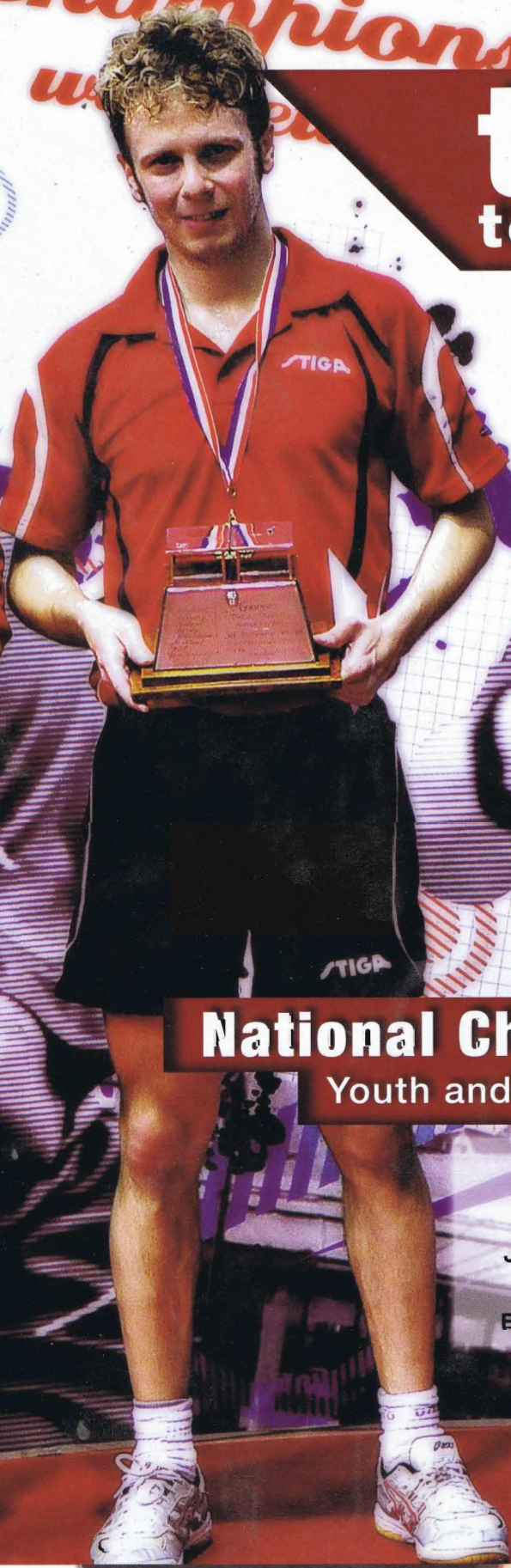


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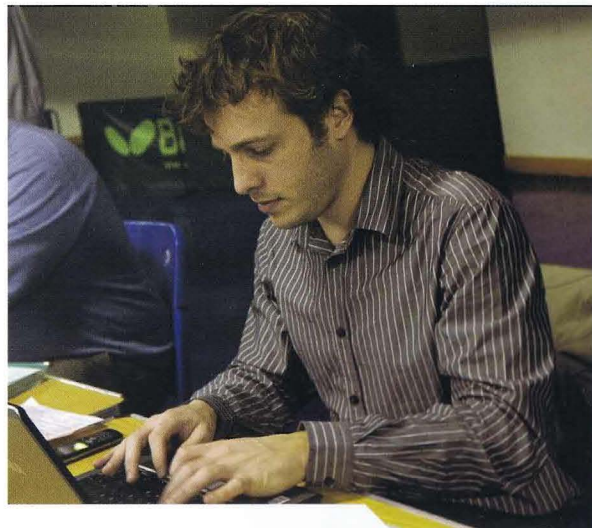
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Editorial

To be crowned national champion is a dream that for most of us will never come to fruition. With that in mind how do you set your sporting goals, one game at a time, minor improvements from last year, or strive for the top?

Personally I do a combination of all of those, setting myself multiple goals and targets, some over the current season and some more long term. I always look at last season's performances, how many times did I feel like I let myself down and I should I have done better? Were they just bad days, or were they down to a weakness, that is the first area to address. This inevitably leads to a change or increase in training and from my perspective this is the time I start doing the maths! If I hadn't let myself down where would I have come by the end of the season and how many extra points would I have got? I then look for a milestone in the rankings close to this points score to aim for, this becomes my secondary goal. Finally I set myself a long term goal of reaching an even better ranking by the end of the following season.

So with the season past the halfway point and tapering off towards the end, it's time to take a long hard look at your goals and performance. How many of those bad games from last season have you been able to turn around? How close are you to achieving your end of season goal and has that long term goal become something to strive for, or just a distant pipe dream? It's now time for a final push to reach them and if things really have gone disastrous, then why not use the remainder of this season as a build up to the next?

James Cornford

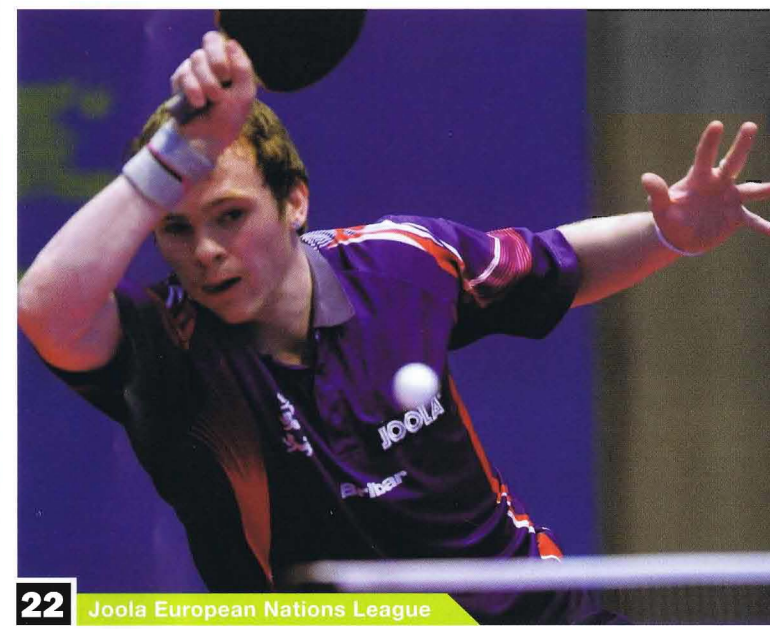
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Alex Murdoch / ETTA Chairman

Straight Talk

I hope that your second half of the season has started well and that 2010 will be a positive year for you and for our sport.

The ETTA staff and the many volunteers nationally and locally are there to support you and assist across the whole spectrum of programmes and initiatives designed to grow our sport and increase its influence within the sporting community and our funding partners.

It is clear from my many visits that our sport is growing and interest outside of the general table tennis fraternity is increasing. We must continue to support the retention of our existing members, whilst generating an increase in our participation across England, both for competitive and leisure activities of our great sport.

Individual Membership

A document was widely circulated on 29th January giving an update on this very important matter. This will also go on the website, further regular communications will be issued to assist the grass roots

through the process and support channels/ contacts will be available.

A FAQ paper is being drawn up by the Individual Membership Implementation Group which will be on the website and widely circulated. There have been many queries that the FAQ should incorporate.

Team Affiliations

The latest data from the league returns for 2009/10 shows an increase in the Senior Team Affiliations from 2008/9 of over 100 new teams and 2 new leagues affiliating to the ETTA. This is the first time for decades this has happened and confirms the reports from the government activity surveys which show our sport is growing.

Sport England

We are working closely with our major funding partners on other opportunities and potential further investments in our sport.

The Facilities Panel has completed the draft facilities strategy which will be circulated.

Negotiations have taken place with a number of the London Boroughs for the provision and installation of over 40 outdoor tables in parks and other community areas as a pilot project to increase the exposure of our sport, as well as generating increased participation via local clubs and leagues.

Additional pilot projects are well under way covering a Social Media initiative creating participation opportunities in higher education through "Facebook" and also programmes providing opportunities in the work place, to re-establish one of the traditional entry routes into our sport via youth clubs, and discussions are taking place with a major hotel/leisure club company on introducing table tennis across England into its facilities.

British Table Tennis Federation

The British Table Tennis Federation (BTTF) review is underway with discussions taking place with all parties, including our funding partners and details will be announced in the coming weeks

Commonwealth

To update you on the concerns being raised about security of the Commonwealth Games Delhi 2010, I have been advised that the Commonwealth Games Federation is receiving regular advice from its security advisers, Intelligent Risks (IR), who are constantly assessing security issues that could potentially affect the Games. They are liaising at a high level with officials in India and internationally with regard to potential security threats to the Games; they will continue to give this issue the utmost priority and the ETTA will take the appropriate advice from them.

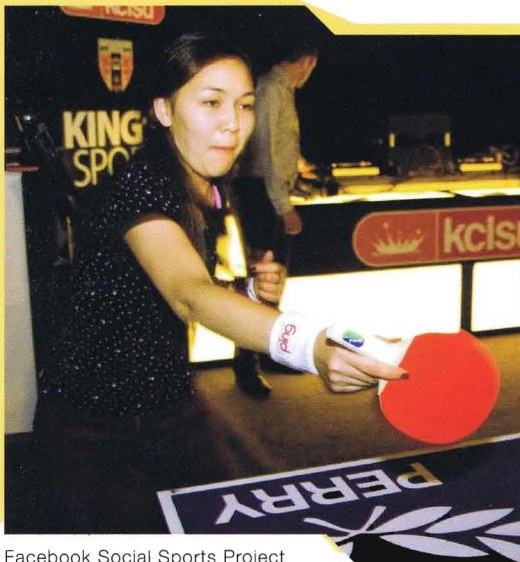
This is a very important event for all the Commonwealth countries and the ETTA is continuing with the selection criteria, training and competition programme based upon our participation with a final decision being made nearer the time.

Annual General Meeting

National Council have agreed to submit to the AGM a proposition as follows which we hope will receive support from the leagues so this matter can be cleared up.

Add to the ETTA Approved Laws:

The racket covering shall be of a brand and type currently authorised by the ITTF.



Facebook Social Sports Project
King's College London Students' Union, London Southbank



This would make ITTF authorised racket coverings mandatory for all competitive table tennis.

Individual Membership fee proposals, approved by National Council, will also be submitted for approval by the membership at this year's AGM.

Technical Officials

An investment of £10K (£40K over four years) is budgeted for the recruitment of additional umpires/referees and to have annual update workshops for existing umpires. A proportion is to be spent on assisting qualified county umpires towards NU/IU level and Blue Badge and also to look at how the Junior Umpires Award could link in with the LU/CU qualification system.

The intervention within the WSP for volunteers, which includes technical officials, confirms that the NURC, supported by the volunteer manager in conjunction with the regions, should target the recruitment of 80 to 100 county umpires, 8 to 10 referees and 600 additional junior umpires during the four year plan.

International Table Tennis Federation

The LIEBHERR 2010 World Team Table Tennis Championships will take place in Moscow, Russia – 23rd to 30th May 2010 which will also include the ITTF AGM, board of directors meetings and various committee meetings.

Representatives from England will participate in any debates and vote on

propositions; details of any significant propositions will be put on the website when available for comments and inputs from members.

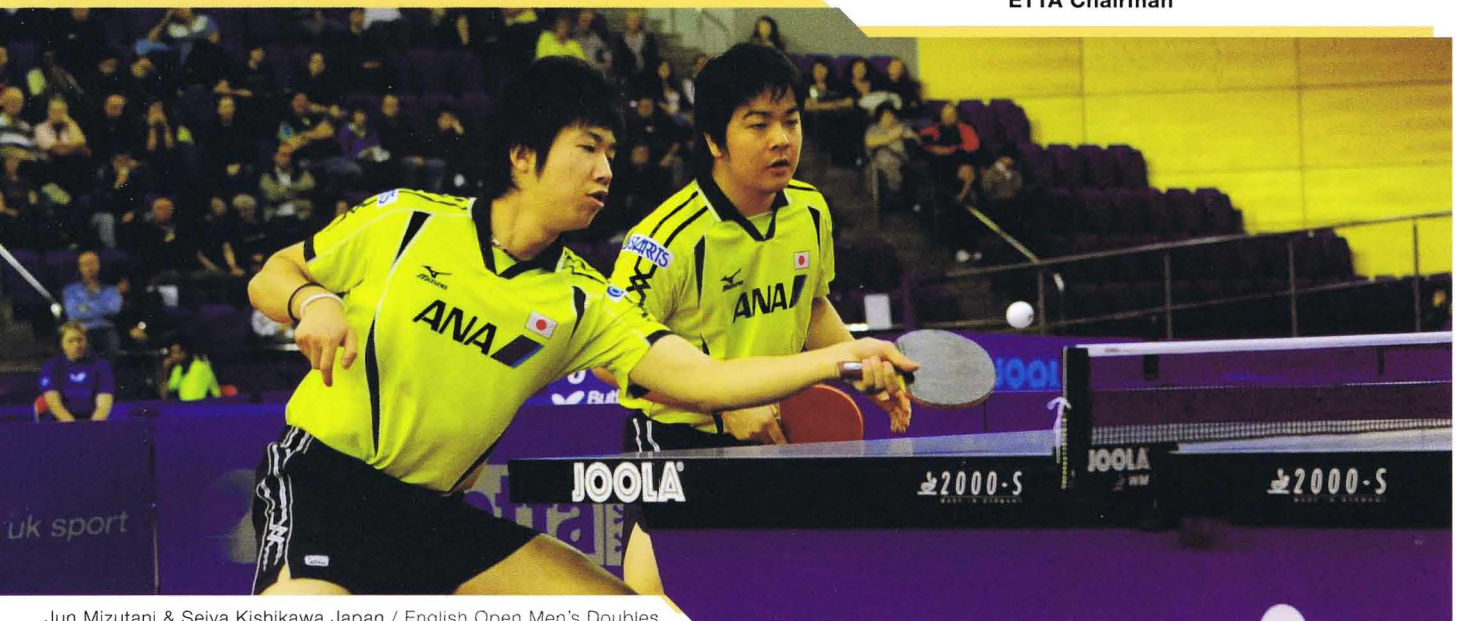
Departmental Updates

I hope that you find the quarterly departmental reports submitted to National Council on the website useful, as well as my Chairman's Forum report. If you have any questions relative to these please get in touch

I am happy to meet with you, your members and committees to discuss table tennis, so please get in touch if you want to set up a meeting.

Regards

Alex Murdoch
ETTA Chairman



Jun Mizutani & Seiya Kishikawa Japan / English Open Men's Doubles



Skylet Andrew
Article by Jeremy Wilson

The SKYY is the limit

To reach national fame in one sport is a considerable achievement; to do it across two completely different disciplines is almost unique. Examples are scarce. Mick Channon, the former England footballer, is now one of the top flat horse-racing trainers, while Rebecca Romero has famously won Olympic medals in both cycling and rowing.

Table tennis also has several notable former champions who have come to prominence in other sporting spheres. Chester Barnes, the five-times national singles champion, is a successful horse-race trainer at the stables of Martin Pipe, while Matthew Syed, the winner of three Commonwealth titles, has become one of the top sports journalists in the country.

Another whose name regularly appears in the national press is Skylet Andrew, a world-class doubles player of the 1980s and 1990s, who has become the long-time agent of the Arsenal defender Sol Campbell. Some of his other clients have also included Jermain Defoe, Jermaine Pennant and actress Martine McCutcheon.

Born in Newham, East London, Andrew came from humble beginnings; his mother worked in a pie factory and his father worked on London's buses. His sporting heroes were John McEnroe and Steffi Graf but his talent for table tennis was quickly apparent and he rose to the top table of the national game alongside the likes of Desmond Douglas, Alan Cooke and Carl Prean.

Yet while Douglas, Cooke and Prean were to achieve considerable individual success, it was as a doubles player that Andrew really shone. As a left-hander with a particularly deadly service, his style was ideally suited to doubles competition and he was to forge one of the best partnerships in domestic table tennis history with Sussex's Nicky Mason.

Despite going up against various combinations of Douglas, Cooke and Prean, they were to win the national doubles championships six times in eight years and were also twice finalists in the Commonwealth Games, winning in 1989 and losing in the 1991 final.

Andrew also won the national mixed doubles championship on eight occasions and was to appear in the Seoul Olympics in 1988 alongside Douglas. He says his favourite serve was the "disguised" high-toss. "It went up 10-15 feet - I used to serve like the Chinese," he says.

Another claim to fame was Andrew's appearance on the BBC television programme A Question of Sport in the What Happened Next? round, when he was shown playing a table tennis match for England, lost balance and flew into the umpire's table and sent a jug of water flying.

It was towards the end of his international table tennis career that he forged a friendship that would ultimately help launch him into the world of football.

Andrew was among the national table tennis team training at Lilleshall in Shropshire when he met a group of young footballers, including Campbell and Andy Cole, who were at the Football Association's now defunct centre of excellence.

Campbell was from the same part of East London as Andrew and they quickly became friends. Almost two decades later, with Campbell having made multi-million pound moves that have taken him from Tottenham to Arsenal and now back to Arsenal via Portsmouth and Notts County, their professional partnership remains intact.

"We're good friends and he confides in me," said Andrew. "I'm his agent, friend and adviser. It's a very tough business. I came into it by accident but hundreds are trying. There are only so many top players.

"I worked hard with Sol and I was lucky he had an exceptional attitude and desire to be great. Sol was 17-18 when I started with him - a prospect. Prospects don't always make it. It has made me so proud to see him captain England and know I was a part."

Andrew says that the key skills in being a good agent are "good negotiating skills, understanding of people, ability to weigh up situations and think clearly under pressure".

However, he credits his mum for instilling such determination in him. "She encouraged me to chase my dreams," he said. "I had to fight to survive. My mum was a very strong influence."

Mason, his former doubles partner, remembers that Andrew was also destined for a career beyond table tennis. Indeed, the initial aim was to be a television presenter. "He was trying to be a comedian or a TV presenter and he was on the short list to present gladiators before they gave it to John Fashanu," said Mason.

"He was always an entertainer and was really good at impressions of Eddie Murphy and Richard Pryor. Sky never said he wanted to be an agent - it happened by chance.

"We were training at Lilleshall and Sol was at the School of Excellence there and that is how they met. We knew all the footballers there. Sky and him got on really well.

"I have known Sky since I was 13. He has always been very determined. He is not a person who gets shy and he can meet anyone and hold his own. He is very good in an argument and knows how to get his point across. He is very professional, very determined and if he sets his mind to something he is going to get his way."

Andrew remains in touch with table tennis but, at the age now of 47, is no longer playing. "I stopped in '94 after the Euro Championships," he said. "I still love the sport but I wanted to stop at the top. I didn't want to get whopped by youngsters! I still have friends who play, they keep me informed."



L: Youngsters put through their paces with some physical training



R: ETTA South East Regional Coach Craig Bryant providing a one-to-one session within the programme

Sussex Junior Elite Centre

A number of talented youngsters from Sussex and its neighbouring counties are benefitting from the newly launched Sussex Junior Elite Centre, a performance programme that has been organised by the Sussex Table Tennis Alliance, the development arm of the Sussex County Table Tennis Association, and funded by a Sport England small grant.

The Elite Centre, based at Imberhorne School in East Grinstead, is running weekly on Monday evenings 7-10pm and has drawn from a pool of around 20 invited youngsters from all over Sussex and as far afield as Dartford in Kent. In the school holidays the programme is operating in full two-day camp format in the 11 table capacity venue.

A high quality coaching team has been put together to get the best out of the players, consisting of Craig Bryant, Martin Jezisek and ex full-time professional coach Marc Burman. Other coaches are also attending on a guest basis, for example Nicky Jarvis heading up the February half-term camp. As the programme develops it is planned to engage more local coaches to gain the experience of being involved in a high performance environment.

However, it has not just been the quality of the coaching that has made the Elite Centre a hit. A pool of 10 county standard senior players has been recruited to provide sparring support. These include topspinners of the calibre of Ritchie Venner and Mayur Majithia, defensive brick walls like Barrie Gilbert, and combination bat exponents such as Andy Meads. Brighton-based penholder Wen Xei has added some oriental mastery to the proceedings as well as providing some of the meanest multiball in the business. With players such as Helshan Weerasinghe (current top ranked U13 boy) and Yolanda King (current U18 English National Champion) peppering them these chaps have needed to be at their sharpest!

There is also a significant sports science input with St Mary's University College, London, contributing support in aspects such as sports psychology, biomechanics, physiology and nutrition. So far ex-England men's team sports psychologist, Tim Holder, has delivered small group sessions linked to developing a tougher mentality in key match situations, and this input has been particularly well received

Latest News

Official Opening of St Neots TTC

The Champagne corks were flying on 6th February when 100 members and guests attended the official re-opening of St Neots Table Tennis Club. The event was to mark the completion of a major refurbishment programme which saw the club premises updated with a new build social and clubroom area, showers and toilets, and last but not least a completely refurbished table tennis hall. £390,000 was spent in total on the project which commenced in January 2009, although there had been considerable work before then to pull it all together. Club Chairman Roger Howard welcomed the Rt Hon Jonathan Djanogly MP who conducted the official opening.

Roger on behalf of the club thanked Sport England and the English Table Tennis Association for the grant of £350,000, also Huntingdon District Council and Cambridgeshire County Council for their support and grant of £25,000. He gave special thanks to Lesley Rate who had persuaded the committee to undertake the work, Colin Luscombe who used his professional knowledge to project manage

the development for the club, and David Naylor who canvassed local business for funding support and with the help of the club's committee raised over £10,000.

National Under 11 to 14 Championships

For the very first time, players can qualify for an English National Championship by winning their way through via a Regional Qualification event.

The finals of the National Under 11 to 14 Championships will this year be held in Doncaster over the weekend of 29th & 30th May but before that, a Qualification Round will be held in each of the ten English Regions on 3rd or 4th April. Young players will take part in a National Championship but closer to home with the aim of winning their way to the National Finals. A small number of top ranked players will be exempt from the Regional Qualification round.

Jessica Ennis



Some of our players will be helping to raise money for Sport Relief, in Sheffield, on Sunday 21st March, by taking part in two events, the Sport Relief Mile and the BBC Pentathlon Challenge with Jessica Ennis.

Jo Parker, Kelly Sibley, Chris Doran, David McBeath, Liam Pitchford and Gavin Evans will all be taking part in the Sport Relief mile in Hillsborough Park on Sunday 21 March at 10.30am, whilst Paul Drinkhall will be taking part in the BBC Pentathlon Challenge with Jessica Ennis at the English Institute of Sport, Sheffield, as a member of one of three teams, captained by Harry Grayson, Tanya Arnold and Paul (BBC Look North weatherman). They will compete in long jump, high jump, javelin, 60m, 200m, hurdles and a comedy 400m relay.

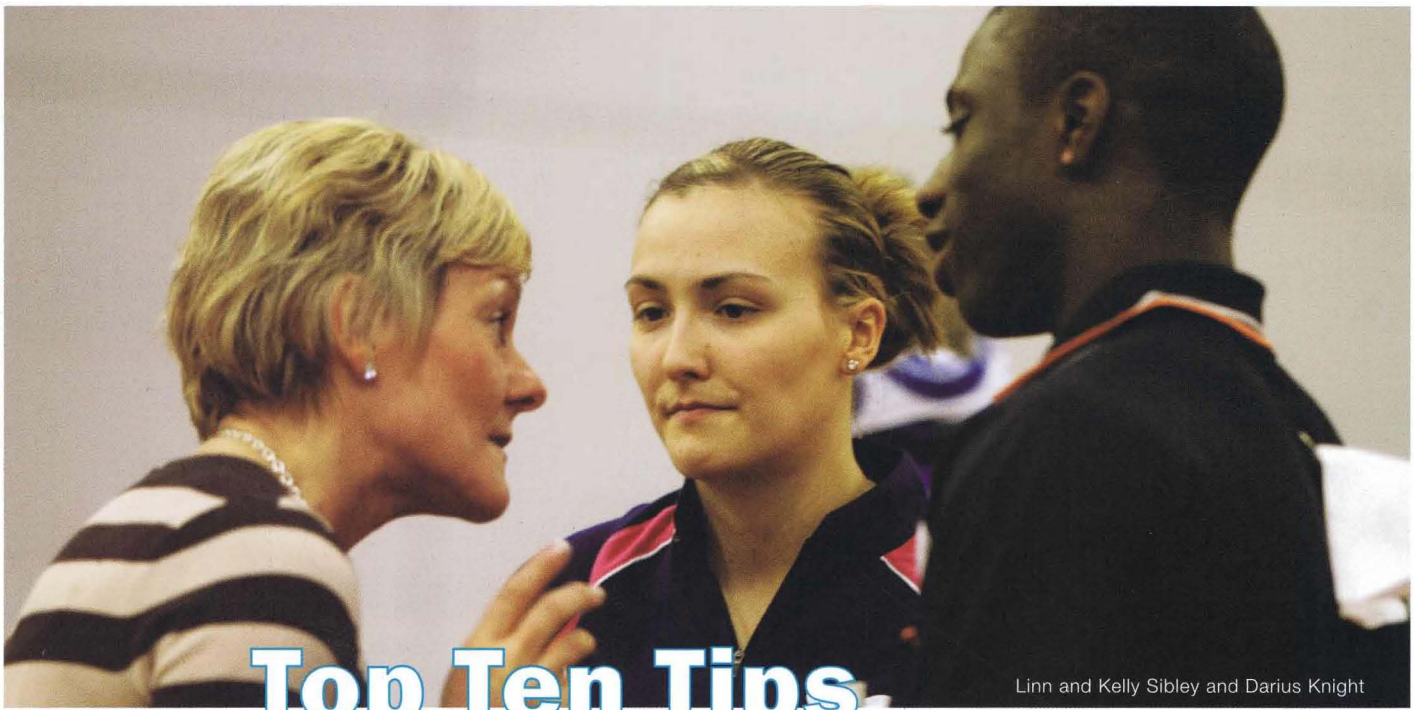
Sport Relief Fund Raising



UKCC Level 3

Congratulations to all of the recent UKCC Level 3 candidates on completion of the course. This is the first course of its kind in table tennis with the aim of producing a series of world class coaches. All of the candidates showcased their ability and demonstrated their potential as elite coaches. They are a true asset to the sport. The ETTA also has candidates on the UKCC Level 4 course run in conjunction with UCLan, bringing together elite coaches from five sports (Table Tennis, Rugby League, Hockey, Squash and Basketball). Development of these courses is a clear example of the ETTA's desire to improve coaching and build on the work of all of the volunteer coaches in the sport.

(L-R) Back: Gareth Herbert, Katy Parker, Natalie Green, Sally Shutt, Chris Loxton
Front: Charlie Childs, Aaron Fennell, Vidal Graham, Andrew Rushton, Stephen Jenkins



Linn and Kelly Sibley and Darius Knight

Top Ten Tips for Performance Parents

Behind every successful talented child achieving their dream is a Performance Parent. They nurture our country's sporting ambition. They are the bedrock of personalised support for each budding World Champion. For who can understand their child better than mum and dad? There is no magic formula on how to nurture your child's talent. However there are some inspirational examples of what parents are doing to support their talented child. Evidence below from UK School Games Champions can give you guidance and reassurance on how to be a better Performance Parent (www.youthsporttrust.org).

1. **Be supportive and listen- whether it is a win or lose situation, your support is vital.**
2. **Work hard to be part of an effective "TeamYOU" and remember you are a critical part of this team.**
3. **Watch them compete whenever possible.**
4. **Give lots of encouragement and criticise constructively.**
5. **Let the coaches coach and be a positive role model.**
6. **Find out who to get help and advice from: school sport co-ordinator, Gifted and Talented mentor, local sport development officer, the sport's national governing body.**
7. **Be proactive and communicate - find out potential training and competition demands for the year and work with the school to ensure everyone is aware of any 'hotspots' around exams and coursework deadlines.**
8. **Be prepared to become involved in the wider aspects of the sport - as driver, cook, travel agent and supporter or simply as principal sponsor.**
9. **Get to know other parents - they will become YOUR personal support network.**
10. **Work hard to find the correct balance between training, studying and simply being a 'normal' family.**

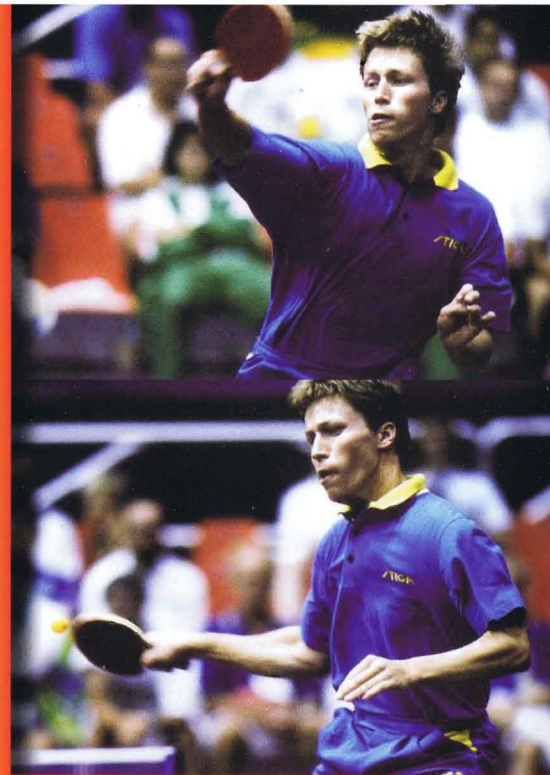
"Your parents and carers are with you at the beginning of your career, they travel and live almost every step of the journey; the highs and the lows, the nerves and the tears and when it is finally time to bow out they are there again like a rock in a storm. No reprisals, no judgement, just an understanding shoulder to lean on.

Parents and carers are the cornerstone of our Olympic and Paralympic teams. They are the unsung heroes of our national teams and live every moment of their child's sporting journey. They are ever-present during the first faltering steps, the hours of dedicated practice and the lonely months of injury. They wipe away the tears of frustration and failure, sharing in the joys of success and victory."

Guin Batten - Head of Performance, Youth Sport Trust



	Technique/Tactic	Mental	Fitness
Amount of practice	20-25 hours per week		
To be achieved	Knowledge of oneself		
Phase 3 18-23+ years old	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developing personal techniques Developing strategies related to the knowledge of opponents 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Goal setting Planning Analysing opponents mental attitudes Developing own mental approach 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High level of aerobic endurance High level of explosive power High level of flexibility Knowledge of oneself Nutrition knowledge completed
Amount of practice	16 to 20 hours per week		
To be achieved	Technical work completed using the technique as a tool	Knowledge of oneself, philosophy of the game	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Good aerobic base High levels of flexibility Explosive power
Phase 2 13-17 years old	Technique specific parameters of the ball: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spin Speed Location/direction Height Capacity to use variations Timing and technique from different locations Anticipation Adaptability 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Match preparation Match focus Non playing time Dealing with tight situations Controlling activation level Learning from defeats Goal settings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speed & agility 15-20 mins, 1-2 x weekly Aerobic 20-30 mins, 2-3 x weekly Leg power Strength and muscular endurance Awareness of sport nutrition General knowledge of periodisation of training
Amount of practice	10 to 16 hours per week		
To be achieved	Mastering all strokes, tactical awareness	Ability to focus during training/matches. Enjoying practising and competing	Understanding the role of fitness
Phase 1 7-12 years old	For all strokes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rhythm Timing of ball Hand technique Ball action Footwork technique Links: Serve/3rd ball attack Receive/4th ball control	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learning how to focus Keeping focus Self evaluation Understanding of requirements for high level 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speed and aerobic training combined for 15-30 mins, 2-3 x weekly Circuit training for strength Flexibility



The Mercurial Swede

When Muhammad Ali finally hung up his gloves in 1981, it was difficult to see how any future heavyweight champion might usurp his place as the greatest boxer in history. Ali had dominated for so long, had contested so many epic bouts, had redefined so many of pugilism's strictures, that his reputation as The Greatest seemed secure for all time. So it has proved with Ali, so might it prove with Jan-Ove Waldner.

When the mercurial Swede stopped playing international table tennis a couple of years ago, aficionados were quick to proclaim his peerless attributes. Waldner had rocketed into our consciousness in 1982, making it to a memorable European final against Mikael Appelgren, going down over the course of five mesmerising games. In 1987 he continued his elevation, dominating Chen Longcan and Teng Yi en route to the final of the World Championships in New Delhi.

Then came his golden years: victory in the Worlds in Dortmund in 1989, gold at the Olympics in 1992 in Barcelona, and countless victories in international competitions in a period that redefined the possibilities of table tennis. As late as 2004, Waldner was continuing to confound expectations, defeating Ma Lin and Timo Boll at the Athens Olympics, despite his relative dotage, a bigger ball and a new service rule that had all but nullified his most decisive advantage.

Table tennis continues to evolve. At the English Open in Sheffield, we witnessed a new breed of Chinese players, hitting the ball with a speed, explosivity and consistency that seemed to defy the laws of physics. Even as we bemoaned the lack of narrative structure of the rallies, we nevertheless proclaimed the skills on display and the lightning reflexes of a new generation. It begs the question: would these fearsome new players have defeated Waldner at his best?

Before getting to that, let us consider the innovations that Waldner brought to the sport. He perfected the hidden, high toss service; demonstrated the beauty of defensive top-spinning (what is sometimes called "fishing"); wowed us with his "wiggly" (this is where the ball drops beneath the table and the player strikes the ball with a rapid side-to-side motion to deceive his opponent with the bounce); perfected the chop-block (where side-spin and chop is imparted on the ball via a half volley); perfected the topspin fade and hook; and put into action the chop-loop (don't try this at home).

But the most important innovation of Waldner was rather more ethereal. When he came to the table he oozed unpredictability. His stroke-making, his tactics, even his form, seemed in a state of flux. That, of course, was his beauty, and the most powerful revelation of his genius: you never knew what you were going to

get, something that struck fear into his opponents, particularly those from China, who loved to come to the table with a carefully constructed tactical plan and clear idea of what to enact.

It is noteworthy that, even after a quarter of a century of playing against him, the China system was still unable to contain him. By 2005, Waldner was playing – and often defeating – a generation of China players who were being coached by the players Waldner was beating in the 1990s, who, in turn, had been coached by players Waldner was beating in the 1980s. The entire might of a nation – a nation that was, and is, mad about table tennis – was being repudiated by the magic of a man born into anonymity in the chill of northern Europe.

But back to our original question, for it is an interesting one: would Waldner have defeated the top China players of today? The answer, it seems to me, is a resounding yes. Remember that even a post-prime Waldner was more than a match for Ma Lin and Wang Liqin so it surely follows that a prime Waldner would have been something close to a dead cert against the likes of Ma Long and Chen Qi.

If you doubt this, take a look at Waldner, the 1997 vintage. In my view, this was Waldner at the height of his powers. His destruction of the brilliant Zoran Primorac in the last sixteen was, possibly, the most powerful demonstration of all-round table

tennis ever seen, and he carried that form through to the final with his demolition of a youthful Vladimir Samsonov. It is a remarkable fact that Waldner did not drop a single game throughout the singles event, despite executing huge fluctuations in tactics, strategy and psychological approach.

With that kind of magic, that level of unpredictability, that evocation of genius, how could today's youngsters have coped? Sure, they may have troubled Waldner in a particular aspect of open play, but they would surely not have been able to encompass his variability, his finesse, his inane shot selections, his extensive virtuosity.

For a long time, Zhuang Zedong, three times World Champion in the 1960s, was considered the greatest table tennis player to have lived. The old timers would shake their heads and wag their beards when talking about his prowess, authority and metronomic consistency, but even his greatest admirer – Denis Neale – was given to revise his opinion after watching Waldner in Manchester. "Zhuang played perfect table tennis, but Waldner has gone beyond perfection. He is the greatest," Neale said.

I suspect that it is an epithet that will cling to the Swede for eternity.

Article by Matthew Syed



English National Championships

Friday

U21 Men

Matt Ware and Lewis Gray both had bat failures due to rubber thickness, causing Ware to play with a borrowed bat, but unfortunately Gray missed racket testing before he took to the court, meaning he had to forfeit his career best win, an outstanding 3-0 win over Damien Nicholls.

Ware's performance on borrowed equipment briefly faltered, until he adjusted to his new weapon, before returning to his usual vocal self. Playing well, Ware went all the way to the semi-finals to face Paul Drinkhall, whom he pushed all the way, at times looking like Drinkhall may not get to his accustomed final match, but Drinkhall just managed to edge it out in the fifth to make it 3-2.

Early exits for both Darius Knight and Danny Reed were the shock departures, with Knight being knocked out by Nicholls in the quarters and Reed one round earlier.

Final

Gavin Evans has returned to form! Playing some superb games on his journey to his first U21 final against the defending champion Drinkhall. After Drinkhall took the first 11-0, it looked like a potential

whitewash, but hitting the second end running, Evans upped his game, immediately going 4-0 up and showing Drinkhall he wouldn't go quietly. Taking it all the way to five ends, Drinkhall eventually won the titanic battle to retain his title and start his quest for another clean sweep.

Paul Drinkhall bt. Gavin Evans
11-0, 7-11, 8-11, 11-6, 11-8

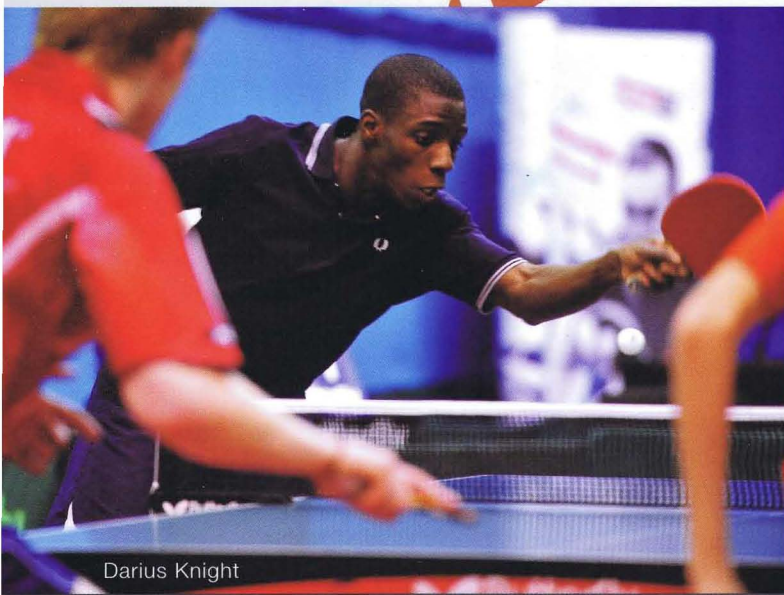
U21 Women

Play was close and after their performances last year and their improvement in form, both Emma Vickers and Emily Bates deserved to fight it out for the title.

After taking the first two ends it looked like Vickers had things all sewn up, but Bates dug deep to make it a valiant fight, winning the next two, so at 2-2 there was one end left to play, winner takes all. It was relatively close, but in the end Vickers managed to retain her title, denying the ever improving Bates.

Emma Vickers bt. Emily Bates
11-7, 11-5, 6-11, 6-11, 11-7

Andrew Baggaley



Darius Knight



Paul Drinkhall

Veteran Men

For the second time in two years Keith Williams reached the final; joining him in the final fight was Chris Bartram, but he could not depose the 09 champion who kept his title after a great 3-0 win.

Keith Williams bt. Chris Bartram
11-3, 11-6, 11-6

Veteran Men's Doubles

In the end it was another final for Keith Williams, who, teamed with the Table Toppers showman John Hilton, took the title 3-1.

Keith Williams/John Hilton bt. Lorestas Trumpauskas/Andy Trott
11-7, 3-11, 12-10, 11-8

Veteran Women

In the final it was the two group winners Sanja Clements and Jackie Williams that continued to show that they were a step above their opposition.

Sanja Clements bt. Jackie Williams
9-11, 11-7, 12-10, 11-3

Saturday

Mixed Doubles

Darius Knight/Kelly Sibley were the only pairing to keep a clean sheet, progressing to the semis off the back of a sweep of 3-0 victories, with Joanna Parker and Paul Drinkhall have the next best record, having dropped only one to Yeung/Graham

The first semi-final went to the defending champions Drinkhall/Parker to set up a repeat of the usual mixed doubles final against Kelly Sibley and Darius Knight, who were still yet to blot their copybook.

Final

A rather frustrated Knight let the game get the better of him, caressing the table with his foot and earning himself a yellow card. There were some great rallies and some acrobatics from Drinkhall, which saw that the Drinkhall/Parker partnership were the dominant force in the title fight, eventually coming out 3-2 winners. That made it two trophies out of two for Drinkhall.

Drinkhall/Parker bt. Sibley/Knight
11-7, 9-11, 11-7, 9-11, 11-6

Doubles

There were no real upsets in either the men's or women's doubles, with all the top seeds getting ever closer to the silverware.

Men's Singles

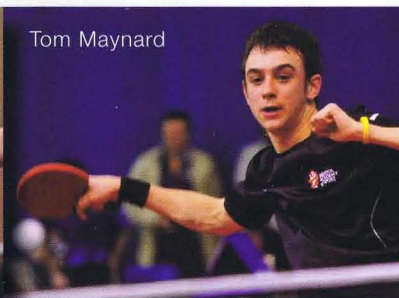
Number two seed Darius Knight was the only one of the top seeds to be dispatched prior to the quarter-finals, as he came up short in a close fight with Matt Ware.

As a tense Geoff Ware (dad) paced the balconies, Matt Ware was going hammer and nail with Darius Knight down on the court in a match that saw what has to be the shot of the tournament, Knight seemingly out of range to return Ware's shot, swapped hands to smash the ball right into Ware's body and take the point. This was not enough for the former champion, going all the way to seven ends; Ware eventually stole the advantage to take his quarter-final spot.

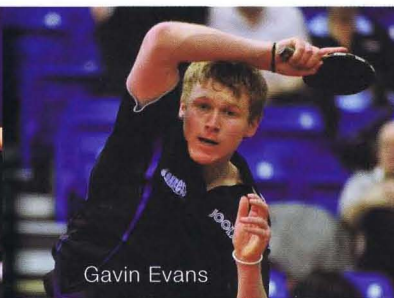
Firm favourites from now on were Paul Drinkhall and Andrew Baggaley.



Natalie Slater



Tom Maynard



Gavin Evans



Jordyn Layfield



Women's Singles

There were six upsets in the women's groups, three of which were caused by the lowest seeds coming out on top, Tressa Armitage, Charlotte Binley and Lucy Davidson, who played well in the U21s. From then on it was clean and consistent play by all the higher ranked players.

Women's Doubles

To reach Sunday's semi-finals all of the pairings finished off their day with impressive performances, with only Le Fevre/Vickers dropping a set.

Parker/Sibley, 3-0
Fuller/Bates, 3-0
Hicks/Reynolds, 3-0
Le Fevre/Vickers, 3-1

Sunday Men's Singles

A former champion, Andrew Baggaley, versus the next big thing, Liam Pitchford, who shocked by disposing of the current England number 1 in the semis, promised to be a good contest.

Play began evenly until Pitchford gifted Baggaley a host of points, allowing him to take the first end, Baggaley returned the favour in the second to make it one game all.

Pitchford capitalized on a failed drop shot from Baggaley, before driving him to the barriers with a series of powerful attacks until he could no longer return them.

The fourth set was extremely close, but again it went to the Derbyshire player, Pitchford.

Baggaley started the fifth well, dominating proceedings and only allowing Pitchford to get 5 points on the board, before finishing it off with a fast return down the edge of the table, keeping himself in contention, followed by the sixth set.

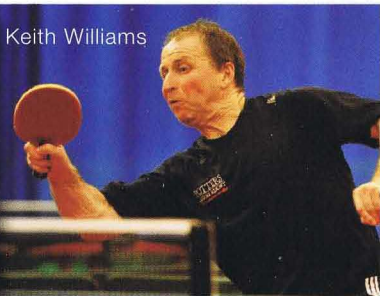
Baggaley gaining a lead in the latter part of the seventh end, gave Pitchford a task that was just too hard, sealing victory at 11-8 and claiming his third senior national title of his career.

**Andrew Baggaley bt.
Liam Pitchford**
11-5, 7-11, 7-11, 10-12,
11-5, 11-6, 11-8

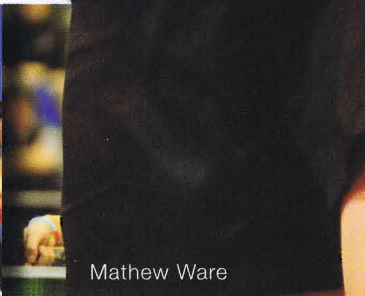
Matt Ware was going hammer and nail with Darius Knight



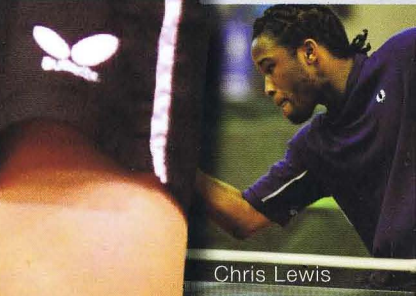
Chloe Whyte



Keith Williams



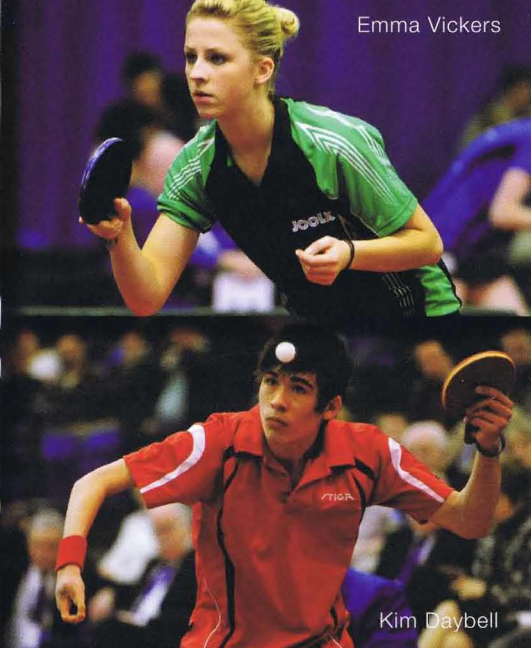
Mathew Ware



Chris Lewis



Kelly Sibley & Joanna Parker



Kim Daybell

Emma Vickers

Men's Doubles

Having knocked him out of the singles, Liam Pitchford had it all to do again in the doubles as Pitchford, teamed with U21 finalist Gavin Evans, met Paul Drinkhall and Darius Knight in the final. Entering as underdogs is obviously a situation the junior no.1 and 2 relish, as they took the title 3-1

Drinkhall, doubles champion since 2006, once with Alan Cooke and three times with Knight, was pushed hard all the way, going 2-0 down before pulling one back, but it was too little too late, as the top two juniors deposed the top two seniors to take the title 3-1.

Liam Pitchford/Gavin Evans bt. Paul Drinkhall/Darius Knight
12-10, 11-6, 7-11, 11-7

Women's Singles

Back up to full fitness and training as well as she ever has, Kelly Sibley faced a big task to reclaim her title, having been five months without even hitting a ball, whilst her sparing and doubles partner, who has always been her main rival, upped her game and worked hard on her attack.

Parker appeared to be on top in a battle that in the past Sibley would be favoured.

Parker took the first two before she gifted a few to Sibley; taking advantage of this, Sibley brought it back to 2-1, a close fourth went back to Parker before cleaning up in the fifth and retaining her title.

Joanna Parker bt. Kelly Sibley
13-11, 11-6, 9-11, 13-11, 11-5

Women's Doubles

The top two England players, with a wealth of international experience and national titles, went up against the England number 4 and 8 in the form of Karina Le Fevre and Emma Vickers. Anything but a Parker/Sibley victory would have been a huge upset, demonstrated clearly as the first two sets went their way in quick succession.

The third set saw closer play, with Le Fevre bringing it back to 10-10 before succumbing 12-10.

Parker/Sibley bt. Le Fevre/Vicker
11-6, 11-4, 12-10

Disabled Standing

Paralympic hopefuls Will Bayley and Kim Daybell fought for the disabled standing title, both highly ranked individuals used their wealth of experience to try and outwit their opponent.

Kim Daybell came out on top after some close fights.

Kim Daybell bt. Will Bayley
11-9, 11-3, 11-8

Mixed Wheelchair Singles

Defending champion Mark Palmer displayed the same dominant form as last year, dropping only one end in his journey to the title against James Rawson.

Mark Palmer bt. James Rawson
11-9, 11-3, 11-8

Liam Pitchford



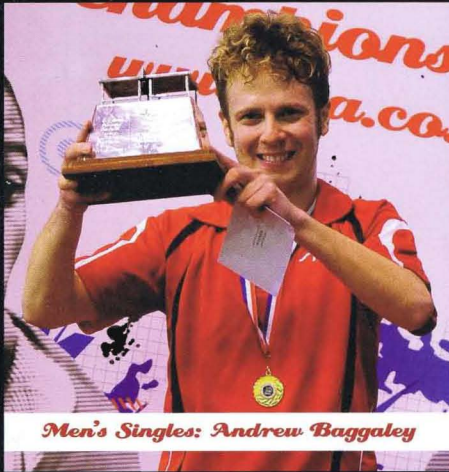
Player of the Tournament

Easily the player of the tournament was 16 year old Liam Pitchford, who performed faultlessly throughout the whole championships, taking Paul Drinkhall, the defending champion in U21s, mixed and men's doubles and men's singles, out of contention in both the men's singles and the doubles.

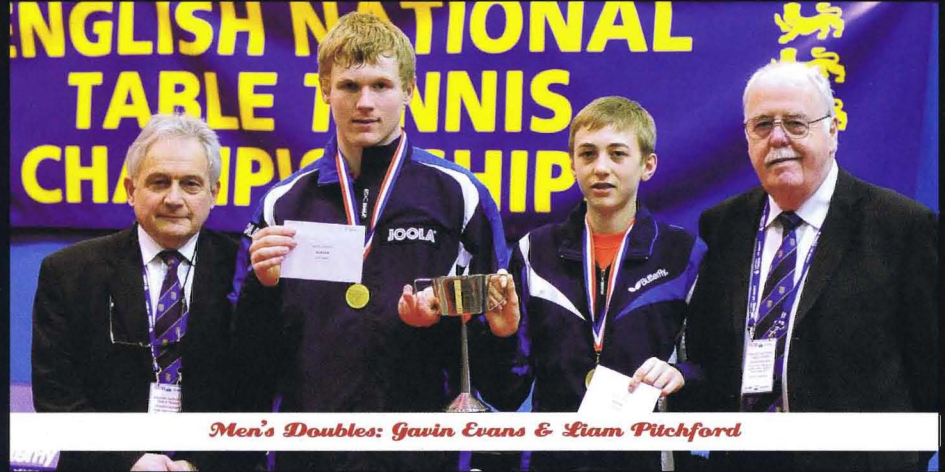
Having faced Drinkhall in the U21 men's quarters, he went out 3-1, but was able to get the better of him and team mate Darius Knight in the men's doubles when he faced them with Gavin Evans in the final, to claim his first senior title.

The biggest upset was when he knocked Drinkhall out of the men's singles in the semi-finals 4-3, to set up a title fight with Andrew Baggaley, which he narrowly lost 4-3 after going 3-1 up.

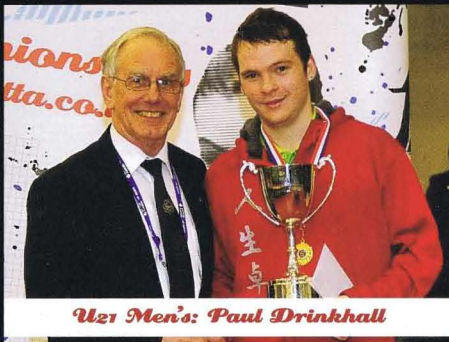
The National Champions



Men's Singles: Andrew Baggaley



Men's Doubles: Gavin Evans & Liam Pitchford



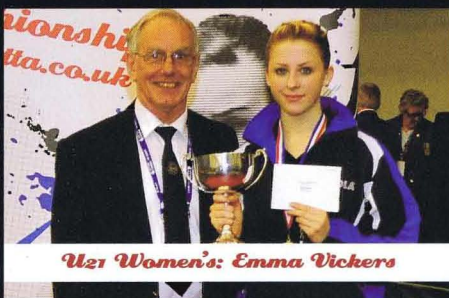
U21 Men's: Paul Drinkhall



Women's Singles: Joanna Parker



Mixed Doubles: Paul Drinkhall & Joanna Parker



U21 Women's: Emma Vickers



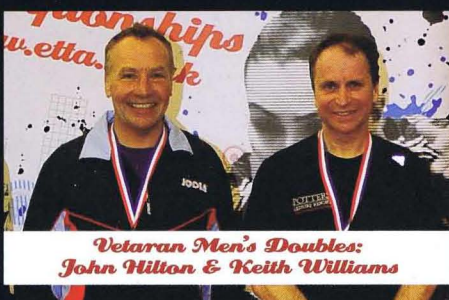
Veteran Men's Singles: Keith Williams



Women's Doubles: Joanna Parker & Kelly Sibley



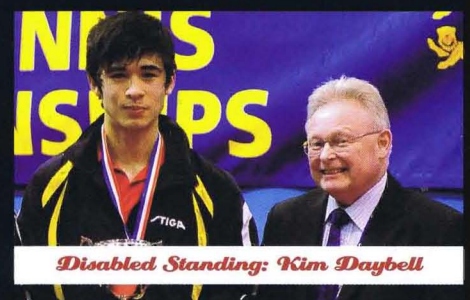
Mixed Wheelchair: Mark Palmer



Veteran Men's Doubles: John Hilton & Keith Williams



Veteran Women's Singles: Sanja Clements



Disabled Standing: Kim Daybell



Daniel Reed

JOOLA EUROPEAN NATIONS LEAGUE

Men: England v Israel
Women: England v Poland



England men's 3-0 win over Israel in their European Nations League match at the Guild Hall, Preston last night was enough to move them off the bottom of the Standard Division, but our women suffered their third 3-0 defeat in the highly competitive Challenge Division, this time to Poland.

England No 1 Paul Drinkhall easily overcame the Israeli No 2 Oitri Ben-Ari in three games and Darius Knight, after leading by two games, was taken all the way before beating Shimon Rabinovisk, but the result of the evening was Daniel Reed's three straight win over Isaak Abramov. Abramov is ranked over 120 places higher than the young English player who showed

great character against a much more experienced opponent.

It was another sad day for our women players. The Challenge Division is proving a major hurdle and although both Kelly Sibley and Hannah Hicks managed to take a game from each of their opponents, when it came to crucial points it always seemed to be the Polish girls who won them.

Full marks to Preston League Chairman Jim Clegg and his gang of willing workers who put on a great show in a very short time and the Guild Hall who provided the magnificent surroundings.

Results

Men England v Israel 3-0

Paul Drinkhall bt. Omri Ben Ari 11-3, 11-6, 11-5
 Daniel Reed bt. Isaak Abramov 11-9, 11-6, 11-5
 Darius Knight bt. Shimon Rabinovich 12-10, 12-10, 11-13, 8-11, 11-7

Women England v Poland 0-3

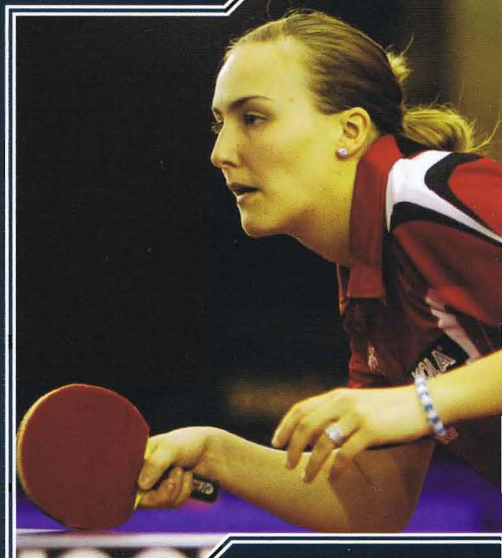
Natalia Partyka bt. Kelly Sibley 11-5, 13-15, 11-8, 14-12
 XU Jie bt. Joanna Parker 11-4, 11-4, 14-12
 Kat Grzibowska bt. Hannah Hicks 9-11, 11-5, 13-11, 11-8

Men's Standard, Group B

Team	Score	Points	I.M. Game	I.M. Point	Ranking
Turkey	9-4	6	34-16	519-449	1
England	6-6	4	22-22	420-413	2
Portugal	6-8	4	24-31	504-538	3
Israel	4-7	4	16-27	382-425	4

Women's Challenge, Group B

Team	Score	Points	I.M. Game	I.M. Point	Ranking
Belarus	9-3	6	29-12	439-331	1
Poland	7-4	5	23-16	391-343	2
France	6-6	4	22-22	385-426	3
England	0-9	3	3-27	218-333	4



Kelly Sibley



Charlotte Carey (WAL) & Haylee Potts (He) / Women's Band 1 Winner & Runner-up

Tournament Review

Bribar Salisbury Grand Prix

6th-7th February 2010

Following his disappointment at the previous Grand Prix held in London, where he went out in the quarters, this time Gavin Rungay made no mistake and always held all the aces in the final with Damien Nicholls taking the title and the winner's cheque for £300. The flying Scotsman dropped just the one set during the knockout rounds and that in the semi-final with fellow countryman and fourth seed Niall Cameron. Gavin terminated his challengers one by one which included Sherwin Remata, Emran Hussein and quarter-finalist Darren Reed to come through to muscle it out with Cameron and then finalist Nicholls.

With only five players contesting the Women's Singles, the title and cheque went over the Severn Bridge to Wales in the hands of top seed Charlotte Carey. She was in brilliant form throughout this round robin competition, dropping just the one set to the title and that to runner-up Haylee Potts who won her other three remaining matches.

The Women's U21 round robin was next to finish with a poor entry of a trio of players; once again Charlotte Carey took the title, but only just, Haylee Potts was in the zone and this deciding match in the group went right to the wire.

The Men's U21 final was played out by the two top seeds, Damien Nicholls (S1) and Matt Ware (S2), which was the very last match to finish, and boy oh boy what a great advertisement for the sport it was. Both these Grantham Academy players know each other's game so well, it was always in the balance and almost a carbon copy of their earlier semi-final in the Men's Singles. None of the 30 or so spectators left watching wanted it to end; it was just a sensational match with at times utter brilliance from both these young men. It was played in a friendly yet ultra competitive spirit with exhibition style of play at most points with those crowd pleasing back from the table long rallies at every point. Damien looked to be registering yet another victory over his house-mate Ware, going 2-1 up in sets. But as we all know in this game it's not over till it's over, and would you believe Matt clawed his way back into this match (as Damien did earlier) to ride the storm and come through to take the title in five glorious sets.

The Bribar Player of the Tournament award and a £50 voucher was presented to Kieran Smith of Buckinghamshire for his great performances over the weekend

Geoff Ware, ETTA Grand Prix Press Officer

Results

- Men's Singles** Gavin Rungay (SCO) bt. Damien Nicholls (Sp) 11-5, 12-10, 11-6
- Women's Singles** (Round Robin) Charlotte Carey (WAL) winner and runner-up Haylee Potts (He)
- Under 21 Men's** Matt Ware (Ha) bt. Damien Nicholls (Sp) 11-3, 8-11, 9-11, 11-7, 11-8
- Under 21 Women's** (Round Robin) Charlotte Carey (WAL) winner and runner-up Haylee Potts (He)
- Restricted Singles** Umair Mauthoor (E) bt. Billy Pegg (Sp) 11-9, 10-12, 11-7, 11-9
- Veteran Singles** David Butler (Sx) bt. Paul Beck (K) 7-11, 11-4, 8-11, 11-8, 11-6
- Men's Band 1** Matt Ware (Ha) bt. Niall Cameron (SCO) 11-5, 11-9, 10-12, 11-8
- Women's Band 1** (Round Robin) Charlotte Carey (WAL) winner and runner up Haylee Potts (He)
- Men's Band 2** Rob Lemon (Sy) bt. Alastair McTavish (K) 11-8, 6-11, 6-11, 11-6, 11-9
- Women's Band 2** Sue West (Do) bt. Evangeline Collier (E) 11-5, 11-8, 12-10
- Men's Band 3** Ping Ho (Mi) bt. Nathan Bingham (Do) 11-2, 11-6, 11-4
- Women's Band 3** (Round Robin) Evangeline Collier (E) winner and runner-up Lucy Burks (Sy)
- Men's Band 4** Andrew Hodges (Wi) bt. Andy Smith (Av) 11-5, 11-8, 5-11, 11-9
- Men's Band 5** Gary Morgan (He) bt. Alan Cherry (Bu) 11-6, 11-6, 12-10
- Men's Band 6** Max Tupper (JEY) bt. Danny Lawrence (K) 12-10, 12-14, 11-6, 11-4

Sensational Su and Superb Steve crowned Bournemouth Champions

26th February 2010

Su West and Steve Foster were simply sensational in taking five titles between them at the Bournemouth and District TTA finals night held at the Winton YMCA.

Played in front of a spellbound and capacity audience, the women's singles final between Sanja Clements (reigning English National Veterans Champion) and Su West was one of the best ever in the association's 86 year history! Sanja started the match as the hot favourite to take the title over the much less experienced Su West, with both these ladies possessing unique playing styles. Sanja who plays for the Merton Club in the Premier Division is a pen hold player with a devastating forehand smash, combined with exceptional blocking skills. This contrasts to Su from the well-known Bournemouth sports club who also competes in the Premier and is a leftie that plays with aggressive punching interspersed with occasional chopping and short dead blocking on her long pimped backhand side, with opportunist hard hitting on her forehand wing. The four set final was a great advertisement for women's table tennis that had it all with absolute brilliance from both players in their artistry and shot making skills. The entire crowd were in awe of a match that had brilliant rallies, great movement to the ball with clever serves and deft returns, and a pendulum of power that swung one way then the other. Su has developed into an extremely difficult player to play against, with her incomparable style, and in her very short three year table tennis career is now a force to be reckoned with. She took the first two sets against Sanja and you could see that the England Champion was on the ropes and put under extreme pressure right from the start. Sanja worked hard to take

the third set to get back into the final, but Su just got better and better and ran out a worthy Bournemouth Ladies title winner with a superb 3-1 scoreline.

Su teamed up with Shu Q Ziang to make it a double bubble on the night by taking the women's doubles title over finalists Sanja Clements and Magda Charkot in an excellent five set final.

Eighteen year old Steve Foster, who also hails from the Bournemouth Sports Club and is yet another prodigy of head coach Rowden Fullen, was the star of the show in completing a brilliant hat-trick of results in taking all the men's main three titles.

The premier division final between Mark Butler (ranked 104 in England) and Steve Foster (over 300 places lower) was on paper a stroll in the park for the ultra experienced Butler. However, as we saw earlier in the evening in the women's singles, it's all about what happens on the night, and the progression made by the younger players. Right from the start Steve was totally in the zone and was eager to impress the audience. Belying his much lower ranking status and experience over his opponent, Steve always looked the stronger in the many awesome topspin rallies and weathered the storm of backhand bullets and tough spin serves Butler continued to deliver. The match was a dream for any neutral supporter and inevitably went to a fifth set. Foster took an early lead by the end turn, and despite a determined and sustained challenge by Butler, Steve took the title and the final set 11-9, punching the air with sheer delight.

Geoff Ware

Steve Foster (BmSports) / Premier Division Winner

Results

Premier Division Steve Foster (BmSports) bt. Mark Butler (Merton) 11-5, 5-11, 8-11, 11-6, 11-9

Women's Singles Su West (BmSports) bt. Sanja Clements (Merton) 11-7, 12-10, 4-11, 11-8

Closed Mixed Singles Steve Foster bt. Su West 11-2, 11-5, 11-5

Handicap Singles Steve Foster bt. Danny Allen (Merton) 31-18, 31-25

Men's Doubles Brian Vibert/Shawn Newcomb (New Milton) bt. Danny Allen/Phil Beeden (Merton) 8-11, 11-9, 11-8, 11-6

Women's Doubles Su West/Shu Q Ziang (BmSports) bt. Sanja Clements/Magda Charkot (BmSports) 11-6, 1-11, 11-8, 7-11, 11-7

Mixed Doubles Mark Butler/Sanja Clements bt. Steve Foster/Su West 11-9, 11-6, 11-4

Division 1 Louie La (BmSports) bt. Patrick Hurley (Merton) 7-11, 6-11, 11-7, 11-6, 11-6

Division 2 Jon Ferguson (Merton) bt. Phil Hadley (Lynwood) 11-8, 11-6, 11-3

Division 3 Gerard Redman (New Milton) bt. Rob Searle (Merton) 11-3, 11-7, 11-6

Division 4 Paul Nelson (Merton) bt. Peter Richardson (BmSports) 11-6, 6-11, 11-4, 11-5

Division 5 David Roberts (BmSports) bt. Tom Martin (BmSports) 13-11, 11-3, 8-11, 11-9

Under 13s David Roberts bt. Seth Hemingway (BmSports) 7-11, 11-7, 11-2, 11-3

Under 15s Hugo Pang (BmSports) bt. Saul Harris (BmSports) 11-7, 9-11, 11-8, 11-7

Under 18s Hugo Pang bt. Saul Harris 14-12, 11-5, 11-6

Over 40s Louie La bt. Danny Allen 11-2, 13-11, 14-12

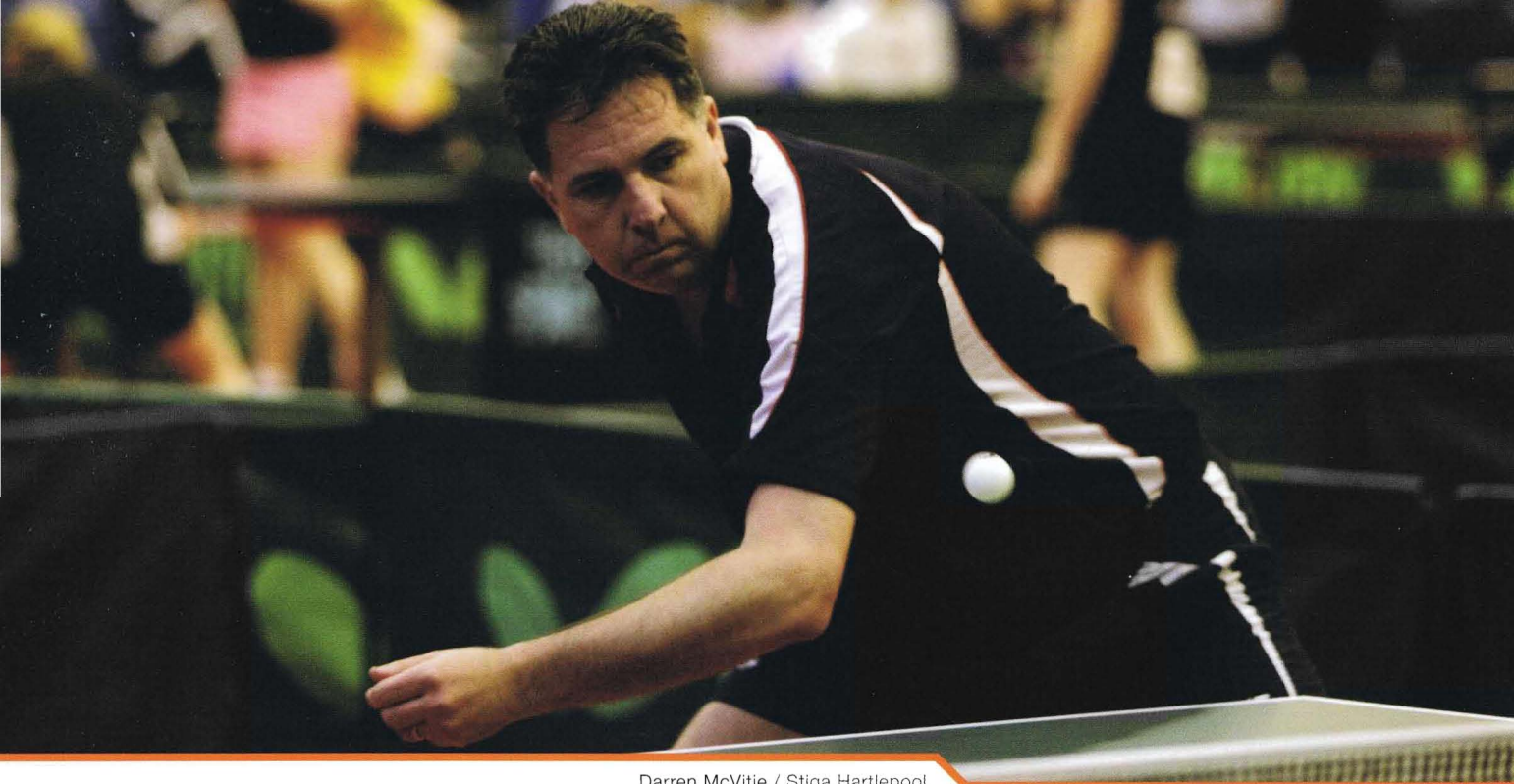
Over 50s Danny Allen bt. Ken Parradine (BmSports) 11-8, 11-4, 11-9

Over 60s Ken Parradine bt. Geoff Ware (Bransgore) 15-13, 8-11, 11-9, 10-12, 11-8

Over 70s Danny Allen bt. George Roberts (Merton) 11-9, 11-6, 11-6



Su West (BmSports) / Women's Singles Winner



Darren McVitie / Stiga Hartlepool

British League

Undefeated Bribar Redlands Rookies on course for promotion

The number of ladies taking part in the single day's play in Division 4 North in round three of the Senior British League was unusually high.

Manchester fielded Hang Li and Wangwei "Mimi" Lin; Chloe Whyte, Stephanie Donnelly and Jessica Dawson played for Ormesby IV; Nicola Smith and Nicole Finn represented Pudsey II and Janay Gibson played at no. four for Halton III. Is this a record for the number of ladies playing in a Senior British League division at any one time?

Whilst not topping the individual averages, the girls are faring very well. Jessica Dawson (seven wins out of eight), Sarah Perks (seven wins out of eight), Hang Li (16 wins out of 20) and Chloe White (nine wins out of 12) are amongst the leading players in the division.

Bribar Redlands Rookies are almost home and dry, and with 20 points out of 20 they show no sign of letting up. Their leading player, the undefeated England cadet no. two, Sam Walker, showed admirable commitment to his team, opting to play in the British League rather than in the East Midlands Junior 4*. Walker won his four singles, although it was a long haul

against England no. 95 Darren McVitie (Stiga Hartlepool) with Walker having to pull out all the stops before triumphing 11-4, 12-14, 12-14, 11-7, 11-6. Walker also found Team Matlock's Mike Bradbury a "tough nut" to crack and it was only in the fifth end when he had matters his own way. Walker won 11-7, 11-9, 4-11, 8-11, 11-1. It has reached the stage where Walker is expected to win his singles and that was illustrated in his team's 5-3 victory over Stiga Hartlepool. In this case the Player of the Match Award went to Farrell Anthony for his two very entertaining wins over Allan Thompson and Jake McVitie.

Manchester moved up into third place with two victories, which included a 7-1 drubbing of Team Matlock, the side who they jumped above. Mike Bradbury, so tenacious against Sam Walker, didn't fare so well here. Bradbury didn't come particularly close against England no. 28 lady Hang Li losing 3-11, 13-11, 3-11, 8-11 and he fared even worse against Derek Yeung, missing out 2-11, 7-11, 8-11. Yeung, like Sam Walker looks a little strong for this division. Andy Middleton put a crushing defeat against Derek Yeung firmly out of his mind and fought back to beat Mimi Lin 8-11, 13-11, 11-1, 11-5 for his side's sole victory. Manchester's 5-3

victory over Halton III wasn't secured until the last game.

Nabil Hudda lost the first end against Janay Gibson but fought back strongly to win 6-11, 11-3, 11-5, 11-5. Janay had previously made her mark by getting the better of Wangwei "Mimi" Lin 11-7, 11-8, 2-11, 12-10.

Ormesby IV's match against Stiga Hartlepool provided one of the great battles of the weekend, and one that the British League format stages so well - the established senior player against the up-and-coming younger player. Darren McVitie had to dig really deep to beat Chloe White (England no. eight junior girl/England no. 17 lady) 10-12, 11-8, 7-11, 12-10, 15-13. Stephanie Donnelly was also a last gasp winner, and she saw off Dave Blackburn 8-11, 11-7, 11-9, 9-11, 12-10. Second-placed Ormesby IV won 5-3 and they now have 16 points.

Steve Kerns, British League Press Officer

Tables

PREMIER DIVISION

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Drumchapel Glasgow I	10	0	0	73	7	20
Dhs Greenhouse Progress I	6	2	2	50	30	14
Westfield I	6	1	3	44	36	13
Ormesby I	3	5	2	39	41	11
Batts Team Peniel I	4	1	5	39	41	9
Sycamore	1	5	4	32	48	7
Ellenborough I	1	3	6	29	51	5
Derwent I	0	1	9	14	66	1

DIVISION 1 SOUTH

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Fusion I	8	0	2	53	26	16
Pavilion Brighton I	8	0	2	52	28	16
Woolwell I	6	2	2	46	33	14
Dhs Greenhouse Progress II	6	0	4	46	34	12
Batts Team Peniel II	3	3	4	33	47	9
Urban Progress I	0	5	5	30	50	5
Cippenham I	1	2	7	30	50	4
Generation 2 I	1	2	7	29	51	4

DIVISION 1 SOUTH AND MIDLANDS

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Ttk Greenhouse	9	0	1	57	23	18
Olop Impact I	7	0	3	50	30	14
Mossford I	5	2	3	44	36	12
Kingfisher	3	2	5	35	45	8
Brighton City I	3	2	5	34	46	8
Sportingbet Guernsey I	2	3	5	35	45	7
Cippenham II	3	1	6	33	47	7
Fusion II	2	2	6	32	48	6

DIVISION 1 NORTH

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Drumchapel Glasgow II	9	0	1	57	23	18
Elgre Nottingham I	7	0	3	52	28	14
Barrow Fastbats I	6	2	2	47	33	14
Ormesby II	6	1	3	45	35	13
Grantham	3	3	4	33	47	9
Northfield I	2	2	6	37	43	6
Halton I	2	1	7	30	50	5
Sheffield	0	1	9	19	61	1

DIVISION 2 SOUTH

	W	D	L	F	A	P
York Gardens I	6	3	1	52	28	15
Ashford II	6	1	3	51	29	13
Dhs Greenhouse Progress III	5	3	2	47	33	13
Fellows Cranleigh	5	3	2	45	35	13
Pavilion Brighton II	4	2	4	39	41	10
Horsham II	3	2	5	33	47	8
Westfield II	1	4	5	29	51	6
Bedford Modern I	0	2	8	24	56	2

DIVISION 2 SOUTH AND WEST

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Ashford I	7	2	1	54	26	16
Horsham I	6	3	1	49	31	15
York Gardens II	5	3	2	49	31	13
B & S Group	5	3	2	48	32	13
Woolwell II	5	2	3	42	38	12
Club Cornwall	3	0	7	31	49	6
Cippenham III	2	1	7	31	49	5
Urban Progress II	0	0	10	16	64	0

DIVISION 2 NORTH

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Burton Uxbridge I	8	2	0	56	24	18
Chesterfield	7	2	1	55	25	16
Drumchapel Glasgow III	6	1	3	45	35	13
Woodfield I	4	2	4	42	38	10
Derwent II	2	4	4	35	45	8
Halton II	3	2	5	33	47	8
Elgre Nottingham II	0	4	6	29	51	4
Barrow Fastbats II	0	3	7	25	55	3

DIVISION 3 SOUTH

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Fusion III	8	1	1	60	20	17
De Vere Netts	8	1	1	58	22	17
Dhs Greenhouse Progress IV	7	3	0	57	23	17
Woolwell III	5	1	4	42	38	11
Crusaders	3	1	6	32	48	7
Mossford II	2	2	6	36	44	6
Horsham III	2	1	7	22	58	5
Inspire Bognor Regis	0	0	10	13	67	0

DIVISION 3 SOUTH AND MIDLANDS

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Godalming	10	0	0	67	13	20
Keyworth	5	2	3	47	33	12
NWF	4	4	2	45	35	12
Olop Impact II	4	3	3	43	37	11
Brighton City II	3	2	5	41	39	8
Britannia Ipswich	4	0	6	36	44	8
Generation 2 II	2	1	7	26	54	5
Howard	2	0	8	15	65	4

DIVISION 3 NORTH

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Ormesby III	9	0	1	57	23	18
Smiths Wood Bribar	5	4	1	49	31	14
Northfield II	5	3	2	46	34	13
Formby	3	4	3	43	37	10
Drumchapel Glasgow IV	4	1	5	33	47	9
Rotherham Scorpions	2	4	4	35	45	8
St Mary's Hull	1	2	7	31	49	4
Pudsey I	1	2	7	26	54	4

DIVISION 4 SOUTH

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Bournemouth Sports	10	0	0	74	6	20
Hastings	7	2	1	57	23	16
Ellenborough II	7	2	1	52	28	16
Pavilion Brighton III	3	2	5	31	49	8
Westbury White Horses	2	2	6	27	53	6
Metropolitan Police	3	0	7	24	56	6
Waterside	2	1	7	29	51	5
Batts Team Peniel III	0	3	7	26	54	3

DIVISION 4 SOUTH AND MIDLANDS

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Woodfield II	10	0	0	76	4	20
Yaxley Royal British Legion	6	0	4	42	38	12
Bedford Modern II	5	0	5	45	35	10
Morpeth Greenhouse TTK	5	0	5	35	45	10
York Gardens III	4	1	5	38	42	9
Dhs Greenhouse Progress V	4	1	5	35	45	9
Sportingbet Guernsey II	3	0	7	29	51	6
Ashford III	2	0	8	20	60	4

DIVISION 4 NORTH

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Briar Redlands Rookies	10	0	0	69	11	20
Ormesby IV	8	0	2	53	27	16
Manchester	6	0	4	43	37	12
Team Matlock	5	1	4	41	39	11
Stiga Hartlepool	3	2	5	41	39	8
Halton III	3	2	5	34	46	8
Pudsey II	0	3	7	20	60	3
Isle Of Man	0	2	8	19	61	2

DIVISION 5 NORTH

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Woodfield III	7	3	0	68	12	17
Northfield III	8	1	1	61	19	17
Cliffdale Chandlers	8	1	1	51	29	17
Ormesby V	5	3	2	44	36	13
Arbory	2	2	6	29	51	6
Rugby	1	2	7	22	58	4
Spartans	0	3	7	23	57	3
Team Thameside	0	3	7	22	58	3



Tin-Tin Ho

County Championships

Cadet & Veteran Premier Weekend

An overnight snow shower between the Saturday and Sunday on the weekend of the cadets and veterans' premier weekends which looked like it was going to cause counties a problem, in the end had little effect in the destination of the titles, with Middlesex retaining the cadets and Kent holding onto their first weekend lead to claim the veterans' title.

The cadets' event was played at the excellent Draycott and Long Eaton TTC and saw Middlesex retain the title they gloriously won last year; they produced an unbeaten performance as they took the title by two points from Surrey who themselves finished runners-up, two points ahead of third placed Sussex.

With Middlesex, Surrey and Sussex all ending the first day on 8 points by each winning four matches, it soon became clear that the fixtures on the Sunday between the three was going to determine the destination of the title and so it proved.

First match up on Sunday morning, round five, saw Surrey record a fine 6-4 victory over Sussex, with Lewis Bray recording a decisive final set victory over Daniel Barna, 11-4, 15-13, 11-9, to clinch victory for his county.

Middlesex also won their fifth round match by virtue of a walkover as snow bound South Yorkshire were unable to make the return journey to Draycott.

The sixth round of matches saw the top two teams face each other as Middlesex and Surrey went head to head. In an evenly fought clash it was the reigning champions who took the last two sets from 4 all to record an excellent 6-4 victory, with the splendid Tin-Tin Ho beating Lucy Lou in the penultimate set, followed by a match clinching win from Tyrone Wells versus Marcus Giles 11-3, 11-8, 11-9, to put Middlesex in touching distance of back to back titles.

Sussex stood in the way of Middlesex and despite giving their opponents a two set lead it was Middlesex who took the

remaining eight sets to record an 8-2 victory and with it the title.

The veterans' premier event was held at Halifax and proved even more affected by the snow, as Kent were hoping to consolidate their lead from the first weekend which was held at Ashford. They began strongly enough by putting aside spirited challenges from two dangerous opponents, Sussex and Surrey; they beat Sussex 6-4 and then walloped table topping rivals Surrey 8-2.

Kent went into Sunday 3 points ahead of second placed Yorkshire and despite heavy overnight snow nothing was going to stop the southern based county from winning the title. First up on Sunday saw them beat Lancashire 7-3 and with Yorkshire and Surrey drawing the destination of the title was now known, and with runners-up spot and the relegation places determined all counties agreed to head for home due to the weather conditions.

Barry Snowden



Steve Kerns

County Notes

Berkshire by Colin Dyke

The Berkshire senior 2nd team struggled to make an impact in their first round of matches, with the best result a 6-4 defeat by Dorset II, which included two great wins for 15 year old Daniel Moses. Mark Banks, playing at no 1 also performed well with three out of six including wins over Rory Scott and Lee Dredge (Dorset I).

The veterans first team are doing well with four wins and two draws. The only dropped points have been where they were unfortunate enough to have to concede the women's matches. However the reverse happened in the match against Avon which helped ease us to a 7-3 win. Dave Barr comfortably won two, whilst Hari Gehlot squeaked home at 12 in the fifth against Rick Jennett. The most impressive performance was saved for Dorset, where we secured a 6-4 win. Dorset fought back from 3-0 down to level at 3-3, but Berkshire then won the rest barring the last mixed. The backbone of the success was again Dave Barr and Hari Gehlot who won two each and combined to win the all important men's doubles. Dave Hilbeck added the all important sixth win against Brian Garraway in five.

The Berkshire Intertown competition for the Barbara Peisley trophy is in full swing with two of the three dates completed. Nobody

can complain that they haven't been informed of the details as organiser Eric Van Looy has provided a comprehensive results service to all involved. After the second round Reading lead with 15 points followed closely by holders Newbury on 12. In the Senior 1 section, Maidenhead almost pipped Reading, but had to settle for the draw and second place. Newbury topped Veterans 1, where all matches were hard fought. Reading, despite their fighting draw with the leaders, had to settle for second. Hari Gehlot (Reading) led the averages in Senior 1 with 100% followed closely by the Maidenhead trio of Mark Banks, Stuart Williams and Charleigh Kirby with only one loss each. John Barclay (Newbury), David Streak (Reading) and Derek Wood (Maidenhead) topped the Veterans 1 averages with five wins out of six.

Reading took the honours in the Senior 2 and Veteran 2 sections with Newbury in second. Bracknell made up some ground lost by their first teams and now lie third with Maidenhead on six points. Abhay Gehlot for Reading Senior 2 and Niall McGrane for Reading Veteran 2 had 100 % successes. Now it's down to the third string seniors and veterans of each town to decide the final positions when they meet on the third and final day. Newbury will need to finish above Reading at both levels to have a chance of retaining their trophy. No pressure!

Derbyshire by Neil Houghton

Derbyshire Senior II and III teams were at Springwell for County Seniors Division 2A. A problem having both teams in the same division is if there are late injuries, etc, then we can't just call on extra players, as it is likely some will already be playing! On the Saturday we were a woman short and local youngster from Speedwell, Jayden Budworth, was watching keen as ever, supporting and looking for between match practice. I suggested she might play on Sunday and some of the players had also said to give her a go. So not only did Jayden play at 10 years old, but she won a set! Her abundant enthusiasm was well demonstrated, as (only told after arriving) she actually ran home and back to get her kit - by my estimate that would be well over a mile round trip for a 10 year old; maybe nearer two!

So, is it a Derbyshire record playing as a senior so young? Nicola Deaton did many "youngest", including being in the Guinness Book of Records, but I don't recall her playing for seniors and there was then a single senior team in Division I or Premier thus less likely. So, well done record setter Jayden! Great thing about the sport is small happenings are still part of history - maybe not a national record because there are lower standard counties with few women and girls, but winning a set in seniors at 10, I could ask Jill Parker if she did it but more likely one of a kind! I first met Andrew Henry at age 9 and Helen Rainford was the same age as Jayden and they were playing this weekend, so it's like the sport goes on!

At times it looked like Derbyshire II had a chance, but Notts I were very strong and won, r/u Cheshire then took the next three all on 8 points, including Derbyshire II coming third on count back. Unfortunately Derbyshire III were bottom with the player shortage problem, despite having a good go. Well played all! Adam Frost, Will Cooney, Keith Bird, Andrew Henry, Jamie Smith and Abbie Millwain with Helen Rainford. Third team (mainly Matlock British League): Mike Bradbury, Geoff Gill, David Kelly, Andy Middleton and Melissa Slaney, with the late addition Jayden Budworth.

Devon by John Smith

54 players took part in a very successful Junior Closed Championships held at Okehampton. The junior boys' event was always going to be very keenly contested and unpredictable with around ten possible winners. A stunning group match which Torrington's Dominic Sussex edged in the final game against Exeter's John Handy, set the tone and it was no great surprise when Handy defeated number one seed Dan Moore from Ilfracombe in the quarter-final 4-0. He finally met his match against West Exe clubmate Rob Shearman while Sussex justified his number two seeding by defeating number three David White from Brixham in the other semi-final. Shearman looked set for victory, but from two games down Sussex came through to take the title.

By contrast the other individual events went much as expected. Woolwell's Vicky Smith took her fourth successive junior girls' title, but not before coming back from one game and 10-5 down against Naomi Jackson from Okehampton in the final. The same two girls unsurprisingly contested the U15 final with the same result. Although Ben Snow (Exeter) and Ollie Buddell (Woolwell) comfortably reached their expected U15 boys final place, the final was extremely close with Buddell scraping through in the final game for his fifth successive age group title.

The younger age groups were dominated by Okehampton's Haskell brothers. George beat Edward in the U13 final, whilst Edward confirmed his hot favourite status in the U11s, beating Woolwell's Joshua Payn in the final.

Joshua's sister Bella Payn, making her debut at this level, went one better with victory in the U11 girls' event, from Okehampton's Hannah Keats, while another Woolwell player Beth Wilson, as expected, took the U13 girls' title from Ilfracombe's Pippa Gorry.

The doubles events were closely fought with favourites David White and Dominic Sussex taking the boys' title and the young combination of Vicky Smith and Ollie Buddell adding to their trophy haul in the mixed doubles. Vicky was, however, out of luck in the girls' event, going down with partner Laura McLeod 13-11 in the final game to Naomi Jackson and Katie Snow.

The two leading girls have also been excelling away from home. Naomi Jackson won the junior banded event at the recent E Midlands Junior 4* at Grantham while Vicky Smith made a very successful England debut in Italy.

Essex by Neil Brierley

Essex veterans first team have reclaimed their Premier Division place in the County Championships by winning Division 1B, with 11 points out of 12 they cannot be caught even with one round remaining. Their squad of Clive Carthy, John Payne, Mark Wicker, Kevin Caldon, Steve Kerns and Julie Vansertima all played their part in what has been a very successful season.

Wicker starred in the 6-4 win over Dorset, scoring a superb five-set win over England no. 30 Tony Clayton, and Julie Vansertima played her part, beating former Chelmsford rival Linda Hales 3-2. Avon were also despatched 6-4, although things did not look so good in December for the second round of matches when Kevin Caldon was not available. Steve Kerns stepped in and although he did not win any singles against Middlesex, he played his part (with John Payne) in securing a vital doubles victory over Farhat Rasul and Jojo Senorin. Julie Vansertima had to pull out all the stops to get the better of Rachel Smith, fighting back from 2-1 down to win 3-2, whilst Mark Wicker scored a fine 3-2 victory over England no. 36 Farhat Rasul. Essex finally sealed victory in a tense deciding mixed doubles when John/Julie pipped Lee Middleton/Rachel Smith 3-2.

Berkshire's match presented a different challenge. Wicker had injured himself in the morning's game against Middlesex, whilst Berkshire did not have a lady player owing to illness. In the end the substantially shortened match finished as a 5-5 draw.

Essex were now in the driving seat and duly despatched Wiltshire I 9-1 on home soil at Harlow with Clive Carthy making his presence felt by getting the better of both Trevor Lloyd and Eddie Roofe. Julie Vansertima and Steve Kerns were also undefeated as Essex's only loss was when Payne succumbed to Roofe in five ends. Kent II who included Chris Knight in their line up (Essex born and bred and who plays in the Brentwood League) were always going to present a stiff challenge. However, Clive Carthy's presence again ensured that Essex had the upper hand, and his widely fluctuating five game defeat of Kent no. one Phil Cox (5-11, 3-11, 11-1, 11-8, 11-7) gave Essex a winning 6-3 lead.



Lorestas Trumpauskas

Carthy also beat Chris Knight 3-11, 11-8, 11-5, 11-6.

With the possibility of England no. one veteran Lorestas Trumpauskas being available next season expect Essex to hold their own in next year's Premier Division.

Hertfordshire by Ann Fereday

At this time of year we usually have the results of the Watford League Closed tournament. It was started but had to be abandoned halfway through, probably something to do with the weather. They hope to complete it later in the season. There has only been one veteran match – Team 4 travelled to Shropshire, it was worth the long trip. Ken Stonebridge won both his singles, Geof Bax won one, Petra Schmelzer won her singles and both mixed doubles so the final result was a 6-4 win.

Northants by Dennis Millman

The county continues to enjoy success on the national scene for in addition to the winning exploits of Chris Doran, Sam Mabey and Miles Chan, veterans Maggie Welsman and Andy Trott continue to prosper.

Trott, who has won the Northants men's singles 11 times, and who achieved veteran stats last season, has made an impressive start to the current campaign. In the VETTS North Eastern Masters he reached the final of the Over 40s singles, only to lose narrowly to the holder Eddie Smith. Partnered by Sue Collier he then won the mixed doubles.

In the Midlands Masters he was unfortunate to meet the eventual runner-up Abdul Wuraola going down 11-8 in the fifth game.

He was back on the podium in the Eastern Masters reaching the final only to lose to the leading veteran Lorestas Trumpauskas, before joining his opponent to win the men's doubles.

At the National Masters, Maggie Welsman won the Over 60 and placed second in the doubles.

She was not present in the North East, but returned to action in the Midlands where she won her ninth title at the Over 60 level. Then at the Eastern Masters at Norwich Mrs Welsman was outstanding, winning both the Over 50 and 60's singles.

In the Kettering Premier Division Kettering Town A, Arthingworth, Westfield A and Higham Band A are in close contention at the top of the Premier Division, with Burton Baptist A gradually losing touch.

For Town the tremendous form of John Fuller has made up for the absence of Chris Doran, whilst Ken Philipson and Mike Hawes have also contributed on a regular basis, with Carl Leeson proving a capable substitute.

Arthingworth, level on points but having won one match fewer, rely on six Northampton based players: Chris Gibbons, Richard Bashford, Gerald Henson, Michael Edwards, Paul Gatiss and Ameya Phatak.

Westfield A, currently in third place, rely on a regular trio of Jack Coleman, Kevin Bird and Sam Wildman, with occasional appearances from Jordan Dainty and Miles Chan, while Higham, with a game in hand, trail by six points thanks to the strenuous efforts of Richard Elliott, Mark Nannery and Andy Harrison.

Chris Doran still leads the latest ranking list followed by John Fuller at no. 2, Chris Ross at no. 3. Other leading players are 4. Richard Elliott, 5. Jack Coleman, 6. Mick Allsopp, 7. Jordan Dainty, 8. David Grundy, 9. Dawid Przybysz and 10. Chris Gibbons.

Oxfordshire by Lark Husbell

After years of little interest in the ESTTA competitions, this year saw a tremendous number of schools getting involved at both the team and individual competitions. Both events were held at the King Alfred's Sports College in Wantage. In the team there were 120 competitors with the following schools winning their respective age groups.

U13 Boys - Cherwell, Oxford.
U16 Boys - Larkmead, Abingdon
U19 Boys - BGN Banbury
U13 Girls, U16 Girls and U19 Girls - King Alfred, Wantage

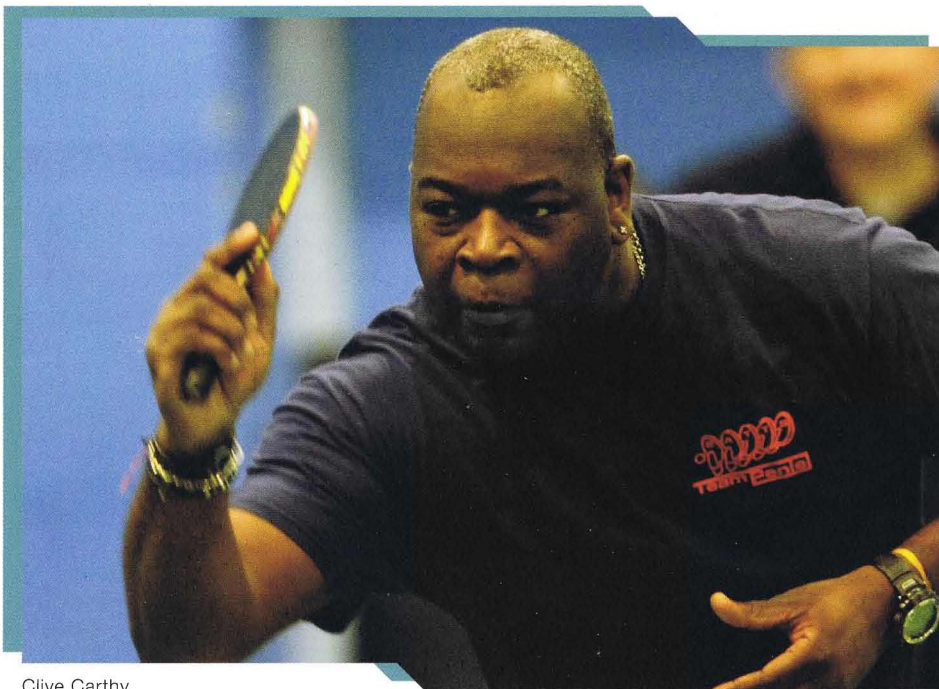
In the individual competitions we had entries from 50 boys and 18 girls and some very competitive play.

U13 Boys Winner: Osita Ighodaro, Summer Fields, Oxford. R/Up: Matt France, Abingdon
U13 Girls Winner: Megan Knowles Chiltern Edge, R/Up: Annabel Record, King Alfreds
U16 Boys Winner: Jarred Knowles Chiltern Edge, R/Up: David Smart, Abingdon
U16 Girls Winner: Megan Alexander, King Alfreds, R/Up: Sabrina Scott, King Alfreds
U19 Boys Winner: Joe Harris, King Alfreds, R/Up: Luke Scott, King Alfreds

Oxford Fireplace Centre kindly sponsored the event by supplying the trophies.

Forums 'B' is in top spot with the excellent trio of Greg Boone, Ellis Bicknell and Andrew Flint all playing well. The standard of the league is the best for many years with five teams competing for the top spot in the Oxford League.

The Warner Cup for most wins in the division is also tight but Karl Bushell remains in top spot at the moment in an attempt to win the trophy for the 21st time.



Clive Carthy



Reece Placid

Surrey by Chris Andrews

Drayton A is leading the way in the Didcot League, with Craig Campbell, Karl Bushell, Greg Boone, Ellis Bicknell and Roger Perry proving to be a formidable squad.

Richard Taylor of Letcombe is in top spot for the most wins in the top division.

We are pleased to announce that Karl Bushell was awarded the Oxfordshire Veterans Sportsperson of the Year award for 2009 at a recent dinner hosted by BBC Oxford.

Karl is the most successful player in Oxfordshire's history but also devotes time to coaching at his club and local schools, running a county team, acting as the ESTTA local administrator and the County Treasurer.

The dinner was attended by 320 guests and Karl was interviewed for BBC TV. In addition Karl and Neil Hurford provided a table tennis exhibition for the guests and narrowly failed by ten shots to beat the world one minute rally record.

At the Slovenian Open, Joanna Parker reached the last 16 in the Women's Doubles partnering Kelly Sibley, whilst Darius Knight teamed up with Scotland's Gavin Rungay in the Men's Doubles to reach the last 32.

The BATTs 1 star Open Tournament saw Lucy Lou comfortably win the under 15s title, only losing one set all tournament.

Reece Placid kept up his winning ways this season by winning the Men's Band 4 event at the London Grand Prix. Abdul Wuraola won the Veteran title at the same event.

At the East Midlands Junior 4 star event, Surrey's Michael Ho was runner-up to top seed Zak Zilesnick in the Cadet Singles.

In the Herts Junior Band 2 star Open, Surrey had two players in the final, Lucy Lou beat Lucy Burks in the Banded event. However Lucks Burks gained her revenge by beating Lucy Lou in the final of the open event.

Lucy Burks also managed to win the Cippenham Young Player's New Year Festival by virtue of beating Feifei Pei in her last match in the round robin event.

Yorkshire by Barry Snowden

The third leg of this season's Yorkshire junior grand prix was held at the excellent Halifax Table Tennis Centre with six of the eight scheduled events taking place: as at the previous two rounds, the U11 and U13 girls' singles were cancelled due to no entries.

The first event of the day was the cadet boys' singles, with local players James Foster and Matthew Stephens as the top two seeds and as expected it was the two Halifax players who contested their third final of the series.

At the same time the cadets girls' event was played, which sadly due to one withdrawal featured only three players. Following the form of the previous two rounds it was Emily Ross of Blackpool who took her third title and Ellen Auty of Leeds her third runners-up spot.

The junior girls followed and once again was a three player event with Emily and Ellen being joined by Hull player Jenny Wood. It was Wood who took the event on count back as all players recorded one victory. With all three players now within 15 points of each other and car trouble absentee Alex Lee within 5 points of new leader Ross, there is plenty to play for in the final round of the event at Hull before the destination of the prize money is determined.

The U13 boys' event produced a first time winner as Rotherham player Bradley Wood took the title from grand prix leader William Ross. Although Wood's end of season performance is unlikely to see him take away any prize money this season, the return of England trainees Daniel Wearden and Matthew Fields for the final round at Hull should provide an interesting finale.

The junior boys' event was another win for Reece Lo of Hull who has now won six of the seven junior titles since the event began, on this occasion beating Halifax player James Foster in a five game final.

Lo won the first two games of the final 11-9 before a spirited comeback by the Halifax player saw him draw level with 11-7, 11-4 victories, but in the final game it was Lo who pulled away and eventually took the game 11-4 to claim the title.

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Player Rankings

World Rankings

TOP 25 SENIOR MEN

Rank	Player
1.	DRINKHALL, Paul (CV.)
2.	REED, Daniel (CV.)
3.	KNIGHT, Darius (SY.)
4.	RUSHTON, Andrew (LA.)
5.	DORAN, Christopher (NP.)
6.	BAGGALEY, Andrew (BU.)
7.	PITCHFORD, Liam (DY.)
8.	EVANS, Gavin (BU.)
9.	YARNALL, Tim (NP.)
10.	HERBERT, Gareth (BK.)
11.	NICHOLLS, Damien (SP.)
12.	WARE, Mathew (DO.)
13.	MEADS, David (DU.)
14.	YOUNG, Terry (BK.)
15.	MARSDEN, Michael (DU.)
16.	MA, Justin (YS.)
17.	TRUMPAUSKAS, L (E.)
18.	KINLOCKE, Garth (HA.)
19.	DOLDER, Kevin (LA.)
20.	MCBEATH, David (HA.)
21.	MARPLES, Shaun (DY.)
22.	HOLLAND, John J (Dy) (E.)
23.	NOAH, Hubert (E.)
24.	ANDREWS, Richard (BK.)
25.	SMITH, Mark Richard (Y.)

TOP 25 SENIOR WOMEN

Rank	Player
1.	PARKER, Joanna (SY.)
2.	SIBLEY, Kelly (WA.)
3.	HICKS, Hannah (HA.)
4.	LE FEVRE, Karina (CV.)
5.	MYSKOVA, Marketa (DV.)
6.	ADOMELYTE, Egle (MI.)
7.	SZADKOWSKA, K (MI.)
8.	VICKERS, Emma (DY.)
9.	REYNOLDS, Lindsey (LA.)
10.	CLEMENTS, Sanya (DO.)
11.	SHEPHERD, Karen (CH.)
12.	SPINK, Lauren (NK.)
13.	BATES, Emily (LI.)
14.	EMBLING, Abigail (E.)
15.	SMITH, Karen (LE.)
16.	FULLER, Mary (Y.)
17.	WHYTE, Chloe (CV.)
18.	SLATER, Natalie (ST.)
19.	ROBERTS, Joanna (Y.)
20.	WANG, Sarra (E.)
21.	KEAST, Lesley (LI.)
22.	PERKS, Sarah (NG.)
23.	HALLOWES, Caroline (CH.)
24.	VICKERS, Jane (DY.)
25.	CHAPMAN, Gemma (BK.)

TOP 5 JUNIOR BOYS

Rank	Player
1.	EVANS, Gavin (BU.)
2.	PITCHFORD, Liam (DY.)
3.	MCBEATH, David (HA.)
4.	ZILESNIK, Zak (MI.)
5.	ANDREWS, Richard (BK.)

TOP 5 CADET BOYS

Rank	Player
1.	ZILESNIK, Zak (MI.)
2.	WALKER, Sam (NG.)
3.	MORAIS, Igor (MI.)
4.	PATEL, Jared (E.)
5.	WILSON, Ross (K.)

TOP 5 UNDER 13 BOYS

Rank	Player
1.	WEERASINGHE, H (SX.)
2.	MABEY, Samuel (NP.)
3.	WELLS, Tyrone (MI.)
4.	CHAN, Miles Dak Hay (NP.)
5.	LAWRENCE, Daniel (K.)

TOP 5 VETERAN MEN

Rank	Player
1.	TRUMPAUSKAS, L (E.)
2.	WURAOOLA, Abdul (SY.)
3.	SMITH, Eddie (ND.)
4.	VENNER, Ritchie (SX.)
5.	ROGERS, Chris (LE.)

TOP 5 JUNIOR GIRLS

Rank	Player
1.	LE FEVRE, Karina (CV.)
2.	BATES, Emily (LI.)
3.	DAVIDSON, Lucy (DY.)
4.	KING, Yolanda (SX.)
5.	SLATER, Natalie (ST.)

TOP 5 CADET GIRLS

Rank	Player
1.	BATES, Emily (LI.)
2.	HO, Tin-Tin (MI.)
3.	DAWSON, Jessica (CV.)
4.	ARMITAGE, Tressa (HA.)
5.	SMITH, Victoria (DV.)

TOP 5 UNDER 13 GIRLS

Rank	Player
1.	HO, Tin-Tin (MI.)
2.	SLOT, Chrissie (HA.)
3.	PATEL, Ella (E.)
4.	TSAPTSINOS, Maria (BK.)
5.	PEAKE, Lois (SX.)

TOP 5 VETERAN WOMEN

Rank	Player
1.	COLLIER, Sue (CH.)
2.	SMITH, Karen (LE.)
3.	KEAST, Lesley (LI.)
4.	HUANG, Shu (K.)
5.	MA, Marcia (SY.)

Top 5 Men

1. MA Long (CHN)
2. WANG Hao (CHN)
3. MA Lin (CHN)
4. BOLL Timo (GER)
5. WANG Liqin (CHN)



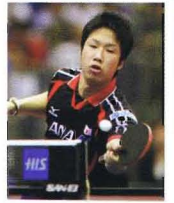
Top 5 Women

1. LIU Shiwen (CHN)
2. ZHANG Yining (CHN)
3. GUO Yue (CHN)
4. GUO Yan (CHN)
5. LI Xiaoxia (CHN)



Top 5 U21 Men

1. MIZUTANI Jun (JPN)
2. XU Xin (CHN)
3. MATSUDAIRA Kenta (JPN)
4. CHIANG Hung-Chieh (TPE)
5. JIN Yixiong (CHN)



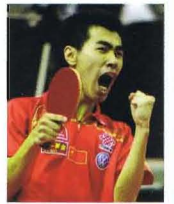
Top 5 U21 Women

1. LIU Shiwen (CHN)
2. DING Ning (CHN)
3. YU Meng Yu (SIN)
4. WU Yang (CHN)
5. SAMARA Elizabeta (ROU)



Top 5 U18 Boys

1. YAN An (CHN)
2. KIM Min Seok (KOR)
3. FANG Bo (CHN)
4. YIN Hang (CHN)
5. NIWA Koki (JPN)



Top 5 U18 Girls

1. WU Yang (CHN)
2. ISHIKAWA Kasumi (JPN)
3. Cheng I-Ching (TPE)
4. GU Yuting (CHN)
5. SHENG Dandan (CHN)



Top 5 U15 Boys

1. YIN Hang (CHN)
2. ZHENG Peifeing (CHN)
3. LIN Gaoyuan (CHN)
4. MORIZONO Masataka (JPN)
5. LIU Chang (CHN)



Top 5 U15 Girls

1. GU Yuting (CHN)
2. SZOCS Bernadette (ROU)
3. MAEDA Miyu (JPN)
4. LIU Xi (CHN)
5. KIM Jisun (KOR)



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For your Dates Diary



Zak Zilesnick

March 2010

Thursday 25th-1st

Other - World School Games

Saturday 27th

Cadet - County Championships (6)
 Junior - County Championships (6)
 - C.C. Premier (2)
 - Chandlers F.E. 1 Star
 Senior - County Championships (6)
 - C.C. Premier (2)
 Veteran - County Championships (6)

Sunday 28th

Cadet - NCL (4)
 Junior - C.C. Premier (2)
 - Stiga 2 Star - Halifax
 Senior - C.C. Premier (2)

April 2010

Thursday 1st-5th

Other - Indian Open, New Delhi

Friday 2nd

Senior - Jersey Satellite Grand Prix

Saturday 3rd

Cadet - Nat 11-14 Regional Qualifying
 Senior - Cippenham Series (3)
 - Jersey Satellite Grand Prix

Sunday 4th

Cadet - Nat 11-14 Regional Qualifying
 Junior - Cippenham Series (2)
 Senior - Jersey Satellite Grand Prix
 Veteran - Stiga Blackpool 2 Star

Wednesday 7th - 11th

Other - Chile Open, Santiago

Friday 9th -11th

Other - Primary Schools, Guernsey

Saturday 10th

Cadet - County Championships (7)
 - Cheltenham (Cotswold) 4 Star
 Junior - County Championships (7)
 Senior - County Championships (7)
 - John Jermyn 2 Star Satellite GP
 Veteran - County Championships (7)

Sunday 11th

Junior - Cheltenham (Cotswold) 4 Star
 - Stiga Blackpool Graded 1 Star
 Senior - John Jermyn 2 Star Satellite GP