the facility of Hyndburn Table Tennis Centre. The Hyndburn Table Tennis Centre will in the near future be renamed The Fred Holden Table Tennis Centre as a tribute to a great man.

Lancashire is pleased to announce the opening of Blackpool's new table tennis centre and Preston's new centre which is being built as we speak. Well done to all involved, an excellent addition to our facilities. Watch this space for a report on the City of Liverpool 4 Star Junior & Cadet tournament on 8th/9th January 2005.

Merry Christmas to you all and a happy new year.
See you in 2005.



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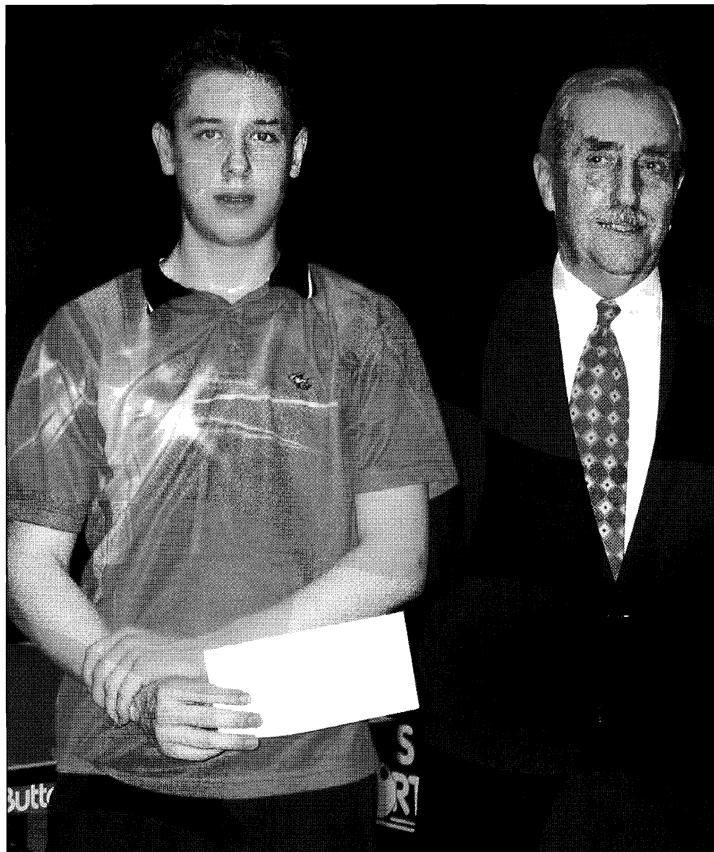
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LITTLE KNOWN LINDSAY WINS



COLIN DAVIDSON, Chairman of Cleveland TTA is pictured above presenting KENNY LINDSAY winner of the Junior Boys Singles prize, and below with the Junior Girls winner and runner-up RACHEL JAMIESON and EMMA WEIL from Peniel

LITTLE known 7th seed Kenny Lindsay from Edinburgh, was the surprise winner of the Boys' Singles in one of Britain's leading junior table tennis championships, the Stockton on Tees Junior 4 Star Select, sponsored by Tees Active Ltd at Thornaby Pavilion in November, writes Alan Ransome.

Lindsay has burst onto the British table tennis scene. Twelve months ago he was a little known Scottish junior but after nine months work related practice with his parents in Romania followed by three months training in China, he has emerged as one of the hottest prospects on the British tournament scene. In the final Lindsay defeated the top seed, English international Bradley Evans of Buckinghamshire, by 3 sets to 1. Lindsay's first major scalp was in the quarter final when he beat the second seed, David Meads of Darlington, in his closest match by 11-9 in the 5th and deciding game. Ormesby's Damien Nicholls was the

Scotsman's victim in the semi-final by 3 games to 0.

With Paul Drinkhall on an English training tour in China, Ormesby's top hope, Danny Reed, reached the quarter finals only to lose to Simon Nouch of Yorkshire 3-1.

A day earlier Nicholls won the Cadet Boys' Singles beating Berkshire's William Maybanks 3-1 in the semi final and Buckinghamshire's Myles Evans 3-2 in the final.

Darlington's turn came in the Boys' Team event when the club's A team consisting of Bradley Evans and David Meads, beat the 2nd team of Simon Nouch and Andrew Leighton 3-1 in the final. Darlington's A team also had a tough battle in the semi final before beating the Ormesby pair of Reed and Nicholls by 3-1 after Nicholls had opened by beating Bradley Evans in the first match.

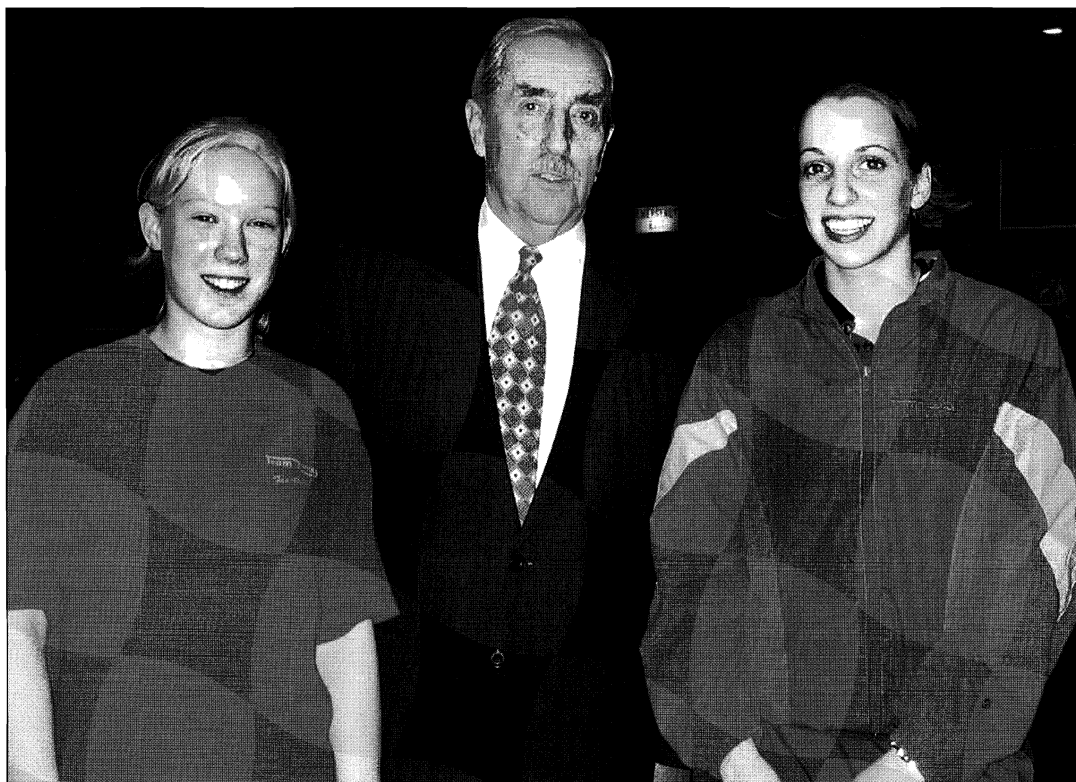
The Girls Singles final was an all Essex contest after the Peniel pair of Emma Weil and Rachel Jamieson had excelled. Emma Weil defeated Emma Vickers of Derbyshire and Scotland's Laura Rungay to reach the final, whilst Rachel Jamieson came through against Rebecca Russell of Scotland and Clare Langford of Cheshire. Emma won the final by 3-1 after losing the first game at 11-7.

The Team Event was exactly the reverse and the Peniel girls were defeated by the Draycott & Long Eaton pairing of Emma Vickers and Caroline Hallows by 3-2. The Scottish girls playing for Grantham College beat Darlington 3-0 in the semi final and Long Eaton by the same score in the final after a doubles that went the full distance.

The Cadet Girls singles winner was the top seed, Emma Vickers, who beat Scotland's second seed, Rebecca Russell by 3-0. The Cadet Girls team event was another success for Peniel as Rachel Jamieson and Jessica Macken proved too strong for the Irish Ballina team of Susan and Chloe Nealon.

The Mini Cadet Boys Singles was won by Liam Pitchford of Derbyshire who beat Mark Naylor, also of Derbyshire, 3-1 and Oscar Selfridge of Essex in straight games in the final. Hans Soova's latest protegee, Mary Fuller of Yorkshire was a narrow winner of the Mini Cadet Girls final. Mary beat Susan Nealon of Ireland 11-7 in the 5th and Charlotte Airey of Lincolnshire 3-1 in the semi final.

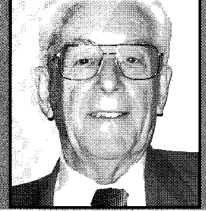
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MATCHPOINT

Formerly 'Courtside'

By JOHN WOODFORD



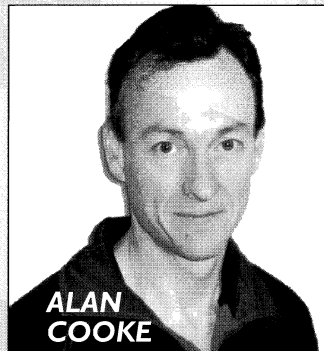
• **WELCOME BACK** to this column with its new name in the 'new-look' magazine. My goal remains - stories that I pick up around the planet and of course, questions, that is what we journalists do.

• **PASSIONS** were high at the last National Council meeting but the wishes of 22 councillors prevailed. Those in the corridors of power will not always agree with my views but freedom of speech is a precious commodity that has been restored right here.

• **BATH**, one of Britain's finest cities was our most recent stop on the grand prix tour. Despite problems with the lighting over some of the courts the final day ended on time after strenuous efforts on the control table spearheaded by Mick Strode on the public address system and sterling work by the umpires.

• **UNFORTUNATELY**, through no-one's fault the hotel accommodation booked for the ETTA contingent was a cross between Fawly Towers and a run-down pre-war hostel with only a poor continental breakfast with the bread for the toast running out by Sunday.

• **HOWEVER**, in contrast 24 hours later we found ourselves in the luxurious Abbey House Hotel, Barrow-in-Furness, our base for the European League triumph 3-2 against Holland. Coming



ALAN COOKE

from the squalor at Bath we never stopped smiling.

• **WHY** do we not get the coverage in the national press afforded to our two main racquet sport rivals, badminton and squash? The over-riding reason is that they both have British top world-class players. Currently, our No.1 player is Alan Cooke world ranked around 150, with

Matthew Syed slipping down near the one hundred mark.

• **PAUL DRINKHALL**, 15 next month is our brightest rising star since Carl Prean some eighteen years ago. Paul's debut clinching England's 3-2 victory over the Dutch at Barrow-in-Furness was a dream come true.

• **HOW** did Barrow manage to stage a match with 600 fans present? The answer is a tremendous amount of work by the local officials led by Roger Harris.

• **MANY** cities and large towns struggle to get crowds of 500, but with Barrow so far away from the bright lights a 600 crowd is a remarkable achievement.

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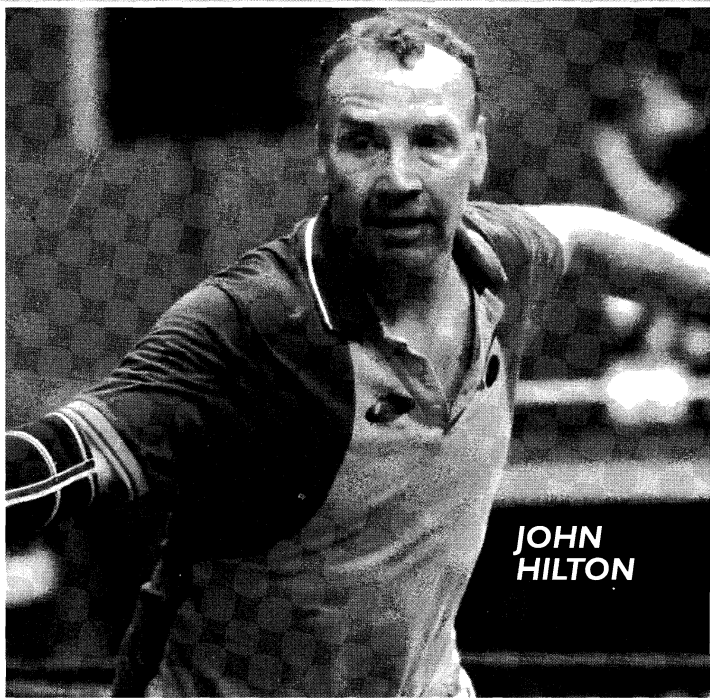
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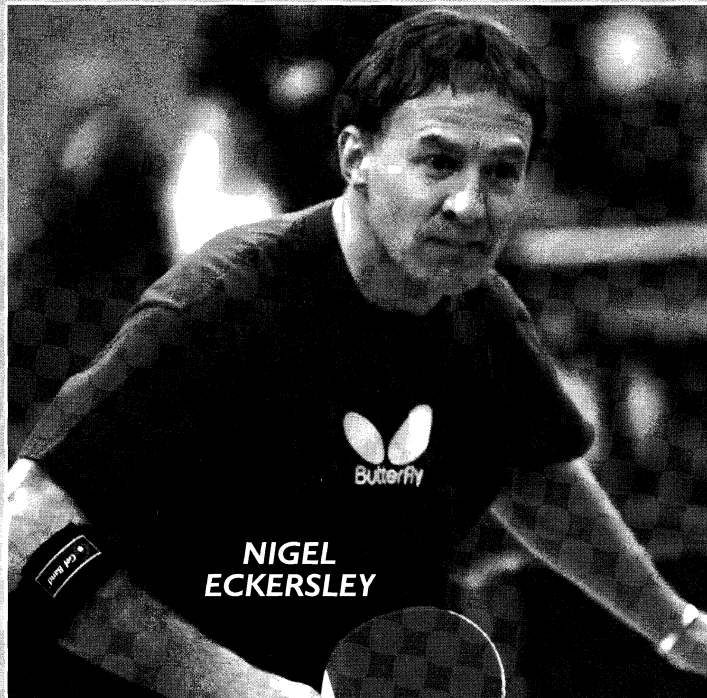
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HILTON & ECKERSLEY CLASHED IN THE FINALS



**JOHN
HILTON**



**NIGEL
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PLAYERS, who only thought about entering this tournament organised by the Guernsey TTA and Sportbreak made the wrong decision, it was an excellent weekend played on ten tables at the Guernsey Table Tennis Centre with the excellent 43-room 3-star hotel Houge du Pommier virtually next door, writes John Woodford.

The future of this tournament is almost certainly assured for the next to two years at least. The local players and officials led by Derek Webb provided an enthusiastic and warm welcome which I am sure will continue.

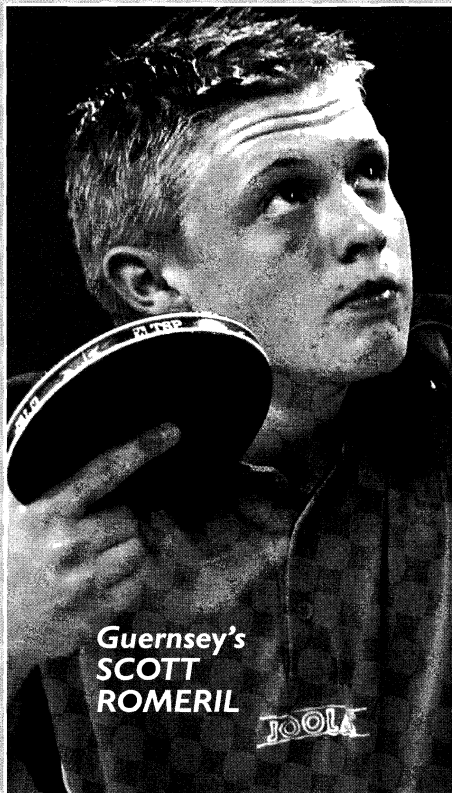
The entry was not large, but it was boosted by an encouraging number of juniors, attending training camps running before and after the main tournament, organised by Mike Johns's company Sportbreak.

John Hilton and Nigel Eckersley clashed in both the mens singles final and the veterans final. Victory went to Hilton whose unorthodox blend of attacking top-spin and defence proved too strong for the Sussex veteran who managed to win Band 1 but only after three hard-fought battles against the top men from Jersey and Guernsey.

Hilton, winner of the European senior mens singles title in 1980 at Berne, Switzerland is emerging as a legendary figure. Now aged 57, the fact that he is managing to retain his No.1 spot on the England veterans list is astonishing, especially as the the 40-year-olds like Whiting, Kennedy and Giles are now in the the top six.

The top Channel Islanders present were Eugene

Ellis and Phil Ogier, but all eyes were on their most promising junior Scott Romeril. He is Guernsey's great hope for the future, only losing in the fifth game in the quarter-finals of the mens



**Guernsey's
SCOTT
ROMERIL**

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singles event to Hilton.

Mike Johns worked single-handed on control throughout the weekend and beyond, whilst the equipment sponsors were Brabar whose managing director Barry Chapman visited Guernsey for the first time and he presented the prizes to the winners and runners-up in all events.

Footnote: There are bargain price flights available to Guernsey, but they need to be booked early, around the £25, but leave it too late and the air ticket prices move up to three or four times.

RESULTS

Mens Team Event: John Hilton & Rory Scott (ENG) bt Scott Romeril & Jez Powell (GRN) 3-0.

Mens Singles: John Hilton (ENG) bt Nigel Eckersley (ENG) 4-11, 4, 11.

Veteran Singles: John Hilton (ENG) bt Nigel Eckersley (ENG) 4-5, 5, 7.

Mens Band 1: Nigel Eckersley (ENG) bt Paul Ogier (GRN) -4, 6, 5, 12.

Mens Band 2: Peter Brettel (GRN) bt Phil Ogier (GRN) 7-12, 10, 5.

Mens Band 3: Scott Romeril (GRN) bt Rory Scott (ENG) 14, 9-10, 14.

Band 5 Event: Paul Marshall (JER) bt Michael Robinson (ENG) 13, 6, 7.

Band 6 Event: Paul Marshall (JER) bt Trevor Lefebure (JER) -8, 7, 11, 10.

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The One Star

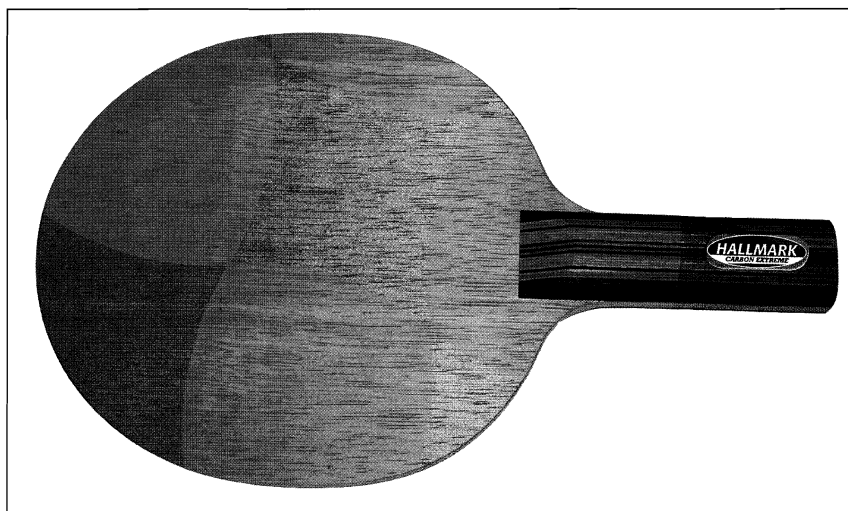
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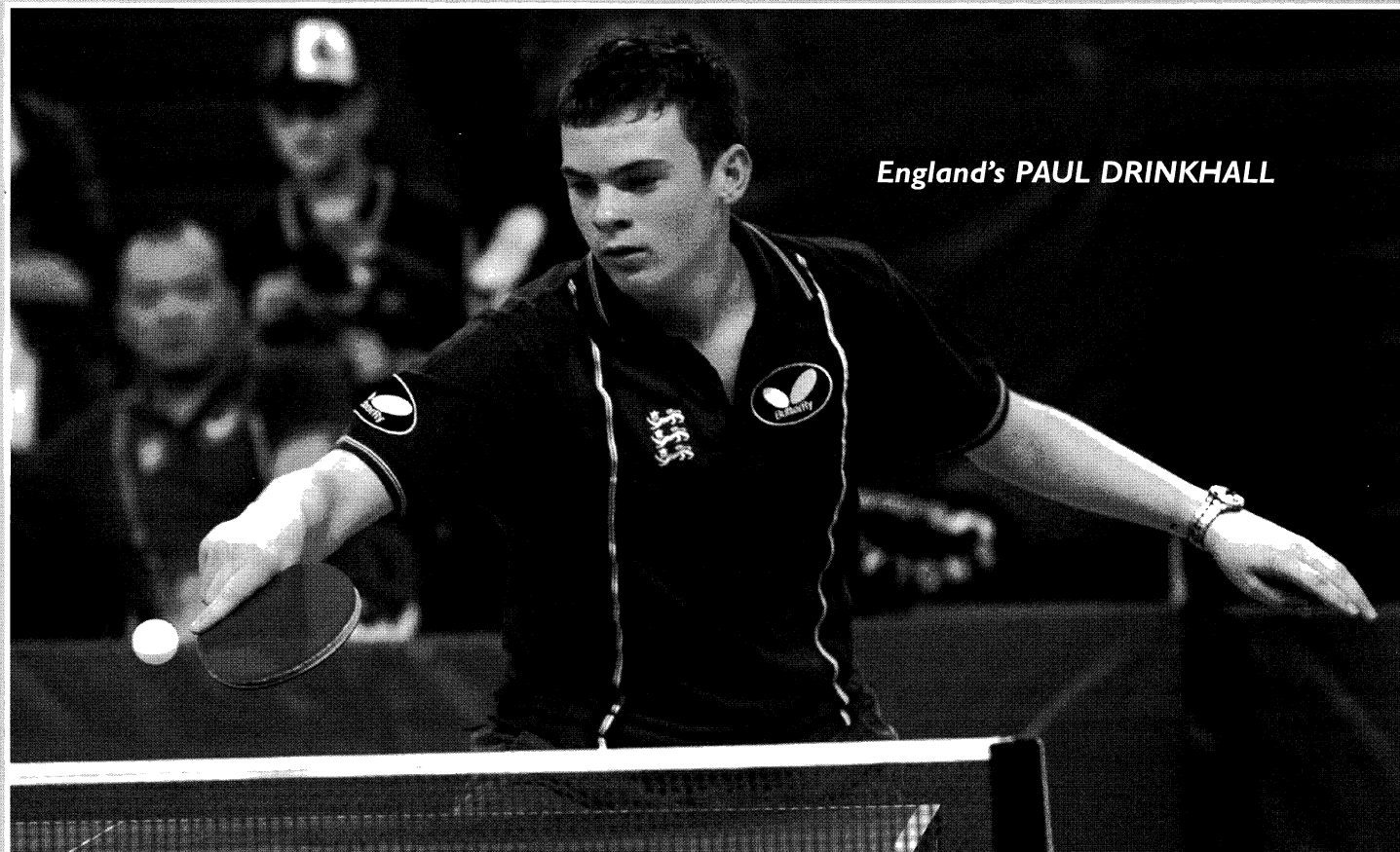
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EUROPEAN DREAM DEBUT FOR PAUL DRINKHALL-AS ENGLAND BEAT HOLLAND



England's PAUL DRINKHALL

PAUL DRINKHALL, not 15 until January, is the name on the lips of many table tennis fans. Six hundred of them roared him home to victory at the Hoops Basketball Centre, Barrow-in-Furness sealing a 3-2 win over Holland, writes John Woodford.

Paul was making his England senior European debut. It was a dream debut not unlike Wayne Rooney's hat-trick on his first appearance for Manchester United.

This European League match, saw England complete the double over the Dutch, who were without Trinko Keen, but England were without Matthew Syed whose last appearance before he retired was to beat Keen and Danny Heister at Eindhoven in the first encounter between the two teams.

There were no passengers in this match - Alan Cooke showed once again that he can lift his game to overcome players a hundred places above him on the world list - he held a match point in the fourth game of a wonderful evening against Heister. In a huge battle of top-spin attack and lobbed returns. I cannot recall Heister missing one smash. Had Cooke

won that match-point England would have triumphed 3-1 but Paul Drinkhall would not have had the golden chance to score his first victory at senior level in the European League.

Paul brought down Barry Wijers 4, 7, -6, 7, to clinch the match 3-2 bringing a standing ovation. Most of the crowd had never seen table tennis at this high level in their lives.

Danny Heister, a class operator who has played in three Olympic Games was favourite to win his games as he did, but only just. England's task was to win the other three. Steen Hansen's professional skills as England's head coach took another step upwards said "It was a great victory, especially as all three players contributed."

Cooke opened the match to a packed house with a hundred fans standing, defeating Barry Wijers 6, 7, 13.

Paul Drinkhall was then beaten 3, 5, 8 by Heister, but note the ascending scoreline.

At 1-1, Andrew Rushton confirmed his progress in the England squad winning 4, -7, 3, 8 further proof that these Dutchmen were solid players - their flight from Manchester was not home to

Amsterdam but to Dusseldorf in the heart of the Bundesliga.

Increasingly, Rushton looks as though he means business on court, he has an increasing range of shots, never gives up, remains cool and has all the ingredients for a future national champion.

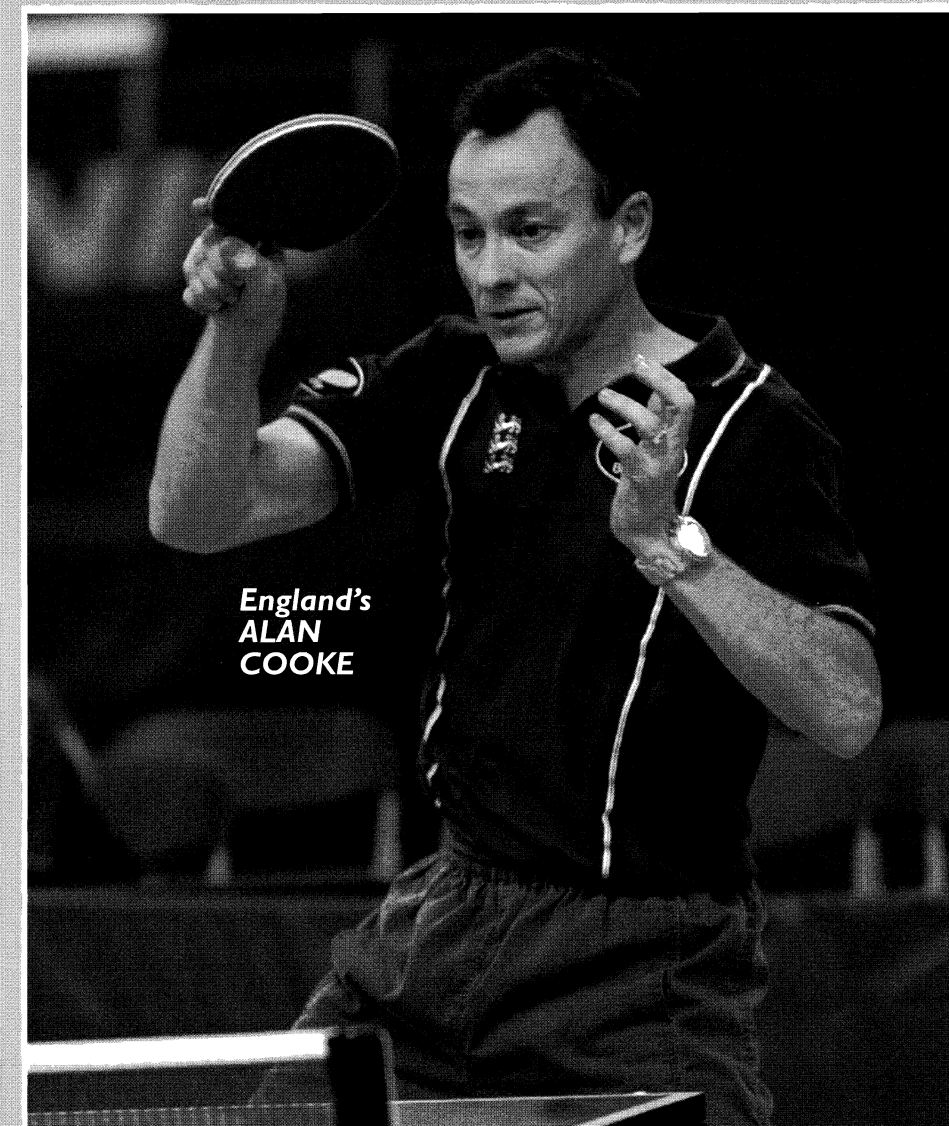
So, as Cooke and Heister produced spectacular almost world class play, Heister took his third match point to level the scores at 2-2.

I doubt if any England 14-year old has ever faced a more daunting task - playing a European League decider. The Cleveland lad stayed as calm as if he was playing in the Middlesbrough league.

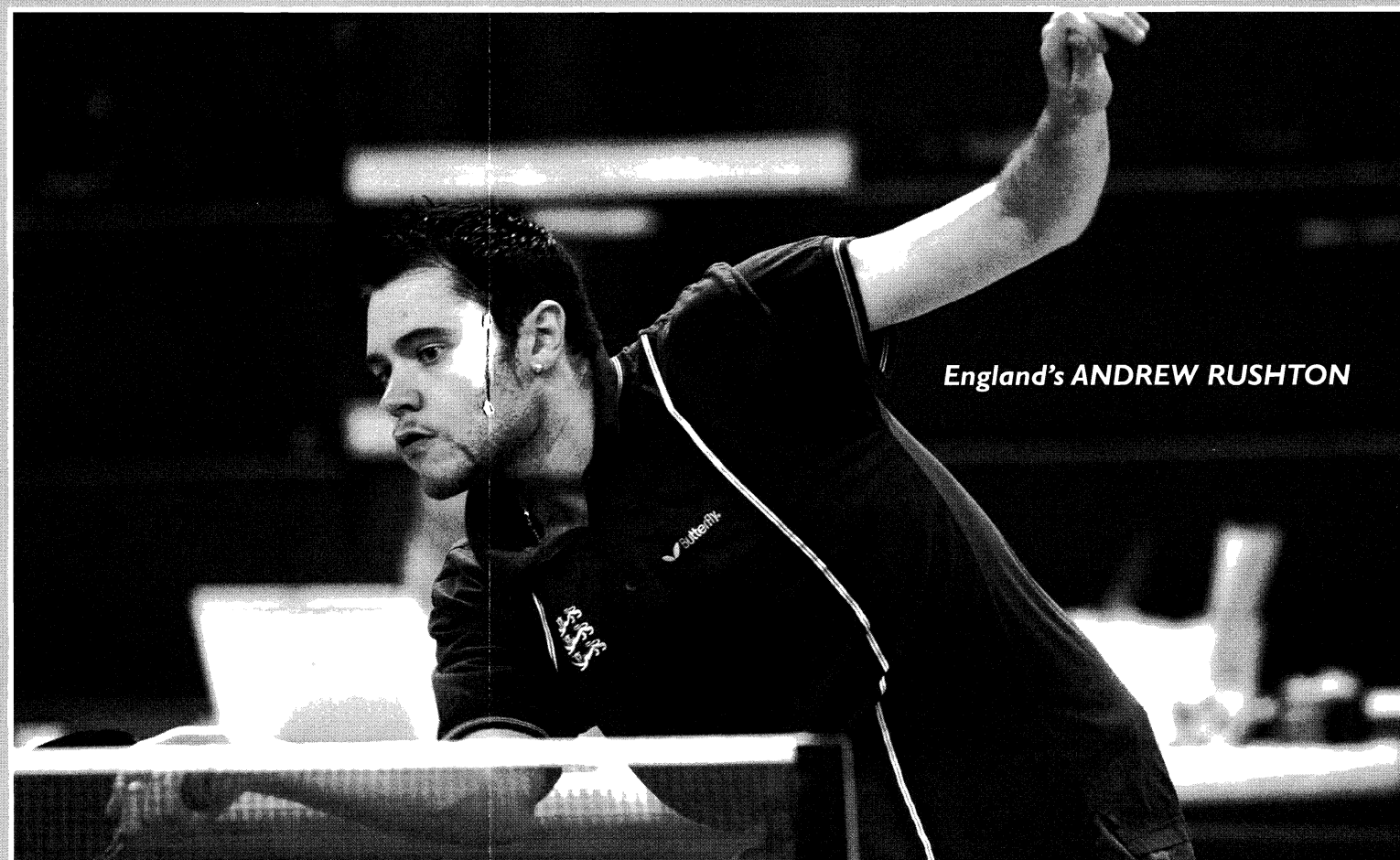
He stormed through the first two games against Wijers 4, 7, but the Dutch No.2 hit back to win the third at 6, but Paul stayed focussed to win 7 on his fourth match point.

Footnotes: Officials at Barrow worked tirelessly to put this match on with a team headed by Roger Harris (Chairman

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England's
ALAN
COOKE



England's ANDREW RUSHTON

Table Tennis Centre) and Keith Mallinson, chairman of the Barrow league and of the county. They were so successful that they may sometime get another match - how many towns and cities can match 600 fans?

The Mayor of Barrow hosted a full-scale after-match reception at the palatial Town Hall attended by the ETTA chairman Alex Murdoch and finishing at midnight when we visitors retired to an equally palatial Abbey House Hotel, some us facing a 300 mile journey south the next morning - but winning the match made the trip to the Lake District well worth the long journey.

RESULTS:

ENGLAND 3, HOLLAND 2.

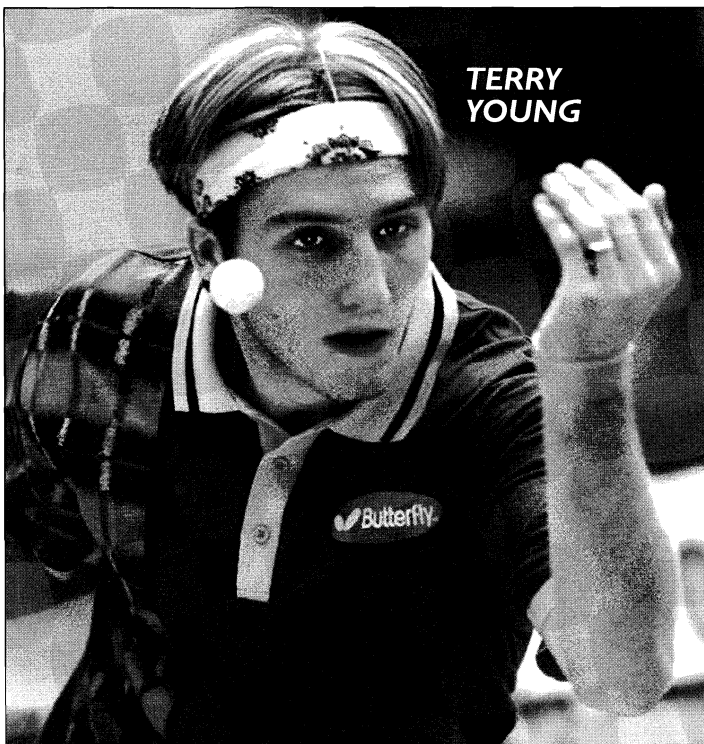
A.Cooke bt B.Wijers 6, 7, 13
P.Drinkhall lt D.Heister -3, -5, -8
A.Rushton bt M.Janssen 4, -7, 3, 8
Cooke lt Heister -7, 6, -8, 7, -11
Drinkhall bt Wijers 4, 7, -6, 7.

BARNET & PROGRESS LEVEL

BARNET AND PROGRESS LEVEL ON SEVEN POINTS

IF the first round of matches played at BATTs are anything to go by it is clear that London Progress, the Champions for the past six years are going to have a major fight on their hands if they are to retain their British League Premier division title. They stayed undefeated but with Barnet also finishing on seven points from their four matches Barnet are one game ahead with their games record of 24-8. And with a young Ormesby side just another point back it is clear that this season's title race has the potential to go all the way "to the proverbial wire". One thing that Progress will be pleased with is their recent foray into the "transfer market". The signing of Terry Young hasn't had quite the same impact in National sporting circles as Wayne Rooney's move to Manchester United but it will have been every bit as significant if Progress do retain their title. England No.5 Young stayed undefeated winning all eight of his singles, writes Steve Kerns

Saturday's games gave no indication of any drama as Progress bull-dozed Ellenborough 7-1 and dished out the same treatment to Darlington. With Ellenborough's new signing Gareth Herbert sitting out the Progress match their task was slightly easier but they looked pretty much in control throughout. Ellenborough No.4 John Nilsson caused them most difficulties with an excellent win over Leeroy Pye and he also fully extended Marco Essomba before losing in five sets. Darlington will feel hard done by in losing 7-1 as they lost three games in the decider. Bradley Evans was their winner as he celebrated a fine 11-7 in the fifth end victory over Leeroy Pye whilst Ritchie Venner missed out 17-15 in the decider against Marco Essomba, as exciting a game as you will see anywhere. JAGS presented Progress with more problems on the Sunday morning only succumbing 5-3. With Clive Carthy missing out against Darren Blake at 13-11 in the fifth end they could well have taken a point although the JAGS players will be honest enough to admit that the three games they did win all represented excellent victories.



Lorestas Trumpauskas came through 3-1 against Jason Sugrue, Clive Carthy saw off Sugrue 3-1 and Abdul Wuraola came out on top 11-8 in the decider against Marco Essomba. It was a relieved Darren Blake who secured the Progress victory with a relatively comfortable 3-0 success over Jerome Jonah.

Progress's final match against Ormesby was the one everyone had been waiting for, and it didn't disappoint. The established Champions against the "Young Pretenders" who amazingly had only found a place in the division following the withdrawal of last year's division One (North) Champions Grove I. Craig Bryant set Ormesby on their way with an excellent 3-0 victory over Jason Sugrue and suddenly Terry Young's match with Paul Drinkhall took on an even greater importance. Paul matched his rival in all departments until he lost the best rally of the weekend at 4-3 in the decider. This seemed to give Terry the impetus he needed and he surged ahead to take the match 11-5, 9-11, 11-7, 9-11, 11-7. This result also appears to have given Terry's teammates a lift as well as Darren Blake and Marco Essomba also came through 3-1 and 3-0 against Bryn Drinkhall and Steve Bailey respectively. Terry Young was in no mood to lose his 100% record and he overcame a third game set-back to

get the better of Craig Bryant as Progress surged into a 4-1 lead. What were the young Ormesby side made of? We were about to find out. Bryn Drinkhall produced his best play of the weekend to get the better of Jason Sugrue 10-12, 11-5, 11-4, 10-12, 11-5 and brother Paul, the Finalist at the Home Countries Championships a week earlier excelled as he came through 11-6, 8-11, 6-11, 11-4, 11-4 against Marco Essomba. The harder Marco hit the ball the harder Paul returned it. As simple as that! However, the Progress supporters were able to bang their drum in confident fashion for the first two games of the deciding match as Darren Blake's aggressive third ball game seemed to hold all the answers against Steve Bailey. Steve to his credit was far from finished and after squeezing home 11-8 in a tense third game he looked a lot more comfortable in the fourth which he took 11-5. By this time all the other matches were long since completed and as is so often the case the last match of the weekend produced a magnificent finale. This one really takes some beating as Steve found himself 3-1 ahead and 9-3 down. It hardly even seemed worth bothering to call a Time-Out! Amazingly Steve fought back to 9-6 but when he went 10-6 behind surely this was beyond him. Perhaps inspired by Werner Schlager's dramatic victory over

Wang Li Qin in the 2003 World Championships Steve "entered the zone" and took the next four points with a series of brave third ball attacks. Amazingly he clinched the match 13-11. Rumour has it he was still dazed in Training the next day.

It is easy to overlook Harvey Barnets' success. Second last season, all the plaudits understandably went to Progress. This time the drama of the Progress versus Ormesby match perhaps took some of the spotlight away from them. However, this does them a major injustice as they are a team that excels in all four positions. Gergely Urban (pronounced Erffy) is an outstanding no. one and he only lost once all weekend, against Jonathan Taylor (Seasiders). His approach is so "laid back" that it is easy to forget he is ranked no. 10 in England. His victims included Paul Drinkhall, Craig Bryant and Lorestas Trumpauskas. In Niall Cameron they also have arguably the best no. three/four in the division and he also only lost once - early on, against a battling David Meads (Darlington) who also excelled in this match by beating Darius Knight 11-9 in the decider. In Tim Yarnall, last year's British League overall Player of the Season they have a quality no. two player and he carried on where he left off last year winning five out of his eight singles. Victories against Bradley Evans, Matt Kenny, Louis Rosenthal, Lorestas Trumpauskas and Clive Carthy show what an important member of the Barnet team he is. And on the Sunday Veteran reserve Costas Papanтониου came into the team and played his part with two wins against Seasiders, the one against Greg Baker being particularly impressive. Barnet's crunching 8-0 win over JAGS gave another indication of what a good side they can be. Five games went to a decider and they won all of them. Darius Knight's 11-9 in the deciding set victory over Abdul Wuraola and Gergely Urban's 11-8 in the fifth end victory over Lorestas Trumpauskas look to have been the pick of the action. Barnet's 4-4 draw with Ormesby (the only point they dropped) came about via doubles from Gergely Urban and Niall Cameron whilst Tim Yarnall only missed out against Bryn Drinkhall 11-9 in the decider. With Craig Bryant coming close to toppling Urban, also losing 11-9 in the fifth end a draw looks to have been a fair

BRITISH LEAGUE - 2

result.

Not only is the competition to take the title a lot fiercer this year but it looks even harder to pick a team that is going to be relegated. Darlington and Seasiders have both made poor starts although Seasiders at least managed a point, something that was beyond them in the first round of matches last season. Both sides scored their points against Ellenborough and in both matches the big shock were the losses sustained by England no. 3 Gareth Herbert. On Saturday he was a victim of an inspired Jonathan Taylor at 12-10 in the decider whilst against Darlington he was well beaten, 3-0 by a rampant Matt Kenny. Jimmy Walsh added to the Darlington woes with an excellent 3-1 victory over Ritchie Venner. John Nilsson's form was a major bonus for Ellenborough throughout the whole weekend and he took all four singles in these games with impressive wins over Bradley Evans, David Meads, Louis Rosenthal and Chris Gregory. Ellenborough added a third point to their total by holding Peniel to a draw. This time Gareth Herbert stayed undefeated and a double for John Nilsson earned them the draw. Nilsson capped what had been already been an outstanding weekend's work with two more good wins over Neil Charles (3-2) and Joe Kennedy (3-1). Darlington found themselves well beaten 6-2 by JAGS. Jerome Jonah "ran himself into the ground" as he covered every inch of the Court to get the better of Bradley Evans 1-11, 6-11, 13-11, 11-8, 11-9 as JAGS moved into a 4-0 lead. And although Ritchie Venner hit back with a 3-0 victory over Clive Carthy and David Meads made no mistake in getting the better of Jerome Jonah 3-0. JAGS found themselves rather more comfortable winners than they

might have expected. Matt Kenny was unable to repeat the magic he displayed in his win over Gareth Herbert, losing 3-1 to Abdul Wuraola and 3-0 to Lorestas Trumpauskas.

When things aren't going your way a 2-2 stalemate can easily become a 2-6 defeat and that is what happened to Seasiders in their clash with BATTS Team Peniel I. Jonathan Taylor lost 3-2 to old rival John Holland (his only defeat of the weekend) and from then onwards BATTS never looked back. Neil Charles added an excellent 3-2 win over Greg Baker, Peter Cleminson came through in five games against Louis Rosenthal and Joe Kennedy completed an excellent BATTS performance with his five game victory over Chris Gregory. Seasiders will be looking to provide Taylor with better support in the next round of matches. His seven wins out of eight was arguably the best individual performance of the whole weekend and his England no. 20 ranking looks certain for rapid revision. The quality of the seven players he beat - Paul Drinkhall and Craig Bryant, Gary Tendler and Gareth Herbert, Peter Cleminson, Tim Yarnall and Gergely Urban says it all.

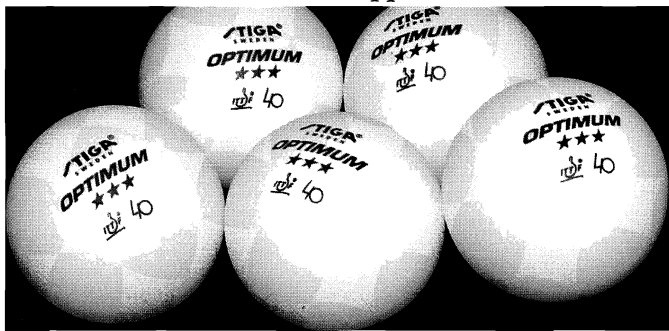
Premier division action resumes over the weekend of 20/21 November 2004 at Blackpool Table Tennis Centre. Matches start at 12.00 o'clock on the Saturday and 10.00 o'clock on the Sunday. London Progress face potentially difficult clashes on the Saturday against Seasiders and BATTS Team Peniel I who will both be keen to move up the table and on the Sunday morning the Champions will come up against Harvey Barnets, leaders after the first round of matches. Don't rule Ormesby out either. Their opponents include Darlington I, JAGS I and Ellenborough I.

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PREMIER DIVISION							
Harvey Barnets	4	3	1	0	24	8	7
LondonProgress	4	3	1	0	23	9	7
Ormesby	4	2	2	0	21	11	6
Batts TeamPeniel	4	1	2	1	15	17	4
Ellenborough	4	0	3	1	13	19	3
JAGS	4	1	1	2	13	19	3
Seasiders	4	0	1	3	10	22	1
Darlington	4	0	1	3	9	23	1
Division 1 North							
Derwent	4	3	1	0	23	9	7
ELGRE Nottingham	4	3	1	0	23	9	7
Darlington II	4	3	1	0	21	11	7
Norwich Todd Foxwood	4	1	2	1	15	17	4
Sycamore	4	1	1	2	14	18	3
Grantham	4	0	2	2	14	18	2
HaltonCroda	4	1	0	3	10	22	2
B.D. Fastbats	4	0	0	4	18	24	0
Division 1 South							
Horsham	4	3	1	0	25	7	7
OLOP Impact	4	3	1	0	21	11	7
London Progress II	4	3	0	0	20	12	6
DML Woolwell	4	2	0	2	18	14	4
Cippenham	4	1	2	1	17	15	4
Byng Hall	4	1	0	3	9	23	2
B.F.I.T. Wiltshire	4	0	1	3	9	23	1
De Vere Netts	4	0	1	3	9	23	1
Division 2 North							
Ormesbyll	4	4	0	0	27	5	8
ELGRE Nottingham II	4	3	0	1	22	10	6
Rotherham Scorpions	4	3	0	1	21	11	6
Blackpool	4	2	1	1	19	13	5
Wirral	4	1	1	2	14	18	3
Uxbridge Burton	4	0	2	2	12	20	2
B.D. Fastbats II	4	1	0	3	8	24	2
Halton Croda II	4	0	0	4	5	27	0
Division 2 South							
LondonProgressIII	4	4	0	0	27	5	8
EBS-Orange Northampton	4	4	0	0	25	7	8
University of Brighton	4	3	0	1	22	10	6
YorkGardens	4	2	1	1	15	17	5
Generation 2	4	1	1	2	14	18	3
JAGS II	4	0	1	3	13	19	1
Horsham II	4	0	1	3	7	25	1
Ashford	4	0	0	4	5	27	0
Division 2 South & Midlands							
Bedford Modern	4	4	0	0	25	7	8
Guildford	4	3	1	0	25	7	7
Cippenham II	4	2	0	2	19	13	4
Oxford Fireplace Centre	4	1	2	1	17	15	4
EBS-Orange North'pton II	4	1	1	2	14	18	3
OLOP Impact II	4	1	1	2	13	19	3
Ajax Wolves	4	1	1	2	12	20	3
Ashford II	4	0	0	4	3	29	0
Division 3 South & Midlands							
Bedford Modern II	4	4	0	0	22	10	8
Kingshurst Bribar	4	3	1	0	21	11	7
Oxford Fireplace Centre II	4	3	1	0	21	11	7
London Progress IV	4	1	1	2	15	17	3
Sutton Sharks	4	1	1	2	15	17	3
Kingfisher Reading	4	1	0	3	14	18	2
Guildford II	4	0	1	3	11	21	1
Guinness Polska	4	0	1	3	9	23	1
Division 3 North							
McLymont National	4	4	0	0	27	5	8
Grimsby	4	3	0	1	23	9	6
Northfield	4	3	0	1	23	9	6
Seasiders II	4	3	0	1	17	15	6
ELGRE Nottingham III	4	1	1	2	14	18	3
Barrow	4	1	0	3	8	24	2
Derwent II	4	0	1	3	12	20	1
B.D. FastbatsIII	4	0	0	4	4	28	0
Division 3 South							
Batts TeamPeniel II	4	4	0	0	25	7	8
NWF	4	2	1	1	19	13	5
Horsham III	4	2	1	1	18	14	5
Waterside	4	0	3	1	15	17	3
Harvey Barnets II	4	0	3	1	14	18	3
Guernsey	4	1	1	2	12	20	3
ROK	4	1	1	2	12	20	3
Hastings	4	0	2	2	13	19	2
Division 4 South & Midlands							
EllenboroughII	4	4	0	0	24	8	8
Club Cornwall	4	3	1	0	25	7	7
Cippenham III	4	3	0	1	22	10	6
London Progress V	4	1	2	1	15	17	4
East London Progress	4	0	2	2	13	19	2
ELGRE Nottingham IV	4	1	0	3	11	21	2
Britannia Ipswich	4	1	0	3	10	22	2
Guinness Polska II	4	0	1	3	8	24	1
Division 4 North							
Sheffield	4	4	0	0	24	8	8
Chesterfield	4	3	1	0	25	7	7
Darlington III	4	3	0	1	18	14	6
A.G.S. Phoenix	4	2	0	2	16	16	4
Cofton Hackett	4	2	0	2	16	16	4
Redlands Bats	4	1	1	2	15	17	3
Isle of Man	4	0	0	4	8	24	0
Rotherham ScorpionsII	4	0	0	4	6	26	0
Division 4 South							
Mossford	4	4	0	0	28	4	8
JAGS III	3	3	0	0	19	5	6
Byng Hall II	3	1	1	1	10	14	3
University of Brighton II	3	1	0	2	11	13	2
York Gardens II	3	1	0	2	11	13	2
OIC Hollingbury	4	1	0	3	8	24	2
GuildfordIII	4	0	1	3	9	23	1

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MAKING SOME DIFFICULT DECISIONS

FINALLY the County Championships are underway after a number of problems along the way which have resulted in those involved in the administration of the Championships making some difficult decisions. Once again the handbooks were late arriving from the printers, for some reason beyond our control and despite a number of enquiries to expedite their distribution, luckily all Counties received an advanced fixture list from Les Smith so that arrangements for the early fixtures could be set in motion. There have been a number of queries from Counties regarding the amendment to player qualification regulation, adopted at the last conference, in essence the amendment states that a player who has played all of their Table Tennis in a league, or club, outside of their county of birth or residence can play for the county to which that league, or club, is affiliated if it is outside their county of birth or residence. However the amendment clearly states that the player in question must only have played in one league at any time during their playing career and that seems to have been misunderstood by some people and has required the referee to make a ruling, writes Stan Clarke.

SENIOR DIVISION 1A

The division played their first round

of matches at Wellow House School in Nottinghamshire on Saturday and Sunday 16/17th October, everything went well until the final round of matches were underway when the lights failed causing play to be abandoned, with the matches unfinished and leaving some teams to play four matches in the second weekend. Lancashire are currently leading the division having won all of the three matches completed giving them a two point lead over their nearest rivals, despite losing two of their selected players at the last moment, Kim Barnard and Paul Cicchelli, who was making his debut for his recently adopted county, stepped into the breach. In their first match the Red Rose faced Lincolnshire and ran out easy winners 9/1, only the vastly experienced Lesley Keast proving an obstacle when she beat Kim Bernard in four games and took Alice Howard to the full five games before going down 5/11 in the fifth. In the second match they faced Derbyshire and in a tougher match ran out winners by 7/3 as Andrew Henry beat Paul Cicchelli, Jane Vickers beat Kim Bernard and rather surprisingly Emma Vickers beat Alice Howard 13/11 in the fifth having been two games down before recovering to win. In their third match they faced

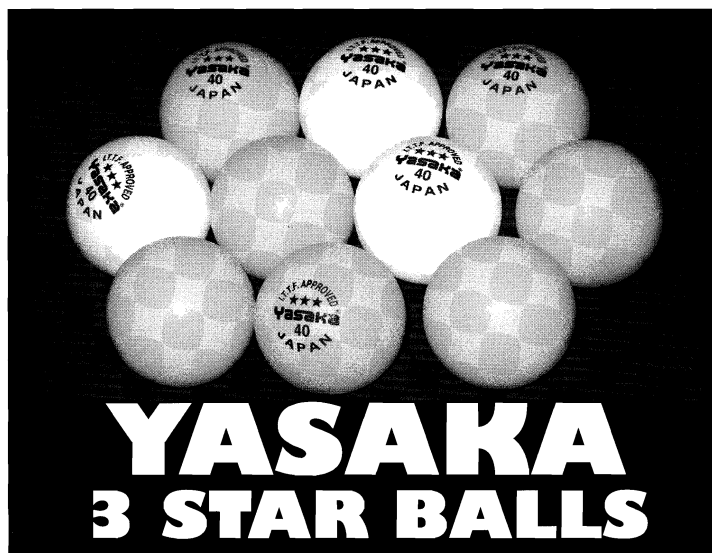
Nottinghamshire, who had T.Kerry in place of Lee Neil, and once again they finished the victors by 7/3, perhaps the most surprising result being that of George Pittas beating Adam Bleakley in three straight. Paul Cicchelli lost to Kerry and Craig Gascoyne, Kevin Dolder, Alice Howard and Kim Barnard each won two for Lancashire. Over the three matches Kevin Dolder was Unbeaten in his six sets, and Adam Bleakley and Alice Howard won six and lost one. Once again the Premier division is within sight of the Lancashire team, but they still have to play a couple of teams who have proved their nemesis in the past.

Nottinghamshire are in second place, with two wins and one defeat, they started by beating Cheshire 6/4 with their three men winning all six sets, Karen Shepherd and Elizabeth Dennett defeating Sarah Perks and Ruth Bentley to help the Cheshire cause. They then lost to Lancashire before hammering Yorkshire 2nd by 8/2 on the Sunday, only Sandra Rider standing between the Tykes and a whitewash when she beat both Sarah and Ruth. Derbyshire are in third spot, also on four points from two wins and one loss, in their first match they beat Yorkshire 2nd 6/4, victory assured when Emma Vickers beat Sandra Rider in the ninth set, Zoe Cheeseman winning two for Yorkshire. After their opening victory they lost their second match against Lancashire, but on the Sunday they bounced back with a 6/4 win over Lincolnshire, despite finding

themselves 4/2 down after six sets, Adam Frost winning the decisive last set against Gavin McLeod to deny Lincolnshire a draw. South Yorkshire are in fourth place having won one and drawn one in the two matches they played, they beat Cheshire 6/4 and drew with their neighbours Yorkshire 2nd, but with four matches still to play, including the top two, they are still a force to be reckoned with and I believe they will be the team to determine the outcome of the division. Yorkshire 2nd are just above the drop zone with only one point from their three matches and they will need to be very careful if they are to avoid relegation as the two teams below them, Cheshire and Lincolnshire have a match in hand and either of the two could well finish above the Tykes, if results go their way.

JUNIOR DIVISION 1B

The teams played at Cippenham on Saturday 16th October, playing four matches each on the day, starting the first match at 11 am and the last at 7.00pm, that is a hard day of Table Tennis at this level, but it did not seem to upset Essex who won all four of their matches, conceding only seven sets from a possible forty on the way. Their team of Vyatas Rybaks, Tony Halling, Yasir Mauthur Sarra Wang and Kelly Skeggs is very powerful and I doubt they will give much away in this division. Nearest challengers are Surrey and Somerset, each with six points, closely followed by Buckinghamshire, Sussex and Middlesex, all tied on four points with only sets difference separating the three teams. Warwickshire and Gwent are contesting the two bottom places, both looking for their first points and separated only by 1 set, things don't look good for either team.



VETERANS OVER 60's TABLES

Over 60's Division 1A							
Bedfordshire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cheshire 1st	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cheshire 2nd	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Essex	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Worcestershire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yorkshire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Over 60's Division 1B							
Kent	4	4	0	0	31	9	8
Middlesex	3	3	0	0	24	6	6
Berkshire 1st	4	2	0	2	23	17	4
Sussex	4	1	1	2	16	24	3
Hertfordshire	3	1	0	2	12	18	2
Surrey	3	0	1	2	9	21	1
Berkshire 2nd	3	0	0	3	5	25	0

OVER 60's

SENIORS

Premier	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Devonshire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Durham	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Essex	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Leicestershire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Middlesex	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Surrey	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sussex	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yorkshire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Division 1A

Lancashire	3	3	0	0	23	7	6
Nottinghamshire	3	2	0	1	17	13	4
Derbyshire	3	2	0	1	15	15	4
South Yorkshire	2	1	1	0	11	9	3
Yorkshire 2nd	3	0	1	2	11	19	1
Cheshire	2	0	0	2	8	12	0
Lincolnshire	2	0	0	2	5	15	0

Division 1B

Berkshire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Buckinghamshire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Devonshire 2nd	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Glamorgan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gloucestershire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wiltshire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Division 2A

Cleveland	5	5	0	0	43	7	10
Northumberland	5	4	0	1	39	11	8
Warwickshire 2nd	5	2	1	2	17	33	5
Cumbria	5	0	3	2	18	32	3
Leicestershire 2nd	5	0	2	3	18	32	2
Durham 2nd	5	0	2	3	15	35	2

Division 2B

Cornwall 1st	2	2	0	0	16	4	4
Somerset	1	1	D	0	6	4	2
Avon	3	1	0	2	16	14	2
Worcestershire	2	1	0	1	11	9	2
Cornwall 2nd	2	0	0	2	1	19	0

Division 2C

Bedfordshire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cambridgeshire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hertfordshire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northamptonshire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Suffolk	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Warwickshire 1st	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Division 2D

Berkshire 2nd	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Essex 2nd	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kent 2nd	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Middlesex 2nd	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Surrey 2nd	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sussex 2nd	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

JUNIORS

Premier Division

Buckinghamshire	3	3	0	0	20	10	6
Cleisire	3	2	0	1	19	11	4
Yorkshire	3	2	0	1	16	14	4(62-57)
Derbyshire	3	2	0	1	16	14	4(58-55)
Durham	3	1	1	1	14	16	3
Glamorgan	3	0	1	2	13	17	1
Devonshire	3	0	1	2	12	13	1
Kent	3	0	1	2	10	20	1
Wiltshire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Division 1A

Lincolnshire	4	3	1	0	28	12	7
South Yorkshire	4	3	1	0	27	13	7
Northamptonshire	4	2	1	1	22	18	5
Essex 2nd	4	2	0	2	16	24	4(69-81)
Nottinghamshire	4	2	0	2	16	24	4(59-80)
Lancashire	4	1	0	3	21	19	2
Yorkshire 2nd	4	1	0	3	17	23	2
Cleveland	4	0	1	3	13	27	1

Division 1B

Essex	4	4	0	0	33	7	8
Surrey	4	3	0	1	24	16	6
Somerset	4	3	0	1	22	18	6
Sussex	4	2	0	2	21	19	4
Buckinghamshire 2nd	4	2	0	2	19	21	4
Middlesex	4	2	0	2	18	22	4
Warwickshire	4	0	0	4	13	27	0
Gwent	4	0	0	4	10	30	0
Sussex 2nd	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sussex 3rd	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Division 2A

Lincolnshire 2nd	4	3	1	0	26	14	7
Worcestershire	4	3	1	0	25	15	7
Cheshire 2nd	4	3	0	1	22	18	6
Durham 2nd	4	2	0	2	20	20	4
Staffordshire	3	2	0	1	19	11	4
Lancashire 2nd	4	1	0	3	18	22	2
Shropshire	4	1	0	3	16	24	2
Northumberland	4	1	0	3	14	26	2
Northamptonshire 2nd	3	0	0	3	10	20	0

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS TABLES

Result received up to 12th Nov. 04
compiled by Leslie Smith

Division 2B

Devonshire 2nd	5	4	0	1	30	20	8
Cornwall 1st	3	3	0	0	27	3	6
Gloucestershire	4	2	1	1	21	19	5
Hampshire	2	2	0	0	19	1	4
Devonshire 3rd	3	1	1	1	15	15	3
Dorset	3	1	0	2	10	20	2
Avon	2	0	0	2	5	15	0
Cornwall 2nd	3	0	0	3	7	23	0
Devonshire 2nd	3	0	0	3	6	24	0

Division 2C

Bedfordshire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cambridgeshire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Essex 3rd	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hertfordshire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Huntingdonshire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Norfolk 1st	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Norfolk 2nd	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Norfolk 3rd	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Suffolk	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Division 2D

Middlesex 2nd	3	3	0	0	21	9	6
Oxfordshire	3	2	0	1	16	14	4
Berkshire	3	1	0	2	12	18	2
Avon 2nd	3	0	0	3	11	19	0
Buckingham 3rd	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kent 2nd	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kent 3rd	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Surrey 2nd	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

CADETS

Premier Division

Derbyshire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Durham	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lancashire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lincolnshire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Somerset	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Surrey 1st	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sussex	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yorkshire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Division 1A

Cheshire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cleveland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Leicestershire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northampton 1st	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northampton 2nd	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nottinghamshire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
South Yorkshire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Division 1B

Gwent	3	3	0	0	25	5	6
Warwickshire	3	2	0	1	20	10	4
Worcestershire	3	1	0	2	12	13	2
Sussex 2nd	1	0	1	0	5	5	1
Surrey 2nd	1	0	1	0	5	5	1
Glamorgan	3	0	0	3	3	27	0
Berkshire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gloucestershire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

VETERANS

Premier Division

Devonshire	3	2	1	0	21	9	5
Cheshire	3	2	1	0	20	10	5
Northumberland	3	2	0	1	15	15	4
Essex	3	1	1	1	16	14	3
Kent	3	0	2	1	12	18	2(55-67)
Lancashire	3	1	0	2	12	18	2(51-63)
Surrey	3	1	0	2	12	18	2(42-67)
Sussex	3	0	1	2	12	18	1

Division 1A

Yorkshire 1st	3	3	0	0	25	5	6
Cheshire 2nd	3	3	0	0	22	8	6
Worcestershire	3	2	0	1	17	13	4(63-50)
Hertfordshire	3	2	0	1	17	13	4(64-55)
Oxfordshire	3	1	1	1	14	16	3
Yorkshire 2nd	3	0	1	2	10	20	1
South Yorkshire	3	0	0	3	8	22	0
Norfolk	3	0	0	3	7	23	0

Division 1B

Dorset 1st	3	3	0	0	20	10	6
Kent 2nd	2	1	1	0	11	9	3
Berkshire	2	1	0	1	13	7	2
Middlesex	2	1	0	1	11	9	2

Hampshire	2	1	0	1	10	10	2
Surrey 2nd	2	0	1	1	9	11	1
Avon	2	0	1	1	8	12	1
Dorset 2nd	3	0	1	2	8	22	1

Division 2A

Leicestershire	4	2	2	0	25	15	6(95-64)
Cambridgeshire	4	3	0	1	25	15	6(89-62)
Lincolnshire	4	3	0	1	19	21	6
Nottinghamshire	4	2	1	1	23	17	5
Essex 3rd	4	2	0	2	19	21	4
Essex 2nd	4	1	1	2	19	21	3
Bedfordshire	4	1	0	3	16	24	2
Warwickshire	4	0	0	4	14	26	0

Division 2B

Somerset	2	2	0	0	15	5	4
Wiltshire	1	1	0	0	10	0	2
Kent 3rd	1	1	0	0	7	3	2
Berkshire 2nd	2	1	0	1	10	10	2
Buckinghamshire	2	1	0	1	7	13	2
Hertfordshire 2nd	2	0	0	2	7	13	0
Worcestershire 2nd	2	0	0	2	4	16	0
Devonshire 2nd	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Division 3A

Yorkshire 3rd	4	3	1	0	32	8	7
Lancashire 2nd	4	2	2	0	23	17	6
Leicestershire 2nd	4	2	1	1	23	17	5
Yorkshire 4th	4	2	1	1	20	20	5
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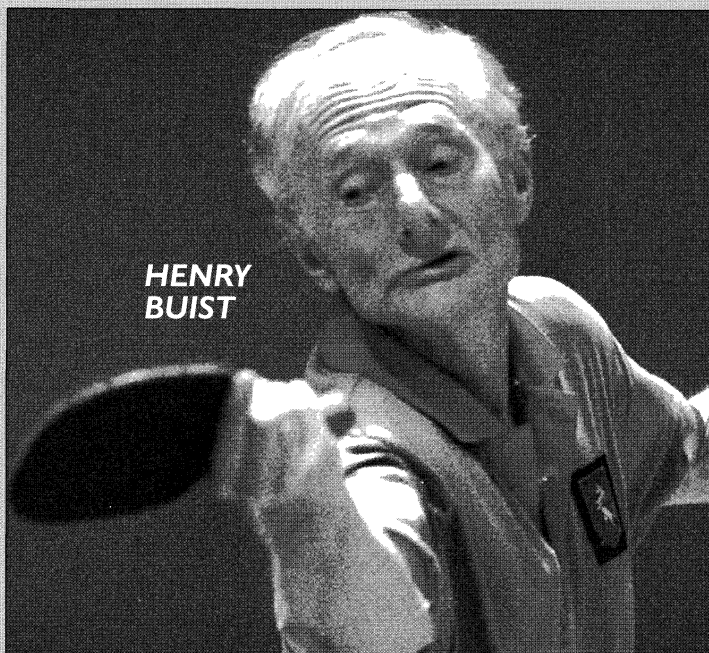
HENRY BUIST - THE PASSING OF A LEGEND

AS the years have rolled by I have found myself grieving for many relatives and old friends, each loss filling me with sadness. Seldom, however, have I felt as sad as I did when learning of the recent passing on the 27th of October of "our Hen", the diminutive but irrepressible Henry Buist.

I first came across Henry, a fellow Kentish man, more than 50 years ago as a skinny Kent junior with, believe it or not, an excellent defensive game. However, he soon blossomed into a fine attacking player and I christened that splendidly consistent forehand of his "Henry's hammer". In Open Tournaments he had wins over top England players such as Ian Harrison and Brian Merrett and with the talented Tony Piddock formed a formidable doubles partnership. As time went on I was surprised that he never won that international cap which he surely deserved. However, it was as a veteran that he really stood out, taking a veritable string of honours, very often not just in his own age group but also the group below over a period of many years. One particularly amusing incident, which stands out in my memory, occurred in the final of an event against Derek Schofield. Derek was then at the height of his powers but helpless against a string of winning forehands, exclaimed "what did you have for breakfast Henry?"

Henry took an early retirement from British Telecom but did not simply decide to have an easy life. He had the garage alongside his house pulled down and rebuilt as not just a table tennis venue but also to cater for his keep fit regime. He was careful with his diet and these factors undoubtedly assisted him on the frequent occasions when he played so many tough games during the day.

But he did not just concentrate on playing table tennis. Many people may not be aware that he studied for and obtained a degree through the Open University. His bookshelf was full of textbooks and his articles in the official magazine were almost certainly an eye opener to many players. For many years he served on



the Bromley League executive committee and produced a magnificent illustrated Newsletter. A final example of his dedication came just two days before his death. The league Chairman visited him in hospital where Henry's principal concern was that the Newsletter should go out on time. What a man.

The expression "a legend in his lifetime" has been used on numerous occasions but surely no player is more deserving of this accolade than Henry Buist. We shall miss you. Rest in peace my friend.

Ron Etheridge

A PLAYER, A SPORTSMAN & A GENTLEMAN

I did not know Henry Buist well enough or long enough to have been privileged to call him friend, but I can say this of him: Henry Buist was as decent and sportsmanlike a gentleman as I have ever met and one of the finest veteran hard rubber table tennis players I have ever been fortunate enough to have seen in action.

I first met Henry Buist at the World Veterans' Championship of 1998 in Manchester, England, shaking his

hand and congratulating him on a hard-fought and beautifully played match in an over-60 age group championship round against Marty Reisman. This match, won by Henry in three fiercely contested games, featuring almost telepathic attack/counterattack/defence exchanges between him and Marty, drew the most spectators at the event except for the final matches and prompted one young English looper to say to a fellow spectator not far from where I was watching "I thought I knew what bloody table tennis was. This is table tennis."

Henry was quite modest and self-effacing in victory, mentioning that he had always admired Reisman but never thought he would have an opportunity for a decent veteran and solid county-level player, as he modestly referred to himself, to compete against, much less defeat, someone such as Marty.

I met Henry a second time in Manchester in June of 2000, at an American veteran vs English veteran hard rubber contest featuring Marty Reisman, Steve Berger, and Scott Gordon, replacement for John Tannehill, against England's Dennis Neale, Jeff Ingber, and Henry himself, followed by a tournament featuring a hard rubber event.

Henry more than held his own in the England vs America matches, losing narrowly to American defender Steve Berger but defeating Scott Gordon and again in a beautiful match narrowly beating Marty Reisman.

And once more in the finals of the hard rubber Open event Henry was to prevail against Marty in a match that had even some of the best rated veteran over 40 loopers present marvelling at the all-round shotmaking virtuosity these two world class hard rubber seniors were capable of.

After the matches there was a bit of an opportunity for Scott Gordon and me to chat with Henry. We admired the Rowe Twins bat of fifty-plus years of service Henry clung to using, and chatted generally about the relative popularity of hard rubber table tennis in England and in America.

The third, and alas the final time I was to see Henry Buist was at the 2002 World Veterans' Championships in Lucerne, Switzerland. I followed Henry's progress in singles and doubles, and Henry and I sat together in the stands watching some of his friends play their matches. We talked a bit about his chances and theirs for advancement, how the game had changed, and how to play various types of long pip combinations (Henry had a website which explained this in some detail). I wished Henry well and told him that although I did not expect to compete in the 2004 World Veterans' in Yokohama, Japan, I hoped I would see him at the 2006 World Veterans' in Bremen, Germany, or possibly in an international hard rubber competition before then.

And now I'll never see Henry again in this life. And I feel very, very sad. I only wish I had had the opportunity to have known Henry Buist well enough to have been his friend, as the Henry Buist I had the opportunity to meet was every one of his five feet six inches a player, a sportsman, and a gentleman.

Berndt Mann

Charter Member

US Classic Table Tennis Association

BERKSHIRE

by Colin Dyke

BERKSHIRE selectors were delighted when Gareth Herbert agreed to represent the county when available and everyone moves down one on the men's list to make way. Just imagine what the county might achieve if equally eligible Matthew Syed and Terry Young also came on board!

The Berkshire InterTown Competition took place on 31st October at Cippenham TTC. Maidenhead, Reading and Bracknell all did their utmost to prevent Newbury from retaining the Barbara Peisley trophy and succeeded in doing so. Newbury were pushed in to third place behind new winners Bracknell with Reading runners up by just one point. Three different winners in as many years gives the competition a new edge. Junior players featured well in this senior competition, most notably Abhay Gehlot (Reading) in Div 1 with 3 wins out of 6, Richard Dando (Newbury) in Div 2 (5 out of 6) and Ross Saxby (Bracknell) in Div 3 (3 out of 4). Unbeaten players on the day were:

Div 1: Clive Banham (Bracknell) and Ian Packford (Newbury)

Div 2: James Lovelock (Newbury)

Div 3: Richard Ambrose and Paul Massey (both Bracknell)

Veterans: Derek Wood (Maidenhead) and Mike Harris (Reading)

Over 60's Allan Bruton (Bracknell) and Colin Dyke (Reading)

The Junior first team squad (Abhay Gehlot, Kuldeep Gehlot, Ross Saxby, Richard Andrews, Chen Chen Wang and Ayonija Sundararajan) travelled to Ellenborough to play in the first three matches of the season and came away with one win (6-4 v Avon) and two narrow defeats (3-7 v Oxford and 3-7 v Middlesex). A creditable performance this considering that all but Abhay were young cadets and all performed with a great deal of skill and conducted themselves excellently. Abhay, Chen Chen and Kuldeep were the scorers against Oxford, Ayonija and Abhay against Middlesex and Abhay 2, Ross 2, Chen Chen and Ayonija against Avon. The team was managed on the day by Alan Dines to whom the Berkshire committee were most grateful.

Vets 1 started with a tough match v Dorset 1 losing by the narrow margin of 6-4 at the Graham Spicer Club. The match wasn't lost until the very last set when David Barr and Sharon Mitchell were pipped in four games by John Robinson and Linda Hales. Earlier three matches had been lost in the fifth game, notably two by David Reeves at 11-9 to Tony Clayton and at 12-10 to John Robinson (after being two up). Hari Gehlot was the other 5 game loser to Brian Burn. Two good wins by Dave Barr over Burn and Clayton, Hari's win over John Robinson and a mens doubles success had set the match up for the vital last mixed doubles. In the afternoon Berkshire played Dorset 2 running out 9-1 winners with only Hari losing (in 5 to Dave Sharples). Dave Reeves got on the right end of a five setter this time with a -5, -6, 7, 15, and 5 win over Barry Hill.

Vets 2 lost their opening match at Kent 3 by 7-3. Dave Streak and Bob Davis had singles successes and Derek Wood/Denise Rolfe took a mixed.

Vets 5 got off to a good start beating Somerset 3



**CHESHIRE'S
LORNA HARPER**

by 8-2 at Frome. Clive Banham and Carol Byers were unbeaten whilst Dave Gilham and Mike Harris were beaten by Somerset No 1 Ian Chislett.

In the first half of the Over 60's competition Berks 1 started with an emphatic win over Berks 2 by 10-0, although many of the matches were close. One game in the mixed between Gill Knightley/Colin Dyke and Allan Bruton/Sylvia Bruton was an old fashioned 22-20! Berks 1 then went on to lose to Kent 7-3 with John Morris, Gill Knightley (12-10 in the fifth v Pam Butcher) and the mens doubles recording the only successes. Tony Brown gave Tom Adams a fright before succumbing mildly 11-1 in the fifth. Next day Berks 1 beat Sussex 7-3 with all three men losing one each but Gill Knightley steadied the ship with a good singles win v Pauline Steel 3-1 and two mixed. Finally Middlesex proved too strong winning 7-3 although if Tony Brown had not lost 12 in the fifth to Maurice Isaacs early on things may have been different. John Morris was the only singles winner (over Jeff Ailward) plus two mixed doubles successes.

Berks 2 went on to lose two further matches 3-7 v Herts and 2-8 v Kent. However Clive Dawson had a field day v Herts, his unique style totally annihilating both Keith Hartridge and Geoff Bax. Sylvia Bruton added the ladies singles. Clive continued his form v Kent with a great win over Ted Tydeman and joined Sylvia in a mixed doubles success over Pam Butcher and Tom Adams.

Finally it's good to report that Berkshire now have two Premier Clubs (Advanced level). Congratulations to Newbury and Thatcham Table Tennis Centres who now join Kingfisher Reading as the county representatives. It would be great for the county to see this number grow.

CHESHIRE

by Alan Blears

*The manager had to be sent for.
He came and he said, "What's to do?"
Pa said, "Yon lion's 'et Albert
And 'im in 'is Sunday clothes too!"*

It appears that most boys of primary school age

**BERKS
COMES
TO
THE
FRONT**



CORNWALL'S Veteran team are pictured with their visitors Somerset 4th team, (l.to r.) Cornwall: AUSTIN CHAPMAN, BOB HOUSE, GARY HALL & ELAINE LEWIS, and SOMERSET: ANN SANFORD, MIKE HURLEY, IAN CHISLETT & STEVE LEWIS

are familiar with the story of Albert and the Lion, and young Albert Ramsbottom's unfortunate experience with a lion called Wallace at Blackpool zoo.

How else can we explain the fact that the Blackpool Junior four Star, at the sports centre near the zoo, attracted just three U-11 boys, two of them from the same Stockport club? **THREE ENTRIES!** Josh Boulton happily took the lion's share of the dosh with Halton's Matthew McCormick as runner-up. The unlucky third player, Josh's Hillcourt teammate Stephen Jackson, was thrown to the lions in the strongest U-13 group. Unlike Albert, he survived – just!

The only other Cheshire success in this event was Caroline Hallows' runner-up spot in the Junior Girls' Band 1, to an in-form Rachel Jamieson.

Newcastle Grand Prix

Two Cheshire ladies enjoyed themselves in the Northeast. Karen Shepherd, now at university in Middlesbrough, came runner-up in the Women's singles, losing a five game thriller to Natalie Bawden. Lorna Harper dropped only one game in taking the Band 2 and Band 3 titles, winning the Bank 2 title in straight games from the much higher ranked Jane Dickens. Lorna has been left out of her Women's British League team, Darlington, apparently without explanation, so I hope you are reading this K.W!

Nothing else from the senior scene has reached me; remember I cannot write about what I do not know about.

Junior British League

Mid-Cheshire girls Reena Ardesana, Lynsey Pich and Rachel Baker are leading Division 3 after the first round. The boys, Dave Billington, Neil Baker and newcomer Alex Clare fared less well, but will have gained from the experience.

Cheshire Junior Rankings

Following the Junior/cadet trials and considering other relevant criteria, the rankings are as follows:-

I hope to review the progress of the junior teams in the county championship in the next issue.

P.S. --- "Albert and the Lion", by Marriott Edgar and Wolseyley Chares, (or is that Edgar Marriott

and Charles Wolseyley?), 1932, is available on the Internet.

Cheshire Junior & Cadet Rankins 2004/5

Junior Boys	Ranking	Cadet Boys
Tom Page	1	Steven Williams
Jonathan Taylor	2	Jacob Shaw
Andrew Davies	3	Matthew Weatherby
Mark Roscaleer	4	Joshua Boulton
Matthew Weatherby	5	Peter Goodchild
Ryan Costello	6	Chris Weir
Michael Horabin	7	Jacob Crabtree
Alex Clare	8	James Zarbal
David Billington	9	
Neil Baker	10	
Jacob Shaw	11	

Junior Girls Ranking Cadet Girls

Clare Langford	1	Caroline Hallows
Elizabeth Dennett	2	Jordyn Layfield
Sophie Byron	3	Fiona Dennett
Caroline Hallows	4	Rachel Baker
Jordyn Layfield	5	Amy Walker
Fiona Dennett	6	Hayley Williams
Lynsey Pich	7	
Rachel Baker	8	
Amy Walker	9	
Hayley Williams	10	

CLEVELAND VIEW

by Alan Ransome
MAKING PROGRESS

FOUR straight wins in a row over the weekend of 20/21 November in Dewsbury have propelled the Ormesby 1st team into second position in the British League Premier Division championship, on level points and just one game behind six times champions, London Progress, and this was achieved without the services of Paul Drinkhall, who was in China with the England Junior team.

The first victory was by 5 sets to 3 against local rivals, Darlington. Bryn Drinkhall was the star of the match beating Mat Kenny and Michael Marsden. David Meads was unbeaten for Darlington.

Danny Reed, making his debut in the Senior British league, was the star of the second victory over Jags for whom Lawrence Trumpauskas was unbeaten. The biggest surprise was a 7 – 1 win over Ellenborough, the team that had held

Progress to a draw earlier in the weekend. Bryn Drinkhall again started with a victory over Gareth Herbert, whilst Danny Reed and Steven Bailey both won two each. The Cleveland club's final victory was over Blackpool Seaside where again Bryn excelled with victories over Jonathan Taylor and Greg Baker. John Hilton replied with two wins for the Seaside including a victory over Chinese visitor, Tong Da Quig.

Bryn Drinkhall produced the best performance over the weekend winning 7 out of his 8 sets, whilst Steve Bailey was close behind with 6 out of 8. Danny Reed also did well to win all his four sets. Ormesby had hoped to be challenging Progress for the Championship at some stage, but to be in contention this early is a real bonus.

At the opposite end of the scale, Cleveland youngsters did well in the Northern Junior Trials held at the Ormesby Club on Sunday, 21 November winning 14 of the 20 places available for the Masters Qualification tournament in April.

In the Junior Boys' event, Andrew Wilson excelled to win the competition with a victory over Andrew Leighton of Darlington. Jonathan Durham also did well to qualify. In the Cadets, Anthony Wright was the surprise winner with a victory over Darlington's Mark Simpson. Jonathan Reilly and Robert Besford also qualified.

In the Girls' events, Rachel Greener was dominant in both the Junior and cadet events being unbeaten throughout both competitions, whilst Jennifer Lowther and Katherine and Karina Lefevre both did well to qualify in both sections. The surprise was 11 year old Emily Greener who excelled to finish third in the Cadet event. Cleveland will enjoy its largest representation for many years in the full qualification event in April.

Two tournaments are being held in the county in November. The Stockton Junior 4 Star Select is reported elsewhere in this issue, whilst the new Northfield Cadet Open, promoted and organised by Steve Durham, has received a worthwhile entry and will take place at the end of the month.

CORNWALL

by John Wood

THIS is probably my last Cornwall County Notes report, as Lesley and I should be moving to



CORNWALL'S JEREMY WILLIAMS who has played a record 151 Senior matches for his County

Somerset during the middle of December. So the Veteran's County Championships match between us and Somerset's 4th team at Tregorrick Park, in early November, was quite appropriate, as it gave me the opportunity to say cherrio to Cornwall and hello to Somerset.

Cornwall fought back from a 0-4 deficit to trail 3-6, thanks to wins by Austin Chapman, Elaine Lewis and Gary Hall, before Hall and Lewis won the last match of the day winning the mixed doubles -7, 1, 9, 6, to restore some Cornish pride pulling the match score to a creditable 4-6 loss.

In the senior section of the County Championships Cornwall Falmouth's Jeremy Williams played his 151st County match when the 1st team beat our 2nd team 9-1.

This season's Junior 1st team of Darren Reed, Adam Tatlow, Matthew Trevor, Martha Travis and Georgina Credland, are looking very powerful indeed, following their two 10-0 victories over our Junior 2nd team and Devon 2nd's. Meanwhile our Junior 2nd team lost to Devon 2nd's 4-6.

This being my last 'County Notes' for Cornwall, I would like to express my thanks to all those of you that have assisted me in my duties as 'Publicity Officer'.

During the six years that I have lived in Cornwall I have also served as Chairman, latterly Deputy Chairman, and will miss Cornish table tennis and all those involved - some unique characters amongst them.

Farewell.

ESSEX

by Steve Kerns

TONY AND SARRA UNDEFEATED

COUNTY Junior Match Secretary Alan Shepherd reports from the Cippenham Club in Slough where the County Junior First team enjoyed a very successful day on Saturday 16 October 2004 in division 1(B) of the Junior County Championships.

"After the disappointment of last season, when a team lacking the talents of Keiran Lally, Sam Cannon, Umair Mauthoor and Tony Halling was unable to avoid relegation from the Junior

Premier division, a much brighter start was made this time round. Strengthened immensely by the return of Tony Halling (Southend), and with Michael Copleston (Havering) performing heroically in the No.3 Boys position the team made a tremendous start to the season.

The first match against Somerset saw Essex move into a 2-0 lead with Tony and Michael achieving comfortable wins. The third game was expected to be our banker with Essex no. one Girl Sarra Wang (Braintree) holding a massive 1,500 ranking points advantage over her opponent Frances Potjewyd. However, this game did not go to plan at all and it was a very relieved Sarra who came through 15-13 in the decider. The next game, featuring Kelly Skeggs (Braintree) and Claire Howe was expected to be close as a mere 150 ranking points separated the two players. And close it certainly was. Claire made a dream start taking the first two games 11-9, 13-11 although knowing what a fighter Kelly is, we were always hopeful she would make a come-back. However, at 8-0 down in the third end even the most optimistic Essex supporter had given up hope. With the Essex Coach calling a "time-out" Kelly managed to "re-group" and amazingly pulled back to 8-8 and she went on to win 11-9. After such drama, the fourth game which Kelly won 12-10 seemed a doddle!. Claire came out "all guns blazing" in the fifth end and at 10-7 she looked to have done enough to win. Again, Kelly managed to dig deep and remarkably pulled back to win 13-11. Wonderful stuff. After all that drama Essex were on a role and with no. one Boy Vytas Rybakas (Chelmsford) still to play it wasn't such a surprise that Essex went on to win 10-0.

Our next set of opponents were Bucks II who had the advantage of playing on their Home table. Yassir Mauthoor, from the Frenford club in Ilford, an impressive winner of the County Junior Trials in September made his County debut, but sadly struggled to make the impression expected, and failed to record a win. Tony Halling was outstanding, and even outshone Vytas. Tony didn't put a foot wrong as he destroyed England No.14 Junior Boy David Hayes 3-0 and Bucks No.3 Oliver Shaw 3-1. Vytas lost to Hayes 3-2 but undefeated performances from Sarra and Kelly meant Essex took the match 7-3, another great result.

Gwent didn't produce quite the challenge we had anticipated and the "old-hands" - Vytas, Tony, Sarra and Kelly all picked up doubles. Unfortunately, Yassir was still unable to produce his best form and lost both of his singles. The weekend had turned out to be a harsh introduction for him to County Table Tennis but he can take heart from the tremendous performance he produced at the Essex Trials. We are sure he will bounce back.

Essex's final set of opponents were the "old enemy" Middlesex, which again proved to be more one-sided than we had expected. This was largely because their hard-hitting No.1 player Marc Armstrong was so demoralised after losing 3-0 to Tony Halling in the opening encounter that when he played Vytas he was unable to give of his best. In this match both Kelly Skeggs and Michael Copleston tasted defeat for the first time with Kelly losing to the fast-improving Harshni Shah, and Michael missing out against another up-and-coming player Joseph Chacholiades. Essex took the match 8-2.

Four wins out of four represented a perfect start to the season with the performances of the undefeated Sarra and Tony taking pride of place. Our next round of matches are in January against Surrey I, Sussex I and Warwickshire and it is looking very hopeful that we can win promotion back to the Junior Premier division".

HAMPSHIRE

by Jeremy Wilson

THE remarkable Rhamesh Bhalla is the Hampshire table-tennis champion for a second time.

Now into his 60s, the unseeded Bhalla proved that age is no barrier to success by defeating Southampton's pre-tournament favourite and defending champion Christos Hannides 3-1 in a close final.

Basingstoke youngsters Steve Murgatroyd and Alex Garlick were the two losing semi-finalists.

Yet despite his success in the men's singles, Bhalla was beaten in the veteran singles.

He lost out to Chris Wilshere early in the competition, but in the best final of the day, Wilshere was ousted by Portsmouth's Rod McMullan in a thrilling five-setter.

McMullan went on to become a triple champion, teaming up with Nick Webb for the men's doubles and Barbara Savage for the mixed doubles.

Hannides, alongside Howard Davies and Jenny Dobson respectively, lost out in both matches to be an unfortunate three-times runner-up on the day.

In the ladies, singles, Southampton's Dobson underlined her talent by beating multi-champion Savage 11-6, 11-7, 6-11, 11-8 in the final.

The veteran's ladies title was taken by Southampton's Anne Longland, while Savage and Longland took the ladies, doubles title.

The intermediate singles, for under-23s, was won by Garlick who completed a good tournament after his men's singles semi-final with victory over French Southampton University student Cyril Simon.

Entries for the annual tournament, held at the Redbridge Community School, though were down, causing secretary Harold Albery to question whether the Hampshire Table Tennis Association should continue staging the competition.

In other news, Southampton West Table Tennis Club has secured its status as the fastest growing club in the south after entering some 21 teams in this year's Southampton league.

The growth follows hard-work developing table tennis in the area from Anne and Gary Longland as well as the merger this summer with the Snows club.

Snows has been synonymous with Southampton table tennis for some 30 years after being formed by Geoff Snow who as a keen sportsman and businessman has continually supported table tennis in the area.

Geoff, with the support of the late Phil Brown and Chris Shetler, developed Snows TTC into Southampton's most successful club, achieving numerous local and county titles with top players including Terry Bruce, Bill Moulding, Chris Shetler, Simon Heaps and Chris Wilshere.

Long-standing members such as Maurie Shave, Keith Hewitt and Dick Hayes will join forces with Southampton West to provide invaluable

inspiration and experience.

Southampton West developed from an after-school club at Nursling Primary School almost four years ago.

It is shortly due to be recognised with 'Premier Club' status by the English Table Tennis Association.

There is also good news for another emerging Hampshire club - Waterside - who have strengthened their links with international player Ryan Jenkins, who will again occasionally help with coaching.

HEREFORDSHIRE

by Harry Jutle

COUNTY TABLE TENNIS RESULTS 6 Nov 04

Veteran Division 3D Hereford 1st played their second match home at Bromyard Table Tennis Centre, based in Queen Elizabeth High School against Warwickshire 2nd resulting in a 5-5 Draw. They picked up 2 points after beating Gloucestershire last month and now add another point from this draw to gain 3 out of 4 points. Mark Owen was outstanding again to beat his 2 opponents Mike Bishop and Peter Dunnett in straight sets. He also helped to win the Men's doubles with Andy Castle against the Peter and Mike and the 2nd set of mixed doubles with Carol Milnes against Peter and Ann Lloyd, also in straight sets. Chris Martin lost his 1st singles in straight sets to Peter, although first one at 10-12, but won his 2nd singles comfortably in straight sets against Barry Hunt. Chris and Carol against Peter and Ann in the 1st mixed doubles lost in the 4th set. Andy Castle was a bit unlucky in his singles, first to Barry at 16-18 in the 1st and 11-13 in the 4th, and later to Mike in straight sets, 3rd at 11-13. Carol lost her singles in straight sets to Ann who is ranked much higher at 48 to Carol at 108. Thanks go to Carol who agreed to play in both matches after Helen Green indicated on the previous night of the match that she would not be able to make it.

Veteran Division 4D Hereford 2nd also played their second match home at Bromyard Table Tennis Centre against Dorset 3rd which also resulted in a 5-5 Draw. Howard Davies was too strong for us beating Norman merchant -7, -3, -7 and Harry Jutle -7, -6, -4. He also showed his strength in the doubles with Sylvia Milnes in the 1st mixed against Harry and Carol Milnes to win -9, -10, 8, -5, and with Danny Allen to beat Harry and Mike Wheatley -14, -8, -5. Mike Wheatley had to battle hard for his victories in both his singles,

first against Eric Buckley 9, -9, 10, -10, 5, then later against Danny -9, 8, -7, 8, 5. Eric also made Norman work hard for his victory at 9, -12, 11, -14, 4. Harry against Danny was a bit of a strange game- 1st one to Harry at 3, 2nd to Danny -3, 3rd a bit of a battle which Danny won -10, but then Harry went up a gear to win the next 2 for victory at 4 and 2. Norman and Carol in the 2nd set of mixed doubles went on against Sylvia and Eric with the score at 4-5. Our side came through at 8, -7, 7, 4 to earn a draw, and our 1st point.

Veteran Division 4C Hereford 3rd played away against Huntingdonshire resulting in a 1-9 loss. Our team of Bob Trimble, Neville Meredith, Mike Morgan and Sue Segust offered some opposition forcing 7 matches into the 4th set, but only Bob was able to score a win against Alan Smith -9, 5, -11, -10. Mike was unlucky to lose to Len Rogers in the 4th set at 12. Mike and Sue in the 1st mixed doubles against Paul Woods and Barbara Pace lost the 1st at 10, won the 2nd and lost the next 2. Neville in a similar fashion lost the 1st game of each singles at 11 against Alan and Paul, won the next and lost the next 2 in each case.

Oliver's army raid across the border

Oliver's table tennis team Bishops A from the Hereford Table Tennis league, with the addition of Josh Price travelled to Birmingham to play in the national junior league at Wednesbury. Playing as the Hereford county team they were unbeaten during the first day's matches with 3 wins and 2 draws.

The draws were against two of the favourite teams and Oliver was unbeaten with Josh only losing 2 games when very tired in the last match of the day.

The next round will be played on Saturday 18th December.

The local CADET teams will play at Ledbury Leisure centre this Saturday 13th Nov against teams from Malvern and Evesham

HERTFORDSHIRE

by Doug Tomsett

THE 3rd veteran team played two matches and lost both. Janette Maybanks was the most successful player winning one singles out of two, and three doubles out of four.

The 6th veteran team lost to Devon 4th's. Jackie Channell won her singles and two doubles.

The Over 60's team played three matches at Ashord TTC, winning against Berkshire 2nd's 7-3, Dave Seaholme won his two singles, mixed doubles and the mens doubles. Geoff Bax and Keith Hartridge won one singles and one doubles each, whilst Anne Fereday won two mixed doubles.

Unfortunately the Over 60's lost to Kent 1-9, with Keith Hartridge the only winner. They also lost to Sussex 4-6, where Geoff Bax won his two singles games and both doubles.

Bob Mellor played in both the last two matches in place of Dave Seaholme.

ISLE OF WIGHT

by John Prean

WE managed to increase our teams from 29 to 31. It is good to see so many new, young players, all produced at our local centre. All have had a lot of coaching from Carl Prean whom we have in regular attendance.

We are pleased that the ETTA is now calling on his services a few days most months, as he has a

lot to offer to our rising stars. Our reorganised leagues have generally seen much closer matches than last time. The teams from the Carl Prean Centre only began last season, but a couple are a division higher and more than holding their own. The total of four teams we were able to inject have helped to raise numbers. To increase even modestly has been a tall order, as there is much competition from other sports and in relation to Soccer the odds are stacked against us.

For all that, there is scope to start moving forward again. One notes that Hastings is taking on staff again and raising those numbers to new records. Sadly, I have to report that all that is passing us by. We continue to get no help whatever and no longer ask. There is plenty of spin around, but the real facts of local table tennis life are different.

NORFOLK

by Ray Hogg

WELL into the season now with most leagues reporting no real change in numbers - some new teams in and some old stagers out; certainly no massive increase. Still the problem of teams entering and on registration night finding that key players had signed for another club without telling anyone. We have in Norwich our large University, which has many thousands of students, and now and again useful players from all over the world appear, such as Susan Johnson from Berks who this season is making her mark. There is also a 2 star coach appeared in Kings Lynn. Dale Ajeto and Mark Dare have started taking Juniors to various tournaments for experience and to quote them have been 'absolutely delighted' with their attitude and results.

For the first time in years I was able to see our 3rd veteran's team in action as their division is not weekended. At Taverham (not Faversham as reported in last issue) village hall we were entertained by Yorks 5th. It took me some while to realise why players were changing ends after every few minutes until I was reminded of the law change. Norfolk went 3-1 down then won all the rest. Our 1st team went to M.K., and lost all 3 matches 3-7, 3-7, 1-9.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

by Dennis Millman

CHRIS Gibbons took the major honours when the Veteran 1sts opened the season against Bedfordshire 2nds. He won both his singles - taking the opener in straight games against David Hall and following up with a 6-11, 11-8, 11-6, 1-6 win against the ETTA Chairman Alex Murdoch.

Gordon Shaw was also unbeaten in singles with a 14-12, 11-7, 11-9 verdict over Murdoch, the prelude to a fifth end success against Harvey Cross.

Ken Philipson beat Hall in straight games to give Northants a 5-4 led before Gibbons and Janet Wright held on to account for Cross and Val Murdoch in five close games and so complete a 6-4 victory.

In a second encounter the veterans found things much more difficult against a strong Essex quarter with signs of things to come evident in the opening game, when Philipson gathered just 16 points in total against Neil Brierley.

Brian Adams did best for the opposition but even he, partnered by Brierley, couldn't present

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Shaw and Gibbons taking the men's doubles 12-10 in the fifth game. Earlier Shaw had produced a tremendous performance to beat Brierley 5, 6 and 7, but these were Northant's only successes.

It looks as if Higham Band's seven year reign could be ended by a Burton Baptist side playing only its second season in Kettering's Premier Division. When the sides met in the opening week, Burton won comfortably with Tim Yarnall prominent. Since then Graeme McKim, Chris Ross and Steve Silk, with a solitary appearance from Greg Yarnall, have carried all before them. Harborough Athletic even included Leicester's David Grundy, but all to no avail.

Late positions:

	P	W	D	L	PTS
Burton Baptist A	5	5	0	0	46
Braybrooke A	5	3	1	1	30
SAS Thrapston	5	3	1	1	29
Higham Band	4	3	0	1	27
Thrap'on Ospreys	5	3	0	2	26
Corby Town A	5	2	1	2	26

It could also be all change in Wellingborough's top flight. With David Gatiss spending the season in Canada, last season's champions Old Grammarians suddenly look vulnerable. However, although Westfield A have both the Yarnall brothers on call, together with John Fuller, player availability could still prove the determining factor.

Late positions:

	P	W	D	L	PTS
Old Grammarians	4	3	0	1	26
Westfield A	2	2	0	0	18
Thrapston B	3	2	0	1	18
Higham Band A	2	2	0	0	16
Thrapston A	3	1	0	2	14

Reg Bentley, a man of many parts, passed away peacefully on Thursday 21st October at Kettering General Hospital.

Born in Leicestershire, he moved to Coventry in his early years, where he attended Bablake School and at the same time became a fervent supporter of Coventry City. In keeping with his reliability he was still attending matches involving the Sky Blues until quite recently.

In his working life he filled many diverse roles from factory worker, welfare assistant, coach driver and journalist, treating them all with equal enthusiasm and dedication.

He was a founder member of the Corby Table Tennis Club and played regularly in the Kettering League until a serious illness deprived him of his sense of hearing. Although he knew his loss was permanent, it didn't prevent him from travelling round the Midlands to give talks on how he coped with his disability, in the hope that others would benefit from his experiences.

Eventually he returned to table tennis and remained true to his principles, using his Barna hard-bat until he was forced to retire in 2003. Reg was never in the top flight but he was always the most tenacious of opponents and owed much of his success to his excellent defensive technique.

He was also a skillful photographer and many of those who attended his funeral brought examples of his expertise to show to fellow mourners.

However, in latter years gardening was his pride

and joy, and many were the honours he won for 'Garden of the Year'. Not only did he tend his own garden, but also those of his near neighbours. Reg, despite his health problems, was never happier than when helping others.

A true sportsman, who fought hard to overcome adversity, Reg will be sadly missed.

To his wife Joan and all his family, our deepest sympathy.

OXFORDSHIRE

by Karl Busbell

NEW CHAIRMAN

AFTER numerous years of service Alf Davies has stood down as Chairman to make way for a younger man. Neil Hurford has taken over the reins and brings with him a wealth of experience.

The committee also welcomes on board Paul Cheong with specific responsibilities for the juniors.

Junior Trials

Successful junior trials were held resulting in the following rankings.

Boys

- Sam Clark
- Sam Harrison
- Adam Wells
- Joe Cheong
- Daniel Shurrock
- Joe Davis
- Sam Benwell
- Rhys Martindale
- Peter Norton
- Nick Lacey

Seniors

It is with regret that due to the lack of women, no senior team will take part this year in the County championships.

However, the County is well represented in the Men's British League due to the financial support of Ray Massie of Oxford Fireplace Centre.

The "A" team of Karl Busbell, Ian Packford, Mark Newns and Ray Powell have made a steady start in division 2 South and Midlands and the "B" team comprising of Earl Sweeney, Craig Corbett, Andy Packford and Peter Dasher are joint top in division 3.

Veterans

Trials were held for the men, which have resulted in the following teams:

- Veterans 1*
 Karl Busbell
 Nat Richardson
 Eddie Herrity
 Janet Brown

- Veterans 2*
 George Pullin
 Andy Missledine
 Neil Hurford
 Bob Symms
 Jan Curtis

We are pleased to welcome Jeff Rigby to the area who has just qualified as a veteran and will hopefully push for a place in the top two teams.

Match Results

Oxon Vets 3 7 v Wiltshire Vets 4 3
 Oxfordshire Veterans got their 2004/05 campaign off to a winning start with a 7-3 home victory against Wiltshire. In a competitive match, Oxfordshire got off to a good start and established a 3-1 lead before being pegged back to 4-3.

The star of the show for Oxon was Anne Borrowdale who won her singles and both mixed doubles.

For the visitors, Dave Bartlett won two competitive matches.

SHROPSHIRE

by Terry Ridgway

RANKING LIST 2004-5

		Points
1.	Tony Akeroyd (Telford)	168
2.	Terry Ridgway (Bridgnorth)	134
3.	Dave Elkin (Telford)	86
4.	John Holding (Telford)	76
5.	Matt Croft (Shrewsbury)	75
5.	Trevor Davies (Ludlow)	75
7.	Darrel Corfield (Shrewsbury)	74
8.	Chris Tarr (Telford)	65
9.	Gwyn Griffiths (Oswestry)	62
10.	Malcolm Langford (Telford)	61
10.	Rob Mansfield (Shrewsbury)	61
12.	Paul Corfield (Shrewsbury)	51
13.	Brian Rainford (Oswestry)	50
14.	Norman Merchant (Ludlow)	48
14.	Wyn Williams (Oswestry)	48
16.	Nigel Foresheew (Ludlow)	46
17.	Clive Roberts (Oswestry)	45
18.	Peter Collins (Telford)	40
18.	Rod France (Shrewsbury)	40
18.	Joe Hurdley (Telford)	40

Telfords Tony Akeroyd dominates the Shropshire ranking list for the fifth successive season, with an impressive haul of 168 points collected from his County championships victory (for the fourth season), his unbeaten run in the Inter-league tournament and the Belford's top divisions averages, the former Yorkshire star looks capable of holding the top spot for many years to come. Terry Ridgway had an impressive season to rise from last years No. 6 up to the second position after playing some of the best table tennis of his career, but was unable to dethrone the Albrighton ace, which had club mate Dave Elkin in third position.

It is a shame that of the top twenty ranked players (most of whom are veterans) in Shropshire we have only 16 year old Joe Hurdley on the list, this suggests that the half a dozen or so highly rated juniors that should feature either do not have the inclination to support their local leagues, can't find time to enter the County tournament or are off winning points at bigger competitions, either way I feel that it's a little sad that the county history books will not record their achievements for posterity.

Belford's Division One

Last seasons champions Albrighton A are leading the pack so far with an unbeaten five out of five wins (with Shropshire's No. 1 and 3 in their side no-one is too surprised), Bridgnorth A team are in second spot currently with new signings Mark Jones and 17 year old Bill Peg joining the established pairing of Mike Dudley and Ridgway, Albrighton B are pushing for the third spot and also have a new signing in Keith Pritchard, who is improving by the week, with the constant reduction of players and venues the Telford league has shrunk to two divisions of twelve teams but the second division is proving a tight battle, with three sides on equal points topping the league, Owens TV, Bridgnorth D and Matheson's A all on 23 so it looks like a tight call for the promotion places.

County Veterans Scene

After last year's amazing feat of both Shropshire sides gaining promotion to division 3D of the English county championships, it was a little

disappointing for the seconds to lose their opening match 7-3 to a very talented and sporting Hampshire side, Malcolm Langford and Rob Mansfield picked up good wins but are looking to find their form in the next match at Somerset. The first team opened the season with an impressive 8-2 victory against Glamorgan, in a match that will be the talk of the county for many months, Rod France, Wendy Baggott, Dave Elkin and myself ignored the pressure and produced another classic performance of team spirit to register a vital victory.

Shrewsbury Premier Division

It looks like a case of same again in Shrewsbury top division with top three Cricket Club A, Pontesbury A and Cricket Club B winning their opening two matches, as with the past four seasons it will probably be a case of whoever wins the battles of these clubs will go on to collect the title.

SOMERSET

by Martin Rumary

Somerset Juniors

THE county Juniors made a great start to the season following promotion to division 1b last year.

Looking to hold onto their newly elevated status they started with a 10-0 defeat to Essex. The score-line did not reflect the difference in the teams especially as Claire Howe narrowly lost one of her matches and Frances Potjeywd lost 11-4, 8-11, 11-6, 7-11, 15-13 to the very highly ranked Sarra Wang.

From this setback they then recovered to defeat Middlesex, Warwickshire and Sussex.

All of the players made contributions at crucial stages of the matches, often coming back to take games that seemed lost.

Aaron Denman as captain, led by example and along with the two girls, Shaun Hall and Takuya Takaishi, they ended the day in third place out of the eight counties.

Somerset 0 Essex 10

(S. Hall 0, A. Denman 0, T. Takaishi 0, C. Howe 0, F.Potjeywd 0).

Somerset 7 Middlesex 3

(S. Hall 1, A. Denman 1, T. Takaishi 1, C. Howe 2, F.Potjeywd 2).



**SOMERSET'S
FRANCES POTJEYWD**

Somerset 8 Warwickshire 2

(S. Hall 2, A. Denman 1, T. Takaishi 1, C. Howe 2, F.Potjeywd 2).

Somerset 7 Sussex 3

(S. Hall 1, A. Denman 2, T. Takaishi 1, C. Howe 2, F.Potjeywd 1).

They now look forward to January when in the second block fixture day they can enjoy playing for more than avoiding relegation.

Somerset Veterans 3rd Team

by John Wood

The Veteran 3rd's travelled down to Cornwall in early November and returned with a sound 6-4 victory in the County Championships Veterans Division 4D.

Somerset was represented by powerful looper Ian Chislett who won two, Mike Hurley who won one, Steve Lewis who also won one and Ann Sanford.

Somerset raced in to a 4-0 lead before the Cornish could reply.

The victory was made complete when Hurley and Sanford won the first of the mixed doubles, winning a five game thriller, 11-9 in the 5th, whilst Chislett and Lewis won the mens doubles after a close battle 14-12 in the 4th.

SURREY

by Chris Andrews

CHAPMAN WINS WORLD SILVER

AT the World Veteran Championships held in Yokohama, Gordon Chapman won a silver Medal in the men's singles of the 75's after losing in the final to Lu Kuang (Tpe). He also won a bronze medal in the men's doubles with Terry Donlon, which is truly an amazing accomplishment.

The London Heathrow games of 2003/4 were won by one of the smallest London boroughs – Kingston. The girls under 18's side of Lisa Shadbolt and Emma Lucas won the girls team event for the second year in a row. Lisa Shadbolt also won gold in the girls under 18's singles. Chris Bush won gold in the under 18's boys singles and a bronze medal in the team event with Robin Kinchin.

The Surrey Closed Table Tennis Championships will be held on the 13th March 2005, with a possibility of the Saturday before being used as an overflow day should the number of entries require it.

The Results of the 2004 Surrey Closed are as follows:

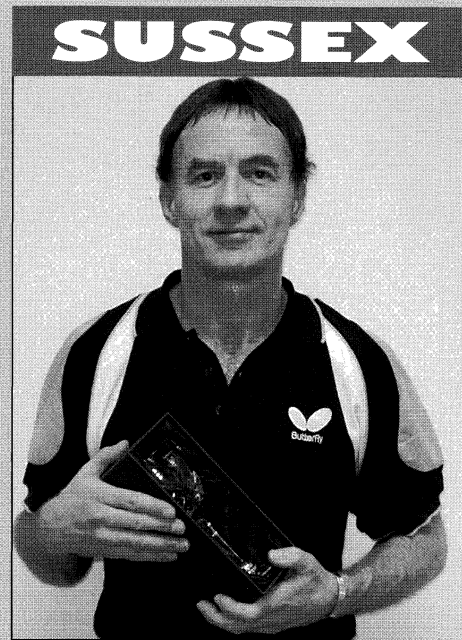
- Men's Singles winner Chris Bush
- Runner-up Steve Holloway
- Women's Singles winner Carman Vadjj
- Runner-up Diane Melville
- Men's Doubles winners David Bangeter and Steve Holloway
- Runners-up John Fannin and Derek Holman
- Mixed Doubles winners Stuart Richards and Carmen Vadjj
- Runners-up Davesh Shete and Margaret Thornton
- Veterans Singles winner Derek Holman
- Runner-up David Bangeter on count back!

SUSSEX

by John Woodford

HIGH hopes that Sussex will be able to hold onto their position in the premier division of the county championships have suffered a blow with news that the Sussex No.1 Sally Weston is out for the rest of the season with back problems.

Sally from Horsham plays squash, table tennis,



NIGEL ECKERSLEY after receiving the Butterfly Bath Grand Prix Veterans trophy

goes cycling, ski-ing, in fact a whole range of sports.

Her place in the Sussex premier team for the forthcoming matches will be taken by Sheila King from Hastings.

Terry Haley has now replaced Stephen Beerling in the Horsham British League team as they approach the second session with Adrian Moore at No.1 supported by Peter Bartram and Andy Walker.

Nigel Eckersley (Uckfield) has made an impressive start to the season. At the Guernsey Satellite Grand Prix he was in three finals, winning Band 1 but losing to John Hilton in the mens singles and the veterans event. At Bath in the Butterfly Grand Prix he brought down the former Horsham player Lawrence Trumpauskas in the mens singles quarters and won the Veterans final against Costas Papantoniou.

Warwickshire

by Caroline Williams

THE 2004/5 season in Nuneaton sees a drop in the number of teams participating to twenty-four but it is encouraging to see an increase in the number of youngsters playing in Division 3, principally for the Ambleside Club. Thanks must go to Pete Walsh and Mohammed Woodiww for their time put in coaching these new faces. With only eight teams in each division it is going to be interesting to see which two teams will get relegated out of Division 1 as it is arguably the strongest it has been for a number of years, assuming each team puts out its strongest players. Early season form suggests that Nalga A, with Adrian Pilgrim, who has not been beaten in the League since he joined with his daughters two years ago, Justin Rai and new face Mark Davies are going to take some stopping but last year's champions, Boys Club C, and Ajax Wolvey B will push them all the way. Promoted Atherstone Legion B under the captaincy of League Chairman, Bob Whittaker, will find it tough going as they bid not to become the "yo-yo" team in the League. In Division 2, Hartshill B will hope to bounce straight back into the top

flight and the Ajax Wolvey Club will be hoping that one of their teams will pick up the Division 3 trophy.

In the first Midland Junior League match of this season played at Leamington Spa against Kidderminster, Leamington went down 6-4 despite a magnificent hat-trick by Sam Clarke and supported by a determined single from Stephanie Hawkins. For Kidderminster, Chris Baldwin and Alex Baldwin took two each and the doubles and Jon McKeever one.

In the Heart of England Cadet League after the first day, Birmingham have won their first three matches and lie just behind Evesham on match points. Nuneaton A, Rugby B and Kidderminster have all won two matches. Rugby A and C and Birmingham B have all won one match from three whilst the unlucky teams with no wins are Leamington Spa and Nuneaton B.

WORCESTERSHIRE

by Ken Walton

LOCAL league details have reached me, and they show that numbers of teams have remained steady for season 2004-5. Evesham (18), Dudley (18), Bromsgrove (20), Worcester (22), Malvern (27), and Kidderminster (30), are the figures in question.

Ian Perks from the 'Kiddy' league informs me that a 24 hour Table Tennis marathon was held by the league to raise money for the 'Children in Need' campaign. A total of £2500 was raised by all concerned, and mentions on Terry Wogan's radio programme, and B.B.C.'s Midlands Today, added to the profile of the event.

Ray Williams and ex County star Jeremy Duffield were just 2 of the players lending a hand, so well done to Ian and all involved with this worthy cause.

County news concerning dates and venues for the Senior and Junior Closed events are as follows:

Seniors..February 20th at Arrow Vale (Redditch)
Juniors..December 4th at Christopher Whitehead School (Worcester)

The County League competition will be held at Evesham High School on December 12th and January 23rd, with hopefully, all 6 leagues represented at the event.

The opening round of County fixtures produced mixed results, with the Senior 1st's and Veteran Seconds both tasting defeat against Somerset and Buckinghamshire respectively, whilst the Juniors had 3 wins and a draw, and the newly formed Veteran 3rds, started with an 8-2 win over Herefordshire 3rds.

After switching venues at the eleventh hour, the Seniors found themselves playing on 2 tables against a determined Somerset side, for whom Steve Hall was far too hot for Lewis Siket and Steve Horton. Lee Horton, Lewis and Steve all chipped in with a victory to add to Kate Hughes, but despite the best attempts of Joanne Hill, defeat swiftly followed.

Playing at Middle Littleton, the Vets 2nds lost 7-3, with Nick Mytton, Margaret Dignum and a mixed doubles providing the 'scores on the doors', despite the best efforts of Eric Hardman and Chris Maiden to add to their tally. In this fixture, recently qualified International Umpire Lynda Reid took the chair, and dealt with a couple of minor 'situations' in her usual relaxed manner.

Martin Clark and Mike Meredith were undefeated for the 3rds, with only Merv Wood and a mixed doubles defeat standing in the way of a clean sweep for the team. There may be problems ahead for the 3rds (as well as for the other teams mentioned) in respect of availability, or should I say, non availability of players for upcoming fixtures. With a general shortage of lady players in particular right across the County scene, team secretaries may be scratching their heads to put out complete teams for future matches, which could even determine whether or not some fixtures are fulfilled!! Watch this space for further details.

Finishing on a more positive note, Mike Priors Juniors did the County proud during their first weekend of matches, beating Shropshire 8-2, and Lancashire 2nds and Northumberland both 6-4, only faltering slightly in a draw with the other unbeaten side Lincolnshire.

Good performances from Sasha Grokhotov (who also won the County Boys trials recently), Alex and Chris Baldwin and Anthony Wiseman in particular, gave the team 7 out of 8 points at the end of play. Thanks must also go to 'back up' from Ken Baker, and to stalwart umpire John Turner for giving their time on the teams behalf.

Despite my writing this report in October, may I wish you all a very happy Christmas, and an even happier and successful New Year.

YORKSHIRE

by Barry Snowden

White Rose Affairs

THE Yorkshire league commenced in fine style with the first round of matches in the Veterans and Cadets first divisions being held at the excellent Halifax Table Tennis Centre once again being expertly organised by Brenda Hudson.

Reigning Veterans champions Bradford show no sign of relinquishing their title without a fight but have a fight on their hands as they are joined in equal top spot by Huddersfield after the first round.

Huddersfield are top by virtue of a superior sets difference have beaten Doncaster 6-4, Hull 8-2 before walloping Leeds 9-1.

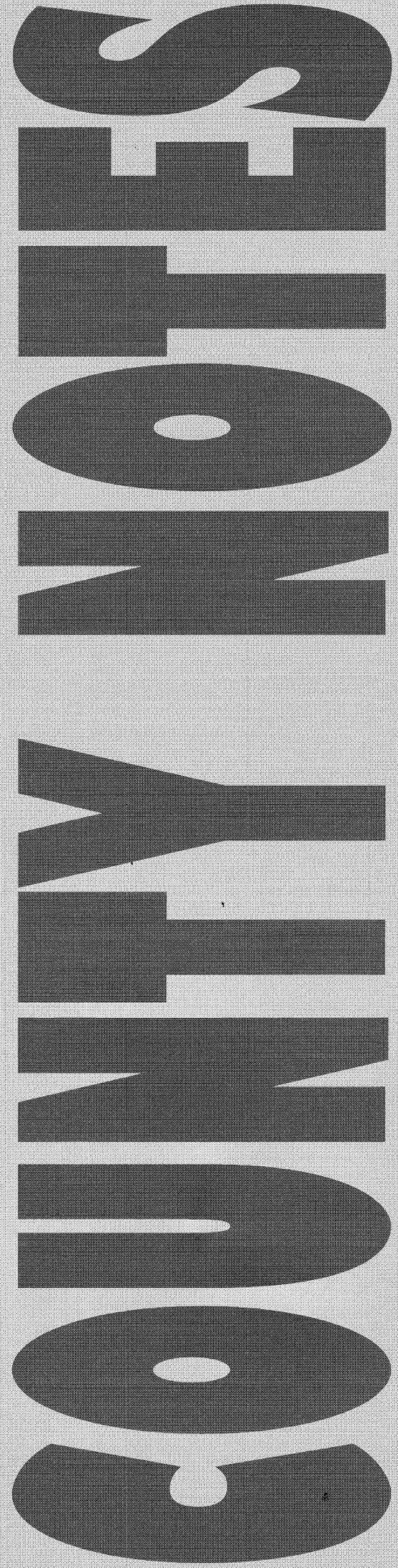
County first teamer Tim Dyson lead the way and once again showed his liking for the Halifax centre as it was his first visit back to Halifax since finishing a creditable runner up behind John Hilton in the recent veterans event.

Dyson scored nine wins from nine and was well supported by Keith Powell who had seven wins with Geoff Brook chipping in with four.

Bradford started the day with a 7-3 win against Halifax and followed this up with another 7-3 win against Dewsbury and a narrow 6-4 win over Doncaster.

Bradford also have a 100% record as Tony Bottomley was unbeaten in 9 starts although this record was almost ended by Stuart Milnes of Dewsbury who had match points against Bottomley in the fifth before the Bradford player came through to win 16-14 in the decider.

The division moves onto Hull in the new year and an epic is expected when the top two meet although whoever loses that clash (if there is a loser) will be keeping an eye on Doncaster who have now played the top two and only narrowly lost to both teams so will be looking to put pressure on the top two when the YPI in Hull hosts the next round in January.





ETTA NATIONAL RANKING LIST

TOP OF THE TABLE

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Senior Men

Pos	Name	Rating	Flag
(1)	1 COOKE, Alan (DY.)	5048	
(2)	2 SYED, Matthew (Bk) (SY.)	5012	
(3)	3 PERRY, Alex (DV.)	4793	
(4)	4 HERBERT, Gareth (BK.)	4762	
(5)	5 YOUNG, Terry (BK.)	4682	
(6)	6 BILLINGTON, Bradley (DY.)	4583**	
(7)	7 RUSHTON, Andrew (LA.)	4547	
(10)	8 DRINKHALL, Paul (CV.)	4277	
(13)	9 BRYANT, Craig (DV.)	4174	
(20)	10 TAYLOR, Jonathan (LA.)	4171	
(16)	11 HOLLAND, John (Dy) (E.)	4052	
(17)	12 KNIGHT, Smith (SY.)	4015	
(18)	13 YARNALL, Tim (NP.)	4013	
(22)	14 DRINKHALL, Bryn (CV.)	3988	
(21)	15 HILTON, John (CH.)	3948*	
(24)	16 KENNY, Mathew (Y.)	3925	
(26)	17 WURADLA, Abdul (SY.)	3899	
(23)	18 BLEAKLEY, Adam (LA.)	3878	
(25)	19 BLAKE, Darren (SY.)	3854	
(33)	20 CLEMINSON, Peter (E.)	3787	
(27)	21 VENNER, Ritchie (SK.)	3786	
(29)	22 DORIN, Roman (LA.)	3780*	
(32)	23 DOLDER, Kevin (LA.)	3748	
(30)	24 BAKER, Gregory (ST.)	3745	
(28)	25 JAMES, Michael (Y.)	3739	
(31)	26 EVANS, Bradley (Bu) (NG.)	3697	
(52)	27 BAILEY, Steven (CV.)	3677	
(36)	28 MARSDEN, Michael (DU.)	3669**	
(38)	29 MOORE, Adrian (K.)	3651*	
(40)	30 ATKINSON, David (CA.)	3642*	
(35)	31 WILKINSON, Andrew (ND.)	3638	
(37)	32 PYE, Leeroy (NK.)	3637	
(46)	33 MEADS, David (DU.)	3630	
(44)	34 CHARLES, Neil (MI.)	3624	
(42)	35 WHITING, Paul (DV.)	3621*	
(47)	36 PAPANANTIOU, Costas (MI.)	3612	
(45)	37 SATCHEL, Kevin (WI.)	3597****	
(43)	38 BEARLING, Stephen (K.)	3590	
(48)	39 ECKERSLEY, Nigel (SK.)	3579*	
(49)	40 KENNEDY, Joe (K) (E.)	3554	
(51)	41 ROGERS, Chris (LE.)	3547*	
(42)	42 PITTAS, George (NG.)	3544-N	
(50)	43 ROSENTHAL, Louis (CH.)	3543	
(62)	44 GODOBD, David (DU.)	3537	
(53)	45 BARR, David (BK.)	3533*	
(54)	46 STAINES, Matthew (E.)	3521*	
(47)	47 CUTLER, Tom (MI.)	3520	
(60)	48 REED, Daniel (CV.)	3490*	
(57)	49 TENDLER, Gary (E.)	3490	
(55)	50 HORSFIELD, Andrew (Ys) (Y.)	3477	
(63)	51 WHITEMAN, James (DV.)	3467*	
(64)	52 JOHNS, Brian (CH.)	3465*	
(65)	53 GASCOWNE, Craig (NG.)	3463	
(78)	54 CARTHY, Clive (E.)	3447	
(59)	55 GREGORY, Christopher (SP.)	3435	
(83)	56 MARPLES, Shaun (DY.)	3430	
(66)	57 HARVEY, Dave (GS.)	3420*	
(67)	58 NOUTCH, Simon (Y.)	3419*	
(70)	59 SMITH, Richard A (Y.)	3416	
(69)	60 NEIL, Lee (NG.)	3410	
(73)	61 GRIFFIN, Darren (GS.)	3394	
(71)	62 BARTRAM, Peter (SK.)	3383*	
(82)	63 LIGHTWOLTER, Richard (Y.)	3369	
(74)	64 DENNY, Stephen (Y.)	3365*	
(75)	65 CARTER, Paul (SY.)	3363***	
(88)	66 WALSH, Jimmy (HE.)	3357	
(76)	67 WILLIAMS, Keith (LA.)	3356*	
(77)	68 ADAMS, Martin (BK.)	3353*	
(79)	69 HALEY, Terry (SY.)	3331**	
(72)	70 HORSFIELD, Stephen (YS.)	3328	
(81)	71 ROOFE, Eddie (WI.)	3327*	
(84)	72 MAUTHOOR, Umair (E.)	3314***	
(85)	73 CORBIN, Anthony (HE.)	3309***	
(94)	74 BROWN, Christopher (CO.)	3308	
(86)	75 GREEN, Mark (NG.)	3299*	
(87)	76 BARATY, Eli (MI.)	3297***	
(89)	77 ADEMANIWA, Ayodele (E.)	3286***	
(92)	78 HENRY, Andy (DY.)	3285	
(90)	79 GANNON, David (LE.)	3285*	
(93)	80 JAMIESON, Christopher (E.)	3271****	
(95)	81 RANKIN, John (LA.)	3259*	
(97)	82 WILLIAMS, Trevor (YS.)	3252***	
(98)	83 COX, Philip (K.)	3245*	
(91)	84 JONAH, Jerome (K.)	3244	
(99)	85 CICCHELLI, Paul (SK.)	3244	
(117)	86 GREEN, Alex (LI.)	3244	
(101)	87 BUTLER, Mark (DO.)	3225*	



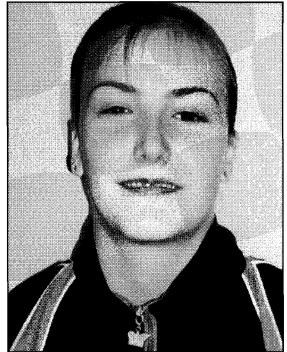
ALEX PERRY moves up to No.3 on the Senior list

(102)	88 ROMANO, Mark (K.)	3225*
(103)	89 MEREDITH, Darryll (LA.)	3224****
(105)	90 KERRY, Trevor (NG.)	3223
(104)	91 MEDELLIN, Henry (SY.)	3215*
(109)	92 SHORT, Mike (DV.)	3188*
(111)	93 WALKER, Andy (SK.)	3184*
(107)	94 FROST, Adam (DY.)	3177
(112)	95 JOHNS, Mike (CH.)	3177
(113)	96 LEIGHTON, Andrew (DU.)	3167*
(114)	97 MAJITHA, Mayur (SK.)	3163**
(115)	98 SPRACKLING, James (MI.)	3158*
(116)	99 FORD, Christopher (LA.)	3154*
(110)	100 WIGNALL, Andy (LI.)	3152
(119)	101 KATZ, Dov (MI.)	3144*
(137)	102 WRIGHT, Neil (WAL)	3143
(120)	103 HANSELL, Robert (BU.)	3137
	104 CAMPBELL, Selwyn (SY.)	3129
(121)	105 DABBS, Kieron (NP.)	3129*
(118)	106 JAMES, Simon (Y.)	3129
(122)	107 PAYNE, John (MI.)	3126***
(123)	108 HALL, Dominic (K.)	3124****
(124)	109 PAYNE, Clive (HA.)	3121*
(125)	110 WELSHMAN, Dave (NP.)	3115*
(126)	111 PHILIPUS, Simon (SY) (K.)	3112
(128)	112 RAMAGE, Jason (NG.)	3100*
	113 PAYNE, Phil (SO.)	3096
(130)	114 ISAAC, Anthony (ST.)	3093***
(131)	115 GRAY, Martin (CA.)	3091*
(133)	116 BOULT, Jack (SK.)	3083*
(134)	117 BODDILL, Kevin (DV.)	3077*
(136)	118 JAMES, Riv (E.)	3073***
(139)	119 EVANS, Gavin (NG.)	3061*
(141)	120 PUGH, Simon (Y.)	3054*
(142)	121 BARR, Paul (SK.)	3051**
(143)	122 TAYLOR, Scott (Y.)	3036**
(145)	123 LAWS, Adam (SY.)	3030***
(146)	124 DREDEGE, Lee (DO.)	3026*
(147)	125 KNIGHTS, Garry (ST.)	3022*
(148)	126 COLE, David (E.)	3018*
(150)	127 DONOGHUE, Mark (Y.)	3008
(151)	128 FERGUSON, Ian (WA.)	3007*
(152)	129 WILLIAMS, David (MI.)	3004**
(154)	130 CARSLAKE, Colin (E.)	3003***
(157)	131 TURNER, Steven (LA.)	2995****
(155)	132 CLARKE, Marryn (CV.)	2984
(167)	133 DENNISON, John (E.)	2982
(159)	134 WOOD, Paul (NG.)	2980*
	135 HOLLAND, John (Snr) (E.)	2979
(160)	136 BARRROW, Peter (MI.)	2975*
(161)	137 MOIR, Michael (LA.)	2972*
(163)	138 PACKFORD, Ian (WI) (OX.)	2969*
(164)	139 SPERO, Matthew (E.)	2967*
(166)	140 HARPER, Mick (BD.)	2954*
(171)	141 DIXON, Stephen (LA.)	2954
(188)	142 NORTON, Roy (WO.)	2952
(168)	143 BUSHNELL, Karl (OX.)	2950*
(170)	144 GRANT, Bill (YS.)	2945*
(172)	145 RAMSBOTTOM, Mark (LA.)	2944*
(173)	146 KERNS, Stephen (E.)	2941*
(174)	147 LLOYD, Trevor (WI.)	2937*
(175)	148 BEVAN, Stephen (LA.)	2936*
(177)	149 HARLEY, John (K.)	2931*
(178)	150 O'MAHONEY, Tim (WI.)	2921*

Senior Women

Pos	Name	Rating	Flag
(1)	1 LOWER, Helen (ST.)	4383	
(3)	2 PARKER, Joanna (SY.)	4246	
(7)	3 SIBLEY, Kelly (WA.)	4181	

(5)	4 WALKER, Georgina (DY.)	4148
(8)	5 BAWDEN, Natalie (E.)	4009
(9)	6 HOLT, Andrea (LA.)	3963****
(10)	7 EMBLING, Abigail (E.)	3871
(13)	8 SPINK, Lauren (NK.)	3656
(14)	9 DURRANT, Louise (NG.)	3580***
(17)	10 WHITE, Nicola (Y.)	3473*
(20)	11 SHEPHERD, Karen (CH.)	3439
(22)	12 SMITH, Karen (LE.)	3422
(21)	13 SPRINGTHORPE, Lauren (LI.)	3407****
(18)	14 CHAPMAN, Gemma (BK.)	3367
(24)	15 HARRIS, Jill (ST.)	3344**
(23)	16 ROBERTS, Joanna (Y.)	3339
(19)	17 PEERS, Clare (CH.)	3333
(25)	18 BRISTON, Angie (K.)	3293
(26)	19 WESTON, Sally (SK.)	3266
(28)	20 HOWARD, Alice (CH.)	3244
(31)	21 KEAST, Lesley (LI.)	3244
(27)	22 COHEN, Michele (SG.)	3240
(29)	23 RAINTON, Rosemary (SK.)	3236
(35)	24 BONGERS, Jose (ST.)	3226
(30)	25 DUNNING, Jan (WO.)	3223*
(36)	26 LLOYD, Gemma (CH.)	3194
(32)	27 WILSON, Naomi (SO.)	3192
(28)	28 LAMBERT, Helen (DV.)	3184
(33)	29 HARPER, Sandra (BD.)	3168*
(37)	30 BALDI, Andrea (Ys) (Y.)	3163
(34)	31 UZAL, Shelley (E.)	3156*
(32)	32 YARDY, Hannah (E.)	3140
(43)	33 WEIL, Emma (E.)	3123
(38)	34 DURHAM, Jane (CV.)	3071
(41)	35 GRAHAM, Cherish (LA.)	3040*
(42)	36 BUOYE, Brenda (LA.)	3034*
(39)	37 MORLEY, Judy (GS.)	3015
(48)	38 MUDGE, Kim (K) (SY.)	3010
(54)	39 STEDMAN, Sarah (SK.)	3009
(40)	40 SEYMOUR, Tamar (OX.)	2991
(56)	41 INGHAM, Katy (CH.)	2982
(52)	42 HARRISON, Jennifer (E.)	2965
(47)	43 HORSNELL, Sarah (MI.)	2960
(44)	44 PEARCE, Diane (K.)	2959
(45)	45 WILSON, Claire (DU.)	2954
(51)	46 KING, Sheila (SA.)	2952
(53)	47 MAY, Elizabeth (DV.)	2948
(68)	48 VICKERS, Sara (Y.)	2942
(55)	49 LANGFORD, Clare (CH.)	2932*
(49)	50 CHEESMAN, Zoe (Y.)	2924
	51 VAJDI, Carmen (SY.)	2921
(59)	52 BENNETT, Teresa (SK.)	2899***
(76)	53 VICKERS, Emma (DY.)	2891
(61)	54 NOLAN, Terri-Anne (CH.)	2878
(63)	55 COGGON, Sara (HE.)	2860
(67)	56 SPARKS, Aimee (SK.)	2859
(60)	57 RIDER, Sandra (Y.)	2858
(66)	58 BROWN, Grace (E.)	2832*
(59)	59 ROBINSON, Suzanne (GS.)	2812
(60)	60 SPORRANTINO, Annabelle (CH.)	2805
(78)	61 NOUTCH, Sarah (Y.)	2802
	62 STITCH, Julie (CU.)	2799
(50)	63 MASSINGHAM, Nicola (LI.)	2792.1
(71)	64 LAING, Janice (HE.)	2766**
(74)	65 YARNLEY, Gemma (K.)	2753*
(75)	66 MEADS, Joanne (DU.)	2752***
	67 HOLMES, Sarah (SY.)	2740
	68 SHALER, Eileen (LE.)	2739
(77)	69 WILLIAMS, Jackie (K.)	2735****
	70 ECKERSLEY, Carol (SK.)	2735



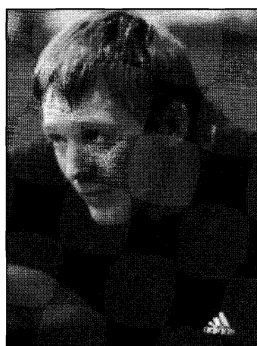
KELLY SIBLEY is at No.3 on the Womens list

(71)	MCEVOY, Denise (CH.)	2732
(80)	72 BENTLEY, Ruth (NG.)	2720
	73 SMITH, Rachel (BK.)	2712.1
(88)	74 STRAWSON, Jane (LI.)	2690
(84)	75 HOWARD, Clara (CH.)	2660*
	76 GUTHRIE, Caron (ND.)	2654
(87)	77 REID, Lynda (WO.)	2654*
(89)	78 GRAY, Victoria (SK.)	2651
(85)	79 DARE, Lindsey (HE.)	2639
	80 STEEL, Pauline (SK.)	2636
	81 MITCHELL, Sharon (BK.)	2636
(94)	82 EMMERSON, Clair (SK.)	2629
(96)	83 COX, Jody (LI.)	2618
(93)	84 DARK, Shirley (SO.)	2616
(91)	85 FARQUHAR, Melanie (BK.)	2608
(113)	86 BARNARD, Kimberley (LA.)	2574
(95)	87 PERKS, Sarah (NG.)	2567
	88 HUGHES, Kate (WO.)	2565
(108)	89 RADFORD, Lisa (DV.)	2550
(105)	90 KENNEDY, Joanne (DY.)	2535
(102)	91 HARRISON, Andrea (LA.)	2531
(111)	92 RAINFORD, Helen (DY.)	2521
	93 SMITH, Heidi (K.)	2514
(97)	94 SENEVIRATNE, Anusha (K.)	2492***
(98)	95 HALLOWS, Caroline (CH.)	2480*
(100)	96 HOWARD, Stephanie (HE.)	2473*
(104)	97 MURDOCH, Valerie (HE.)	2452*
(122)	98 DAVIS, Stella (GS.)	2448
(117)	99 DONNELLY, Stephanie (CV.)	2447
(106)	100 HAYES, Sue (BU.)	2444*

Junior Boys

Pos	Name	Rating	Flag
(1)	1 DRINKHALL, Paul (CV.)	4471	
(2)	2 KNIGHT, Darius (SY.)	4421	
(3)	3 YARNALL, Tim (NP.)	3986	
(4)	4 BLEAKLEY, Adam (LA.)	3948	
(5)	5 EVANS, Gavin (NG.)	3666	
(6)	6 EVANS, Bradley (Bu) (NG.)	3636	
(7)	7 MEADS, David (DU.)	3585	
(11)	8 MAUTHOOR, Umair (E.)	3440	
(8)	9 REED, Daniel (CV.)	3415	
(9)	10 NOUTCH, Simon (Y.)	3353	
(10)	11 GREGORY, Christopher (SP.)	3287	
(15)	12 FROST, Adam (DY.)	2974*	
(12)	13 LEIGHTON, Andrew (DU.)	2972	
(16)	14 PAGE, Tom (CH.)	2743	
(17)	15 NICHOLLS, Damien (SP.)	2711	
(21)	16 HALLING, Tony (E.)	2594	
(19)	17 BARLOW, Ben (YS.)	2592	
(18)	18 LEWIS, Christopher (SY.)	2545	
	19 ARMSTRONG, Marc (MI.)	2314	
(22)	20 REED, Darren (CO.)	2214	
(31)	21 ROBINSON, Dorian (SY.)	2129	
(24)	22 FULLWOOD, Allan (DY.)	2118	
(26)	23 WESLEY, Richard (NG.)	2099	
(25)	24 BUSH, Chris (SY.)	2076	
(28)	25 EVANS, Myles (NG.)	2040	
(30)	26 DEWHURST, Paul (E.)	1905	
(34)	27 SIMPSON, Mark (DU.)	1890	
(27)	28 ARROWSMITH, David (DY.)	1888	
(32)	29 BARNES, Lee (SK.)	1884****	
(29)	30 REES, Daniel (E.)	1852	
(35)	31 CHAN, Wing Yung (SY.)	1819	
(39)	32 DORAN, Christopher (NP.)	1776	
(36)	33 MUIE, Andrew (LI.)	1763	
(37)	34 CARRINGTON, Luke (Y.)	1730	
(42)	35 DODDS, Matthew (YS)	1671	
(38)	36 CRAWFORD, Jonathan (CU.)	1660	
(40)	37 HARRINGTON, William (K.)	1639	
(41)	38 MAYBANKS, William (HE.)	1611	
(45)	39 WILSON, Andrew (CV.)	1600	
(43)	40 NICHOLLS, Russell (SP.)	1578*	
(44)	41 MUIE, Stewart (LI.)	1532	
	42 GRADWELL, Andrew (SP.)	1501	
(47)	43 TAYLOR, Jonathan J (CH.)	1417	
(48)	44 BRAY, Thomas (LA.)	1404****	
(46)	45 CLOSE, Christopher (DU.)	1400	
(49)	46 SKIPP, Nicholas (CV.)	1367	
(51)	47 BROWN, Edward (E.)	1332	
(57)	48 BARTLETT, Alec (K.)	1298	
(62)	49 SHAW, Oliver (BU.)	129	

(24)	23	REES, Bethany (E.)	2007
(27)	24	LAYFIELD, Jordyn (CH.)	1970
(22)	25	PARKER, Hayley (CH.)	1962***
(23)	26	HALLOWS, Caroline (CH.)	1954
(29)	27	O'SULLIVAN, Emily (DY.)	1816
(28)	28	LIGHTOWLER, Katie (F.)	1810
(26)	29	STEEPLES, Susie (LI.)	1684
(30)	30	BIELEC, Sylvana (BK.)	1674***
(35)	31	HOWE, Claire (SO.)	1445
(32)	32	SKEGGS, Kelly (E.)	1444
(33)	33	GREENER, Rachel (DU.)	1410
(37)	34	LINZ, Caroline (BU) (SY.)	1365
(31)	35	PINNELL, Amanda (TS.)	1337
(36)	36	CUNNINGHAM, Jeana (YS.)	1311****
(39)	37	PILGRIM, Rachel (WA.)	1295
(38)	38	DUNMALL, Chloe (K.)	1280
(41)	39	FURNIVAL, Stacey (SK.)	1203
(44)	40	POTJEYD, Frances (SO.)	1172
(43)	41	WHITEHORN, Joy (DO.)	1111
(42)	42	STANDEN, Lisa (SK.)	1048
(45)	43	HUBBARD, Sarah (K.)	1025
(54)	44	LOVE, Felicity (E.)	922
(46)	45	WALDEN, Kelly-Jayne (WA.)	912
(46)	46	CRAWFORD, Helen (CU.)	911
(53)	47	ARDESHANA, Reena (LA.)	898
(49)	48	TAYLOR, Amy (BU.)	844
(47)	49	RULE, Katie (BU.)	834**
(48)	50	WILKINSON, Hayley (LA.)	830****
(50)	51	DOBSON, Jenny (HA.)	826
(51)	52	SHADLOCK, Lisa (SY.)	802
(62)	53	FULLER, Mary (Y.)	802
(54)	54	CURRIE, Francesca (Y.)	773
(55)	55	MACKEN, Jessica (E.)	732
(56)	56	MCCORMICK, Samantha (DU.)	665
(57)	57	TRIMMELL, Jessica (SY.)	662
(78)	58	STUBBINGS, Holly (SK.)	654
(73)	59	PICH, Lynsey (CH.)	612
(59)	60	PINNELL, Emily (ST.)	608
(58)	61	MORLE, Annabelle (HA.)	605
(60)	62	TRIMMELL, Emily (Y.)	601****
(77)	63	HAYES, Catherine (BU.)	558
(79)	64	ARROWSMITH, Kathryn (DY.)	546
(63)	65	YARNLEY, Laura (K.)	546
(64)	66	TRAVIS, Martha (CO.)	507
(65)	67	HUGHES, Sally (SX.)	495
(57)	68	WOODLAND, Alison (SX.)	493
(74)	69	BAKER, Rachel (LA.)	489
(70)	70	SMITH, Amanda (MI.)	485



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(24)	16	STUBBINGS, Holly (SK.)	654
(15)	17	MORLE, Annabelle (HA.)	605
(23)	18	HAYES, Catherine (BU.)	558
(17)	19	YARNLEY, Laura (K.)	546
(18)	20	TRAVIS, Martha (CO.)	507

Under 13 Boys			
Pos	Name	Rating	Flag
(1)	1 EVANS, Gavin (NG.)	3666	
(2)	2 DAYBELL, Kim (YS.)	864	
(3)	3 MCBEATH, David (HA.)	808	
(4)	4 SELFIDGE, Oscar (E.)	564	
(5)	5 PITCHFORD, Liam (DY.)	533	
(10)	6 NAYLOR, Mark (DY.)	468	
(12)	7 YOUNG, George (DY.)	435	
(6)	8 MITCHELL, Edward (BU.)	375	
(9)	9 CULLEN, Sean (DY.)	335	
(7)	10 BARELLA, Graeme (DU.)	328	
(11)	11 LOWE, Daniel (DY.)	316	
(13)	12 JAMESON, Lloyd (HA.)	300	
(8)	13 CRAWFORD, Scott (CU.)	300	
(14)	14 DRAGOJLOVIC, Milan (GS.)	282	
(16)	15 GRAY, Lewis (K.)	256	
(18)	16 BRUCE, Matthew (CU.)	251	
(15)	17 POLDING, Alex (BU.)	243	
(20)	18 SIMPSON, Michael (DY.)	237	
(19)	19 QIAN, Michael (AV.)	223 N	
(24)	20 ANDREWS, Richard (BK.)	219	
(19)	21 WITCHELL, Christopher (BU.)	214**	
(27)	22 CRICHTON, Stuart (BU.)	208	
(17)	23 LEE, Andrew (E.)	197	
(21)	24 GEORGE, Alexander (HE.)	187	
(23)	25 FLYNN, Elliott (SX.)	165	
(37)	26 MUELLE, Matthew (E.)	149	
(36)	27 BATES, Michael (LI.)	148	
(25)	28 GLASS, James (K.)	136 I	
(29)	29 FAMBELY, Edward (Y.)	130**	
(26)	30 BOYD, Conor (OX.)	129****	

Cadet Boys			
Pos	Name	Rating	Flag
(1)	1 DRINKHALL, Paul (CV.)	4471	
(2)	2 KNIGHT, Darius (SY.)	4421	
(3)	3 EVANS, Gavin (NG.)	3666	
(4)	4 NICHOLLS, Damien (SP.)	2711	
(5)	5 REED, Darren (CO.)	2214	
(8)	6 ROBINSON, Dorian (SY.)	2129	
(7)	7 EVANS, Myles (NG.)	2040	
(9)	8 SIMPSON, Mark (DU.)	1890	
(10)	9 CHAN, Wing Yung (SY.)	1819	
(11)	10 DORAN, Christopher (NP.)	1776	
(13)	11 DODDS, Matthew (YS)	1671	
(12)	12 MAYBANKS, William (HE.)	1611	
(14)	13 MUDIE, Stewart (LI.)	1532	
(17)	14 HIRJI, Alim (MI.)	1271	
(15)	15 PIPER, Damien (YS.)	1232	
(16)	16 JOHNSON, Paul (LI.)	1221***	
(20)	17 WARE, Mathew (DO.)	1207	
(19)	18 LOVETT, Joshua (E.)	1175	
(18)	19 DEVILLE, Billy (E.)	1171	
(21)	20 MARSHALL, Richard (DY.)	993	
(22)	21 BARKER, Mitchell (CH.)	970**	
(26)	22 WRIGHT, Anthony (CV.)	923	
(23)	23 SMITH, Christopher A L (DV.)	918	
(30)	24 DAYBELL, Kim (YS.)	864	
(25)	25 MCBEATH, David (HA.)	808	
(26)	26 KEARNEY, Alex (SG.)	783	
(28)	27 MAYNARD, Tom (BK.)	752	
(37)	28 GALLAGE, Suchira (MI.)	681	
(27)	29 DENMAN, Stephen (SX.)	672****	
(29)	30 BLEAKLEY, Joshua (LA.)	657	
(31)	31 TREVORROW, Matthew (CO.)	642	
(35)	32 LINZ, Andrew (SY.)	631	
(57)	33 BARELLA, Anthony (DU.)	620	
(46)	34 KINLOCKE, Garth (HA.)	596	
(34)	35 COLLINS, Jake (SK.)	592	

Under 13 Girls			
Pos	Name	Rating	Flag
(1)	1 RULE, Katie (BU.)	834**	
(2)	2 FULLER, Mary (Y.)	802	
(3)	3 TRAVIS, Martha (CO.)	507	
(4)	4 BAKER, Rachel (LA.)	489	
(10)	5 JONES, Dominique (LI.)	352	
(5)	6 RIUSSO, Sarah (SX.)	338**	
(6)	7 POTTS, Hayley (HE.)	281**	
(16)	8 LEFEVRE, Karina (CV.)	278	
(7)	9 BREWIN, Hannah (LI.)	266**	
(8)	10 FARQUHAR, Rachel (BK.)	243	
(9)	11 FURNIVAL, Chelsea (SX.)	230	
(11)	12 WRIGHT, Melissa (YS.)	230**	
(22)	13 TOVEY, Emma (K.)	219	
(12)	14 DAVIDSON, Lucy (DY.)	216	
(18)	15 AIRY, Charlotte (NG.)	215	
(15)	16 MCLEOD, Laura (DV.)	195	
(14)	17 MARCH, Rebekah (E.)	187	
(17)	18 SMITH, Victoria (DY.)	178	
(19)	19 LEFEVRE, Kathrine (CV.)	176	
(13)	20 KING, Yolanda (SX.)	163	
(21)	21 SEAL, Rebecca (SO.)	156 N	
(21)	22 TREVORROW, Rachel (CO.)	152	
(30)	23 LOVE, Charlotte (E.)	151	
(20)	24 WANG, Chenchen (BK.)	126 I	
(25)	25 SLATER, Natalie (ST.)	100 I****	

Veteran Men			
Pos	Name	Rating	Flag
(1)	1 HILTON, John (CH.)	3857	
(2)	2 WHITING, Paul (DY.)	3680****	
(3)	3 KENNEDY, Joe (K) (E.)	3643*	
(6)	4 GILES, Paul (CO.)	3641	
(5)	5 ECKERSLEY, Nigel (SX.)	3615*	
(7)	6 JOHNS, Brian (CH.)	3615	
(8)	7 PAPANTONIOU, Costas (MI.)	3601****	
(4)	8 WILLIAMS, Keith (LA.)	3578	
(9)	9 BARR, David (BK.)	3514	
(9)	10 CATHY, Clive (E.)	3506	
(11)	11 SATCHELL, Kevin (WI.)	3452**	
(13)	12 HARVEY, Dave (GS.)	3447	

(12)	13	GODBOLD, David (DU.)	3415
(14)	14	BEADSLY, Kevin (Y.)	3412
(15)	15	GELDER, Tony (DU.)	3368
	16	MCLEAN, Ian (NK.)	3354
(21)	17	SHORT, Mike (DV.)	3301
(16)	18	HALEY, Terry (ST.)	3301****
(17)	19	WIGNALL, Andy (LI.)	3292
(18)	20	BARTRAM, Peter (SK.)	3278****
(20)	21	CLAYTON, Tony (DO.)	3272
(19)	22	FORD, Christopher (LA.)	3269*
(22)	23	ADEMAKINWA, Ayodele (E.)	3258****
(24)	24	KERRY, Trevor (NG.)	3253
(23)	25	MEDELLIN, Henry (SY.)	3246**
(25)	26	ROOFE, Eddie (WI.)	3239**
(28)	27	ROMANO, Mark (K.)	3223****
(26)	28	LUSK, Malcolm (ND.)	3202
(27)	29	JOHNS, Mike (CH.)	3201
(29)	30	ISAAC, Anthony (ST.)	3201****
(30)	31	HARDING, David (SY.)	3196
(32)	32	PAYNE, John (MI.)	3174
	33	PAYNE, Clive (HA.)	3160
(33)	34	RANKIN, John (LA.)	3151*
(34)	35	GRAY, Diccon (K.)	3150**
(35)	36	GIRDLER, Ian (SY.)	3146
(36)	37	DYSON, Tim (Y.)	3137***
(38)	38	ROBSON, Dave (DU.)	3114**
(37)	39	WELSHMAN, Dave (NP.)	3098
(39)	40	RANDALL, David (E.)	3096****
(40)	41	BURLETON, John (BU.)	3090****
(41)	42	HARPER, Mick (BD.)	3082**
(44)	43	BUSHELL, Karl (OX.)	3069*
(43)	44	BOWEN, Philip (LA.)	3069****
	45	CAMPBELL, Selwyn (SY.)	3054
(52)	46	SALTER, Geoff (DU.)	3053
(42)	47	BIGGS, Phil (CH.)	3045
(45)	48	DAVIS, Steve (SY.)	3027
	49	OWEN, Mark (HR.)	3027
(48)	50	TURNER, Steven (LA.)	3008**
(49)	51	GARRAWAY, Brian (DO.)	2996****
(54)	52	PICKARD, Chris (HE.)	2988
(46)	53	GEHLOT, Hari (BK.)	2987
(51)	54	DOBBINS, Steve (CH.)	2976**
(47)	55	PERCIVAL, Wayne (CH.)	2967
(53)	56	LLOYD, Trevor (WI.)	2955**
(56)	57	COLLINS, Paul (CH.)	2937
(55)	58	CARSLAKE, Colin (E.)	2926****
	59	BREWSTER, Chris (NK.)	2925*
(50)	60	HOLMAN, Derek (SY.)	2916
	61	KERNS, Stephen (E.)	2900
(57)	62	BECKLEY, Chris (SY.)	2888
(67)	63	HORTON, Roy (WO.)	2862
(64)	64	SWIFT, Norman (BD.)	2861**
	65	BURN, Brian (DO.)	2860

(59)	66	RASUL, Farhat (SY.)	2859
(61)	67	REEVES, Dave (BK.)	2857
(71)	68	ROBINSON, John (SY.)	2824
(63)	69	DOYE, Fred (E.)	2812
(65)	70	COOPER, Stephen (CV.)	2811****
(66)	71	ROBERTSON, Ian (ND.)	2802**
	72	GRAHAM, Cosmo (Y.)	2801
(64)	73	BRIERLEY, Neil (E.)	2801
(69)	74	NEWMAN, Maurice (LE.)	2797
(70)	75	BALDWIN, Gary (WI.)	2775
(72)	76	BROWNE, Michael (WA.)	2774****
(73)	77	GIBBS, Stuart (E.)	2773****
(74)	78	RHODES, Mike (BU) (BK.)	2772
(75)	79	GUYMER, Terry (E.)	2763**
(62)	80	BALDING, Derek (HE.)	2761
(76)	81	RICHARDSON, Nathaniel (OX.)	2759
(78)	82	CLEMENTS, Brian (LA.)	2758
(79)	83	BANGERTER, Dave (SY.)	2754
(77)	84	WAITE, Peter (WA.)	2743****
	85	MCEVOY, Malcolm (CH.)	2737
(81)	86	YARNLEY, Keith (K.)	2735
(85)	87	HORTON, Steve (WO.)	2730
(80)	88	ADAMS, Thomas (SY.)	2729*
(82)	89	KOSMOWSKY, Steve (Y.)	2726
	90	KNIGHT, Chris (K.)	2722
(83)	91	SAXBY, Phil (K.)	2720
(86)	92	BAKER, Paul (SY.)	2710
(84)	93	CROWLEY, David (BK.)	2710
(96)	94	BHALLA, Ramesh (SY.)	2703
(87)	95	DOUGLAS, Lindon (WA.)	2702****
(88)	96	BROUGHTON, Mick (NK.)	2697
(90)	97	HILL, Barry (DO.)	2695
(89)	98	REEVES, Brian (SO.)	2686
	99	REEVES, George (E.)	2680
(91)	100	OUTRIM, Graham (SY.)	2665

Veteran Women			
Pos	Name	Rating	Flag
(1)	1 HARRIS, Jill (ST.)	3510	
(2)	2 SHORT, Elaine (DV.)	3396	
(3)	3 DUNNING, Jan (WO.)	3320	
(4)	4 HARPER, Sandra (BO.)	3230**	
(5)	5 MALTBY, Margaret (NP.)	3190	
(6)	6 BUOEY, Brenda (LA.)	3144	
(7)	7 DURHAM, Jane (CV.)	3119*	
(8)	8 PEARCE, Diane (K.)	3097****	
(9)	9 SIMPSON, Linda (Y.)	3074**	
(12)	10 KING, Sheila (SX.)	3060	
(11)	11 SHIELDS, Helen (Y.)	3057	
(13)	12 RIDER, Sandra (Y.)	3039**	
(10)	13 HARRISON, Jennifer (E.)	3023	
(14)	14 SCHOFIELD, Doreen (CH.)	3018****	
(15)	15 BAWDEN, Marilyn (E.)	3008	

(16)	16	MORLEY, Judy (GS.)	2996
(18)	17	MUDGE, Kim (K) (SY.)	2932
(19)	18	VAJDI, Carmen (ST.)	2923
(20)	19	GELDER, Shirley (DU.)	2916
(17)	20	SHALER, Eileen (LE.)	2907
(21)	21	BROOKS, Diane (ST.)	2901
(22)	22	PERRY, Penny (DY.)	2886****
(23)	23	BURGESS, Suzanne (CH.)	2886*
(24)	24	HALES, Linda (DO.)	2868
(25)	25	DAWSON, Marjorie (E.)	2857
(26)	26	VICKERS, Jane (DY.)	2821****
(27)	27	KNIGHTLEY, Gillian (BK.)	2815*
(29)	28	DIGNUM, Margaret (WO.)	2806
(31)	29	LOCKE, Gill (E.)	2803
(30)	30	BROWN, Janet (OX.)	2801*
(28)	31	FLOWERDAY, Anne (E.)	2785
(32)	32	HOOKER, Muriel (BU.)	2746****
(34)	33	DARE, Lindsey (HE.)	2737**
(35)	34	GRAHAM, Sylvia (LA.)	2734**
(36)	35	REID, Lynda (WO.)	2723
(37)	36	STEELE, Pauline (SX.)	2721****
(38)	37	MITCHELL, Sharon (BK.)	2702
(39)	38	VICKERS, Ruth (NG.)	2687****
(41)	39	LAING, Janice (HE.)	2678**
(42)	40	JUDSON, Carol (Y.)	2677***
(43)	41	BUTCHER, Pamela (K.)	2667
(44)	42	SMITH, Louvain (Y.)	2652*
(45)	43	ANNAND, Brenda (WAL)	2651**
(47)	44	DARK, Ruth (SO.)	2641
(50)	45	MURDOCH, Valerie (HE.)	2637
(49)	46	LLOYD, Ann (WA.)	2622
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ROGER CANTON

ROGER CANTON who died in July aged 53 will be remembered for his major contribution to the Leicester and District Table Tennis League as well as for his significant involvement in ETTA national matters.

Locally, as a keen lower division player, Roger started in 1973 for Regent Sports – his only club of which latterly he was Chairman. On the League Committee from 1989, Roger was an excellent administrator starting as a divisional secretary but almost immediately also taking on Registrations and Gradings perfecting his methods over the next 15 years using well proven computer skills. More recently he also edited both the annual handbook and a highly organised monthly Top Spin newsletter. His service to the League was recognised in 1999 by the award of the Phil Reid Memorial Trophy annually presented for service to Table Tennis in Leicester and in 2003 by the receipt of the Maurice Goldstein Merit Award from the ETTA. In 2003/4, he was briefly County Chairman.

Nationally Roger became involved in 1997 when he became a member of Rules Committee and shortly afterwards, Standing Orders Committee. He then represented Rules on Membership Committee. He helped actively in all this work and always showed a clear mind seeing all the angles (as he did with similar local issues) as well as never forgetting the effect on local Leagues which was most helpful. All this ended in 2003 but he continued on the IT Working Party on which since 1999 he had worked closely with its Chair, Malcolm Macfarlane, to develop the IT functions of the ETTA. Roger clearly enjoyed this and made a very significant practical contribution which will be missed very much.

The condolences of the table tennis community have been expressed to his family.

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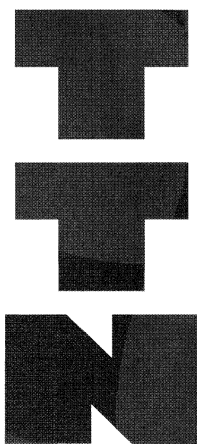
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11th-12th	Senior British League Weekend 2	
12th	National Cadet League	
18th	National Junior League	
18th	Alec Brook Trophy & Pat Archdale Cup R1	
18th-19th	Regional Training	
18th-19th	Cheshire Senior Open 2 Star Satellite Grand Prix	Mike Johns 01606 45766
23rd	Chesham 2 Star U13, U15, U16	
28th	Chesham 2 Star Graded Cadet & Junior	Mike Atkins 01494 785609
30th	Chesham 2 Star U13, U15, U16	
JANUARY 2005		
1st-2nd	Regional Training	
2nd	Chesham 2 Star Junior Graded	Mike Atkins 01494 785609
2nd	Ormesby & Gainsford Cups R1	
8th-9th	City of Liverpool 4 Star Junior & Cadet Tournament	Arthur Garnett 0151 449 1766
8th-9th	Bribar East Kent Satellite Grand Prix	Mike Johns 01606 45766
8th-9th	VETTS Western Masters, Hereford	
9th	Cippenham 1 Star U14 & U16 Open	
15th	County Championships (4) - Cadet, Junior, Senior & Veterans	
16th	ESTTA Team Zone Finals	
16th	British League (3)	
18th	Mens European League V Germany (away)	
22nd	Johnny Leach, Jill Hammersley & Willmott Cups R1	
22nd	National Junior League	
22nd	National Council	
22nd-23rd	Womens British League (2)	
23rd	National Cadet League	
23rd	Carter Cup R2	
23rd	Egerton 2 Star Veteran Tournament	Mike Johns 01606 45766
29th-30th	Butterfly London Open GP - Crystal Palace	



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