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### PREAN FEAST

★ SCHOOLBOY Carl Prean, 15, played brilliantly to score three wins in England's 5-1 victory over former world champions Hungary in Group B at the world table tennis championships in Tokyo. Among his victims was ex-world champion Istvan Jonyer. England earlier scored a sparkling 5-1 victory over the Soviet Union.

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## DAY OF DECISION

At the AGM of the ETTA to be held in London on July 9 the Management Committee will propose that the National Council be directed to apply the newly-approved ITTF regulation appertaining to racket coverings.

The new regulation, to become effective as from January 1, 1984, reads: "The two surfaces of the racket blade shall be of clearly different colours, whether or not both sides are used for striking the ball".

The Management Committee's proposal is that this regulation be applied to open tournaments, County Championships, National League, National Team knock-out competitions and any other events covered by the ETTA computer ranking scheme, with effect from Jan. 1 next year.

And, furthermore, that the National Council shall issue a direction that any County Association or Local League which so chooses may adopt the regulation for its own competitions, but so that no County Association shall have power to direct a Local League to adopt it for domestic competition.

Clearly these motions are of great concern and more especially to the local league player. It therefore beholds those representatives present at the AGM, or those entrusted with their votes, to seek opinion now and be mandated accordingly on the day of decision.

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# 37th World Championships

## Tokyo '83

### BRILLIANT BRONZE FOR ENGLAND

by George R. Yates



Not since those heady days of the late 40's to the middle 50's, during the era of Leach and Bergmann, has an England men's team achieved a medal position in the Swaythling Cup. The feat was last performed in Utrecht in 1955 but, with the most unlikely of teams, the capture of bronze medals in Holland was emulated in the Yoyogi National Stadium, Tokyo over the period April 28 to May 3, 1983.

Having, prior to, under the non-playing captaincy of Peter Simpson, quitted the 7th Commonwealth Championships in steamy Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia with their tails very much between their legs — only five bronze awards as against five gold in Bombay — morale could not have been very high.

And yet, lifted by the presence of Desmond Douglas, who had along with Karen Witt flown direct to Japan, the team exceeded all expectations and in topping their group in the Stage 1 proceedings put us in the most unlikely of positions in challenging the might of the People's Republic of China, Sweden and Hungary for the top four placings.

No matter that we finished fourth behind that formidable trio, to have beaten, in turn, Italy, Poland, Russia, Hungary, the People's Republic of Korea and Denmark, losing only

to the host nation, were feats that set the heart pounding.

Undoubtedly England's shock element was that unperturbable 15-years-old school-boy, Carl Prean, from the Isle of Wight who, on debut in the world championships, whirled his combination bat with such devastating effect that memories of John Hilton's feats in Berne were evoked.

Prean, in contesting 19 sets in the team event had 15 wins to 4 losses with Douglas, for once taking second place, achieving 14 wins to 7 losses.

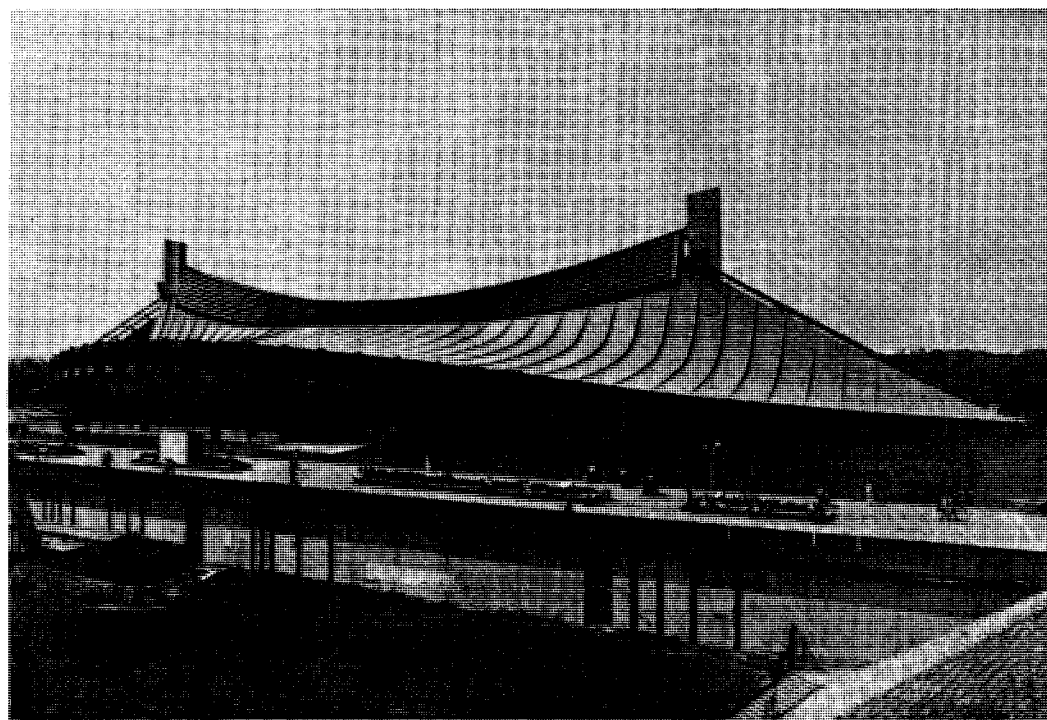
#### AUTHORITY

But, overall, it was again the Chinese who stamped their authority over the championships winning six of the seven titles at stake with Guo Yuehua retaining his men's singles title and also sharing the mixed doubles title with Ni Xianlin.

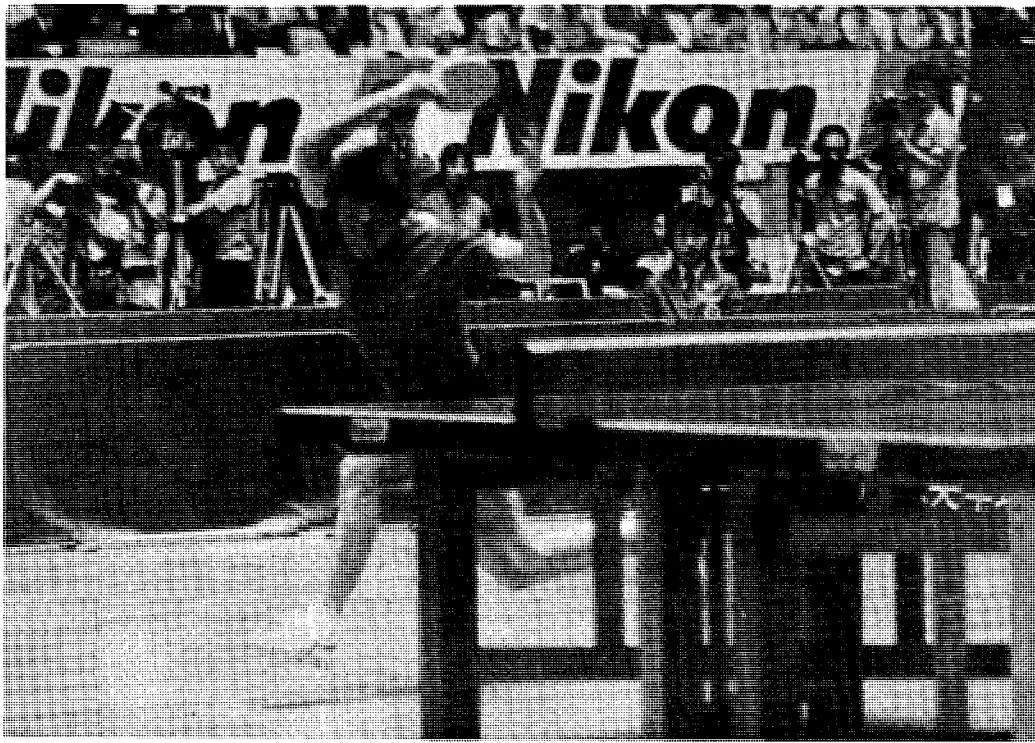
The only title to elude them was the men's doubles won, in the most exciting of fashion, by the Yugoslavs Zoran Kalinic, the giant penholder, and the ageless Dragutin Surbek.

Both team titles were retained by the Chinese, the men's with a final 5-1 success over Sweden whose Mikael Appelgren beat Xie Saike, and the women's with a final 3-0 victory over Japan. Indeed such was the superiority of the Chinese women that in nine matches they shed nary a set!

This superiority was again emphasized in the two women's individual events with Cao Yanhua succeeding Tong Ling to capture



The Yoyogi National Stadium in Tokyo.



Guo Yuehua on his way to retaining his men's singles title.

the G. Geist Prize and **Dai Lili** and **Shen Jianping** the W. J. Pope Trophy for the women's singles and doubles titles.

What one can do to bridge the gap that exists between the Chinese and the rest of the world was the question most often posed but nobody had the answer. The fact that when next the championships are contested in Gothenburg different coloured rubbers on either side of the bat will be the order of the day will, in my opinion, make no difference whatsoever.

**Substitute frying pans for rackets and the Chinese will still win for their mobility allied to skill is the essence of their repeated successes.**

But back to the team championships

wherein England's men began with a 'white-wash' result over Italy with Douglas and Hilton sharing four sets and Prean repeating his victory in the Italian Open team event, with a win over Massimo Costantini. A good start.

It was followed by a 5-3 success over Poland in which match Douglas twice faltered, against Andrzej Grubba and Stefan Dryszel, and Hilton lost to Leszek Kucharski. But Prean despite going to a decider in all his three sets came up trumps when the chips were down.

#### ONLY LOSS

Then came our first and only loss in Stage 1 when that previous 5-3 scoreline was reversed in favour of Japan whose

reigning champion Kiyoshi Saito rattled up a treble and former world champion Seiji Ono, having lost to Douglas, made amends by beating both Hilton and Prean.

But it was back to winning ways against the Soviet Union with Douglas and Prean sharing four successes and Graham Sandley savouring a win over Mikhail Ovcharov in a 5-1 triumph, Sandley losing to Igor Solopov.

**Then followed the win which put the icing on the cake 5-2 over Hungary! Who could believe it with the Hungarians represented by Istvan Jonyer, Gabor Gergely and Zsolt Kriston.**

First to the table in this memorable encounter was Douglas pressed all the way by Kriston who eventually succumbed -21, -20. Next to the table was Sandley, not given much chance against Jonyer, and so it proved with the balding Hungarian coasting home 2-straight.

Much then rested on the shoulders of young Prean who in the first game against Gergely edged home 22-20 but was obliterated in the second -8, only to come back with a third game 21-15 triumph to put England 2-1 in the lead.

Capitalising on this success Douglas made it 3-1 in beating Jonyer and Prean followed on with an equally tight win over Kriston to make it an unbelievable 4-1.

Sandley, in attempting the coup-de-grace against Gergely, went down fighting putting the onus on Prean to beat Jonyer for victory. But after winning the first at 19 and going down 23-25 in the second, with Jonyer giving nothing away, odds were on the Hungarian taking the decider.

#### NOT TO BE

**But it was not to be as Prean recorded his second significant treble, 16 in the third, for an English success that, on paper, was never on.**

Following such a victory the challenge of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and Denmark held no terrors for an English team with their tails aloft and wagging. And so it proved with the North Koreans seen off 5-1, Hilton losing to Cho Yong Ho but winning his other to supplement a brace each for Douglas and Prean.

A clean sweep was effected against the Danes, Douglas and Prean again obliging with two each and Hilton obtaining the other with not one set going to a deciding third game. And so there we were top of the heap with a cross over match against Sweden in the offing.

Sadly the success story must end there for the Swedes, represented by Appelgren, Erik Lindh and Jan-Ove Waldner fairly pulverised us with only one of the five sets going to three in which Douglas took the first game off Appelgren.

Both Lindh and Waldner proved invincible with Prean in his only set losing to the latter -24, -16. Nor were Hungary going to be taken for a second time for in the final encounter for 3rd and 4th positions, after they had been beaten 5-0 by China, it was the Hungarians who had the last laugh beating us 5-2 with Jonyer supreme, Kriston losing to Douglas and Janos Molnar to Prean.

Still from sixth to fourth was a feat in itself and one worthy of praise which is something the Federal Republic of Germany would not receive on their homecoming



China's new women's singles champion — Cao Yanhua.

having been relegated to Category 2 along with the Soviet Union.

**FALL FROM GRACE**

Twice in the German fall from grace a score of 5-4 went against them firstly against France when they pulled up from 0-4 to 4-4 only to be beaten when in the final all-important set Patrick Reverse beat Jurgen Rebel.

But worse was to follow in the first cross-over match against Denmark when a 4-0 lead was squandered and a 5-4 win for the Danes sent the Federal Germans crashing out of the elite category.

What then of England's women in the counterpart Corbillon Cup competition? Yes, they too exceeded all expectations in improving their position from twelfth to seventh to retain their top category status, the heroine being Lisa Bellinger, the younger of the Dunstable sisters.

**Taking on Rumania in their first match was not considered to be the easiest of starts and yet the opposition, including Top 12 champion Olga Nemes — beaten both by Lisa and Karen Witt — was disposed of 3-1. A tremendous start for Nicky Jarvis the n.p.c.**

A similar result was obtained against Finland in the second match with Lisa beating Eva Malmberg and Sonia Grefberg and sharing a doubles success with her sister Jackie.

The Republic of Korea then stamped their authority over us 3-0 as did the Russians, by a like score, when our girls seemed hardly awake and offering but token resistance in a most disappointing match.

**But we were back on song against Sweden whose leading lady, Marie Lindblad, was beaten both by Lisa and Karen our only loss being the doubles. Against Austria it was easy, 3-0, but 0-3 was the result of our final first stage encounter against Japan.**

Positions 5 to 8 then confronted us and in the first crossover encounter it was again a defeat by 3-1 to Czechoslovakia with Lisa beating Blanka Silhanova.

But seventh position was secured in the final engagement against the Netherlands whose brightest star, Bettine Vriesekoop, was left out. Despite Lisa going down most surprisingly to Ellen Bakker in the first set we won 3-1 Lisa and Karen both beating Mirjam Kloppenburg and the sisters winning the doubles.

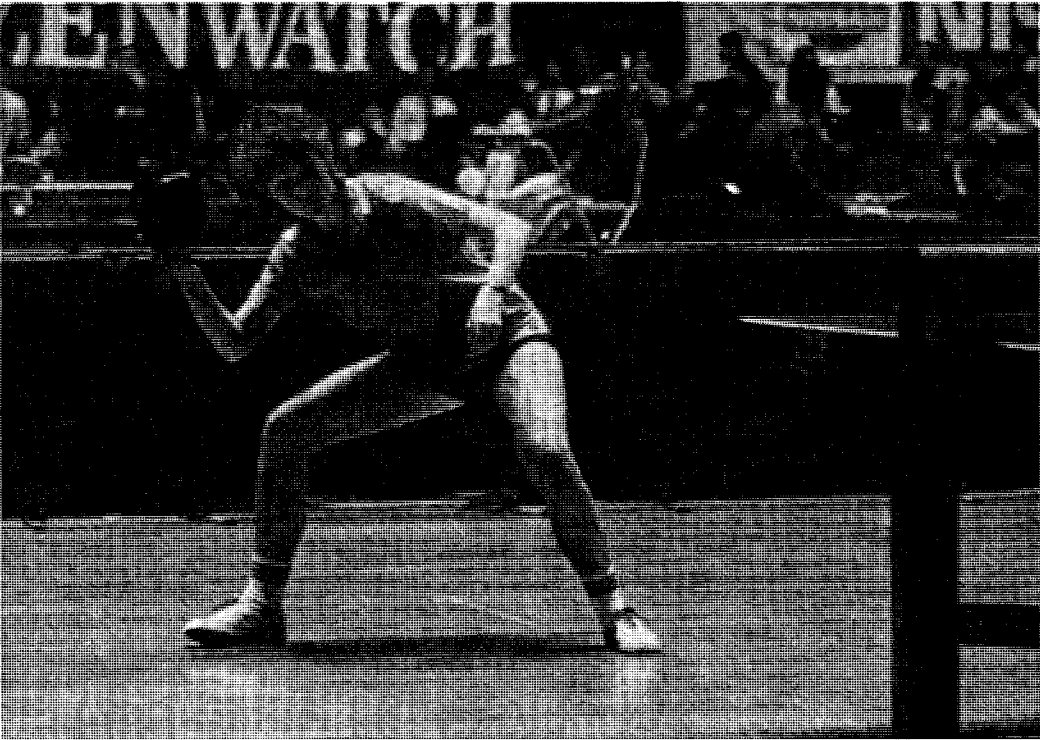
The disasters of Malaysia seemed far removed from our overall triumphs in Japan and it speaks volumes for the powers of recovery made in the transitional period betwixt Kuala Lumpur and Tokyo. Shall we put it down to the respective climates?

**INDIVIDUALS**

Having acquitted themselves so well in the team events much was expected of our players in the individual competitions but it was not to be although Douglas and Prean kept our hopes alive in the men's singles by reaching the third round.

Prean, like Hilton — surprisingly — had to qualify and this they both did although the latter was forced to pull out all the stops to dispose of Marcel Walker of Switzerland. But little mercy was shown by Prean in clouting Thierry Cabrera of Belgium 19, 9 and 1!

**Everything in the garden looked rosy**



England's Lisa Bellinger gets down to it in Tokyo.

**when all five Englishmen surmounted their first round hurdles without too much difficulty only Sandley being taken to five by Manmeet Singh of India.**

The second round brought defeats for Sandley, by Kucharski, for Johnson, predictably by China's Chen Xinhua and for Hilton intolerably by Patrick Birocheau in three swift games in which the Mancunian contributed to his own downfall.

After promising so much Douglas, who advances so far yet not far enough, fell to Ulf Carlsson of Sweden in the third round after the Warwickshire left-hander had taken the first two games. Des could have taken the set 3-1 but after the Swede had

equated the set score at 2-2 there seemed only one winner in the decider and that wasn't Des.

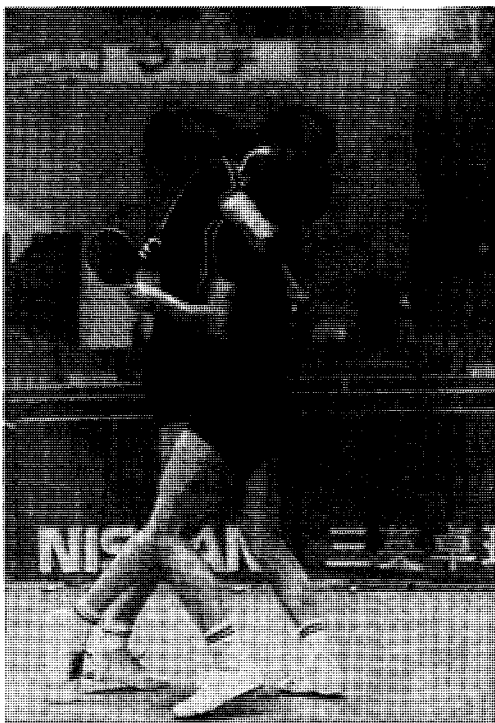
**LITTLE AVAIL**

Prean who had seen off Ulf Bengtsson in the second round found his twiddling of little avail when opposed by China's Jiang Jialiang and thus we were entirely out of it.

This situation also applied in the women's singles when Round 2 saw the entire demise of our four contenders. All had survived the first round with Joy Grundy and Jackie Bellinger, having qualified, accompanying Karen Witt and Lisa Bellinger over those first round hurdles.



Zoran Kalinic (left) and Dragutin Surbek in play in the men's doubles final.



**We did it! Kalinic embraces his partner, Surbek, after their success in the men's doubles final.**

Joy and Jackie both went down desperately -21 and -20 in the fifth respectively to Erzebet Palatinus of Yugoslavia and Kirsten Kruger of Federal Germany. Karen, after taking the first game off Valentina Popova, lost the next three and Lisa, up against China's Qi Baoxiang, failed to make any impression.

This latter event did yield a player other than a Chinese to contest the final in the person of Yang Young Ja of DPR Korea who had the distinction of ousting the holder, Tong Ling, in the quarters and coming back from a 0-2 deficit in the semis against Huang Junqun to take her place in the final won by Cao Yanhua.

**In the latter stages of the men's singles not one European reached the quarters with Kim Kitaek of Korea (DPR) and Saito (Japan) then losing touch with the all-conquering Chinese.**

Kalinic, Jonyer, Surbek, Waldner, Carlsson and Lindh all took their leave in Round 4 but what a tribute to the Swedes to have three of their players still in at that stage.

But all credit to the Yugoslav duo, Kalinic and Surbek, for their success in the men's doubles in which they had laid low the challenges of Stellan and Ulf Bengtsson, Chen Xinhua and Diao Ming and Abe/Ono before their 22-20 fifth game triumph over Jiang Jialiang/Xie Saike in the final.

#### **EVAPORATED**

England's interest evaporated in Round 2 when Douglas and Prean fell to Chen Xinhua and Diao Ming after Sandley and Johnson had fallen to a North Korean combine. Hilton paired with Welshman, Alan Griffiths, bowed out in the qualifying rounds to Norway's Geirr Gustavsen and Tom Johansen.

Round 2 also saw England's challenge in the women's doubles eclipsed when Lisa and Joy were beaten, 18 in the fifth, by Gabrielle Szabo and Edit Urban of Hungary. In Round 1 Karen and Jackie had fallen to China's Dai Lili and Shen Jianping, the eventual winners.

### **ROLL OF HONOUR**

#### **SWAYTHLING CUP (Men's Team)**

**CHINA**

#### **ST. BRIDE VASE (Men's Singles)**

**GUO YUEHUA  
(China)**

#### **IRAN CUP (Men's Doubles)**

**ZORAN KALINIC and  
DRAGUTIN SURBEK  
(Yugoslavia)**

#### **HEYDUSEK PRIZE (Mixed Doubles)**

**GUO YUEHUA and NI XIANLIN  
(China)**

#### **MARCEL CORBILLON CUP (Women's Team)**

**CHINA**

#### **G. GEIST PRIZE (Women's Singles)**

**CAO YANHUA  
(China)**

#### **W. J. POPE TROPHY (Women's Doubles)**

**DAI LILI and  
SHEN JIANPING  
(China)**

### **INDIVIDUAL RESULTS**

#### **Men's Singles Round 3:**

Guo Yuehua (CHN) bt S. Bengtsson (SWE) 10, 19, 11;  
E. Boggan (USA) bt Z. Kriston (HUN) 13, 17, -15, 15;  
Park Lee Hee (KDR) bt L. Kucharski (POL) 18, 4, -18, -13, 17;  
Gan Changmao (CHN) bt S. Ono (JPN) 16, 17, 11;  
Jiang Jialiang (CHN) bt C. Prean (ENG) 17, 14, 14;  
Z. Kalinic (YUG) bt K. Mahta (IND) 13, 10, 5;  
I. Jonyer (HUN) bt J. Secretin (FRA) 12, 15, 13;  
Chen Xinhua (CHN) bt K. Sakamoto (JPN) 16, 7, 16;  
Kim Kitaek (KDR) bt P. Birocheau (FRA) 18, -16, 20, 17;  
D. Surbek (YUG) bt Cho Yong Ho (PRK) -14, 19, -15, 15, 14;  
J-O. Waldner (SWE) bt Chiu Man Kuen (HKG) 18, 15, -13, 10;  
Wang Huiyuan (CHN) bt N. Takashima (JPN) 12, 21, 14;  
U. Carlsson (SWE) bt D. Douglas (ENG) -12, -21, 15, 20, 15;  
K. Saito (JPN) bt A. Grubba (POL) -15, 11, 14, 20;  
E. Lindh (SWE) bt Chu Jong Chol (PRK) 20, -18, 10, 14;  
Cai Zhenhua (CHN) bt Kim Wan (KDR) -19, -19, 19, 16, 10.

#### **Round 4:**

Guo Yuehua bt Boggan 19, 14, 16;  
Fan Changmao bt Park Lee Hee 19, 8, 6;  
Jiang Jialiang bt Kalinic -21, 7, 11, 17;  
Chen Xinhua bt Jonyer 14, 17, 18;  
Kim Kitaek bt Surbek 17, -21, -10, -17, 16;  
Wang Huiyuan bt Waldner 18, 13, 20;  
Saito bt Carlsson 16, 14, 16;  
Cai Zhenhua bt Lindh -16, 21, -16, 22, 15.

#### **Quarter-finals:**

Guo Yuehua bt Fan Changmao 17, 20, -16, 10;  
Jiang Jialiang bt Chen Xinhua -21, 15, -21, 19, 17;  
Wang Huiyuan bt Kim Kitaek 9, 12, 12;  
Cai Zhenhua bt Saito 21, 18, -13, 15.

#### **Semi-finals:**

Guo Yuehua bt Jiang Jialiang 17, -17, 21, -17, 17;  
Cai Zhenhua bt Wang Huiyuan -16, 12, 11, 21.

#### **Final:**

GUO YUEHUA bt Cai Zhenhua 15, -19, 18, 18.

#### **Women's Singles Round 3:**

Tong Ling (CHN) bt E. Urban (HUN) 11, -15, 19;  
Kim Gyong Sun (PRK) bt K. Kawahigashi (JPN) 13, 11, 12;  
Yang Young Ja (KDR) bt S. Grefberg (FIN) 16, 12, -20, 14;  
Geng Lijuan (CHN) bt E. Palatinus (YUG) 9, 7, 10;  
F. Shinpo (JPN) bt V. Popova (URS) 17, 14, 11;  
Tian Jing (CHN) bt G. Szabo (HUN) 20, 19, -11, 19;  
M. Hrachova (TCH) bt E. Kanda (JPN) 20, 13, -20, 14;  
Huang Junqun (CHN) bt G. Perkucic (YUG) 13, 18, 13;  
Qi Baoxiang (CHN) bt J. Magos (HUN) 13, 20, 12;  
R. Wada (JPN) bt Lim Jong Hwa (PRK) 8, 20, 14;  
Hui Sohung (HKG) bt B. Lippens (BEL) 17, 15, 25;  
Dai Lili (CHN) bt Shin Deuk Hwa (KOR) 17, 12, 17;  
B. Vrieskoop (HOL) bt Mok Kasha (HKG) 9, 16, -19, 15;  
Ni Xialian (CHN) bt An Hae Sook (KOR) 7, 8, 8;  
O. Nemes (ROM) bt Cho Jong Hui (PRK) 12, 14, -18, 19;  
Cao Yanhua (CHN) bt K. Kruger (FRG) 12, 10, 12.

#### **Round 4:**

Tong Ling bt Kim Gyong Sun 21, 16, 13;  
Yang Young Ja bt Geng Lijuan -14, 19, 17, 16;  
Shinpo bt Tian Jing 16, 15, -21, 17;  
Huang Junqun bt Hrachova 16, 18, 14;  
Qi Baoxiang bt Wada -17, 10, 15, 4;  
Dai Lili bt Hui Sohung 14, 19, 18;  
Ni Xialian bt Vrieskoop 15, 3, 12;  
Cao Yanhua bt Nemes 20, 17, 16.

#### **Quarter-finals:**

Yang Young Ja bt Tong Ling 10, 16, 9;  
Huang Junqun bt Shinpo -16, -17, 18, 15, 10;  
Qi Baoxiang bt Dai Lili 17, 12, 7;  
Cao Yanhua bt Ni Xialian 17, 16, -15, 15.

#### **Semi-finals:**

Yang Young Ja bt Huang Junqun -19, -21, 16, 19, 21;  
Cao Yanhua bt Qi Baoxiang 18, 15, 19.

#### **Final:**

CAO YANHUA bt Yang Young Ja 9, -10, 9, 13.

Des and Karen, in the second round of the mixed, fell to Russia's Solopov and Fliura Bu!atova as did Duggie and Joy to Guo Yuehua/Ni Xialian, the ultimate winners. Carl and Lisa were first round fallers to Chen Jian/Dai Lili whilst Graham and Jackie fell -19 in the fifth to Jukka Ikonen and Sonja Grefberg of Finland in the qualifying rounds.

John, paired with Liana Urzica-Macean of Rumania, had a first round win over Errol Caetano and Marianne Domonkos of Canada and were only beaten -14 in the fifth by Jonyer and Szabo in the second round.

Maybe not a great deal to shout about in the individual events but nothing can tarnish the glitter attaching to the team events in which our men moved up from No. 6 to No. 4 and our women from No. 12 to No. 7.

After sweeping the board of all seven titles in the Commonwealth it was not surprising that Hong Kong lifted themselves into the men's first category along with India, who edged out Nigeria, replacing Federal Germany and the U.S.S.R.

Similarly Hong Kong's women also achieved promotion from Category 2 together with Belgium, replacing Finland and Austria.

Ireland's women together with Italy lost their 2nd Category status to Switzerland and Thailand whilst Brazil and Belgium have lifted themselves from the men's 3rd category to take the places of Malaysia and Egypt.

No denying the championships were a success from an organisational point of view and the finals party in the Keio Plaza Hotel, our home for the championships, was a sight to behold with well over a thousand people in attendance.

Jacques Secretin was the recipient of the Victor Barna Fair Play Award, a fitting tribute to a great player and ambassador for France.

Fond memories then of the Yoyogi stadium in the computerised city of Tokyo where friendliness and civility abounded but where also the Yen outmatched the £ sterling to an alarming degree.

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**Men's Doubles Round 3:**

Jiang Jialiang/Xie Saike (CHN) bt Grubba/Kucharski 16, 17, 12;  
 G. Gergely (HUN)/Jonnyer bt I. Minkevich/M. Ovcharov (URS) 14, -18, 9, 16;  
 M. Maehara (JPN)/Saito bt Birocheau/Secretin 17, -17, 16, 9;  
 Wang Huiyuan/Yang Yuhua (CHN) bt Lindh/Waldner 17, 18, -17, -15, 19;  
 Cai Zhenhua/Fan Changmao bt M. Appelgren (SWE)/Carlsson -9, 15, 13, 10;  
 H. Abe (JPN)/Ono bt J. Molnar (HUN)/Kriston 20, 19, 17;  
 Chen Xinhua/Diao Ming (CHN) bt M. Orlowski/J. Pansky (TCH) 16, 19, 18;  
 Kalinic/Surbek bt Bengtsson/U. Bengtsson (SWE) 11, 11, 11;

**Quarter-finals:**

Jiang Jialiang/Xie Saike bt Gergely/Jonnyer 21, -18, 11, 19;  
 Wang Huiyuan/Yang Yuhua bt Maehara/Saito -12, -14, 23, 16, 16;  
 Abe/Ono bt Cai Zhenhua/Fan Changmao -12, 18, 17, 15;  
 Kalinic/Surbek bt Chen Xinhua/Diao Ming 8, 17, 19.

**Semi-finals:**

Jiang Jialiang/Xie Saike bt Wang Huiyuan/Yang Yuhua 13, 10, 16;  
 Kalinic/Surbek bt Abe/Ono -20, 16, 9, 9.

**Final:**

KALINIC/SURBEK bt Jiang Jialiang/Xie Saike 15, -19, -20, 17, 20.

**Women's Doubles Round 3:**

Cao Yanhua/Ni Xialian bt Hrachova/Vriesekoop 16, 15, 4;  
 M. Hoshino (JPN)/Kanda bt Perkucin/A. Zakharian (URS) -19, 12, -13, 19, 19;  
 Dai Lili/Shen Jianping (CHN) bt I. Danilavichute (URS)/Popova 18, 11, 12;  
 Yang Young Ja/Yoon Kyungmi (KOR) bt P. Germain/B. Thiriet (FRA) 11, 18, 18;  
 Pu Qijuan (CHN)/Tong Ling bt Szabo/Urban 20, -14, 17, 12;  
 Shinpo/T. Tamura (JPN) bt F. Bulatova/I. Kovalenko (URS) 19, 15, -18, 16;  
 Lee Mi Woo/Shin Deuk Hwa (KOR) bt M. Grefberg (FIN)/A. Gutknecht (FRG) 13, 11, 12;  
 Geng Lijuan/Huang Junqun bt E. Bakker (HOL)/B. Lippens (BEL) 17, 15, 12.

**Quarter-finals:**

Cao Yanhua/Ni Xialian bt Hoshino/Kanda 11, -18, 14, 9;  
 Dai Lili/Shen Jianping bt Yang Young Ja/Yoon Kyung Mi 12, 16, -13, 12;  
 Pu Qijuan/Tong Ling bt Shinpo/Tamura -11, 19, 11, -16, 24;  
 Geng Lijuan/Huang Junqun bt Mee Mi Woo/Shin Deauhwa 13, 20, -10, 8.

**Semi-finals:**

Dai Lili/Shen Jianping bt Cao Yanhua -18, 14, 17, -11, 17;  
 Geng Lijuan/Huang Junqun bt Pu Qijuan/Tong Ling -9, 14, 20, 18.

**Final:**

DAI LILI/SHEN JIANPING bt Geng Lijuan/Huang Junqun 21, 12, -15, -10, 16.

**Mixed Doubles Round 3:**

Xie Saike/Huang Junqun bt Jonnyer/Szabo 7, -19, 11, 7;  
 Fan Changmao/Shen Jianping bt Waldner/P. Eliasson (SWE) 9, 9, 11;  
 Chen Xinhua/Tong Ling bt Secretin/Popova 13, 9, 17;  
 Grubba/Vriesekoop bt Chen Jian (CHN)/Dai Lili 10, -20, 19, 20;  
 Cai Zhenhua/Cao Yanhua bt I. Solopov (URS)/Bulatova 13, 11, 15;  
 Wang Huiyuan/Qi Baoxiang bt Pansky/Hrachova 19, -17, 14, 14;  
 Diao Ming/Pu Qijuan bt Surbek/B. Batinic (YUG) -11, -12, 14, 19, 15;  
 Guo Yuehua/Ni Xialian bt Lindh/M. Lindblad (SWE) 15, -18, 17, 21.

**Quarter-finals:**

Xie Saike/Huang Junqun bt Fan Changmao/Shen Jianping 17, 14, 17;  
 Chen Xinhua/Tong Ling bt Grubba/Vriesekoop 20, 10, 7;  
 Cai Zhenhua/Cao Yanhua bt Wang Huiyuan/Qi Baoxiang 17, -14, 17, 20;  
 Guo Yuehua/Ni Xialian bt Diao Ming/Pu Qijuan 19, -16, -13, 10, 13.

**Semi-finals:**

Chen Xinhua/Tong Ling bt Xie Saike/Huang Junqun 15, 15, -18, -8, 19;  
 Guo Yuehua/Ni Xialian bt Cai Zhenhua/Cao Yanhua 15, -14, 15, 18;

**Final:**

GUO YUEHUA/NI XIALIANG bt Chen Xinhua/Tong Ling 13, -17, 19, -18, 12.

**ENGLISH RESULTS****Men's Singles Qualifying Rounds:**

C. Preat bt T. Cabrera (BEL) 19, 9, 1;  
 bt J. Gierloff (NOR) 12, 11, 13;  
 J. Hilton bt S. Moles (ESP) 18, 14, 13;  
 bt M. Walker (SUI) 17, 18, -22, 20.

**Round 1 (Draw order):**

G. Sandley bt M. Singh (IND) -18, -10, 17, 22, 9;  
 Preat bt Yoon Kil Jung (KOR) 17, -17, 7, 12;  
 D. Johnson bt S. Eboh (NGR) 12, -15, 12, 11;  
 Hilton bt F. Sule (NGR) 17, 20, 14;  
 D. Douglas bt G. Muller (AUT) 19, 19, 13.

**Round 2:**

Sandley lost to L. Kucharski (POL) -14, 21, -15, -16;  
 Preat bt U. Bengtsson (SWE) 13, 18, -21, 17;  
 Johnson lost to Chen Xinhua (CHN) -18, -12, -15;  
 Hilton lost to P. Birocheau (FRA) -13, -10, -8;  
 Douglas bt A. Griffiths (WAL) 20, 20, 14.

**Round 3:**

Preat lost to Jiang Jialiang (CHN) -17, -14, -14;  
 Douglas lost to U. Carlsson (SWE) 12, 21, -15, -20, -15.

**Women's Singles Qualifying Rounds:**

J. Grundy bt E. Brzezinska (POL) 24, -19, 11, -17, 14, 1;  
 bt N. Nader (LIB) 20, 10, 13;  
 bt L. Vignola (ITA) 11, 8, 13;  
 J. Bellinger bt C. Chikhani (LIB) 2, 9, 7;  
 bt I. Alejo (DOM) 3, 22, 16.

**Round 1 (Draw order):**

Grundy bt K. Bogaerts (BEL) 12, 15, 20;  
 K. Witt bt I. Puri (IND) 13, 17, 14;  
 L. Bellinger bt A. Pelikanova (TCH) 16, 14, 16;  
 J. Bellinger bt P. Vyoma (IND) 14, 17, 17.

**Round 2:**

Grundy lost to E. Palatinus (YUG) -19, 19, -8, 17, -21;  
 Witt lost to V. Popova (URS) 19, -20, -14, -10;  
 L. Bellinger lost to Qi Baoxiang (CHN) -10, -12, -6;  
 J. Bellinger lost to K. Kruger (FRG) -12, -20, 19, 15, -20.

**Men's Doubles Qualifying Rounds:**

Hilton/A. Griffiths (WAL) bt W. Nathan (PER)/Teon Yang Mang (MAL) 20, 15, 11;  
 lost to G. Gustavsen/T. Johansen (NOR) -14, -19, 16.

**Round 1:**

Johnson/Sandley lost to Cho Yong Ho/Hong Chol (PRK) -16, 16, -15, -22;  
 Douglas/Preat bt J. Gierloff/E. Rasmussen (NOR) 14, 12, 15.

**Round 2:**

Douglas/Preat lost to Chen Xinhua/Diao Ming (CHN) 15, -20, -13, -11.

**SWAYTHLING CUP****First Category****Group A**

	CHN	TCH	FRA	YUG	KOR	SWE	FRG	USA	Points	Games	Place
China	x	5-0	5-0	5-0	5-1	5-0	5-0	5-0	7	35-1	1
Czechoslovakia	0-5	x	3-5	2-5	0-5	1-5	5-3	5-3	2	16-31	6
France	0-5	5-3	x	5-4	4-5	1-5	5-4	5-3	4	25-29	4
Yugoslavia	0-5	5-2	4-5	x	5-1	3-5	1-5	5-1	3	23-24	5
Rep. of Korea	1-5	5-0	5-4	1-5	x	4-5	5-0	5-1	4	26-20	3
Sweden	0-5	5-1	5-1	5-3	5-4	x	5-2	5-1	6	30-17	2
FR Germany	0-5	3-5	4-5	5-1	0-5	2-5	x	5-3	2	19-29	7
USA	0-5	3-5	3-5	1-5	1-5	1-5	3-5	x	0	12-35	8

**Group B**

	HUN	JPN	ENG	POL	PRK	ITA	URS	DEN	Points	Games	Place
Hungary	x	5-2	2-5	5-1	5-3	5-2	5-3	5-0	6	32-16	2
Japan	2-5	x	5-3	5-0	5-1	5-0	5-0	5-0	6	32-9	3
ENGLAND	5-2	3-5	x	5-3	5-1	5-0	5-1	5-0	6	33-12	1
Poland	1-5	0-5	3-5	x	3-5	5-1	5-4	5-1	3	22-26	5
DPR Korea	3-5	1-5	1-5	5-3	x	5-2	5-1	5-0	4	25-21	4
Italy	2-5	0-5	0-5	1-5	2-5	x	5-2	5-2	2	15-29	6
USSR	3-5	0-5	1-5	4-5	1-5	2-5	x	5-2	1	16-32	7
Denmark	0-5	0-5	0-5	1-5	0-5	2-5	2-5	x	0	5-35	8

**ENGLISH RESULTS****v Italy (won 5-0)**

J. Hilton bt G. Bisi 18, -18, 15;  
 bt M. Costantini -16, 19, 7;  
 D. Douglas bt S. Pero 8, 11;  
 bt Bisi 14, 17.  
 C. Preat bt Costantini 14, 17.

**v Poland (won 5-3)**

Preat bt S. Dryszel 13, -20, 14;  
 bt L. Kucharski 10, -20, 13;  
 bt A. Grubba 17, -19, 12;  
 Hilton lost to Kucharski -16, -22;  
 bt Grubba -18, 11, 16.  
 Douglas lost to Grubba -20, 4, -18;  
 lost to Dryszel -10, -7;  
 bt Kucharski 14, 16.

**v Japan (lost 3-5)**

Hilton lost to S. Ono -15, -18;  
 lost to K. Saito -18, -15;  
 Douglas bt J. Nukazuka 17, -10, 17;  
 bt Ono 19, -16, 16;  
 lost to Saito -19, -10.  
 Preat lost to Saito -13, -9;  
 bt Nakazuka 21, 20;  
 lost to Ono -17, -14.

**v USSR (won 5-1)**

Douglas bt A. Mazunov 12, 9;  
 bt I. Solopov 14, 16.  
 G. Sandley lost to Solopov -15, -20;  
 bt M. Ovcharov -18, 18, 13.  
 Preat bt Ovcharov 12, 17;  
 bt Mazunov 9, 14.

**v Hungary (won 5-2)**

Douglas bt Z. Kriston 21, 20;  
 bt I. Jonnyer 20, 17;  
 Sandley lost to Jonnyer -12, -13;  
 lost to G. Gergely 13, -19, -16;  
 Preat bt Gergely 20, -8, 15;  
 bt Kriston 16, 20;  
 bt Jonnyer 19, -23, 16.

**v DPR Korea (won 5-1)**

Hilton bt Hong Chol 15, -16, 14;  
 lost to Cho Yong Ho -18, -19.  
 Douglas bt Chu Jong Chl 15, 21;  
 bt Hong Chol 19, 13.  
 Preat bt Cho Yong Ho 15, 15;  
 bt Chu Jong Chol 7, 18.

**v Denmark (won 5-0)**

Douglas bt C. Pedersen 13, 12;  
 bt J. Harkamp 18, 10.  
 Preat bt K. Kartholm 6, 18;  
 bt Pedersen 18, 12.  
 Hilton bt Harkamp 10, 12.

**Women's Doubles Round 1:**

J. Bellinger/Witt lost to Dai Lili/Shen Jianping (CHN) -12, 14, -9;  
 L. Bellinger/Grundy bt D. Fetter/E. Maier (AUT) 15, 13, 21.

**Round 2:**

L. Bellinger/Grundy lost to G. Szabo/E. Urban (HUN) -17, -22, 18, 18, -18.

**Mixed Doubles Qualifying Rounds:**

Johnson/Grundy bt G. Patino/A. Tellas (ARG) 16, 10, 14;  
 bt J. Ng/B. McKnight (CAN) 6, 11, 17.  
 Preat/L. Bellinger bt J. Vila/M. Perez (DOM) 14, 10, 10;  
 bt M. Singh/I. Puri (IND) 19, 13, 13.  
 Sandley/J. Bellinger bt S. Pero/L. Vignola (ITA) 12, 12, 18;  
 lost to J. Ikonen/S. Grefberg (FIN) -11, 12, -24, 16, -19.

**Round 1 (Draw order):**

Hilton/L. Urzica-Macean (ROM) bt E. Caetano/M. Domonkos (CAN) 14, -17, 9, 17;  
 Preat/L. Bellinger lost to Chen Jian/Dai Lili (CHN) 18, -17, -15, -9.  
 Douglas/Witt bt H. Abe/T. Takagi (JPN) 18, 13, 17.  
 Johnson/Grundy bt K. Kawamura/T. Tamura (JPN) 13, 15, 20.

**Round 2:**

Hilton/Urzica-Macean lost to I. Jonnyer/G. Szabo (HUN) -19, -21, 19, 20, -14.  
 Douglas/Witt lost to I. Solopov/F. Bulatova (URS) -12, 10, -14, -19.  
 Johnson/Grundy lost to Guo Yuehua/Ni Xialian (CHN) 17, -9, -8, -12.

**Second and Third Stages****(Positions 1 to 4)**

A1/B2 China 5 Hungary 0  
 A2/B1 Sweden 5 England 0  
 E. Lindh bt Hilton 17, 15;  
 bt Douglas 8, 19.  
 M. Appelgren bt Douglas -14, 14, 16.  
 J-O. Waldner bt Preat 24, 16;  
 bt Hilton 14, 12.

**Positions 1 and 2**

CHINA 5 Sweden 1  
 Jiang Jialiang bt Waldner -18, 17, 14;  
 bt Appelgren 10, 13.  
 Xie Saike lost to Appelgren -18, 9, -14;  
 bt Lindh -17, 13, 9.  
 Cai Zhenhua bt Lindh 14, 14;  
 bt Waldner 28, 16.

**Positions 3 and 4**

Hungary 5 England 2  
 Kriston bt Hilton -17, 9, 8;  
 lost to Douglas -17, -11.  
 J. Molnar bt Douglas 24, 21;  
 lost to Preat 20, -19, -9.  
 Jonnyer bt Preat -17, 16, 14;  
 bt Hilton 13, 14;  
 bt Douglas 15, -13, 12.

**(Positions 5 to 8)**

A3/B4 Rep. of Korea 1 DPR Korea 5  
 B3/A4 Japan 5 France 2

**Positions 5 and 6**

Japan 5 DPR Korea 2  
 Nukazuka lost to Hong Chol -18, -15;  
 bt Cho Yong Ho 19, -17, 19.  
 Saito bt Chu Jong Chol 22, -20, 19;  
 bt Hong Chol 15, 13;  
 bt Cho Yong Ho 13, 16.  
 Ono lost to Cho Yong Ho -16, -20;  
 bt Chu Jong Chol 17, 16.

**Positions 7 and 8**

Rep. of Korea 5 France 2  
 Kim Kitaek bt C. Martin 20, 17;  
 lost to P. Renverse 21, -11, -8.  
 Kim Wan bt Renverse 13, 18;  
 bt P. Birocheau 11, -16, 5;  
 Park Lee Hee lost to Birocheau 19, -18, -18;  
 bt Martin 16, 18;  
 bt Renverse 15, 16.

**(Positions 9 to 12)**

A5/B6 Yugoslavia 5 Italy 1  
 B5/A6 Poland 1 Czechoslovakia 5

**Positions 9 and 10**

**Yugoslavia 5 Czechoslovakia 2**  
 Z. Kalinic bt M. Broda 17, 17;  
 bt J. Dvoracek -15, 19, 18;  
 D. Surbek lost to J. Pansky -17, -22;  
 bt Broda -19, 18, 13;  
 bt Dvoracek 10, 7.  
**B. Mesaros bt Dvoracek 5, 8;**  
 lost to Pansky -9, -17.

**Positions 11 and 12**

**Italy 5 Poland 3**  
 Bisi bt A. Jakubowicz 16, 8;  
 lost to Dryszel -13, -18;  
 bt M. Pieronczyk 10, 17;  
 Pero lost to Dryszel -17, -12;  
 bt Pieronczyk -17, 9, 8.  
**Costantini bt Pieronczyk 19, 13;**  
 bt Jakubowicz 17, -9, 17;  
 lost to Dryszel -10, -18.

**(Positions 13 to 16)**

**A7/B8 FR Germany 4 Denmark 5**  
**B7/A8 USSR 2 USA 5**

**Positions 13 and 14**

**USA 5 Denmark 4**  
 D. Seemiller lost to Kartholm -15, -13;  
 lost to L. Hauth -14, -12;  
 bt Harkamp 15, -13, 12.  
**E. Boggan bt Harkamp 12, 9;**  
 bt Kartholm 11, 18;  
 bt Hauth 12, 19.  
**S. Boggan lost to Hauth -15, -14;**  
 bt Harkamp 18, -19, 15;  
 lost to Kartholm -21, 23, -22.

**Positions 15 and 16**

**FR Germany 5 USSR 4**  
 R. Wosik lost to Ovcharov -19, -11;  
 bt I. Minkevich -13, 16, 14;  
 bt Mazunov 23, 20.  
**G. Bohm bt Mazunov 10, 17;**  
 lost to Ovcharov -19, -16;  
 bt Minkevitch 23, -19, 19.  
**J. Rebel lost to Minkevich 18, -18, -18;**  
 bt Mazunov -17, 16, 15;  
 lost to Ovcharov 18, -15, -4.

**v Israel (lost 3-5)**

J. Broe lost to J. Bogen -11, -18;  
 lost to D. Polak -3, -17.  
**Yule bt A. Rosenboim 17, 21;**  
 bt Bogen 16, 17;  
 lost to Polak -10, -14.  
**Rodger lost to Polak 21, -16, -17;**  
 bt Rosenboim 13, 13;  
 lost to Bogen 8, -15, -15.

**v India (lost 0-5)**

Rodger lost to M. Singh -16, 18, -16;  
 lost to C. Venugopal -19, -12.  
**Broe lost to K. Mehta -12, -12;**  
 lost to Singh -9, 17, -12.  
**Yule lost to Venugopal 10, -17, -13.**

**WELSH RESULTS**

**v India (lost 2-5)**

N. Thomas lost to Singh -10, -18;  
 lost to Venugopal -19, -19.  
**A. Griffiths bt M. Dua 13, -11, 16;**  
 lost to Singh -26, 12, -20;  
 lost to Venugopal -19, -18.  
**M. Thomas lost to Venugopal -14, 16, -9;**  
 bt Dua -10, 16, 15.

**v Hong Kong (lost 0-5)**

M. Thomas lost to Vong lu Veng -8, -14;  
 lost to Chan Kong Wah -7, -12.  
**Griffiths lost to Chan Kong Wah -3, -7.**  
**N. Thomas lost to Chiu Man Kuen -14, -11;**  
 lost to Vong lu Veng -10, -10.

**v Scotland (lost 2-5)**

See Scottish results.

**v Australia (lost 0-5)**

M. Thomas lost to Haberl -19, -18;  
 lost to Tuckett -9, -13.  
**Griffiths lost to Tepper -19, -14;**  
 lost to Haberl 20, -15, -13.  
**N. Thomas lost to Tuckett -5, -12.**

**v Netherlands (lost 1-5)**

N. Thomas lost to R. Hijne -16, -16;  
 lost to v. Spanje -0, -10.  
**Griffiths lost to v. Spanje -20, -16;**  
 lost to Potton -16, -16.  
**M. Thomas lost to Potton -13, -12;**  
 bt Hijne 13, 10.

**v Switzerland (lost 4-5)**

M. Thomas lost to Miller -17, -11;  
 lost to Busin -15, 19, -18;  
 lost to Renold 12, -17, -22.  
**Griffiths bt Renold 19, 15;**  
 bt Miller 10, -20, 17;  
 bt Busin 7, 13.  
**N. Thomas lost to Busin -18, -18;**  
 lost to Renold -13, -19;  
 bt Miller 18, 18.

**v Israel (lost 1-5)**

Griffiths lost to Bogen -16, -15;  
 lost to Polak -14, -9.  
**N. Thomas lost to Polak -18, 19, -11;**  
 lost to Rosenboim -14, -17.  
**M. Thomas lost to Rosenboim -16, 19, -16;**  
 bt Bogan 13, -14, 18.

**Second and Third Stages**

**(Positions 17 to 20)**

**C1/D2 Nigeria 2 India 5**  
**D1/C2 Hong Kong 5 Norway 0**

**Positions 17 and 18**

**Hong Kong 5 India 0**

**Positions 19 and 20**

**Nigeria 5 Norway 0**

**(Positions 21 to 24)**

**C3/D4 Indonesia 5 Netherlands 3**

**D3/C4 Australia 3 Finland 5**

**Positions 21 and 22**

**Indonesia 5 Finland 1**

**Positions 23 and 24**

**Netherlands 5 Australia 3**

**(Positions 25 to 28)**

**C5/D6 Austria 4 Scotland 5**

Rodger lost to E. Amplatz -9, -16;  
 bt D. Palmi 19, 19;  
 bt P. Gockner 15, 19.  
**Yule bt Gockner 15, 18;**  
 bt Amplatz 15, 10;  
 lost to Palmi -17, -19.  
**Hannah bt Palmi -18, 15, 8;**  
 lost to Gockner -11, 11, -19;  
 lost to Amplatz 16, -16, -18.

**D5/C6 Israel w.o. Pakistan scr**

**Positions 25 and 26**

**Scotland 5 Israel 4**

Hannah bt Bogen 16, 15;  
 bt Polak 16, -19, 20;  
 lost to Rosenboim -20, 14, -14.  
**Rodger lost to Polak -17, 20, -14;**  
 bt Rosenboim 17, -9, 19;  
 bt Bogen -15, 19, 14.  
**Yule lost to Rosenboim 14, -19, -14;**  
 lost to Bogen -15, -16;  
 bt Polak 16, 19.

**Positions 27 and 28**

**Austria 5 Pakistan 2**

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**Second Category**

**Group C**

	INA	NGR	AUT	FIN	MAL	NOR	PAK	EGY	Points	Games	Place
Indonesia	x	0-5	5-3	5-2	5-1	1-5	5-0	5-0	5	26-16	3
Nigeria	5-0	x	5-1	5-1	5-0	5-0	5-0	5-0	7	35-2	1
Austria	3-5	1-5	x	2-5	5-3	3-5	5-2	5-0	3	24-25	5
Finland	2-5	1-5	5-2	x	5-2	5-2	3-5	5-0	4	26-21	4
Malaysia	1-5	0-5	3-5	2-5	x	2-5	2-5	5-2	1	15-32	7
Norway	5-1	0-5	5-3	2-5	5-2	x	5-4	5-0	5	27-20	2
Pakistan	0-5	0-5	2-5	5-3	5-2	4-5	x	5-1	3	21-26	6
Egypt	0-5	0-5	0-5	0-5	2-5	0-5	1-5	x	0	3-35	8

**Group D**

	AUS	HKG	HOL	IND	WAL	ISR	SCO	SUI	Points	Games	Place
Australia	x	0-5	5-2	0-5	5-0	5-2	5-1	5-2	5	25-17	3
Hong Kong	5-0	x	5-1	5-0	5-0	5-0	5-1	5-0	7	35-2	1
Netherlands	2-5	1-5	x	2-5	5-1	5-1	5-1	5-0	4	25-18	4
India	5-0	0-5	5-2	x	5-2	5-0	5-0	5-0	6	30-9	2
Wales	0-5	0-5	1-5	2-5	x	1-5	2-5	4-5	0	10-35	8
Israel	2-5	0-5	1-5	0-5	5-1	x	5-3	5-0	3	18-24	5
Scotland	1-5	1-5	1-5	0-5	5-2	3-5	x	5-2	2	16-29	6
Switzerland	2-5	0-5	0-5	0-5	5-4	0-5	2-5	x	1	9-34	7

**SCOTTISH RESULTS**

**v Hong Kong (lost 1-5)**

R. Yule lost to Chan Kong Wah 18, -10, -12;  
 lost to Chiu Man Kuen -14, -12.  
**D. Hannah bt Vong lu Veng 17, 21;**  
 lost to Chan Kong Wah -12, -16.  
**K. Rodger lost to Chiu Man Kuen -12, -9;**  
 lost to Vong lu Veng -24, 21, -10.

**v Australia (lost 1-5)**

Yule bt G. Tepper 13, 16;  
 lost to R. Tuckett -16, -9.  
**Rodger lost to Tuckett -8, -15;**  
 lost to G. Haberl -17, -15;  
**Hannah lost to Haberl 9, -9, 20;**  
 lost to Tepper -18, -19.

**v Wales (won 5-2)**

Yule bt N. Thomas 8, 11;  
 bt A. Griffiths 6, 19.  
**Rodger lost to Griffiths -20, -15;**  
 bt M. Thomas 11, 18;  
**Hannah lost to M. Thomas -19, 18, -15;**  
 bt N. Thomas 16, 11;  
 bt Griffiths 19, -19, 19.

**v Netherlands (lost 1-5)**

Yule bt H. Gootzen 14, 11;  
 lost to H. van Spanje -13, 17, -8.  
**Rodger lost to v. Spanje -16, 18, -16;**  
 lost to R. Potton -18, -16.  
**Hannah lost to Potton -19, 17, -17;**  
 lost to Gootzen -13, 16, -21.

**v Switzerland (won 5-2)**

Yule bt S. Renold 9, 11;  
 bt T. Miller 16, 13.  
**Rodger lost to Miller -19, -13;**  
 lost to T. Busin -16, -14.  
**Hannah bt Busin 21, -10, 9;**  
 bt Renold -18, 18, 13;  
 bt Miller 20, 17.

**Third Category**

**(Stage 1)**

**Group E**

	ESP	BEL	MAC	ECU	THA	ESA	VEN	Points	Games	Place
Spain	x	1-5	5-1	w.o.	5-2	5-1	5-1	5	26-10	2
Belgium	5-1	x	5-0	w.o.	5-1	5-0	5-0	6	30-2	1
Macao	1-5	0-5	x	w.o.	1-5	5-3	5-3	3	17-21	5
Ecuador	Absent							0	0-6	7
Thailand	2-5	1-5	5-1	w.o.	x	5-1	3-5	3	21-17	3
El Salvador	1-5	0-5	3-5	w.o.	1-5	x	3-5	1	13-25	6
Venezuela	1-5	0-5	3-5	w.o.	5-3	5-3	x	3	19-21	4

**Group F**

	SIN	YAR	ARG	LBA	CUB	GUA	ZIM	Points	Games	Place
Singapore	x	5-2	5-2	5-0	5-1	5-1	5-0	6	30-6	1
Yemen A.R.	2-5	x	5-4	5-2	2-5	5-2	5-0	4	24-18	3
Argentina	2-5	4-5	x	5-1	2-5	5-4	5-0	3	23-20	4
Libya	0-5	2-5	1-5	x	0-5	2-5	5-0	1	10-25	6
Cuba	1-5	5-2	5-2	5-0	x	5-0	5-0	5	26-9	2
Guatemala	1-5	2-5	4-5	5-2	0-5	x	5-0	2	17-22	5
Zimbabwe	0-5	0-5	0-5	0-5	0-5	0-5	x	0	0-30	7

**Group G**

	BRA.	CAN	DOM	MLT	PER	COL	TAN	Points	Games	Place
Brazil	x	5-1	3-5	5-0	w.o.	5-0	w.o.	5	28-6	1
Canada	1-5	x	5-3	5-0	w.o.	5-0	w.o.	5	26-8	3
Dominican R.	5-3	3-5	x	5-0	w.o.	5-0	w.o.	5	28-8	2
Malta	0-5	0-5	0-5	x	w.o.	5-4	w.o.	3	15-19	4
Peru	Absent							1	5-25	6
Colombia	0-5	0-5	0-5	4-5	w.o.	x	w.o.	2	14-20	5
Tanzania	Absent							0	0-30	7

**Group H**

	NZL	LUX	ISL	MAR	SAU	LIB	PHI	Points	Games	Place
New Zealand	x	2-5	5-0	5-0	5-2	5-0	5-1	5	27-8	2
Luxembourg	5-2	x	5-0	5-0	5-2	5-1	5-1	6	30-6	1
Iceland	0-5	0-5	x	0-5	0-5	2-5	0-5	0	2-30	7
Morocco	0-5	0-5	5-0	x	0-5	5-3	0-5	2	10-23	5
Saudi Arabia	2-5	2-5	5-0	5-0	x	5-1	5-2	4	24-13	3
Lebanon	0-5	1-5	5-2	3-5	1-5	x	3-5	1	13-27	6
Philippines	1-5	1-5	5-0	5-0	2-5	5-3	x	3	19-18	4

(Positions 29 to 32)

C7/D8 Malaysia 0 Wales 5
Griffiths bt Kok Chong Fatt 18, 19;
bt Lee Kin Kee 17, 14.
N. Thomas bt Lee Kin Kee -12, 19, 20.
M. Thomas bt Lim Chin Leong 20, 12;
bt Kok Chong Fatt 16, 13.

D7/C8 Switzerland 5 Egypt 1

Positions 29 and 30

Switzerland 5 Wales 4
Griffiths bt Miller 11, 14;
bt Renold 16, -22, 15;
bt Busin 21, 19, 18.
N. Thomas lost to Renold -20, -19;
lost to Busin -17, -13;
lost to Miller -22, 12, -18.
M. Thomas lost to Busin 19, -15, -19;
lost to Miller -12, -14;
bt Renold 17, 15.

Positions 31 and 32
Malaysia 5 Egypt 0

3rd Category

- 33 †Brazil (38)
34 †Belgium (42)
35 Singapore (36)
36 Luxembourg (40)
37 New Zealand (39)
38 Spain (35)
39 Dominican Rep. (45)
40 Cuba (-)
41 Canada (41)
42 Thailand (-)
43 Yemen Arab Rep. (44)
44 Saudi Arabia (-)
45 Argentina (49)
46 Venezuela (-)
47 Philippines (-)
48 Malta (52)
49 Macao (50)
50 Guatemala (-)
51 Morocco (55)
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55 Lebanon (-)

56 Iceland (48)
57 Zimbabwe (-)
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Third Category
(Stage 2)

Group I

Table with 5 columns: Country, BEL, SIN, BRA, LUX. Rows: E1 Belgium, F1 Singapore, G1 Brazil, H1 Luxembourg.

Group J

Table with 5 columns: Country, ESP, CUB, DOM, NZL. Rows: E2 Spain, F2 Cuba, G2 Dominican R., H2 New Zealand.

Group K

Table with 5 columns: Country, THA, YAR, CAN, SAU. Rows: E3 Thailand, F3 Yemen A.R., G3 Canada, H3 Saudi Arabia.

Group L

Table with 5 columns: Country, VEN, ARG, MLT, PHI. Rows: E4 Venezuela, F4 Argentina, G4 Malta, H4 Philippines.

Group M

Table with 5 columns: Country, MAC, GUA, COL, MAR. Rows: E5 Macao, F5 Guatemala, G5 Colombia, H5 Morocco.

Group N

Table with 5 columns: Country, ESA, LBA, PER, LIB. Rows: E6 El Salvador, F6 Libya, G6 Peru, H6 Lebanon.

Group O

Table with 5 columns: Country, ECU, ZIM, TAN, ISL. Rows: E7 Ecuador, F7 Zimbabwe, G7 Tanzania, H7 Iceland.

Summary table for Third Category (Stage 2) with columns: Points, Games, Place. Rows for Groups I through O.

SWAYTHLING CUP

Final Positions

(Previous positions in brackets)

1st Category

- 1 CHINA (1)
2 Sweden (11)
3 Hungary (2)
4 England (6)
5 Japan (3)
6 DPR Korea (10)
7 Rep. of Korea (9)
8 France (5)
9 Yugoslavia (7)
10 Czechoslovakia (4)
11 Italy (12)
12 Poland (8)
13 USA (18)
14 Denmark (17)
15 \*FR Germany (13)
16 \*USSR (14)

\* Demoted to 2nd Category

2nd Category

- 17 †Hong Kong (19)
18 †India (26)
19 Nigeria (22)
20 Norway (29)
21 Indonesia (15)
22 Finland (25)
23 Netherlands (24)
24 Australia (16)
25 Scotland (33)
26 Israel (30)
27 Austria (23)
28 Pakistan (34)
29 Switzerland (31)
30 Wales (27)
31 \*Malaysia (28)
32 \*Egypt (32)

† Promoted to 1st Category
\* Demoted to 3rd Category

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

Swaythling Cup

England

Table for England with columns: Douglas, Sandley, Prean, Hilton, F, A, Opponents. Rows: Douglas, Sandley, Prean, Hilton, F, A, Opponents.

Scotland

Table for Scotland with columns: Hannah, Yule, Rodger, Broe, F, A, Opponents. Rows: Hannah, Yule, Rodger, Broe, F, A, Opponents.

Wales

Table for Wales with columns: Griffiths, M. Thomas, N. Thomas, F, A, Opponents. Rows: Griffiths, M. Thomas, N. Thomas, F, A, Opponents.

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**MARCEL CORBILLON CUP**

**First Category**

**Group A**

	CHN	PRK	FRG	HUN	TCH	YUG	FRA	HOL	Points	Games	Place
China	x	3-0	3-0	3-0	3-0	3-0	3-0	3-0	7	21-0	1
DPR Korea	0-3	x	3-1	3-1	3-0	3-0	3-0	3-0	6	18-5	2
FR Germany	0-3	1-3	x	3-2	0-3	3-2	1-3	2-3	2	10-19	5
Hungary	0-3	1-3	2-3	x	1-3	3-0	3-0	1-3	2	11-15	6
Czechoslovakia	0-3	0-3	3-0	3-1	x	3-2	3-0	3-1	5	15-10	3
Yugoslavia	0-3	0-3	2-3	0-3	2-3	x	3-2	1-3	1	8-20	7
France	0-3	0-3	3-1	0-3	0-3	2-3	x	0-3	1	5-19	8
Netherlands	0-3	0-3	3-2	3-1	1-3	3-1	3-0	x	4	13-13	4

**Group B**

	KOR	URS	ROM	SWE	JPN	ENG	FIN	AUT	Points	Games	Place
Rep. of Korea	x	3-2	3-1	3-0	1-3	3-0	3-0	3-0	6	19-6	3
USSR	2-3	x	3-1	3-0	3-2	3-0	3-0	3-0	6	20-6	2
Rumania	1-3	1-3	x	3-1	0-3	1-3	3-0	3-1	3	12-14	5
Sweden	0-3	0-3	1-3	x	0-3	1-3	3-2	3-0	2	8-17	6
Japan	3-1	2-3	3-0	3-0	x	3-0	3-0	3-0	6	20-4	4
England	0-3	0-3	3-1	3-1	0-3	x	3-1	3-0	4	12-12	7
Finland	0-3	0-3	0-3	2-3	0-3	1-3	x	3-0	1	6-18	8
Austria	0-3	0-3	1-3	0-3	0-3	0-3	0-3	x	0	1-21	8

**ENGLISH RESULTS**

**(Positions 5 to 8)**

**v Rumania (won 3-1)**

K. Witt lost to M. Alboiu 17, -10, -15;  
 bt O. Nemes 17, -20, 18.  
 L. Bellinger bt Nemes 19, -18, 11.  
 J./L. Bellinger bt Alboiu/Nemes 16, -12, 17.

**v Finland (won 3-1)**

Witt lost to S. Grefberg -22, -15.  
 L. Bellinger bt E. Malmberg 18, 9;  
 bt Grefberg 13, 14.  
 J./L. Bellinger bt Grefberg/Malmberg -17, 23, 12.

**v Rep. of Korea (lost 0-3)**

Witt lost to An Hae Sook -20, -9.  
 L. Bellinger lost to Yoon Kyung Mi -19, 18, -19.  
 J./L. Bellinger lost to An Hae Sook/Yang Young Ja  
 -14, -14.

**v USSR (lost 0-3)**

Witt lost to V. Popova -7, -16.  
 L. Bellinger lost to F. Bulatova -19, -14.  
 J./L. Bellinger lost to Bulatova/I. Kovalenko -18, -15.

**v Sweden (won 3-1)**

L. Bellinger bt M. Weizades -19, 17, 15;  
 bt M. Lindblad 13, -17, 20.  
 Witt bt Lindblad 13, 19.  
 J./L. Bellinger lost to Lindblad/Weizades -20, -19.

**v Austria (won 3-0)**

L. Bellinger bt D. Fetter 11, 9.  
 Witt bt E. Maier 13, 10.  
 J./L. Bellinger bt Fetter/Maier 10, 17.

**v Japan (lost 0-3)**

Witt lost to T. Tamura -10, -11.  
 L. Bellinger lost to F. Shinpo -10, -17.  
 J./L. Bellinger lost to Shinpo/Tamura -11, -8.

**Second and Third Stages**

**(Positions 1 to 4)**

**A1/B2 China 3 USSR 0**

**B1/A2 Japan 3 DPR Korea 1**

**Positions 1 and 2**

**CHINA 3 Japan 0**

Cao Yanhua bt M. Hoshino 13, 17.  
 Geng Lijuan bt E. Kanda 8, 12.  
 Cao Yanhua/Ni Xialian bt Shinpo/Tamura 16, 8.

**Positions 3 and 4**

**DPR Korea 3 USSR 1**

Kim Gyong Sun bt Kovalenko 20, 13;  
 bt A. Zakharian 15, 19.  
 Chang Yon Ok lost to Zakharian 19, -18, -23.  
 Chang Yon Ok/Kim Gyong Sun bt Bulatova/Kovalenko  
 18, 20.

**A3/B4 Czechoslovakia 3 England 1**

B. Silhanova lost to L. Bellinger -20, -16;  
 M. Hrachova bt Witt 12, 18;  
 bt L. Bellinger 12, 14.

**B3/A4 Rep. of Korea 3 Netherlands 0**

**Positions 5 and 6**

**Rep. of Korea 3 Czechoslovakia 0**

Yoon Kyung Mi bt Hrachova -18, 11, 21.  
 An Hae Sook bt Silhanova 18, 11.  
 An Hae Sook/Yang Young Ja bt Hrachova/Silhanova 9, 10.

**Positions 7 and 8**

**England 3 Netherlands 1**

L. Bellinger lost to E. Bakker -13, -10;  
 bt M. Kloppenburg 14, 12.  
 Witt bt Kloppenburg 17, -17, 15.  
 J./L. Bellinger bt Bakker/Kloppenburg -18, 17, 20.

**(Positions 9 to 12)**

**A5/B6 FR Germany 3 Sweden 1**

**A6/B5 Hungary 3 Rumania 1**

**Positions 9 and 10**

**Hungary 3 FR Germany 0**

G. Szabo bt K. Kruger -23, 16, 15.  
 E. Urban bt S. Wenzel 18, 16.  
 Szabo/Urban bt Kruger/Wenzel 12, -15, 17.

**Positions 11 and 12**

**Rumania 3 Sweden 1**

Alboiu bt Weizades -17, 14, 20.  
 Nemes bt P. Eliasson 13, 11;

**Group C**

	HKG	CAN	LUX	MAL	NZL	USA	ITA	SIN	Points	Games	Place
Hong Kong	x	3-0	3-0	3-0	3-0	3-0	3-0	3-0	7	21-0	1
Canada	0-3	x	1-3	3-1	3-1	1-3	3-0	3-1	4	14-12	3
Luxembourg	0-3	3-1	x	3-1	2-3	0-3	3-0	1-3	3	12-14	6
Malaysia	0-3	1-3	1-3	x	1-3	0-3	0-3	0-3	0	3-21	8
New Zealand	0-3	1-3	3-2	3-1	x	1-3	3-0	3-2	4	14-14	4
USA	0-3	3-1	3-0	3-0	3-1	x	3-1	3-0	6	18-6	2
Italy	0-3	0-3	0-3	3-0	0-3	1-3	x	1-3	1	5-18	7
Singapore	0-3	1-3	3-1	3-0	2-3	0-3	3-1	x	3	12-14	5

**Group D**

	IND	POL	DEN	BEL	INA	AUS	MAC	IRL	Points	Games	Place
India	x	2-3	2-3	0-3	3-1	3-1	2-3	3-1	3	15-15	5
Poland	3-2	x	3-2	0-3	3-1	3-0	3-1	3-1	6	18-10	2
Denmark	3-2	2-3	x	0-3	0-3	3-0	3-0	3-1	4	14-12	4
Belgium	3-0	3-0	3-0	x	2-3	3-0	3-1	3-0	6	20-4	1
Indonesia	1-3	1-3	3-0	3-2	x	3-1	3-1	3-0	5	17-10	3
Australia	1-3	0-3	0-3	0-3	1-3	x	3-2	1-3	1	6-20	8
Macao	3-2	1-3	0-3	1-3	1-3	2-3	x	3-0	2	11-17	6
Ireland	1-3	1-3	1-3	0-3	0-3	3-1	0-3	x	1	6-19	7

bt Weizades 14, 15.  
 Alboiu/Nemes lost to Lindblad/Weizades 12, -17, -18.

**(Positions 13 to 16)**

**A7/B8 Yugoslavia 3 Austria 0**

**A8/B7 France 3 Finland 1**

**Positions 13 and 14**

**Yugoslavia 3 France 0**

G. Perkucin bt N. Daviaud 13, 17.  
 B. Batinic bt P. Germain 16, 14.  
 Batinic/Perkucin bt Germain/B. Thiriet 18, 13.

**Positions 15 and 16**

**Finland 3 Austria 1**

Grefberg bt V. Kottek 13, 17;  
 bt E. Deistler 12, 17.  
 Malmberg lost to Deistler 14, -20, -11.  
 Grefberg/Malmberg bt Deistler/Kottek 18, 20.

**IRISH RESULTS**

**v India (lost 1-3)**

M. Sheehan lost to I. Puri -12, -14.  
 A. Leonard bt S. Mehta 15, -19, 18;  
 lost to Puri -12, -19.  
 Leonard/Sheehan lost to Puri/Vyoma -17, 17, -18.

**v Australia (won 3-1)**

Leonard bt D. Millikan 21, 17;  
 bt N. Bisiach 11, 13.  
 Sheehan lost to Bisiach -17, -12.  
 Leonard/Sheehan bt Bisiach/McClintock 12, -13, 13.

**v Belgium (lost 0-3)**

Leonard lost to M-F. Germit -13, -18.  
 Sheehan lost to B. Lippens -9, -12.  
 Leonard/Sheehan lost to Germit/Lippens -4, -10.

**v Poland (lost 1-3)**

Sheehan lost to J. Szatko -5, -14.  
 Leonard bt E. Brzezinska -15, 19, 19;  
 lost to Szatko -11, -18.  
 Leonard/Sheehan lost to E. Pozniak/Szatko 8, -16, -8.

**v Macao (lost 0-3)**

Leonard lost to It Hong Kit -17, -16.  
 Sheehan lost to Mok Ka Lai -11, -2.  
 Leonard/Sheehan lost to It Hong Kit/Mok Ka Lai -10, -12.

**v Indonesia (lost 0-3)**

Sheehan lost to Carla T.S. -8, -7.  
 Leonard lost to D. Wuisan -14, -16.  
 Leonard/Sheehan lost to Carla T.S./Wuisan -14, -16.

**v Denmark (lost 1-3)**

Leonard bt L. Jakobsen 19, 15;  
 lost to A. Ramberg -11, -15.  
 Sheehan lost to Ramberg -12, -10.  
 Leonard/Sheehan lost to Jakobsen/Ramberg -14, -12.

**Second and Third Stages**

**(Positions 17 to 20)**

**C1/D2 Hong Kong 3 USA 0**

**D1/C2 Belgium 3 USA 2**

**Second Category**

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**Positions 17 and 18**  
 Hong Kong 3 Belgium 0

**Positions 19 and 20**  
 Poland 3 USA 1

(Positions 21 to 24)

C3/D4 Canada 3 Denmark 1  
 D3/C4 Indonesia 3 New Zealand 0

**Positions 21 and 22**  
 Indonesia 3 Canada 2

**Positions 23 and 24**  
 New Zealand 3 Denmark 1

(Positions 25 to 28)

D6/C5 Macao 3 Singapore 1  
 D5/C6 India 3 Luxembourg 1

**Positions 25 and 26**  
 India 3 Macao 1

**Positions 27 and 28**  
 Singapore 3 Luxembourg 2

(Positions 29 to 32)

D8/C7 Australia 3 Italy 0  
 C8/D7 Malaysia 3 Ireland 1

Yong Yoke Peng lost to Leonard -19, -17.  
 Leong Mee Wan bt Sheehan 12, 10;  
 bt Leonard 15, 5.  
 Leong Mee Wan/Loke Wai Har bt Leonard/Sheehan 15, 5.

**Positions 29 and 30**  
 Australia 3 Malaysia 0

**Positions 31 and 32**  
 Italy 3 Ireland 1

A. Busnardo bt Sheehan 6, 9;  
 bt Leonard 17, 3.  
 L. Vignola lost to Leonard -18, -10.  
 Busnardo/Vignola bt Leonard/Sheehan 13, -19, 19.

**SCOTTISH RESULTS**

**v Lebanon (won 3-0)**  
 Forbes bt N. Nader 7, 8.  
 Dalrymple bt G. Sarkissian 5, 11.  
 Dalrymple/Forbes bt C. Chikhani/Nader 7, 11.

**v Zimbabwe (won 3-0)**  
 Dalrymple bt D. Brown 8, 5.  
 Forbes bt L. Frost 8, 9.  
 Dalrymple/Forbes bt Brown/Frost 9, 15.

**Third Category  
 (Stage 2)**

Group M				Points	Games	Place
Nigeria	NGR	VEN	GUA	0	0-6	—
Venezuela	w.o.	x	3-0	2	6-0	45
Guatemala	w.o.	0-3	x	1	3-3	46

Group N				Points	Games	Place
Tanzania	TAN	ARG		0	0-3	—
Argentina	w.o.	x		1	3-0	47

**MARCEL CORBILLON CUP**

**Final Positions**

(Previous positions in brackets)

**1st Category**

- 1 CHINA (1)
- 2 Japan (9)
- 3 DPR Korea (3)
- 4 USSR (4)
- 5 Rep. of Korea (2)
- 6 Czechoslovakia (10)
- 7 England (12)
- 8 Netherlands (17)
- 9 Hungary (7)
- 10 FR Germany (5)
- 11 Rumania (6)
- 12 Sweden (8)
- 13 Yugoslavia (11)
- 14 France (14)
- 15 \*Finland (13)
- 16 \*Austria (18)

\* Demoted to 2nd Category

**2nd Category**

- 17 †Hong Kong (15)
- 18 †Belgium (25)
- 19 Poland (21)
- 20 USA (28)
- 21 Indonesia (26)
- 22 Canada (20)
- 23 New Zealand (27)
- 24 Denmark (22)
- 25 India (16)
- 26 Macao (34)
- 27 Singapore (31)
- 28 Luxembourg (23)
- 29 Australia (29)
- 30 Malaysia (24)
- 31 \*Italy (0)
- 32 \*Ireland (32)

† Promoted to 1st Category  
 \* Demoted to 3rd Category

**3rd Category**

- 33 †Switzerland (37)
- 34 †Thailand (—)
- 35 Norway (35)
- 36 Cuba (—)
- 37 Dominican Rep. (47)
- 38 Spain (39)
- 39 Israel (44)
- 40 Philippines (—)
- 41 Colombia (46)
- 42 Scotland (41)
- 43 Lebanon (—)
- 44 Zimbabwe (—)
- 45 Venezuela (—)
- 46 Guatemala (—)
- 47 Argentina (36)

† Promoted to 2nd Category

**Third Category  
 (Stage 1)**

Group E							Points	Games	Place
Norway	NOR	NGR	DOM	TAN	PHI	ZIM	5	15-0	1
Nigeria	x	w.o.	3-0	w.o.	3-0	3-0	1	3-12	5
Dominican Rep.	0-3	w.o.	x	w.o.	3-0	3-0	4	12-3	2
Tanzania	Absent						0	0-15	6
Philippines	0-3	w.o.	0-3	w.o.	x	3-0	3	9-6	3
Zimbabwe	0-3	w.o.	0-3	w.o.	0-3	x	2	6-9	4

Group F							Points	Games	Place
Argentina	ARG	SCO	ISR	CUB	THA	VEN	1	7-13	6
Scotland	x	0-3	2-3	3-1	1-3	1-3	3	11-9	4
Israel	3-0	x	1-3	1-3	3-1	3-2	3	9-10	3
Cuba	3-2	3-1	x	0-3	0-3	3-1	3	12-9	2
Thailand	1-3	3-1	3-0	x	2-3	3-2	4	13-7	1
Venezuela	3-1	1-3	3-0	3-2	x	3-1	1	9-13	5

**SCOTTISH RESULTS**

**v Thailand (won 3-1)**  
 E. Forbes lost to P. Loysawai -16, 13, -19;  
 C. Dalrymple bt K. Ladda 19, 14;  
 bt Loysawai 21, 23.  
 Dalrymple/Forbes bt Ladda/Loysawai 19, -20, 18.

**v Israel (lost 1-3)**  
 Dalrymple bt L. Herscovits 15, 15;  
 lost to I. Carmi -21, -16.  
 Forbes lost to Carmi -16, -13.  
 Dalrymple/Forbes lost to Carmi/Herscovits -20, 11, -20.

**v Venezuela (won 3-2)**  
 Forbes lost to E. Popper -10, -18;

bt A. Arevalo -18, 8, 12.  
 Dalrymple bt Arevalo 13, 9;  
 lost to Popper 19, -14, -20.  
 Dalrymple/Forbes bt Arevalo/Popper 19, 21.

**v Cuba (lost 1-3)**  
 Forbes lost to M. Armasnunez -16, -16.  
 Dalrymple bt M. R. Baez Gato 11, -18, 14;  
 lost to Armasnunez -17, -18.  
 Dalrymple/Forbes lost to Armasnunez/Baez Gato -14, -12.

**v Argentina (won 3-0)**  
 Forbes bt B. Bensenor 10, 5.  
 Dalrymple bt Kim Hae Ha 10, 25.  
 Dalrymple/Forbes bt Kim Hae Ha/A. Tellas 10, -14, 17.

**Third Category  
 (Stage 1)**

Group G						Points	Games	Place
Switzerland	SUI	ESP	COL	GUA	LIB	4	12-0	1
Spain	x	3-0	3-0	3-0	3-0	3	9-3	2
Colombia	0-3	x	3-0	3-0	3-1	2	6-7	3
Guatemala	0-3	0-3	x	x	0-3	0	0-12	5
Lebanon	0-3	0-3	1-3	3-0	x	1	4-9	4

**Third Category  
 (Stage 2)**

Group I				Points	Games	Place
E1 Norway	NOR	THA	SUI	0	2-6	35
F1 Thailand	x	0-3	2-3	1	4-3	34
G1 Switzerland	3-0	x	1-3	2	6-3	33

Group J				Points	Games	Place
E2 Dominican Rep.	DOM	CUB	ESP	1	4-4	37
F2 Cuba	x	1-3	3-1	3	6-1	36
G2 Spain	3-1	x	3-0	0	1-6	38

Group K				Points	Games	Place
Philippines	PHI	ISR	COL	1	4-4	40
Israel	x	1-3	3-1	2	6-1	39
Colombia	3-1	x	3-0	0	1-6	41

Group L				Points	Games	Place
Zimbabwe	ZIM	SCO	LIB	0	1-6	44
Scotland	x	0-3	1-3	2	6-0	42
Lebanon	3-0	3-0	x	1	3-4	43

**English Team - Medical Report of  
 the 37th W.T.T.C. Tokyo**

by Dr. David Ryde

As with the report for the 36th World Championships, the quality of accommodation, food and hygiene at Tokyo were most acceptable to the team and this played a good part in maintaining morale and fitness.

It would have been helpful if an English speaking staff member had been always available at the arena medical centre for communication between the Japanese doctors and myself did not exist and English is almost the universal language at the games. Otherwise medical facilities were adequate. The absence of rest and physiotherapy rooms were regretted by players and coaches alike.

Well as the English team performed in competition they did better in the medical arena. Barely, if at all, was there a complaint about health, comfort or food. Not a single tablet was sought by the team throughout the games, a record in my experience. The only significant problem happened when one player accidentally knocked out her dental capping, with the bat while serving! This reflected on the maturity of the players, the quality of services provided by the host nation as well as the management, coaching and captaincy of the team.



England's delegates at the BGM of the ITTF — George Yates and Albert Shipley.  
Photo by Dennis George, Scotland.

**INDIVIDUAL RECORDS**  
Marcel Corbillon Cup

England				F	A	Opponents
K. Witt	L. Bellinger	J. Bellinger	Bellinger/Bellinger			
1-1	1-0		1-0	3	1	Rumania
0-1	2-0		1-0	3	1	Finland
0-1	0-1		0-1	0	3	Korea Rep.
0-1	0-1		0-1	0	3	USSR
1-0	2-0		0-1	3	1	Sweden
1-0	1-0		1-0	3	0	Austria
0-1	0-1		0-1	0	3	Japan
0-1	1-1		0-1	1	3	Czechoslovakia
1-0	1-1		1-0	3	1	Netherlands
4-6	8-5		4-5	16	16	

Ireland				F	A	Opponents
A. Leonard	M. Sheehan	Leonard/Sheehan				
1-1	0-1	0-1		1	3	India
2-0	0-1	1-0		3	1	Australia
0-1	0-1	0-1		0	3	Belgium
1-1	0-1	0-1		1	3	Poland
0-1	0-1	0-1		0	3	Macao
0-1	0-1	0-1		0	3	Indonesia
1-1	0-1	0-1		1	3	Denmark
1-1	0-1	0-1		1	3	Malaysia
1-1	0-1	0-1		1	3	Italy
7-8	0-9	1-8		8	25	

Scotland				F	A	Opponents
C. Dalrymple	E. Forbes	Dalrymple/Forbes				
2-0	0-1	1-0		3	1	Thailand
1-1	0-1	0-1		1	3	Israel
1-1	1-1	1-0		3	2	Venezuela
1-1	0-1	0-1		1	3	Cuba
1-0	1-0	1-0		3	0	Argentina
1-0	1-0	1-0		3	0	Lebanon
1-0	1-0	1-0		3	0	Zimbabwe
8-3	4-4	5-2		17	9	

hand then has resulted in a change being supported by eighty of the ninety-two Associations represented at the Biennial General Meeting in Tokyo during the 37th World Championships.

The change — that the racket shall have distinguishably different colours on its two faces, **whether the covering material is different or not.** This rule is to apply as from 1st January next for play at international level. National Associations may, if they so wish, apply it at lower levels.

Although the Federation would have liked to bring the new law into force at 1st July, a delay has been agreed to enable the trade to dispose of stocks.

Other changes affecting play will, however, apply from 1st July. The main ones are — in future deliberate foot stamping during service will be illegal and will be penalised, secondly that as from the time when the ball is in the hand for the purpose of serving, the racket may not go below the table surface, and thirdly that by a new wording of the service rule, a server may not serve with his back to his opponent. These new measures will apply to all levels of the game.

Another most significant step, although probably not of more than passing interest to most players, is that The Chinese Taipei Table Tennis Association in Taiwan has become a member in good standing of the ITTF. Its application was supported by the Table Tennis Association of the People's Republic of China. Good players will be interested because the players from Taiwan are known to be in the very top bracket of ability.

## Lancs. and Cheshire League

by Geo. R. Yates

### TITLES RETAINED

Proud Preston duly retained the first division titles for men and women in the Lancashire and Cheshire Table Tennis League.

Rochdale and Bury are the two leagues to have suffered relegation from the men's first division and Southport and Liverpool Business Houses from the women's. Their places will be taken, respectively, by Warrington and Crewe and by Stockport and Manchester.

Fleetwood captured the junior first division title with Barrow and Bolton relegated making way for Liverpool and Stockport. Champions in the numerous divisions are:-

	Winners	Runners-up
<b>Men</b>		
Div. 1	Preston	Bolton
Div. 2N	Warrington	Blackburn
Div. 2S	Crewe	Oldham
Div. 3N	Fleetwood	Southport
Div. 3S	St. Helens	Farnworth 'A'
Div. 4N	Liverpool B.H.	Wirral 'B'
Div. 4S	Blackburn 'A'	Glossop
Div. 5	Crewe 'A'	Blackburn 'B'
<b>Women</b>		
Div. 1	Preston	Warrington
Div. 2	Stockport	Manchester
<b>Juniors</b>		
Div. 1	Fleetwood	Crewe
Div. 2A	Liverpool	Ellesmere Port
Div. 2B	Stockport	Rochdale
Div. 3	Wirral 'A'	Preston 'B'

## Cover Picture

Serving in a manner that from July 1st, this year, will be illegal, Carl Preat, the Isle of Wight schoolboy, certainly set tongues a wagging at the 37th World Championships in Tokyo in returning a set analysis of 15 wins against 4 losses in the men's team event for the Swaythling Cup.

### INTERNATIONAL CLUB

The AGM of the International TT Club of England will take place in the Committee Room of the Bonnington Hotel, Southampton Row, London at Saturday, July 9th, commencing at 11 a.m.

# MISSIONS ACCOMPLISHED !

by H. Roy Evans

President of the International Table Tennis Federation

Since 1977, at the Congress in Birmingham, proposals relating to changes in the racket rules have failed to secure the necessary three quarters majority, although support grew in Pyongyang and Novi Sad.

The most serious effort was started at the ITTF Council meeting in Hangzhou, China in May 1982, and the work set in

# halex National LEAGUE

by **ROBERT OLDFIELD**

## PERFECTION FOR HASSY SOHAM

Soham, as expected, sealed up the Halex National League on Sunday, April 10 with a 7-1 win over BWF Wamdsad. Soham were just too strong at Nos. 3 and 4, though, if one or two games had gone the other way, the Alan Ransome Cup might just have found its way back to Thorn-EMI Ellenborough.

Paul Day, the Soham captain, was the first on the table facing Wamdsad's David Barr in brilliant form. Barr, retrieving from all the edges of the Soham arena, played superbly to dig out what seemed to be a first game winning lead. But the determined Day forced out the errors to win the first at a gallop and the second at a canter.

Phil Bradbury squared the match score but, by the time he returned to the table, Wamdsad were 3-1 down. His earlier antics against Kenny Jackson had hardly endeared him to the Soham crowd and his gestures when playing Day brought out partisan applause from the East Anglian spectators. The first two games went to deuce, one apiece, but then a Bradbury bench bust up at the end of the second rattled the Wamdsad player. The ex-England International, Day, was far too experienced to miss the opportunity and raced into a winning lead in the third game.

By 4-1, everyone knew that Soham were champions. Even if mathematics said otherwise, there was no way in which both John Souter and David Hannah could lose the last two sets. As it happened Jackson denied them the Championship winning chance, squeezing past Andy Wellman at 19 in the third.

Thorn-EMI Ellenborough, who had players and officials at the match rooting for Wamdsad, therefore handed over the Halex National League's most coveted trophy for the benefit of Anglia's TV cameras. Also watching on the sidelines was the England international, Skylet Andrew, while his club, Unity, were dropping a point at Newcastle. The draw, and the walk-over awarded after Wamdsad failed to raise a team on Easter Sunday, were of academic value to the Geordies, already destined for the First Division next year.

## OAKLEY'S OPTICAL DELUSION

Their replacements on the same day, the Prean-less Jaques Generation were struggling against Tarmac Wolverhampton when Alan Cooke's second win put the home side 4-2 up. Next set on, Mark Oakley, well known for his dislike of combination

players, faced "funny bat merchant" Andy Rich.

"Mark won the first at 19" reported my correspondent at the match, "but, when going for a loop at 18-15 down in the second, ended up with his glasses on the floor, a smashed left lens, and lost game -15". "Why don't you give up, Mark?" said manager Charlie Childs, but the obstinate Oakley refuses to quit and asks to be pointed in the direction of the table for the final game.

Surprise, surprise, Rich, not knowing whether to close one or both eyes to even up the odds, suddenly found himself with nine set points to save. Though he rescued five of them, he eventually loses 21-16 and the score is 4-3. "Because I couldn't see, I was playing all careful" said Oakley. "I had to slow the game down to make sure I hit the ball as I just couldn't see his bat at all!" Glenn Baker then beat the luckless Tony Isaac and an ignominious defeat was saved.

TCB Dolphins, besieged by rumours flying round Sussex, were also out of luck in their desperate bid to avoid relegation and are proposing an "ETTA Cup" for next season. Expecting an away win by Butterfly Cardiff at BWF Wamdsad they needed just one point from MBS St. Neots to escape the drop. Neither happened.

"The rumours are totally untrue" said Secretary, Carole Beames, denying press reports of a club break up. "There's a question mark over the continuation of manager Jon Clarke, but we've got a settled side and sponsorship secured for next season". So now you know.

## BEAU BATH

SIB Bath, with two from Kevin Satchell, against Kevin Caldon and Dave Newman, were 5-0 up on Dagenham FC before anyone had a chance to call 'foul'. This match, on April 10th, sealed up Second Division South so, yet again, it was Hermits v Bath play-offs for promotion.

"There must be a better way to decide promotion" said SIB Bath manager, Paul Hewitt, "We couldn't agree on two dates and ended up playing a single match at a neutral venue, Grove".

Bath won the May Day play off in emphatic style, 5-1, with Satchell ruining the undefeated season of Hermits' top player, Kevin Beadsley. "If we'd have lost" said Hermits "the £500 divisional prize would have been no consolation" and made the point to the National League Committee. Hence, from next season, automatic relegation and promotion is to operate throughout the League, with a fourth Third Division

being formed to smooth the process.

## WRIGGLEY RIVERSLEY

Stockton's Riversley Insurance, with the benefit of a draw against March in March wormed their way off the bottom of Second Division North by the end of the scheduled matches but the team below them, Unity II, had one outstanding fixture remaining. And, with a superior sets difference, a draw would have been sufficient for the young Bradford side on 24th April.

But, away to Tarmac Wolverhampton, Jeff Thatcher lost twice. First 19 in the third to Steve Dunning at 1-0, and then to Trevor Washington to make it 4-1 in Tarmac's favour. David Indriks won again to claw one back, Martin Firth dismissed Andy Dixon and then, finally, Mark Griffin was crushed by Peter Dawes. Unity were down and Riversley, somewhat miraculously to some observers, were in Second Division North for another season.

## HERMITS PIP GRANTHAM

Though four of Grantham's players are high in the Divisional averages, their unexpected loss to Vickers and two draws with Hermits II earlier in the season eventually cost them the chance for promotion from Third Division North. Hermits beat Byker again on 10th April, despite Neil McMaster and Nigel Jobling winning the first two sets, and then went into a three-way play off with Colne Valley and Chan Construction.

Colne, who with Chan Construction, gained promotion at the expense of Hermits, nearly didn't make it to the play offs. Without Malcolm Francis since a rumoured split in February, Colne's No. 1 Nicky Standen lost both, and the Essex club could have gone down to Dunlop Coles Waveney on 10th April without the Norfolk knowledge of Dougie Bennett against Russell King and Mick Broughton.

In the end, the draw gave Colne a clear two points at the top of the table, though, if Halex Abeng had repeated their Christmas win against Jaques Generation II, the Crystal Palace club would have snatched a last-post victory. However, forced to play without John Burleton — even against a Jaques side which had decided not to again bring in First Division players, Des Charley and Gary Spencer — Abeng succumbed 6-2 and Colne were safe.

## PREMIER DIVISION

4th April 1983

Newcastle 8 BWF Wamdsad 0 (walkover)

10th April 1983

Hassy Soham 7 BWF Wamdsad 1

P. Day bt D. Barr 19, 15.  
 K. Jackson lost to P. Bradbury 13, -18, -16.  
 J. Souter bt M. Smith 7, 10.  
 D. Hannah bt A. Wellman 16, 21.  
 Day bt Bradbury 21, -21, 15.  
 Jackson bt Wellman 14, -9, 19.  
 Souter bt Barr 19, 11.  
 Hannah bt Smith 13, 16.

Letchworth Corporation 3 Dunlop B'ham 5

D. Wells bt I. Horsham 15, 15.  
 R. Jermyn lost to S. Mills -16, -10.  
 M. Crimmins lost to D. Munt -12, -15.  
 D. Dodd lost to B. Hayward 15, -17, -13.  
 Wells lost to Mills -19, -16.  
 Jermyn bt Hayward 13, 12.  
 Crimmins lost to Horsham -20, -13.  
 Dodd bt Munt 14, 19.

Newcastle 4 Unity 4

Chu Van Que lost to C. Rogers 19, -17, -19.  
 P. McQueen bt S. Turner -19, 17, 18.  
 B. Robertson bt D. Indriks -20, 17, 15.  
 T. Gelder lost to S. Sharpe -17, -21.  
 Chu Van Que bt Turner 19, 17.  
 McQueen lost to Sharpe -12, -13.  
 Robertson lost to Rogers -12, -7.  
 Gelder bt Indriks -18, 12, 16.

### FIRST DIVISION

10th April 1983

BWF Wamdsad II 5 Butterfly Cardiff 3  
 MBS St. Neots 5 TCB Dolphins 3  
 Ormesby II 2 Grove 6

Tarmac Wolverhampton 4 Jaques Gen. 4

### SECOND DIVISION NORTH

10th April 1983

South Yorkshire 1 Hermits 7  
 TG Salford 7 Riversley Insurance 1  
 March Halex 4 Tarmac Wolverhampton II 4  
 RB Lincoln 8 Unity II 0

24th April 1983

Tarmac Wolverhampton II 5 Unity II 3

### SECOND DIVISION SOUTH

10th April 1983

SIB Bath 7 Dagenham FC 1  
 Gillette Reading 8 CC Halex 0  
 Graham Spicer 6 Lansdown Medway 2  
 Gunnersbury Triangle 3 Larkhall 5

### THIRD DIVISION NORTH

10th April 1983

Grantham 6 Crusaders 2  
 Vickers 6 South Yorkshire II 2  
 Ormesby III 8 Unity III 0  
 Hermits II 6 Byker 2

17th April 1983

South Yorkshire II 5 Unity III 3

### THIRD DIVISION WEST

10th April 1983

WW Solihull 5 Tarmac Ladies 3  
 Cowbridge Bridgend 3 Chan Construction 5  
 Launceston Kernow 3 Pengeley Torbay 5  
 Jolliffe Poole 6 Grove II 2

### THIRD DIVISION EAST

Dunlop Waveney 4 Colne Valley 4  
 Jaques Generation II 6 Halex Abeng 2

### PROMOTION PLAY-OFFS

#### First Division

1.5.83 SIB Bath v Hermits 6-2  
 (at Grantham)

SIB Bath promoted.

#### Second Division

23.4.83 Colne Valley v Hermits II 5-3  
 8.5.83 Chan Construction v Colne V. 6-2  
 15.5.83 Chan Construction v Hermits II 6-2

Chan Construction and Colne Valley promoted.



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## FINAL TABLES

### PREMIER DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Soham	14	12	1	1	79	33	25
Thorn-EMI Ellenbr.	14	11	2	1	81	31	24
Ormesby	14	8	4	2	70	42	20
Unity	14	3	5	6	52	60	11
Dunlop Birmingham	14	3	4	7	43	69	10
Letchworth Corp.	14	3	3	8	48	64	9
BWF Wamdsad	14	4	0	10	40	72	8
Newcastle	14	1	3	10	35	77	5

### FIRST DIVISION

Jaques Generation	14	11	1	2	86	26	23
Grove	14	10	1	3	71	41	21
Tarmac W'hampton	14	7	5	2	67	45	19
Butterfly Cardiff	14	7	2	5	61	51	16
MBS St. Neots	14	6	3	5	58	54	15
Ormesby II	14	2	3	9	40	72	7
BWF Wamdsad II	14	3	1	10	30	82	7
TCB Dolphins	14	1	2	11	35	77	4

### SECOND DIVISION NORTH

Hermits	14	12	1	1	84	28	25
Halex TG Salford	14	10	2	2	70	42	22
South Yorkshire	14	8	2	4	67	45	18
RB Lincoln	14	7	1	6	63	49	15
March Halex	14	3	7	4	54	58	13
Tarmac W'ampton II	14	3	4	7	41	71	10
Riversley Insurance	14	1	3	10	32	80	5
Unity II	14	1	2	11	37	75	4

### SECOND DIVISION SOUTH

SIB Bath	14	11	1	2	78	34	23
Gillete Reading	14	9	4	1	70	42	22
Dagenham	14	9	3	2	66	46	21
Larkhall	14	5	3	6	54	58	13
Graham Spicer	14	4	3	7	53	59	11
Gunnersbury T'ngle	14	2	5	7	48	64	9
CC Halex	14	2	4	8	42	70	8
Halex Medway	14	2	1	11	37	75	5

### THIRD DIVISION NORTH

Hermits II	14	11	3	0	85	27	25
Grantham	14	11	2	1	89	23	24
Byker	14	11	0	3	82	30	22
Ormesby III	14	6	2	6	55	57	14
South Yorkshire II	14	5	2	7	52	60	12
Vickers	14	3	2	9	34	78	8
Unity III	14	2	0	12	29	83	4
Halex Crusaders	14	1	1	12	22	90	3

### THIRD DIVISION WEST

Chan Construction	14	13	0	1	90	22	26
Pengeley Sports	14	10	1	3	71	41	21
Jolliffe Poole	14	9	2	3	71	41	20
Grove II	14	9	0	5	73	39	18
Launceston Kernow	14	5	2	7	51	61	12
WW Solihull	14	3	1	10	32	80	7
Tarmac Ladies	14	2	2	10	34	78	6
Cowbridge Bridgend	14	0	2	12	26	86	2

### THIRD DIVISION EAST

Colne Valley	10	6	3	1	51	29	15
Jaques Gen. II	10	5	3	2	46	34	13
Halex Abeng	10	6	1	3	43	37	13
Cippenham	10	4	2	4	42	38	10
Dunlop Waveney	10	1	4	5	32	48	6
MBS St. Neots II	10	1	1	8	26	54	3

## THE SEASON'S LEADING PLAYERS

### Premier Division

	P	W	%
1 Graham Sandley (TEE)	26	23	88
2 Richard Yule (O)	28	23	82
3 John Souter (S)	20	16	80
4 Skylet Andrew (U)	18	14	78
5 Nicky Mason (S)	22	17	77
6 Colin Wilson (TEE)	24	18	75
7 Dave Hannah (S)	20	15	75
8 Mark Mitchell (TEE)	22	15	68
9 Duggie Johnson (O)	26	17	65
10 Donald Parker (O)	28	18	64
Paul Day (S)	22	14	64
12 David Tan (TEE)	16	10	63
13 Kenny Jackson (S)	28	27	61
14 Philip Bradbury (BFWF)	24	14	58
Chu Van Que (N)	24	14	58
David Dodd (LC)	12	7	58
Derek Murt (DB)	12	7	58
18 Chris Rogers (U)	28	14	50
Steve Turner (U)	28	14	50
Andrew Wellman (BFWF)	22	11	50

### First Division

	P	W	%
1 Carl Preat (JG)	18	18	100
2 Ian Kenyon (JG)	26	20	77
Mark Oakley (JG)	26	20	77
4 Alan Cooke (TW)	24	18	75
5 Jill Hammersley-Parker (TW)	26	19	73
6 Phil Bowen (G)	16	11	69
7 Andrew Bellingham (G)	28	19	68
8 Lindsay Taylor (O)	12	8	67
9 Mark Thomas (BC)	20	13	65
Andrew Healan (BC)	26	17	65
11 John Hilton (G)	22	14	64
12 Andrew Rich (TW)	26	16	62
13 Steven Scowcroft (G)	28	17	61
14 Des Charley (JG)	20	12	60
15 Keith Richardson (MBS)	22	13	59
16 Gary Wilkins (BC)	26	15	58
17 Peter Taylor (MBS)	28	16	57
18 Mick Harper (MBS)	28	15	54
Paul Rainford (O)	28	15	54
20 Nigel Thomas (BC)	24	12	50

### Second Division South

1 Dave Constance (GR)	28	27	96
2 Simon Heaps (GR)	28	24	86
3 Mark Shuttle (GS)	12	10	83
4 Keith Satchell (SIB)	28	23	82
5 Stuart Gibbs (D)	28	22	79
6 Paul Jackson (SIB)	28	21	75
7 David Newman (D)	26	19	73
8 Kevin Edwards (SIB)	14	10	71
9 Gordon Chapman (L)	20	13	65
Anthony Stark (GT)	20	13	65
11 Brian Jeanes (CCG)	28	18	64
12 Chris Ross (SIB)	10	6	60
13 Kevin Caldron (D)	26	15	58
Steve Proffitt (GT)	26	15	58
15 Andy Creed (SIB)	28	16	57
16 Michael O'Leary (L)	20	11	55
17 Percy Collino (L)	28	15	54

### Second Division North

1 Kevin Beadsley (H)	28	26	93
2 Martin Stead (H)	28	22	79
3 David Gannon (RBL)	24	19	79
4 Mark Pickles (RBL)	24	18	75
5 Trevor Taylor (TGS)	28	21	75
6 Tony Sanderson (SY)	26	19	73
Tony Boasman (TGS)	26	19	73
8 Shaun Browne (TGS)	26	18	69
Brian Carney (SY)	16	11	69
10 David Rook (H)	24	16	67
David Raynor	12	8	67
12 Andy Withers (M)	28	18	64
David Illingsworth (SY)	22	14	64
14 Stuart Palmer (M)	28	17	61
15 Malcolm Corking (RIS)	28	16	57
16 Anita Stevenson (SY)	16	9	56
17 Mark Illingsworth (SY)	22	12	55
18 Tony Bottomley (H)	20	10	50

### Third Division West

1 Carl Morgan (CC)	28	27	96
2 Bill Bridgeman (G)	16	15	94
3 Adrian Pilgrim (WWS)	14	13	93
4 Phillip Gunn (CC)	26	24	92
5 Chris Shetler (JP)	12	10	83
6 George Evans (CYB)	16	13	81
7 Stan Deakin (G)	20	16	80
8 Lester Bertie (CC)	26	20	77
9 Paul Barnett (G)	24	18	75
10 Ian Gunn (CC)	26	19	73
Paul Giles (PST)	15	11	73
12 John Bassett (LK)	22	15	68
Mark Ellett (PST)	22	15	68
14 Mark Werner (JP)	24	18	67
15 Paul Whiting (PST)	22	14	64
16 Jason Creasey (JP)	26	16	62
17 Gina Pritchard (PST)	10	6	60
18 Rodney Thomas (JP)	14	8	57
19 Fiona Elliott (TL)	16	9	56
20 Anthony Sweed (PST)	12	6	50

### Third Division North

1 Gary Alden (G)	24	21	88
Maurice Newman (G)	24	21	88
3 Richard Whiteley (H)	28	24	86
4 Nick Davies (H)	24	20	83
5 Robert Watson (G)	16	13	81
6 Martin Young (B)	26	20	77
7 Steve Kosmowsky (H)	28	21	75
Suzanne Hunt (G)	24	18	75
Steve Wathey (H)	24	18	75
David Godbold (B)	12	9	75
11 Nigel Jobling (B)	22	16	73
12 Neil McMaster (B)	26	18	69
13 Cliff Olsson (B)	12	8	67
14 Clive Guest (SY)	20	12	60
15 Simon Pullen (G)	12	7	58
16 Jean Parker (U)	14	8	57
17 David Blackburne (O)	26	14	54
18 Glen Roberts (SY)	24	12	50
Anthony Wattis (O)	24	12	50
Russell Thompson (SY)	16	8	50
Peter Abell (O)	12	6	50

### Third Division East

1 Doug Bennett (CV)	12	11	92
2 J. Burtleton (A)	10	8	80
3 P. Logsdon (DW)	16	12	75
Andy Bawden (CV)	12	9	75
5 Ray Tilling (C)	14	10	71
6 Keith Samuels (MBS)	12	8	67
Miki Sinanan (JG)	12	8	67
8 Ramish Bhalla (JG)	14	9	64
Malcolm Francis (CV)	14	9	64
10 John Dennison (A)	20	12	60
Paul Colvin (A)	10	6	60

12 Robin Lang (CV)	12	7	58
13 Graham Toole (JG)	20	11	55
14 Junior Facey (A)	18	9	50
Nick Standen (CV)	16	8	50
Frank Earis (C)	14	7	50

# THEY DID IT!

by TOM BLUNN

Chairman, ETTA

**Yes, they did it; the young ones succeeded against all the odds and some genuine fears.**

With the spearhead of the older and more experienced players the youngsters not only pulled their weight but at times held the teams together. The result is the best in the World Championships for nearly two decades. Both teams improved their placings in world ranking and the men's bronze medal is the first team medal since 1965 when our women in Ljubljana, Yugoslavia took bronze behind China and Japan.

Several associations turned up with older and more experienced players but paid the penalty of age. It was very sad to see the Federal Republic of Germany relegated from the top group. The only other team to show future potential was the Swedish men's team who beat us in the semi-final and put up a very brave effort in the final against the People's Republic of China.

I congratulate the National Selection Committee on their courage in choosing such a young team and rejoice with them that their faith in the younger players was not in vain. The captains too must be given credit for their handling of the teams to get the best out of them.

The individual events were also better than in recent years but there will be much improvement still as the younger players get more international experience.

The championships themselves were a thrilling experience for me; the first time I have ever attended a Worlds from start to finish. The ETTA was very well represented, not only by players, but by ITTF officials, umpires and supporters. It was a very happy party and at times very emotional as people from all over the world came to congratulate us on our achievement in topping Group A in the first stage of the Swaythling Cup competition.

The Japanese spared no expense and everything was on a lavish scale. Our hotel claimed to be the tallest hotel in the World! It had 45 floors and was equipped with 29 restaurants and a staff of 1,500. The service in every aspect of life was efficient and exceptionally polite but the cost of everything was a great shock.

The organisation of the championships was adequate and blessed with hundreds of helpers and fantastic playing facilities. The venue was the Olympic swimming stadium where Bobby Macgregor won his gold medal in 1964. It comfortably held twenty tables and over 10,000 spectators. Will the U.K. ever compete with such facilities?

We saw some, though not a lot of Tokyo and my lasting impression was the friendliness of the people, the discipline of the children who seemed to be permanently smiling, and the beauty of the young ladies who really looked feminine. I feel a few years younger, wiser and much happier now I have returned to face difficult times ahead for the association.

# COUNTY NOTES SUPPLEMENT

Philip Reid reports from . . .

## LEICESTERSHIRE

### TWO IN PREMIER!

Well — it's all over! Leicestershire have enjoyed probably their most successful season ever in the County Championships, with two teams next season destined for the Premier Division. The first team, without Paul Randell — the mainstay for many seasons — succeeded in winning Division 2A with a final win against Lancashire II. Leicestershire won the eight middle sets having lost the first and last ones, Chris Rogers and the girls — Karen Smith and Julie Revill — being unbeaten. The Veterans stormed to a 7-2 victory over Oxfordshire and thus retained their 100% record. They too will be in the Premier Division next season. Highlight of the Leics-Oxon match was the hitting of John Iliffe against the all-round play of the ageless Alf Davies, which the Barwell man ultimately won. That's the good news. Now the not so good. The juniors had to contend with the non-arrival of Marcus Bellot against Lincolnshire and gallantly though Mark Laywood fought, he wasn't quite up to it. Paul Bumpus hit aggressively for the team with Andrew Kelly taking two for the visitors. The future position of the junior team remains uncertain county-wise, as to whether they will be relegated or not but certainly we have plenty of promising youngsters, amongst them the Hinckley pair of David Grundy and Kevin Woodhead. The County second team went under 6-4 to Lincolnshire but for the second match in succession Grahame Hall starred, with David Skerratt playing a real No. 1's part for Lincolnshire by winning two.

Glenys Odams won the Rose Johnson Memorial Trophy — the Handicap competition for women in Leicestershire — for the third time in four years when she beat the gallant Barbara Holt in the final. This event was very well patronised and deserves to be considering the work the organisers in general and Audrey Watson in particular put into it. The Saracen Cup was a real "cliff-hanger" with Jones & Shipman eventually beating British Shoe 5-4. The works team however had no such luck in the final of the Corral Cup, being trounced by holders Loughborough Kingfishers 6-0.

In the Midland League, Leicester men's teams have met with incredible success, finishing first and second in Division 2 and thus both will play in the 1st Division next season — the only town with two teams in the division. Particularly noteworthy is the second team's fightback after losing 10-0 to their first team in the opening match of the season — their only defeat.

In conclusion I must say I was delighted to read Les D'Arcy's remarks about myself. It is remarks like those that make all this writing worthwhile — thanks very much Les!

**Leicestershire II 4 Lincolnshire 6**

P. Smith lost to D. Skerratt 12, -14, -25; lost to S. Worrell -18, -16.  
M. Pickles lost to Skerratt -16, -8; bt A. Gray 14, 14.  
G. Hall bt Worrell 15, 18; bt Gray 12, 13.  
Miss Y. Hall lost to Miss G. Sharpe -20, -18.  
Miss J. Heath lost to Miss S. Radley -14, -19.  
Smith/Hall bt Skerratt/Worrell 5, -11, 15.  
Miss Hall/Miss Heath lost to Miss Sharpe/Miss Radley 20, -24, -10.

### Leicestershire Vets 7 Oxfordshire Vets 2

J. Iliffe bt A. Davies 12, 16; bt W. Ladmore 12, 16.  
C. Truman lost to Davies -17, -15; bt I. Arnold 16, -18, 15.  
G. Aldwinckle bt Ladmore 11, 18; bt Arnold 11, 15.  
Mrs. P. Kilsby bt Mrs. S. Burton -10, 15, 17.  
Aldwinckle/Truman lost to Ladmore/Davies 20, -15, -17.  
Iliffe/Mrs. Kilsby bt Arnold/Mrs. Burton -18, 13, 17.

### Leicestershire 8 Lancashire II 2

C. Rogers bt P. Huggon 17, -11, 12; bt K. Williams 9, 18.  
D. Gannon lost to Huggon -10, -17; bt P. Flint 17, -21, 8.  
M. Newman lost to Williams -19, -12; bt Flint -20, 17, 14.  
Mrs. K. Smith bt Miss J. Parker 9, 18.  
Miss J. Revill bt Mrs. P. French 7, 13.  
Rogers/Gannon bt Williams/Flint -19, 15, 15.  
Mrs. Smith/Miss Revill bt Mrs. French/Miss Parker 14, 14.

### Leicestershire Jnrs 5 Lincolnshire Jnrs 5

D. Aldwinckle lost to A. Kelly -9, -18; bt R. Hodson 16, 18.  
P. Bumpus bt A. Burwell -14, 20, 22; bt Hodson 12, 13.  
M. Laywood lost to Burwell -16, -12; lost to Kelly -11, -13.  
Miss J. Murray bt Miss J. Shippey 17, 18.  
Miss T. Clark bt Miss C. Bryan 17, -18, 17.  
Aldwinckle/Bumpus lost to Kelly/Burwell -13, -16.  
Miss Murray/Miss Clark lost to Miss Shippey/Miss Bryan -7, -11.

Pauline Long reports from . . .

## NORTHUMBERLAND

### LAST APPEARANCE

The final County match of the season on April 16 resulted in a 4-6 defeat for the second team against Lincolnshire at Byker Community Centre. Martin Young and Alan Matthewson each won a singles, while Pauline Long defeated Julia Shippey, the Lincolnshire junior girls' champion, and together with Christine Burke, also took the women's doubles.

Sadly, this match marked the last appearance of the second team at least for the coming season. The first team will almost certainly be relegated from Div. 2A unless there is any Division reorganisation next season, and of course two teams cannot operate in the same Division according to the present rules. The second team might have entered Div. 4 but for the fact that it would have been doubtful if the County's finances could have stood up to the cost involved in travelling such distances. It is debateable whether their final position would have been different had they not been forced to supply players for the first team on several occasions, but it does seem unfortunate that they should be

the ones to suffer through no fault of their own, and some of the younger players left with nothing to aim for once they are over junior age. It is evident that next season only players who are prepared to make themselves available for both home and away matches on a regular basis — unless there is a very exceptional reason — should be considered for County selection.

The Northumberland League representative side of Peter McQueen, Ian Robertson and Neil McMaster beat Liverpool 5-3 in the quarter-finals of the Wilmott Cup, McQueen winning 3 sets and Robertson 2. However, their great run came to an end when, without McQueen, they were beaten 0-6 in the semi-final by Chesterfield, although some of the games were very close and they were a little unfortunate not to end up with any reward.

The Evening Chronicle Northumberland 2-Star Open Tournament at Concordia Leisure Centre, Cramlington, on April 30 was a great success and was enjoyed by all who entered.

Our thanks go to all who helped to make the event successful, and in particular to our sponsors the "Evening Chronicle", to P. Plunkett (Tiling Contractors) Ltd. for financial assistance and to Crow's Transport Ltd., Joyce Drainage Ltd., Constance Sports Holidays, Jill-Hammersley Parker Advanced Summer School and Tees Sport, all of whom advertised in the programme. Thanks also go to the manager and staff at Concordia for all of their efforts and assistance as well as the referee, Stuart Sherlock, Assistant Referee and Organiser, Aubrey Drapkin, and all umpires who gave up their time to ensure the smooth running of the tournament.

Clare Mouzon had to miss the Open Tournament to play in the English Schools competition, but her trip proved to be worthwhile when she won a bronze medal in her event which was won by Susan Collier. As a result of this splendid performance I learn she has now been selected for the England Schools 'A' team to play in the International Schools competition. Well done, Clare.

The Northumberland League season was completed during the week ending April 1, and details are as follows:

### Premier Division:

Champions: North Shields YMCA 'A'  
Runners-up: Electrics 'A'  
Relegated: Gladstone Terrace 'B' and HMSO Press 'A'

### Div. 1:

Champions: Cullercoats 'A'  
Runners-up: Newcastle YMCA 'B'  
Relegated: North Shields YMCA 'B', Reyrolles 'B' and Tyne Lead (1 bye)

### Div. 2A:

Champions: Reyrolles 'C'  
Runners-up: Blyth Town 'B'  
Relegated: Byker CC 'D' and Electrics 'C' (1 bye)

### Div. 2B:

Champions: Tyne Dock 'B'  
Runners-up: Dunston Hill 'A'  
Relegated: Post Office 'A', St. Charles 'A' and Woodlands Park 'A'

### Div. 3A:

Champions: Washington 'B'  
Runners-up: Byker CC 'E'  
Relegated: None (2 byes)

### Div. 3B:

Champions: Byker CC 'F'  
Runners-up: Newton 'B'  
Relegated: None (3 byes)

**Div. 3C:**

Champions: Byker CC 'G'  
 Runners-up: Tyne Gas 'A'  
 Relegated: None (3 byes)

**Div. 4A:**

Champions: St. Charles 'B'  
 Runners-up: Telephones 'B'  
 Also Promoted: Tyne Gas 'B'

**Div. 4B:**

Champions: Tyne & Wear Fire 'B'  
 Runners-up: Berger  
 Also Promoted: DHSS 'F'

**Knock-Out Cup:**

Champions: Newcastle YMCA 'A' 5  
 (Martin Young 2, Peter Whiteman 2,  
 Mark Walmesley 1)  
 Runners-up: Washington 4  
 (Dave Godbold 2, Cliff Olsson 2)

All trophies were to be presented at the end-of-season Buffet Dance on May 14 at Woodlands Park Community Centre. Thanks again go to Bill and Lily McMaster for organising this event.

The Summer League was due to commence on May 16, and in order to fill in the gap during April as well as preparing for the opening matches, several of the ranked women and junior girls have been taking part in a women's League, currently being held each Tuesday at Byker Community Centre. Teams are three-a-side of more or less equal strength, as can be judged by the 5-5 draw and 6-4 wins and defeats which have occurred so far, and each woman plays three singles, plus a combination of any two for the doubles — which has often proved crucial in the final result. Several of the juniors have played some impressive games in these matches, and I would particularly like to pick out the Wilkinson sisters, Denise and Karen, and Denise Campbell, who if they continue their present rate of improvement, will certainly be challenging for senior ranking places next season.

Doug Moss reports from . . .

## WORCESTERSHIRE

### CHAMPIONSHIP CLINCHED

The County 1st Team finally clinched the championship of Div. 3C of the County Championships when they entertained Wiltshire in the last match of the season. The team had previously been under pressure to win away matches to sustain their championship bid and had achieved resounding 9-1 victories. However in the last home match it was a somewhat different story. The team got off to a 3-0 lead with fairly easy wins but the women, who had been so successful throughout the season met strong opposition from Wiltshire. A turning point was the women's doubles with Lynda Reid and Mandy Mytton needing to win to achieve a 100% record. They won the first game 22-20, lost the second and were trailing in the decider. The Wiltshire pair led 10-4, 17-12 and later 19-16 but Lynda and Mandy fought back to 20-20 only to lose the next two points and their unbeaten record. Wiltshire also won the two women's singles and then, surprisingly, Trevor Washington lost to Steve McBean, after Steve Dunning had beaten him in straight games. This brought back Wiltshire to 4-5 with Simon Claxton to play the final all-important event against B. Powell. The issue fortunately never seemed in doubt for he outclassed his opponent in straight games. At the end

of last season Simon had said that, being due for relegation, we would get promoted straight back again. As it was he had the last say — which was emphatic!

The end of the season has brought the last of the Leagues Individual Championships. Malvern and Kidderminster held their Championships during April.

The Malvern Men's Singles saw Willy Ahern, No. 1 seed and obviously their best player, take the title — but not without a hard fight. He beat Graham Collier, a former champion, and Dave Woodyatt, who earlier had achieved a great win over Malcolm Dicks. But the surprise was the performance of Worcester Junior, Lewis Siket, who two days previously had been given the Worcester President's award for "the most improved junior player". He beat Steve Phillips (No. 2 seed) and Brian Thompson to meet Ahern in the final. Lewis won the 1st 21-19 and led 20-17 in the second! All credit to Ahern because he fought back to win 22-20 and took the decider at 16. But Lewis was far from finished, he beat Paul Ashcroft 17 in the 3rd in the Junior Singles final. These two lads then teamed up to put up an outstanding performance to win the Men's Doubles — an event in which experience usually counts a lot. They beat Ahern and Thompson in the semi-final and clinched the title by beating Dicks and Phillips in the Final.

The women's singles final brought together Annette Snee and Debbie Hough, two experienced County players. Annette, who has developed into an extremely competent and sound player, took the title. Debbie is a player who can play brilliantly but having recently lost 3 singles finals probably needs that little extra determination and belief in herself to win a title, which she deserves.

Neville Meredith won the Veterans' Singles beating both Dicks and Thompson, both County Veteran players, to prove that he is still a force to be reckoned with.

The Kidderminster League finals had a heavy programme of 9 events. The County Champions — 14-year-old Murray Jukes and 13-year-old Louise Davis were well to the fore. Murray played Tony Stewart, who had done very well to reach the Men's Singles final. Jukes dominated the play to win 14, 8. The Women's Singles final was a most exciting event when County team players, Louise Davis and Sandra Roden, met. Sandra won the first game 19 with Louise fighting back to win the second 15. In the decider the score stood at 19-all when, of all things, Sandra served into the net, but held the next point — 20-all. Louise then went one point ahead and Sandra served into the net again to give Louise the title! Louise was the first girl to reach the Junior final — in which she had to meet Murray Jukes who won 9, 14.

In the Men's Doubles final John Thompson and Tony Stewart met present title holders, Paul Osman and Ken Burton, who dominated the play to win 8, 15 and retain the title. There was rather a surprise in the Mixed when Eric Calver and Sandra Roden met mother and son, Barbara and Murray Jukes. They won the first game easily at 8 and started well in the 2nd. Barbara and Murray pulled back to 14-all but Eric and Sandra forged ahead again to win 21-17 and become the Champions.

The guest of honour was Mr. Geoff Kershaw, who had recently moved to Man-

chester after many seasons as a player and coach in Kidderminster. A presentation was made to him.

The Finals of the All England Schools Championships sees Worcester with one representative — Kerry James in the Under-11 event. Kerry and the runner-up in the County event, Nicola Jones, are both from Nunnery Wood School and both show very good promise. Other County representatives are T. Stuart (U-11 boys), Karyn Hunt (U-13 girls) and Murray Jukes (U-16 boys), all of Kidderminster, and Neil Betteridge (U-13 boys) of Evesham.

Congratulations to Dudley League which had a Dinner on May 19 to celebrate their Diamond Jubilee. It is most appropriate that at this time Vera Royal, who has done so much for the Dudley area and the County for so many years, should be awarded the ETTA Certificate of Merit.

It was very sad to hear of the sudden death of Audrey Lawrence, the Secretary of the Herefordshire TTA. There had been very close links with Worcestershire and the officials for many years. Audrey had always been a "leading light" in Hereford and her enthusiasm and determination were invaluable. Her sudden death occurred when she was playing the last League match of the season for NALGO Ladies in the Hereford League. I had spoken to Audrey the previous day when she was giving me Hereford/Herefordshire news for a Radio Wyvern report. Audrey will be sadly missed.

The season ends on a very sad note with the death of Albert Grundy (Worcester Vice-President and player) in Hong Kong. Albert was on the Tees Sport trip to the World Championships in Tokyo, which stopped off in Hong Kong for a few days. He collapsed and died after playing a game of table tennis. Albert was a "real gent", a most generous man with a lovely sense of humour and one who was universally popular. Such a character cannot be forgotten!

Jack Chalkley reports from . . .

## STAFFORDSHIRE

### PROMOTION GAINED

Congratulations to our juniors on gaining promotion back into the Premier Division. They came home in great style with 7-3 wins against both their nearest rivals to complete the season's programme with only one point dropped against Durham and a clear lead of at least three points at the top.

The County Closed saw all twelve trophies go to the south of the County. Potteries players contested seven of the finals but were unable to break through the south's dominance, led by such players as Andrew Bellingham, Jill Harris, Adrian Dixon and Jill Powis. Anticipation that Bellingham would struggle to recapture the men's title which we lost last year after a four-year tenure was completely ill-founded. He took both the men's and intermediate titles with ease, scoring straight wins throughout and in the finals. Jill Harris and Janet Dunning managed to overcome the challenge from juniors Jill Powis and Fiona Elliot in their respective semis, and in a rerun of the 1980 women's final, Jill Harris again proved her No. 1 ranking with an easy win to take the title for the fourth year in succession. The two No. 1's however came unstuck in the mixed doubles. They were

bundled out of the competition in the first round by juniors, Adrian Dixon and Amanda Hegarty, who play together in the Wolverhampton league and who went on to win the event and cause the biggest upset of the day. Top junior seeds, Richard Hayward and Fiona Elliot, both had disappointing days, and Adrian Dixon and Jill Powis, neither of whom entered the cadet events although eligible, took the junior titles. The top men's pairing of Paul Barnett and Bridgeman failed to confirm their ranking, losing to Bellingham and Rich, and the other title which the 'north' hoped to retain, the 'Veterans', also saw the north-south final go to Ray Dixon with a clear win over the holder, John Riley.

#### RESULTS

##### Men's Singles Semi-finals:

Bellingham bt Rich 10, 15;

Bakewell bt Isaac -18, 20, 8.

##### Final:

Bellingham bt Bakewell 11, 14.

##### Women's Singles:

Jill Harris bt Janet Dunning 16, 14.

##### Intermediate Singles:

Bellingham bt Bridgeman 17, 17.

##### Boys' Singles:

Adrian Dixon bt Cartwright 9, 9.

##### Girls' Singles:

Jill Powis bt Fiona Elliot 20, -17, 15.

##### Men's Doubles:

Bellingham/Rich bt Bridgeman/Barnett 11, 17.

##### Women's Doubles:

Harris/Powis bt Elliot/A. Sanders 14, 17.

##### Mixed Doubles:

Dixon/A. Hegarty bt Hallam/Dunning -7, 19, 18.

##### Junior Doubles:

Harris/Cartwright bt Hayward/Hough 13, 13.

##### Veteran Singles:

R. Dixon bt J. Riley 17, 10.

##### Cadet Boys' Singles:

K. Lawrence bt S. Slater 18, 16.

##### Cadet Girls' Singles:

Sanders bt K. Rogers 11, 14.

For the first time I can remember, part of my report for last month was left out. I suppose that with the demise of the other magazine there is more competition for space in TTN and it seems that more counties are sending in reports of increasing length. However, I think it necessary to repeat part of what was omitted, if only to rectify what was technically incorrect in my previous comments. In my attempt to reflect some of the views in the County on combination bats I used some emotive words which included 'cheating', a word used by many to describe what obviously upsets them in the extreme. Technically, combination bats are not against the rules and do not amount to cheating, whatever else they amount to, so the word should not be used and I withdraw it.

In the County League, the one remaining issue was decided when Lichfield 'A' beat Leek 'C' 10-0. This gave them a 2 sets advantage over Potteries 'C' who, in their last game, beat Walsall 'C' 9-1.

In the Stafford Closed Bridgeman dominated all the events in which he entered. Main results were:

##### Men's Singles:

Bridgeman bt Bob Murray 10, 11.

##### Women's Singles:

Lynn Burgess bt Stephanie Hadley 17, 19.

##### Intermediate Singles:

Bridgeman bt Paul Dilger 19, 13.

##### U-15 Singles:

Adrian Hough bt Nigel Tongue 3, 15.

##### Men's Doubles:

Bridgeman/Murray bt Hough/Phil Birchall -19, 11, 13.

##### Women's Doubles:

Burgess/Hadley bt Sheila Harper/Kay Willshere 17, -20, 9.

##### Mixed Doubles:

Bridgeman/Burgess bt Murray/Harper 6, -19, 19.

##### Veteran Singles:

John Taylor bt Jack Chalkley 18, 12.

A word to the ETTA National Coaching Committee. You really have dropped a marketing clanger by expecting subscribers to send 10in. x 7in. envelopes with their applications. These are not part of ones normal stationery so many, possibly most, potential subscribers switch off, or else put the application on one side to await their next visit to S.....s. Mine is still waiting. Please let us just send some money to cover the added cost and you do the rest in sending out the Coach Bulletin.

No one could have anticipated the tremendous team effort which saw our senior side convincingly beat Warwickshire by the score of 8-1, sufficient to enable us to pip Berkshire at the post and retain a place in the Premier Division. Anyone who is nursing the thought that Warwickshire may have given the match away just doesn't know the rivalry that exists between the two counties and, indeed, the players, who meet each other regularly during the season. In any case, with national rankings at stake, no one gives anything away. Certainly, Jill Harris can vouch for this following her narrow, and very nervous, win over Karen Groves.

The team, which has showed tremendous loyalty over the years — I don't remember when we last failed to field the side as selected — deserves the congratulations of the whole county on their achievement and they certainly deserve to have yet another season in the top flight of county table tennis. Commiserations to Berkshire — it could have so nearly been Staffs — and as I have commented on a previous occasion, it is a pity that these crucial matches had to be delayed. I haven't said much about the national rankings this season, and whilst I am not sure of the benefits of this type of points ranking, I nevertheless congratulate Jill Harris (15), Andrew Bellingham (39), Andy Rich (64), Tony Isaac (96) and Greg Hallam (97) on the positions they have attained in the senior rankings, Jill Powis (4), Fiona Elliot (6), Amanda Hegarty (14), Tracy Spencer (21), Angela Sanders (24), Richard Hayward (13), Adrian Dixon (40) and Kevin Cartwright (46) in the junior rankings and Jill Powis (1), Angela Sanders (4), Helen Lower (24), Karen Rogers (28), Adrian Dixon (3), Kevin Lawrence (17), Matthew Harvey (18) and Kevin Gray (36) in the cadet rankings. It's particularly pleasing to see so many Staffs names and Jill Powis must be singled out for special congratulations on reaching the No. 1 position.

The finals of the Beattie Trophy were played at the Woodfield Club. Both Walsall teams were well beaten in the semi-finals, but the final, bearing in mind that this competition is a blind handicap, was a closely-fought affair with Potteries 'D' (Dennis Butcher, Stephen Slater and Russell Boone) running out winners by 11 points over Lichfield 'C' (Geoff Williamson, Andrew Calloway and Satish Seti).

Dennis Millman reports from . . .

## NORTHANTS

### NO MISTAKE

Wellingborough made no mistake in the County League Tournament this year, when they cruised through their four matches for the loss of just six points. Skipper, Chris Handshaw, worked enthusiastically in preparation for this event, motivating his side to the peak of condition and it was a fitting reward when he received the trophy from County Vice-Chairman Ian Baldock.

Although Wellingborough had to overcome the loss of Graeme McKim for two matches, Northampton was never able to mount a realistic challenge, with the presence of Nat Richardson more than offset by the absence of Stephanie Dunkley and Keith Jones, and this resulted in a crushing defeat at the hands of Wellingborough, with Ian Hawes taking advantage of Richardson's late arrival, to inflict a rare defeat on the Northampton No. 1, and Andrew Trott justifying his inclusion with an excellent victory over Glen Robertson.

Once again however the chief individual honours went to Mandy Wallis who proved to be the weekend's only 100% performer, with four singles and eight doubles to her credit, while Hawes was unbeaten in his eight singles, capturing the prize scalp of Daventry's otherwise invincible Warwickshire ace Iain Randle. Steve Kendall and Andrew Edmonds also had their moments of personal glory in a splendid display of teamwork, that provided a marked contrast to some of the opposition, and produced a record total of 38 points.

#### FINAL TABLE

Wellingborough	4	4	0	38
Northampton	4	3	1	28
Kettering	4	2	2	17
Daventry	4	1	3	17
Towcester	4	0	4	10

Nat Richardson, taking part in the Northampton Closed for the first time, celebrated in style when he took the Men's Singles title by beating Ray Kingston 14, 15 at Lings Forum, in an event sponsored by the Anglia Building Society. Earlier County Champion McKim had fallen to the defensive wiles of Brian D'Hooghe, who in turn had gone down to Kingston.

On the league front, all three favourites took the main titles, with Wellingborough Town unfortunate enough to finish second in both Wellingborough and Kettering Leagues, but the real achievement at this level was that of Graeme McKim, whose brilliant form paved the way for his teams — ACC 'A' in Northampton, Kettering Town in Kettering and Chapmans in Wellingborough to complete the hat-trick of wins.

An ever present for Kettering Town, McKim was mainly responsible for his side winning the Borough Trophy, and to cap this with winners medals in both the Northampton and Wellingborough Leagues is an outstanding achievement which says much for his perseverance and dedication, which together with his undoubted ability should enable him to go a long way.

#### Northampton League Table and Averages Premier Division

	P	W	D	L	P
A.C.C. 'A'	22	21	1	0	186
Abington Nomads	22	19	0	3	169
Barclaycard 'A'	22	14	1	7	132
Timken 'A'	22	12	3	7	121

1 G. McKim (ACC 'A')	41-44=93.2%
2 J. Sanders (ACC 'A')	55-61=91.8%
3 Keith Jones (Abington)	55-61=90.2%
4 Brian D'Hooghe (Ab'ton)	54-64=84.4%
5 Brian Wooding (ACC 'A')	40-49=81.6%
6 Romano Gallo (B'card)	48-59=81.4%
7 David Gallo (B'card)	44-62=71.0%
8 Brian Dangerfield (T'en)	46-66=69.7%
9 Tim Chamberlain (Ab'ton)	36-52=69.2%
10 Neil Knatt (Billing)	38-58=65.5%

### Kettering League Table and Averages Premier Division

	P	W	D	L	P
Kettering Town 'A' ...	18	17	0	1	152
Wellingborough T. 'A'	18	17	0	1	142
Rothborough 'A' .....	18	12	0	6	118
Electricity 'A' .....	18	12	1	5	117
Thrapston 'A' .....	18	10	1	7	104

1 Graeme McKim (T'n 'A')	52-54=96.3%
2 John Palmer (Town 'A')	31-33=93.9%
3 Ian Hawes (Wellingbor')	49-54=90.2%
4 Chris Handshaw (T'n 'A')	46-51=90.2%
5 Steve West (EMEB)	44-51=86.3%
6 Ken Nicoll (Boro 'A')	43-54=79.6%
7 Steve Kendall (Well)	42-54=77.8%
8 Alan Hawes (Wellinboro')	37-51=72.5%
9 Geoff Atkinson (Thrap'n)	36-51=70.6%
10 David Steele (Boro 'C')	34-51=66.7%

Although the final positions are not available for the Wellingborough League, three things are firmly established, Chapmans finished first, Wellingborough Town second and of course McKim finished top of the averages. What a season Graeme has had!

A record entry for the Tina Coleman Memorial Trophy produced the usual thrills and surprises, and it was pleasing to see both Anne and Mandy Wallis among the entrants for this competition in ladies doubles for which partners are drawn.

Indeed it was Anne partnered by a newcomer Ann Elsworth who dominated the first qualifying group, with Marj Chambers and Northampton's Cath Walsh finishing as runners-up.

In the other section Jane Nicoll and Rachel Poole emerged as group winners, with Kathy Wallis and Mary Perkins, after surviving a play-off with Sylvia Bird and Mary Hearn, taking the remaining semi-final place.

Miss Nicholl, a finalist for the four previous years, saw her run finally broken, when the experience of Chambers and Walsh clinched a -15, 14, 18 victory, while the other semi-final saw an absorbing battle with a dominant third end performance from Anne Wallis finally sealing it 15, -25, 12.

Miss Wallis and Mrs. Elsworth, having already beaten their final opponents in the qualifying rounds, never looked likely to let it slip, and although Chambers and Walsh fought well, they were forced to admit defeat in straight games, and so the former County No. 1 got her name on the Rose Bowl for the first time.

Jon C. Clarke reports from . . .

## LINCOLNSHIRE

### TWO TITLES FOR LINCOLN

Although Grimsby, with a 100% record, won the Butcher Cup, and Scunthorpe, the Haig Cup, Lincoln brought off a double by winning the Butlin Cup and the Veteran trophy the latter without the loss of a point.

## TABLES

### Butcher Cup

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Grimsby .....	8	8	0	0	61	19	16
Gainsborough ..	8	5	2	1	58	22	12
Boston .....	8	5	0	3	53	17	10
Lincoln .....	8	4	2	2	51	29	10
Grantham .....	8	5	0	3	50	30	10
Rasen .....	8	3	2	3	41	39	8
Scunthorpe .....	8	2	0	6	25	55	4
Mablethorpe ...	8	1	0	7	16	54	2
Louth .....	8	0	0	8	6	74	0

### Haig Cup

Scunthorpe .....	6	4	2	0	47	13	10
Gainsborough ...	6	4	1	1	35	25	9
Grantham .....	6	4	0	2	35	25	8
Grimsby .....	6	4	0	2	30	30	5
Boston .....	6	2	1	3	28	32	5
Lincoln .....	6	1	2	3	23	37	4
Louth .....	6	0	1	5	12	48	1

### Butlin Cup

Lincoln .....	6	5	0	1	43	17	10
Grimsby .....	6	5	0	1	35	25	10
Grantham .....	6	2	0	4	30	30	4
Rasen .....	6	0	0	6	12	48	0

### Veteran

Lincoln .....	6	6	0	0	53	7	12
Grimsby .....	6	4	0	2	35	25	8
Boston .....	6	2	0	4	30	30	4
Louth .....	6	0	0	6	2	58	0

### LEADING AVERAGES

#### Butcher (4 Match Qual.)

1 I. Walker (Grimsby)	19/21	90%
2 B. Garner (Gainsborough)	10/12	83%
3 O. Pickering (Rasen)	16/20	80%
4 M. Latham (Gainsborough)	12/15	80%
5 T. Salah (Grimsby)	19/24	79%

#### Butlin (3 Match Qual.)

1 S. Radley (Lincoln)	13/14	93%
2 J. Wingad (Grantham)	15/18	83%
3 C. Moran (Grimsby)	7/9	78%
4 J. Evans (Lincoln)	12/17	71%
5 K. Fisher (Grimsby)	11/18	61%

#### Haig (3 Match Qual.)

1 N. Parkin (Scunthorpe)	11/12	92%
2 B. Hill (Boston)	8/9	89%
3 B. Allison (Louth)	8/9	89%
4 D. Skerratt (Scunthorpe)	8/9	89%
5 K. Adlington (Gainsboro')	10/12	83%

#### Veteran (3 Match Qual.)

1 D. Harper (Lincoln)	13/14	93%
2 C. Pickwell (Lincoln)	8/9	88%
3 T. Colam (Lincoln)	12/14	86%
4 J. Wiseman (Grimsby)	10/15	66%
5 M. Bridge (Grimsby)	11/18	61%

### CLOSED CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### Lincoln

##### Men's Singles:

Worrall bt P. Mackie.

##### Women's Singles:

C. Buttery bt S. Radley.

##### Boys' Singles:

Worrall bt R. Hodson.

#### Gainsborough

##### Men's Singles:

A. Thompson bt N. Parkin.

##### Women's Singles:

J. Shippey bt L. Chapman.

##### Junior Singles:

A. Kelly bt J. Shippey.

##### Veteran Singles:

B. Edlington bt R. King.

#### Scunthorpe

##### Men's Singles:

D. Skerratt bt C. Boyd.

##### Women's Singles:

A. Wadsworth bt S. Maud.

##### Junior Singles:

A. Kelly bt P. Hunter.

Malcolm Allsop reports from . . .

## DERBYSHIRE

### FIRST TIME FOR STEPHEN

STEPHEN YALLOP and JACKIE BILLINGTON took the major titles in the Derbyshire Closed Championships held at the Alfretton Sports Centre.

ALAN COOKE was unfortunately a non-starter owing to international duty, but Stephen took the opportunity to lift the Men's Singles title for the first time, after being losing finalist 3 years ago, with wins over W. SLANEY, MARTIN SIMPSON, NIGEL ADAMS, former Champion PHILIP VICKERS, and NEIL MARPLES before getting the better of STEPHEN YOUNG in the final. JACKIE BILLINGTON retained her crown as 'Queen of Derbyshire' Table Tennis with ease; however unseeded PAT THORLEY came through the other half of the Draw with wins over seeded TO THUY DUNG and LOUISE FORSTER to contest the final.

DAVID YALLOP and MARILYN O'SULLIVAN retained their Mixed title; and with VICKERS, DAVID regained the Men's Doubles title.

PAUL HARVEY completed a fine month (for him) by taking the Boys' Singles against top-seeded ADAMS. Despite losing to ADAMS in the U-17 event, BRADLEY BILLINGTON came through victorious in the Cadet Boys' event.

In a Tournament of surprises, the juniors TO THUY DUNG and LOUISE FORSTER won the women's doubles at the final expense of "Queen" JACKIE and PAT THORLEY.

### RESULTS

#### Men's Singles Semi-finals:

S. Yallop bt N. Marples 15, -19, 13;  
S. Young bt D. Yallop 15, 10.

#### Final:

Yallop bt Young 19, 14.

#### Women's Singles:

J. Billington bt P. Thorley 11, 11.

#### Men's Doubles:

D. Yallop/P. Vickers bt D. Raynor/  
D. Hinchliffe 17, -15, 12.

#### Mixed Doubles:

D. Yallop/M. O'Sullivan bt Young/S. Padley  
17, 4.

#### Women's Doubles:

To Thuy/L. Forster bt Billington/Thorley  
16, -16, 19.

#### Veterans' Singles:

A. Hunt bt D. Marples 19, -19, 18.

#### Boys' Singles:

P. Harvey bt N. Adams 13, 17.

#### Girls' Singles:

To Thuy bt Forster 21, -18, 15.

#### Cadet Boys' Singles:

B. Billington bt D. Smedley 16, 14.

#### Cadet Girls' Singles:

K. Hall bt Julie Billington 20, 10.

In the Burton Championships, VICKERS won a hat-trick of titles without being extended throughout the day. LESLIE SMITH won the Women's Singles for the eighth time; whilst 15-year-old PAUL HARVEY had the distinction of becoming the youngest men's singles finalist.

Doveside won the Burton and District Senior League Brittan Cup by defeating Ind Coope Sports complex in Burton.

In the north of the County, COOKE picked up four titles at the highly competitive Chesterfield Championships taking the Men's Singles, Men's and Mixed Doubles

and Intermediate Singles. I have not received many details, but Alan had to beat ERIC HALL and DAVID RAYNER on his way to the semis showing the strength in depth of the Chesterfield entry.

#### RESULTS

##### Men's Singles Semi-finals:

A. Cooke bt M. Billington;  
S. Young bt T. Hunt.

##### Final:

Cooke bt Young 15, 18.

##### Women's Singles:

J. Billington bt P. Thorley 9, 11.

##### Men's Doubles:

Cooke/N. Marples bt Young/D. Hinchliffe.

##### Mixed Doubles:

Cooke/Julie Billington bt D. Rayner/  
D. Padley.

##### Handicap Singles:

K. Thompson (+10) bt T. Hunt (+4).

##### Veterans' Singles:

D. Marples bt G. Lynch.

Chesterfield gained an impressive 5-2 Wilmot Cup win over Leicester aided by, I hear, a 'brilliant maximum' from Cooke and a 'sparkling double' from Maurice Billington.

In the final County Championship match, Derbyshire 1st came back from 1-4 down to force a 5-5 draw with Staffordshire. New County Champion, Stephen Yallop, won both his singles with STEPHEN YOUNG and DAVID HINCHLIFFE contributing one win each. Fifteen-year-old LOUISE FORSTER won her singles upon her debut, after rushing from the Junior match played earlier in the day.

Praise must go to NEIL MARPLES, in his first season as County 1st team captain, who has halted the downward path of the County teams, built up enthusiasm and team spirit, and provided the youthful element for future progress. I look forward to the day when Derbyshire are Championship contenders under NEIL'S captaincy.

The County Junior team completed their fixtures with a 9-1 win over Northumberland, to complete an unbeaten season. We now await the result of other matches to see if we are Champions. Here again, I feel the captaincy has been a vital ingredient of success, and KEITH WEIGHTMAN has done a magnificent job of boosting the team's confidence and enthusiasm.

On the other hand, the story from the County 2nd team is disappointing. No registered men could be found to play at Marlpool against Cumbria, and the team was raised with the aid of enthusiastic, but unregistered, players. PAT THORLEY, on her debut, and JILL LANDER were successful in a 3-7 defeat. ERNIE LOUGH was successful in both his singles and the doubles with MICK THORLEY as Derbyshire gained a 6-4 win on the table; and the County may not be running a second team next season!

Geoff Waters reports from . . .

## CAMBRIDGESHIRE

### FINISHED AS BEGAN

The county seniors finished the season as they began with two wins, but unfortunately the middle three matches let them down when they picked up only one point.

However, their nine point haul may well have put them in the top three in Division 2A for the second successive season.

On March 12, Keith Richardson married

Mandy Judd's sister Cathy and deprived the county of several players.

In the event their 6-4 win over Yorkshire II at Soham was a first class effort. Mick Harper and Andy Withers, both won two singles and Robert Swift one, while Withers and Swift also took the men's doubles.

In the final match it was Northumberland who were under strength, with no Chu Van Que and no Andrew Clark, and as a result neither Harper or Richardson were seriously troubled in the singles. The rest of the team gave solid support with Withers beating Neil MacMaster and Joanne Palmer winning her singles and the doubles in partnership with Mandy Judd. So Cambridgeshire had a fairly comfortable 7-3 win.

The juniors have also finished with nine points from their seven matches. The absence of Julian Wheel in the middle of the season proved a blow for this team as they won all four matches when Julian played but managed only one point from the three he was absent.

They completed the season with a first win over Essex at junior level beating that county's third team 6-4. Julian and Peter Holliday both won two singles, while Tim Ashman won one. Samantha Wales and Louise Ward won the girls' doubles to complete the scoring.

The three boys' record for the season makes good reading with Peter winning 13 from 16 singles, Tim 11 from 14 and Julian 7 from 8, although Peter and Tim's record includes the match against Huntingdonshire, who withdrew during the season.

The senior second team failed to win a match all season, although there were some promising things in the last two matches.

During the wedding weekend, they only lost 6-4 to Surrey II at Carshalton, with Martyn Livermore taking over the number one spot as though he'd always played there. His two wins over Brian Garraway and Gordon Chapman were first class efforts, while Hilary Finch, on her debut, came from behind to beat Jane Miles and also won the doubles with Alison Edge. This pair continued the good work against Kent II when Martyn beat Paul Namdjou and Hilary beat Kay Grant. Unfortunately, a Trevor Smith win, also against Namdjou, was the only addition to the score and they went down 7-3. Trevor had a great chance of notching his first county doubles when he led Paul Colvin 17-8 in the third but lost 21-19.

Congratulations to Hassy Soham on winning the Halex National League Premier Division for the second time in three seasons.

BWF Wamsad put up stern opposition in the early games but in the end Soham ran out 7-1 winners. Wamsad's sole success came when Philip Bradbury beat Kenny Jackson for the second time this season.

Ron Fosker reports from . . .

## ESSEX

### ONE BRIGHT SPOT

A season that at one stage looked so hopeful turned nasty on Essex at the end.

A fine run by the junior first team was halted with a crunch by Berkshire who thumped them 8-2 in the final match and

assigned them to yet another season in the lower echelons.

Then the senior team failed to perform miracles and beat Middlesex to take the County Championship (reported elsewhere). But though we may have built up our hopes, realistically we knew the odds against a victory were pretty high. We were only level with Middlesex anyway because of their mix-up in the first weekend when playing their men in the wrong order turned a victory into defeat, so we won't begrudge them the title. And we think our team deserve the highest praise for getting as far as they did, especially after coming so close to relegation last year.

The one bright spot was the junior second team who finished unbeaten at the top of their section with the third team possibly runners-up. Because of the failure of the first team they will have to stay there next season.

On the inter-league scene it was another excellent year for Dagenham who won the men's, mixed and junior divisions. But they missed their usual title in the vets where they were overtaken by Brentwood. The most unexpected and most refreshing winners were in the women's section where the tiny outpost of Burnham put themselves on the map with what was almost certainly the first title in their history.

Braintree, another outpost whose trumpet I have been known to blow in other circles, also created history by getting its men's team into the first division for the first time.

The newly instituted club knock-out cup, with trophies kindly donated by Pete Grimstead, was an incestuous affair when Dagenham F.C. was chosen as the neutral venue for the final between Dagenham F.C. 'A' and Dagenham F.C. 'B'. The 'A' team did the decent thing by 5-3 in what I am told was an excellent match.

Philip Reid reports on the . . .

## EAST MIDLANDS CADET LEAGUE

### NEW HOLDERS

Chesterfield are the new holders of the Stan Parr Shield. They convincingly beat everybody, including Nottingham, to clinch the title. The match with Nottingham decided it, both teams at that stage being unbeaten but thanks to a fine maximum by the brilliant Bradley Billington, the crooked spire town romped home, although Nottingham, with a win over Worksop, finished runners-up, their star player being the consistent Tim Sheppard. In the match to decide third place, Worksop beat Lincoln 7-3. The opening set — Martin Burwell against Anthony Parkin — set the tone of the match, Parkin just taking it for Worksop — 20, -18, 20. Chesterfield's second string of all-girls did remarkably well to retain first division status, their team of Julie Billington, Kerry Hall and Sarah Padley taking a point from Leicester, who themselves included two members of the distaff side (Joanne Murray and Tracy Clark). Derby I clinched the second group title, despite being defeated by Coventry, last season's first division champions — in the final match, David Thomas and Chris Fisher shining for the Warwickshire side. Gavin West was Derby's hero against Burton, his maximum including a victory over Ian

Stewart, who finished a creditable fourth in the league averages. Daniel Gauntlett and Neil Betteridge showed good form for Stratford, with Robert Scott-Birchall recording a maximum for Derby's second string in their vital match against Nottingham II, for whom John Holland was outstanding. Richard Grimley was in brilliant form for Loughborough and insured that they finished top of the third group, beating Grantham who beat Leamington convincingly. With Vernon Carthew and Matthew Warren recording maximums, only the last-ditch stand by Barry Dalby preventing Grantham from recording a 'whitewash'. Gainsborough were indebted to Paul Wood for their win over Coventry II after Robert Loj had opened for the latter by beating Paul Coy.

The Annual General Meeting will be held at Knighton Park TTC, Avenue Road Extension, Leicester on Sunday, July 17 at 3.30 p.m.

### FINAL TABLES

Group I	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Chesterfield I ...	5	5	0	0	38	12	10
Nottingham I ...	5	4	0	1	35	15	8
Worksop .....	5	3	0	2	27	23	6
Lincoln .....	5	1	1	3	19	31	3
Chesterfield II ...	5	0	2	3	16	34	2
Leicester .....	5	0	1	4	15	35	1
Group II	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Derby I .....	5	4	0	1	34	16	8
Coventry I .....	5	3	1	1	35	15	7
Burton .....	5	2	2	1	27	23	6
Stratford .....	5	2	1	2	26	24	5
Derby II .....	5	2	0	3	19	31	4
Nottingham II ...	5	0	0	5	9	41	0
Group III	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Loughborough .	5	4	1	0	39	11	9
Nuneaton .....	5	3	1	1	34	16	7
Grantham .....	5	3	1	1	30	20	7
Leamington .....	4	1	0	3	11	29	2
Gainsborough ...	4	1	0	3	9	31	2
Coventry II .....	5	0	1	4	17	33	1

### Combined Leading Averages (Qualification - 6 matches)

	P	W	%
Bradley Billington (Ch) .....	27	27	100
Anthony Parkin (Wo) .....	24	23	96
Tim Sheppard (No) .....	27	25	93
Ian Stewart (Bu) .....	32	28	88
Adrian Bolton (No) .....	27	23	85
James Lawson (Ch) .....	27	22	81
Richard Grimley (Lo) .....	32	26	81
Steve Moses (Nu) .....	30	24	80
Kay Mayall (Wo) .....	18	14	78
Martin Burwell (Li) .....	30	23	77
Gavin West (De) .....	30	23	77
John Cauldwell (Ch) .....	18	13	72

Jeremy Williams reports from ...

## CORNWALL

### LARGELY SUCCESSFUL

The season in Cornwall has been largely successful. There has been the birth of the Launceston Kernow National League team — the latest in a long line of ambitious ventures which was a complete success. Our County teams finished up well after shaky starts and the Juniors are fast emerging as Cornwall's strongest ever — they have been very impressive. More domestically, the Cornish Inter-Town League was on the whole successful despite the odd hiccup, and our own open tournament — the T.S.B. Cornish Junior 2-Star went off smoothly with the prospect of possible 'select' status next season.

## COUNTY MATCHES

### Seniors

Cornwall 9 Isle of Wight 1  
Somerset 8 Cornwall 2

### Juniors

Wiltshire II 2 Cornwall 8  
Cornwall 6 Avon 4

Cornwall teams acquitted themselves quite well in the final County matches, particularly the Junior team. Our youngsters pulled off two superb late wins to have themselves well up the table in what was a strong division. The team of Mark James, Graham Reed, Andy Hunt, Alison Clemens and Esme Stevenson now seems to be the most successful combination. Against Avon, Reed pulled off two fine wins over Chris Holley and Martin Coles; and James continues to impress when in the right frame of mind. Hunt, who has replaced the out of favour Leon Jose, has also given a good account of himself and his victory over Coles signified his arrival on the County scene.

The Seniors notched up a good win over the Isle of Wight, who were without Carl Prean, but suffered a disastrous defeat at the hands of Somerset. Truro's stubborn defender Barbara Rapsey salvaged some pride by winning her singles and a doubles with Shirley Collins. It was Barbara's first appearance for four years and she certainly proved she is by no means finished yet. In contrast, the men were unable to apply themselves in conditions of oppressive heat at Yeovil, and for once Messrs. Woollins, Cornelius and Williams were all out of touch.

However, the selectors can be well pleased with the performances of the Juniors. All five players will be Juniors next season and all but Alison Clemens will be eligible for the year after. Potentially, it is our strongest Junior team ever and it now looks inevitable that next season we will have a stronger team than our ageing rivals from Devon — for the first time ever surely.

### CORNISH INTER-TOWN LEAGUE

Deserved winners of the first ever Cornish League were St. Ives who overcame a disappointing St. Austell 5-3 in the play-off at the White Hart Hotel, Launceston on April 17. Hero for St. Ives was Nigel Cock who had one of his blitz days and disposed of Tim Wiltshire and county player Barry Cornelius. With John Bassett also looking sharp, the tentative St. Austell team were faced with an uphill struggle and for the losers, only Raymond Bunt gave any indication of form.

St. Ives were presented with a superb champagne-filled cup by the donor and proprietor of the White Hart, Brian Baker, who has contributed so much to the County this season.

### Final Table

St. Ives .....	7	6	1	0	52	18	13
St. Austell .....	7	5	1	1	47	23	11
Falmouth .....	7	5	1	1	40	30	11
Truro .....	7	3	1	3	36	34	7
Redruth .....	7	2	1	4	25	45	5
Camborne .....	7	2	0	5	31	39	4
Helston .....	7	1	2	4	26	44	4
Launceston .....	7	0	1	6	23	47	1

### Individual Playing Averages

J. Bassett (St. Ives)	13/14	92.85%
B. Cornelius (St. Austell)	11/12	91.66%
T. Kemp (St. Austell)	10/12	83.33%
J. Woollins (Launceston)	9/12	75.00%
N. Cock (St. Ives)	10/14	71.42%
M. James (Camborne)	10/14	71.42%
J. Williams (Falmouth)	10/14	71.42%

Response to this competition has been generally very good with better application from the players in all cases. St. Ives, Falmouth, Redruth and Launceston have all been able to command large crowds which is very encouraging for the promotion of the game in Cornwall. Towns wishing to be considered for next season's campaign should contact organiser Peter Hancock for details.

### LAUNCESTON KERNOW

Cornwall's only Halex National League team Launceston Kernow finally completed their programme in a comfortable fifth place in Division 3 West. After three successive victories over Cowbridge Bridgend, W.W. Solihull and Tarmac Ladies; Launceston completed their fixtures with two defeats against the leading teams. A 7-1 defeat was sustained against Chan Construction at Handsworth with Jeremy Williams recording Launceston's victory over Chan's Ian Gunn.

In their final match Launceston entertained promotion seeking Pengeley Sports Torbay and went down 5-3 in an exciting local derby. One thing above all stood out and that was the performance of Mark James — 15-years-old, National League debut, standing in for county player Cornelius and having to perform in front of around 80 people — he could easily have been overawed by the occasion. However, James hit almost impossible balls to dispose of established Devon players Paul Giles and Tony Sweet to win both singles and the crowd were left stunned at the audacity of the Cornish player. The crowd were also treated to a thriller between Jon Woollins and Paul Whiting with the latter outstanding for the visitors.

### Match Scores

#### Launceston Kernow v Pengeley Sports Torbay

- I. James lost to P. Whiting -12, -17; lost to M. Ellett -18, -14.
- J. Woollins lost to Whiting -18, -18; lost to P. Giles 14, -12, -13.
- J. Williams lost to Ellett -12, -18; bt T. Sweet 14, 17.
- M. James bt Giles 15, 19; bt Sweet 17, 19.

### WESTERN COUNTIES TEAM/INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Despite the absence of the Dorset and Avon teams, play was still of a high standard at the Western Counties Championships held at Launceston, Cornwall on April 23.

With the non appearances of Kevin Satchell and Tony Clayton, Plymouth's Paul Whiting brought the Men's Singles title back to Devon for the first time since 1977. However, his superb performance was not enough to prevent Wiltshire winning the Senior team event for the first time.

The main upset in the Men's Singles was the elimination of Hampshire's Derek Holman who fell to Cornwall's Barry Cornelius.

Winner of the counterpart Women's event was Claire Maisey (Wiltshire) who had a narrow victory over Somerset's Jill Green. One of the favourites for the event, Elaine Short (Devon) was surprisingly eliminated by Cornwall's Sheila Rapsey which took her to a semi-final defeat by Maisey. Another Cornwall player, Alison Clemens disposed of her team mate Sharon James to reach the other semi where she was beaten by Jill Green.

David Cosway reports from . . .

## HAMPSHIRE

### BEST FORGOTTEN

The last two sets of County matches failed to produce a win and really are best forgotten. A 0-10 score line against Sussex for the 'A' team followed by a 3-7 defeat against Devon leaves them only one from the bottom of Div. 2B with just a single win during the season. A slightly better season for the 'B' team but a 1-9 defeat against Gloucester and a draw with bottom of the table Isle of Wight ended any hopes they had earlier of winning the Div. 3B championship. Defeats by 2-8 to Surrey and 3-7 to Somerset put the junior 'A' team in mid Div. 3C. The junior 'B' cried off from their match against Oxford and lost 4-6 to Bucks to finish near the foot of Div. 3B. The veteran 'A' team with a 2-7 loss to Essex II and a 4-5 defeat by Middlesex II are well down Div. 2B. A ray of light was the veteran 'B' team's championship of Div. 3B.

So what of the future? I understand proposals are afoot to increase H.T.T.A. affiliation fees. With the running of County teams, the Association's major expenditure, clearly the committee must justify the running of six county teams. With considerable difficulty being experienced by Dennis Kneller in finding players able and willing to represent the county especially during the last few rounds of matches one must wonder about the future of county table-tennis. Certainly it must be said that in some cases it is more a question of finding someone to play, rather than selection of the strongest players, which is often the criteria. With the ever increasing cost of transport, venues, etc. this is hardly the basis on which member Associations are likely to look favourably upon major increases in fees.

Unfortunately despite pleas for final tables etc. for the Inter-Town leagues these have not been forthcoming so I am unable to report on these competitions. I will however show my bias and say how pleased I was to see Southampton win the men's division for the first time in 12 years.

My round up of local leagues is also a little thin on the ground for the usual reason that no one has sent me information. No doubt the absent leagues will be amongst those who complain about my reports!

In Gosport and Fareham Generation II Galaxies won the league with Fleetlands Wasps in second place. In the end of season decider Galaxies beat Wasps 7-3 with G. Took and M. Dexter unbeaten. In our closed tournament I have no scores but John Dubber beat Charlie Childs in the men's singles while Ann Abrahams won the women's singles. Dubber and K. Childs won the men's doubles while Keir Donaldson and Ann Abrahams won the mixed.

In Portsmouth De La Rue regained the Div. 1 title after last season's VRS Stiga success with a 100% record. George Clay, Len Plant and Martin Gilbert again the mainstay of the De La Rue team. The illness of Norman Stagg for a couple of vital matches probably cost Community Amazons second place. Their Adrian Lee was certainly the most improved player in the league and a young player to watch for the future. With the absence of Miki and Serina Sinanin from the Portsmouth closed all the major titles changed hands. In the

men's singles Graham Toole made an early exit to Steve Billmore who in turn lost to Nick Frost in the semi -20, 17, and 18. In the other half Adrian Lee beat Norman Stagg in the semi 14 and 19. The final went to a third with Lee winning his first title -11, 16 and 16. In the women's singles Ann Abrahams beat Wendy Lewis 21 and 19 in the semi and Alison Billmore -17, 19 and 18 in the final. Mark Wilding predictably won the junior singles event, which has been dominated for the preceding four years by Toole, with a final victory over Paul Smith 12 and 17.

Ray Lush beat Stagg -19, 17 and 13 in the veterans' final. Frost and Toole won the men's doubles, Ann Abraham and Sally Carver the women's, whilst Steve and Alison Billmore won the mixed.

Sperry VA won the South East Hants first division from Hambledon 'A', while a 7-3 win over promotion rivals Wyeth 'C' gave Alexandra Hawks promotion from Div. 2.

The Southampton premier division dominated by the Snows Club who filled the first three places in the John Jaques sponsored 'A' division. Whether it is good for one club to accumulate all the top players in a league is very much a matter of contention in Southampton. It certainly makes the division dead with the lack of competition which is surely the basis of any league's success. It is however a free country and if players want to join a successful club who is to stop them? The Four T's Leopards easily won the premier 'B' title and their Falcons team the first division. Ken Miles beat Hugh Riches to win the Annual Masters (over 50) tournament. How pleasing to see the success Sarah Hammond is obtaining this season. The Four T's Club, Southampton and Hampshire cadet has had good wins over nationally ranked juniors to send her rocketing up the national cadet rankings and earn her a junior international place in the English open team events in Worthing. She is the first Junior International for Southampton since the "Holes Twins era" — No I won't embarrass Christine and Pauline by saying how long ago that was! Wins against the top two England cadets Jill Powis and Debbie Soot-hill in the Essex Junior 'Select' must have clinched her first cap and, Sarah's next objective must be the European Junior Championships later this summer. Southampton's Four T's club ladies' team are through to the semi-final of the National Club Knockout competition where they face Brentwood. Final event of the Southampton 50th Anniversary season was the presentation dance which far exceeded expectations with over 250 in attendance including many of the players from the past eras of the league. I must try to thank all the players and Southampton Officials who have made this a most memorable season with their considerable work and support. The cost has been considerable but the support received has meant that the season has broken even — surely a relief in particular to Vic Nuttall the Association's Treasurer for 29 years!

In Winchester again the Hursley Club dominate the first division gaining their fourth successive first division title and Hursley 'A' taking over from Hursley 'B' as winners of the team eliminating cup. The Winchester closed tournament was I think they will agree, not up to their usual standard. The preliminary rounds played for the first time at the new Winchester Sports

Centre got off to a very late start and when the 5 p.m. deadline arrived there were still matches to play. While admittedly the original fault must be placed with the organisers the prima dona attitude of some players when asked to play their outstanding matches at another venue was not really helpful or sporting. The finals night was also a bit of a shambles, starting at 4 p.m. in the afternoon and finishing close on 10 p.m. is not the ideal arrangement for playing only 11 sets and long delays and one-sided matches is not the way to encourage spectators. John Roberts away at University and not therefore playing regularly in the league was nevertheless allowed to enter the men's singles event and duly won it without being extended to a third game. The final a 15 and 8 win over George Phillpot. A very poorly supported women's singles event with the finals clashing with county matches Jackie Smith beat Debbie Holloway 6 and 19. Gary Longland and Jeff Mitchell beat their Hursley Club mates John Roberts and Roland Bennett 17 and 19 in the men's doubles final. The best two sets of the evening were in the veterans event. The semi-final, left over from the preliminary tournament, gave Tony Nixon an 11, -8 and 18 victory over Phillpot and Tony went on to beat Eddie Milson 20, -19, 18 in the final.

How the Jaques Generation Club of Fareham have worked for their success! Their promotion from the first division is a just reward not only for the players but the officials of the club especially chairman Tim Manhire and team manager Charlie Childs. Next season's premier division is certainly a challenge but with players of the calibre of Carl Prean and Ian Kenyon, in particular, in their squad their object is not just to compete at this level but to go to the top!

That's all for this season and I hope to be reporting again in October. I would however ask for some support in my writing of these reports. There are just not enough hours in the day to go round to every league in the County asking for reports. I must rely on those Associations feeding me the necessary information. I even have difficulty at times obtaining from the County Association details of inter-town matches and county results! If I am to continue writing these reports, as I wish to do, please support me with the information I need to compile them.

Tony Carey reports from . . .

## SOMERSET

### END OF AN ERA, BEGINNING OF ANOTHER

We are now nearing the end of a very long season for Somerset, especially the Juniors, who have travelled the length and breadth of England and Wales in search of competition. Some of these excursions proved successful and some not so but they always gained something that will remain with them permanently and which cannot be bought and that is experience, one of the magic ingredients essential to the making of a good player. "Providing they learn from it of course". I hope that with this sound base on which to build during the summer we shall see a definite upswing in the fortunes of Somerset Table Tennis when the new season starts, both in the Seniors

and Juniors at County level and even England rankings. However this will still depend on a lot of commitment by the players and also if we have got the coaching formula right.

The Senior and Junior County Teams have recorded some very good wins this season and have performed very well in the process. The injection of new blood into both teams has proved a success — let us hope that this can continue. Two players worthy of note in this connection are County No. 1 Junior Lee Sadler from Yeovil who has been the pillar of strength in the Junior Team and made a successful debut for the senior team against strong opposition from our near neighbours Cornwall winning both his singles in fine style. I hope that this will prove to be a sound launching platform for him for next season when he steps out of the Juniors into Senior competition. "Well done Lee and good luck". The second player I must mention is Mark Bryant, County No. 2 from Bridgwater who seems to have been up and down for some years showing great promise four years ago of being a good Cadet but somehow drifting off course, but I am glad to see that the love of Table Tennis has proved stronger and he has returned to the fold with a renewed commitment to prove his ability and this I know will not be questioned by players who have met him in the Bridgwater Premier Division and County and Inter-Town competitions. I am sure he will survive the crunch time next season when he will have to carry the glory of No. 1 Junior. "Good luck, Mark".

Before I leave the subject of Somerset's future there are two major decisions tied up with that. The first is that I hope that Sadler will continue to tour the tournament circuit as a Senior and perhaps persuade others to follow and the second is the fact that we have now lost the services of one of the most talented players, from Cadet to Junior to Senior that we have ever been privileged to have. I mean, of course, Jill Green (nee Wilson) who is now resident at Alton in Hampshire. Jill has been a Somerset stalwart for many years in County, Junior and Senior teams nearly always winning her two singles and competing well in the doubles with whoever she had as a partner. She has achieved an England ranking in the Juniors and has figured in numerous County, Bridgwater League and Divisional finals throughout her career, and with few exceptions, emerging the winner. Always showing the wonderful touches and control which were a feature of her game. A style of play which I hope our Juniors can emulate in the future. Our loss but Hampshire's gain, I am sure. We are sorry to see you go Jill and thank you for all you have given to Somerset over the years. We wish you 'Good Luck' for the future and hope that if you meet us in competition later you will see that the standards you set are being maintained.

**Somerset Juniors v Hampshire  
Redbridge Sports Centre, Southampton  
9th April, 1983**

This match proved to be the culmination of one of the most satisfying seasons we have had for quite some time.

Two wins by Sadler and Bryant each and the doubles plus a win by Melonie Carey and a Girls' doubles win with Sarah Webb gave us a convincing 7-3 win. Added to our other results of 7-3 against both Wiltshire II and Cornwall, with a draw against Berkshire

II, it is not bad.

Our Senior side also finished their season on a high note with a convincing 8-2 win over Cornwall. Apart from the results of Sadler, mentioned earlier, our other young Senior, David Lee, had a good match winning both his sets, one of them being his very first win over Jon Woolins, another breakthrough for him and an indication of his continuing progression.

**ESSEX 2-STAR SELECT — HARLOW**

The involvement of Somerset in this Tournament was very light, consisting of one player, Melonie, who recorded two wins in the Cadets to win her group with one of her conquests being the highly-ranked England Cadet Angela Sanders of Staffordshire.

She then lost to another good player from Essex, Lisa Hayden, but although she lost Melonie will have learnt something from it for the future and will agree that the journey was worthwhile.

The last big event for our Juniors was the English Schools' Individual Championships at Mansfield on April 30. We all set off full of hope but it turned into an anti-climax when Melonie, seeded No. 2 in the U-13, had one of those sets which all players have in their careers when they lose to the unseeded player. This she did in the quarter-finals to Julie Billington. She may find it hard to forget this but I am sure she will and regard it as further experience for next season and make her a better player in the future. But all was not gloom for Somerset as we still had varying successes. A notable one being Tina Sadler from Yeovil reaching the quarter-finals of the U-11 Girls'. A little of big brother's talent rubbing off! "Well played, Tina". Our other successes being Philip Payne winning his first round set in the U-16 Boys', Sadler reaching the 2nd round of the U-19 Boys', Leon Bovett reaching the last 16 of the U-11's and Paul Smith unlucky to lose in the 1st round of the U-13's and the consolation. Our other two girls, Sarah and Fiona lost in the 1st rounds of the U-16's and U-19's and then reached the semi-finals of the consolation event. Therefore, looking at the overall picture the signs for improvement are still encouraging. And I hope to be reporting further Somerset successes next season. Until then I will try to relieve my writers cramp, give the car a rest and service and get fit once more for the new season, when the Table Tennis Motoring Club will take to the road again.

Looking forward to meeting you all again.

John Woodford reports from . . .

**SUSSEX**

**MEDIOCRE POSITIONS**

Not the most successful season for table tennis in Sussex. Mediocre finishing positions in the County Championships and relegation for the Dolphins in the National League to the second division.

The campaign has been riddled by unrest between the leading players and the administration, a situation I believe that is common to many other areas in England. Players have lost confidence in the County Championships played almost without spectators universally.

However, Bexhill is the top town of Sussex at the moment, with the new Sussex champion Graham Gillett playing the game

when he can afford the time from composing pop music and the winner of the last tournament, the Hollington Open was Stephen Moore, stopping his brother Adrian in the last round, although there were several notable absentees.

At the forthcoming Sussex AGM in July, moves will once again be made to save money by trimming at least one County Championships team, whilst Crawley stalwart Keith Horton is resigning from the Sussex corridors of power as a protest at the attitude of the young senior players — preferring football matches on Saturday afternoons, leaving matches early and generally showing a lack of interest but considerable talent.

To end on a bright personal note for Diane Griggs, twice champion of Sussex not long ago and the Eastbourne Rose Bowl spearhead for some time — she is expecting twins in October, bringing the family up to the strength of a potential table tennis team! She already has one son and is not expected to be playing table tennis again until 1985.

Roy Williams reports from . . .

**NORTH WALES**

**COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS DOUBLE**

First I must apologise that I missed the deadline for last month's issue of the magazine due to the many duties I seem to have at the present time.

Our senior county team, Clwyd, visited Gt. Yarmouth and beat Norfolk in Div. 4 of the County Championships to give North Wales a double. The veteran team clinched Div. 3A earlier. Congratulations to both teams for their efforts in securing the County's first ever divisional titles.

At Gt. Yarmouth Trevor Manning, Neil James, Paul Griffiths, Sue Powell and Karen Buckle all played well in this final match. I, myself, having been involved from the beginning of our county ventures am delighted and I am sure Malcolm Hook, the senior manager, shares my sentiments after hours of driving all over the country.

The two major North Wales cup finals proved to be exciting affairs with the Wrexham league teams winning both trophies. At Prestatyn Cricket Club one of the best G. S. Radcliffe Cup finals played for years was to be seen. Malpas from Wrexham just pipped Llandudno's Lansdowne TTC to win the North Wales Team Championship.

Kevin McGuire was in great form winning his three singles and the doubles partnered by Ian Wolley. Ian won two singles and Arthur Jones went to three in all his sets but failed to register a win. Max Shone was outstanding for Lansdowne winning two singles (it could have been three), with Glyn Gibbons and Ken Jones each recording a victory.

Griflex just edged Wrexham Railway Club, the holders, from winning the C. S. Shone Cup again this season. Brian Ellis for Griflex won his three singles and came back from 10-6 in the third to beat Mark Jones which, in the end, proved to be the critical set. Geoff Taylor played well to record two wins and Barry Robertson went to three on two occasions for the Railway. Mike Jones, a former county player, won two sets with Kevin Roberts and Mark Jones

winning a set each. The match was played at Dunlop, Wrexham. Yours truly was the referee for both finals with Tony Smith and Meirion Williams umpiring.

### SPORTS SPECTACULAR

Phil Williams and myself went along to organise the table tennis section of the Rhyl Round Table and Prestatyn and Rhyl Lions Sports Spectacular at Prestatyn Sports Centre organised for the disabled. At the end of the day one could only admire the skill and courage of the contestants. The competition was keen in all the various classes and with players from North Wales, Cheshire, Merseyside and Manchester the standard was high.

The winners were delighted but I am sure some competitors were disappointed. What was missing however was the tantrums of some of our able bodied players. My advice therefore — go along to the next Sports Spectacular and perhaps you will come down to earth. Tony Smith of Rhyl won the ambulant singles then, at Wrexham the following week, won the North Wales event.

### ANGLESEY CLOSED

The Anglesey Closed was held at Holyhead Sports Centre on Apl. 10 and the surprise was the defeat of Don Hobbs in the final of the men's singles by Keith Williams. Don, who has claimed the crown for so many years and may have beaten Queen Victoria's record on this occasion, failed to stop the very talented Williams. Michelle Entwistle beat Ann Coates to win the women's title.

### COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP

Denbighshire won all three titles by their victories in the senior, veteran and junior events at the North Wales County Championships held at Eiras Park, Colwyn Bay on Apl. 19. With Anglesey having a tournament of their own Flintshire fielded a second string to fill the gap.

Play, on European League style, went on for 14 hours involving 18 matches and proved a great success. In signing off, please do not forget to order your magazine for next season — the price is the same.

### COUNTY TABLES

Senior	P	W	L	F	A	P
Denbighshire	3	3	0	18	3	6
Caernarvonshire	3	2	1	13	8	4
Flintshire	3	1	2	11	10	2
Flintshire II	3	0	3	0	21	0
Veteran	P	W	L	F	A	P
Denbighshire	3	3	0	18	3	6
Flintshire	3	2	1	17	4	4
Caernarvonshire	3	1	2	5	16	2
Flintshire II	3	0	3	2	19	0
Junior	P	W	L	F	A	P
Denbighshire	3	3	0	21	0	6
Caernarvonshire	3	2	1	14	7	4
Flintshire	3	1	2	6	15	2
Flintshire II	3	0	3	1	20	0

Alf Peppard reports from . . .

## GLOUCESTERSHIRE

### "NOSTALGIA"

Rummaging around in my bureau the other day I came across a rather faded copy of our National Magazine, vintage stuff and edited that particular season by the late Geoff Harrower. I came to the conclusion that, table tennis had its problems even in those days. There were players and admini-

strators moaning and groaning about "This AND That" (no offence Murray Corbin, I doubt if you were around at this particular time), and a certain gentleman who wrote lots and lots of letters to the magazine, and yet appeared from other letters tendered to have no specific interest what so ever other than the role of critic. Really times have not changed much have they? (Did I hear someone mutter ONLY THE RUBBERS). Well along with much better and well known names than myself, I've surely done my fair share. Over a period of the last seven copies of T.T.N. I have mentioned the apparent lack of T.V. How it's our sport and the specific need for ALL to pull our weight.

Perhaps I would like to continue table tennis journalism in the way so hopefully expressed by Bill Fowkes, Coaching Sec. to the Eastwood & District T.T.A., in Derbyshire. Bill's attitude strikes me as very reasonable. He says we all should be more forward looking and NOT to look on the dull side so much, "Well written Bill". Here is one scribe who will try out your advice, but it will not be easy, old habits die hard.

Players Averages when representing the County in the County Championships, NOT in order of merit, but taken from present official ranking list are:

### Seniors 2B

	P	W	L	%
P. Jackson (G)	14	8	6	57.1
A. Golding (S)	14	10	4	71.4
R. Russell (C)	12	8	4	66.6
W. Dawe (G)	2	2	0	100.0
C. Iacopi (G)	6	2	4	33.3
C. Robb (G)	6	2	4	33.3
J. Bearcroft (C)	1	0	1	—
H. Colwill (G)	1	1	0	100.0

### Juniors 2B

	P	W	L	%
D. Griffin (G)	10	9	1	90.0
A. Beckett (G)	14	4	10	28.6
D. Smith (G)	14	5	9	35.7
I. Heskins (S)	4	0	4	—
J. Ellery (G)	5	1	4	20.0
H. Colwill (G)	3	2	1	66.6
C. Symonds (G)	5	2	3	40.0
J. Evans (C)	1	0	1	—

### Now to the three respective Finals nights, commencing with Gloucester

Held at the C.E.G.B. at Barnwood this year's F.N. saw more spectators than maybe for ten or twelve years, this factor cheered the local Officials immensely. Several events had been played off before-hand to minimise time so on the big night we had seven.

The first Open Singles semi saw William Dawe (Gordon League) beat Bill Ahern (Rank Xerox) 13, 10. And in the 2nd semi-final Darren Griffin (GL) beat the holder Martin Lane (St. Marks) 18, 19. In the final Dawe beat Griffin -17, 11, 20, 17. The mixed was won by Dawe & Heather Colwill (Newent) they beat Sylvester Callum (GL) and Julie Towie (Newent) 20, 13. Bryan Merrett successfully defended his veterans' title versus Peter Wood (C.E.G.B.) 11, 12. A surprise in the open Doubles, Merrett and Mike Collier just sneaked home versus Dawe and Griffin 24-22 in the third.

The Women's Singles went to Christine Iacopi (Saintbridge) who beat the holder Julie Towie 15, 19.

### Stroud

At Stroud Leisure Centre several of the finals were a repeat of last year but still most enjoyable. In the Open Singles the holder Andrew Golding beat Peter Harris

19 and 18 to take the title. The Women's Singles final saw Mrs. Jean Golding defending her title versus a very determined Suzanne Webley. Alas determination was not enough and Jean swept to victory 18, 12. In the Open Doubles final, defending champions Andrew Golding and Peter Harris had little trouble in beating Alvin Thomas and Eric Watts 14 and 13. The Veteran Singles was contested by last year's runner-up John Smith and Eric Watts, Eric made John a runner-up again by beating him seven in the third.

The mixed featured Mother and Son combination of Jean and Andrew Golding who were much too strong for Harris and Sue Webley, the Goldings won 14 in the third.

The Boys' final was won by Ian Heskins he beat Neil Gingell 10, 23. This was Heskins final season as a junior. Howard Williams won both the U-13's and 15's quite convincingly. From what I saw of Howard, and for his age, he appears to be Stroud's best potential for the future.

Guest of Honour was Severn-Sound's Nigel Dean who presented the cups and trophies.

### ALBERT MANN K.O. CUP (Stroud)

The final was keenly contested by two of the youngest teams ever to reach this stage. Div. 4 Champions, Woodchester 'E' (average age 17) beat the team in 8th place in the same Division who were Nailsworth Boys' Club 'B', (average age 13) by 72 points.

Reporting from Stroud is Ray Westbury with the following news on Stroud's coaching plans, PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE. And might I add reference only to Juniors.

Coaching is progressing well with classes for any new comers mainly drawn from local Primary Schools.

A coaching group was formed for more advanced players, from whom we expect possible future Town sides to be drawn. This group, in addition, has been formed into teams, and a small Summer League will be started to give them extra competition. There has also been a satellite coaching group started at Tetbury, to avoid youngsters from that area having the long journey to Stroud. One Junior Club which seems to have benefitted from coaching is Nailsworth Boys' Club. They are long established members of the Stroud & District League, but are currently fielding two of their youngest ever sides, both teams having an average age of 13. The 'A' team play in Div. 4, and although two of them, Neil Gingell and Keith Rodway, are only 12-years-old and in only their second year of league T.T. they joined Darren Peck to become the Divisional runners-up, and thus gain promotion.

The 'B' team is even less experienced, Paul Vick, and Sean Cowley, having their first taste of League play, Greg Day and Paul Turk, being in their second season. They were ably supported by 10-year-old Steve Rodway as reserve. This team expected to play in the 5th Div. last year, but because of a vacancy found themselves in Div. 4, where not only did they survive, but went on to appear in the finals of the Leagues' Handicap Cup Competition, where they were beaten by another young team Woodchester 'E'.

Nailsworth Boys' Club are fortunate to have a coach of the calibre of Trevor Golding to give them support and guidance,

but their success this season is a just reward for the hard work and enthusiasm shown by the boys themselves. It certainly looks as if Stroud's future is well assured.

Cheltenham Finals Night, apart from the time it took to play off the various events, went well. But considering that the first event began on schedule at 7.30 p.m. the last ball was hit at three minutes to MID-NIGHT and only a few very ardent supporters and Officials remained to see the final of the men's singles, between last year's runner-up Steve Moreman and the County's No. 3 Richard Russell. Steve produced a high standard of attacking play and took the first two at 19, 16. Richard, grimly sticking to defence, fought back to win the 3rd and 4th at 23 and 16. In the final game, both players were never more than two points in front and at 19-all you could feel the tension. Steve took the next two points to take the title, so close!

Other events:- W.S. Cathy Robb bt Jenny Ellery -18, 19, 16. Open Doubles Graham Slack/Moreman bt Russell/Paul Gleed 18, 18. V.S. Peter Slack bt Mike Fry. X.D. Sylvester Callum/Cathy Robb bt Moreman/Carol Slack -12, 19, 14.

"Conclusion". The Cheltenham Association would be wise to consider re-scheduling their timing of events and awards for next season's Finals Night, to thus avoid the possibility of unnecessary events going on until "VERY NEARLY", the early hours of the morning.

I conclude by looking forward to yet again, seeing and welcoming, The Schools International to Gloucester City on July 1, 2 and 3. This will be for the third time running.

Les D'Arcy reports from . . .

## YORKSHIRE

### NEW CHAIRMAN

ALEC HEAD, international umpire from Sheffield, is the new Chairman of the Yorkshire T.T.A. He is already Vice-Chairman of the Sheffield League and holds the same post in the Sheffield Works League. Now, after 22 years' service on the Yorkshire Management Committee as a Southern Area Representative, Alec takes over the Chairmanship from fellow international umpire, Geoff Scruton, who resigned from the Committee after a disagreement with some members of the Yorkshire Committee about the selection of players for the junior premier team. Geoff a leading and well respected official in Yorkshire for many years still continues to give his valuable support to Yorkshire table tennis and worked happily with several of his former Yorkshire Committee colleagues at the recent Calderdale Yorkshire Junior Open to make it probably the most successful of recent Y.T.T.A. county tournaments.

Alec, like Geoff, had done a great deal of service in the cause of table tennis — even though he did not start playing until he was 37 in 1956. Once he did start he soon became deeply involved in the game as player, umpire, coach and administrator. He qualified as a county umpire in 1960, reached national status in 1968 and became an international umpire in 1976. He officiated at the World Championships in Birmingham in 1977 and at the European Youth Championships in Belgium. Now his immediate task is to unite the three regions

of Yorkshire into an harmonious and dynamic force to build on past successes and fill the membership with sound reason for optimism in the future. Alec has the right qualities and experience to lead the way. It is up to the Y.T.T.A. membership to give him, unreservedly their goodwill and support.

Alec's first public function as Chairman was to greet over fifty delegates from all over Yorkshire and Humberside attending the Coaching Conference, organised jointly by the Y.T.T.A. and the Yorkshire and Humberside Sports Council at Batley Sports Centre on May 15.

### NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to our Junior Premier Division Team on becoming National Champions after some splendid performances at St. Neots T.T.C. during the two week-ends of the County Championships. Cleveland, Sussex and Bedfordshire were each beaten 10-0, Devon 9-1, Surrey 9-2, Kent 7-3 with only Middlesex, the runners-up, managing to take a point from this power-packed side which finished up with a remarkable 59 sets for 11 against, with Middlesex 11 sets behind.

Steven Sharpe who spearheaded the County's attack performed brilliantly to win 13 out of a possible 14 singles. Jeff Thatcher (12 wins out of 14) and David Rook (11-14) also played with distinction: Melanie Seaton, Rachel Brook and Joanne Shaw, making her junior premier team debut at the second week-end, were equally dominant in the girls' events.

The junior second team: Clive Guest, Nicky Newton, Russell Thompson and Mandy Holmes were all unbeaten in Yorkshire's 10-0 win over Northamptonshire and remain in contention for the Div. 2A Junior Championship which will be decided when the team meets Staffordshire in the last match of the season.

### SPOTLIGHT ON THE LEAGUES

#### Hull

At the Hull Closed held at the Y.P.I. Centre Joe Naser went through the men's singles without dropping a game to regain the title he won in season 75/76 and again in 78/79. On his way to the final he took out his Hull team colleague, Dave Rander-son in the quarters and former Commonwealth Games player, Polycarp Teo in the semi. Polycarp had come through the hard way, having been taken the full distance by England-ranked No. 10 Cadet, John Bult, before putting out three times former champion, Mike Harrison, in an equally tight quarter. Like Naser, Sean Madden, the defending champion, had a relatively untroubled passage in the other half until going down to Naser 16 and 16 in the final when Joe made it his fourth win of the season over his closest rival. Madden gained some compensation when, with Naser, he retained the men's doubles title at the expense of Mike Farnhill and Ron Jackson in the final 13 and 13.

Other results:

#### Women's Singles:

Tracy Wenn bt Angela Huitt 19, -16, 20.

#### Women's Doubles:

Karen Brodie/Joanne Young bt Alison/Julie Evans 15, -14, 11.

#### Mixed Doubles:

Harrison/Young bt Naser/A. Evans 17, -15, 16.

#### Veterans' Singles:

Mick Sothcott bt Tony Lane 19, 15.

#### Over 55 Singles:

Tom Burett bt George Watts -12, 11, 11.

#### Boys' Singles:

Darren Parker bt Kevin Rogerson 21, -18, 16.

#### Boys' Doubles:

Parker/T. Brant bt J. Bult/G. Bult 19, 15.

#### Girls' Singles:

A. Evans bt Huitt -18, 9, 17.

#### Girls' Doubles:

R. Bray/Huitt bt A. Evans/H. Kavanagh 19, 19.

#### Cadet Boys' Singles:

J. Bult bt P. Briggs 6, 7.

#### Cadet Girls' Singles:

A. Evans bt R. Bray 8, 18.

The junior events were dominated by the Wold Club whose players claimed nine of the eighteen titles and a share in two others.

After organising such a comprehensive programme, the experienced Hull League Tournament Committee must feel confident of tackling anything, particularly with the County Tournaments Secretary, Rea Balmford in their ranks. Rea not only spends a great deal of time organising county tournaments, but also finds the time to be the Hull League's Press Officer and Vice-Chairman of the E.S.T.T.A.. When not involved in his many and varied table tennis activities, Rea follows cricket and writes about it with equal enthusiasm. Keep up the good work, Rea.

#### Doncaster

In spite of clashing with the South Yorkshire Open, the Doncaster Closed attracted a massive 561 entrants to take part in the ten event programme. Dave Skerrat confirmed his No. 1 ranking to take the men's singles title when he proved to be too sharp for No. 5 seed, Glen Roberts in the final.

Seasoned campaigners Mick Dainty and John Keys took the doubles and Melanie Seaton retained the women's singles title by defeating Diane Malpass in the final.

The father and daughter combination of Graham and Clare Bailey were successful against John Peters and Melanie Seaton in the mixed handicap final and John Walton was rewarded for his hard work in organising the tournament when he again won the veterans' title from Gordon Greene.

Dean Lake came back from an early deficit against Nicky Newton to take the junior title and also formed a winning combination with Mark Slides to take the handicap doubles. Nicky Carr and Andrew Jenkins, both cadets were the losing finalists. Andrew also had the misfortune to lose to Simon Parley in the handicap singles final. Better luck next time Andrew!

Outstanding performance of the Championships was registered by 11-years-old Neil Simms who captured the open age lower divisions title and then went on to win the U-14 event from England No. 15 cadet, Carr.

#### Pontefract/Castleford

Newcomer to the Pontefract Closed, Don Kelly, who normally plays in the Leeds League, had a field day. He won the men's and veterans' singles, was runner-up in the handicap singles and semi-finalist in the men's doubles. The latter event was won by well known Yorkshire League player, Alan Hanson partnered by Gerry Hill. This was some consolation for Alan who was the losing finalist to Don both in the men's and veterans' events. The tables were turned in the doubles semi when Alan and Gerry

defeated Don and Denis Wright 10, 17.

Other winner: B.S.: Alaric Bassano bt D. Whittaker 12, 17.

#### **Bradford**

Kevin Beadsley cut through the opposition without losing a game to take the Bradford men's singles title defeating Mike Stead in the final 16, 10. Stead played brilliantly against David Indriks in the semi which produced some spectacular rallies and repeated applause. Of similar calibre was the boys' final in which England-ranked junior No. 16, Martin Firth, overcame David Rook -15, 26, 19.

Other results:

#### **Women's Singles:**

H. Shields bt Julie Todd 8, 8.

#### **Girls' Singles:**

J. Stocks bt R. Beaumont -13, 16, 14.

#### **Cadet Singles:**

K. Pickles bt T. Hussain 15, 17.

#### **Veterans' Singles:**

M. Holt bt B. Madden 13, 19.

#### **Men's Doubles:**

Stead/Rook bt Beadsley/S. Kosmowsky 16, -19, 18.

#### **Women's Doubles:**

Todd/T. Robertshaw bt Shields/Beaumont -18, 15, 17.

#### **Mixed Doubles:**

R. Priestley/Shields bt M. Stephenson/Todd 16, 17.

Congratulations to Joanne Shaw and Rachel Brook on winning the Yorkshire Open Junior Doubles and to Steve Sharpe on reaching both the singles and doubles finals and not forgetting 11-year-old Michael O'Driscoll on reaching the final of the U-12 event, and a special thanks to Steve Hulme, Manager of the Halifax Leisure Centre and his staff at the Championships.

#### **Coaching**

Two important events took place in May. On the 15th there was a Coaching Conference at Batley Sports Centre. Speakers were Donald and Jill Parker; Sports Council's Director for Yorkshire and Humberside, Cyril Villiers and Y.T.T.A. Development Officer, Tony Ross.

Regional Coach for West Yorkshire, Rowden Fullen, has had to take a short rest from his almost daily voluntary coaching programme. Unfortunately he had an accident at work which put him in hospital for ten days. Rowden made sure his coaching groups were kept going by ringing round his fellow coaches to take over until he was back in action again, which we are pleased to say he now is. Trainee coaches David Townend and Neil Cafferty made a valuable contribution at local level and David Wilson, diploma coach from Leeds, at regional level, during Rowden's absence.

#### **Bradford Schools Championship**

Winners:

#### **Boys' U-11:**

A. Sunter (Allerton).

#### **Boys' U-13:**

J. Swain (Wibsey).

#### **Boys' U-15:**

T. Hussain (Eccleshill).

#### **Boys' U-19:**

M. Firth (Beckfoot).

#### **Girls' U-11:**

H. Wilkinson (Wibsey).

#### **Girls' U-13:**

C. Dada (Drummond).

#### **Girls' U-15:**

J. Stocks (Buttershaw).

#### **Girls' U-19:**

A. Sellers (Rhodesway).

John Prean looks beyond . . .

## **THE ISLE OF WIGHT**

It was a big day for Isle of Wight Table Tennis when Carl Prean (15) was selected to represent his country in the World and Commonwealth Championships, demonstrating that distant counties CAN play a part in the national scene. By the time you read this he will have completed his Asian adventures.

An unhappy month or so ended when he won the South of England 3-Star, again joining some of the great on this old trophy — Leach, Craydon . . . what Company!

A 'flu virus installed itself in our home beating all of us for a while. Carl missed our County Closed of which more later, a County match and a National League match and was not match-fit for the Norwich Union English Closed, but felt he had to play to make sure of his England spot. A semi-final place and the eagerly awaited match against Desmond Douglas resulted, but he only played well for one game and then ran out of gas.

The International against Germany at Lancing was also missed, but I was delighted to see that Skylet Andrew defeated Georg Boehm who had beaten Desmond twice in two days.

The Closed was a tournament that lost its way. The leading article (T.T. News March/April) described this television-dominated occasion in masterly fashion. The display of "player power" was very mild, but may not remain so forever. Players often get a bad deal both at the bottom and top of the ladder. There is, for instance, much indignation about a certain ball forced on players, but not liked, yet adopted for some major events. This may prove a future flash point.

All morning the great hall at Woking was empty. What a waste. What a setting it would have been either for the Semi-finals of the Closed itself or the Final of the County Championships (if and when the Bob Bridges proposals are adopted), indeed any showpiece to overcome the emptiness which swamped us symbolically as well as physically. We got T.V., but we paid a heavy price.

Our County Championships were just like the good (?), old days dominated by Jim Daly who won everything, Men's, Veterans', both Doubles (with Mike Gallop and Joy Batten respectively), thus nearly equalling his performance a few years ago when he won the raffle as well.

Janice Badcock (Norman's daughter) is the new ladies' champion. The title eluded Jill Fothergill yet again. You can't keep 15-year-old Philip Nicholls down. He won the "Consolation" defeating that excellent super-veteran Norman Badcock. Norman leaves us during the summer. What a servant of Island Table Tennis he has been! A former secretary of the Association, a player who has represented us at all levels for many, many years. Mr. "Reliable" for the club and county. The highlight of his career was probably winning the Island title when he defeated another great defender Eric Green in a final in which no quarter was asked or given. A late start saw these two battle it out till midnight when the lights failed. Repairs proved impossible and so they resumed on Monday evening when Norman pulled back a big deficit to take the

title, a hard day's night indeed. We wish him well.

Our First Division title changed hands at last. Sandown and Ryde met in a sensational match. Ryde needed to win and any victory formula had to include a Daly hat-trick. As he was unbeaten all season it seemed a reasonable assumption. Mike Turner won two for Ryde and the doubles with Jim. Mike, the son of our Coaching Officer Ray, has made a lot of progress since switching to long pimples. He was also the beaten Finalist in our Championships.

Jim was beaten not only by Kevin Attrill, but by Roger Hookey. Roger played heroically, winning three, one of the great performances of this or any other season.

Our County campaign ended with us firmly holding the wooden spoon. Thrice we were without Carl, twice on England duty. The disease of piling commitment upon commitment on our leading players continues, indeed gathers momentum.

We went to Cornwall without him and lost 9-1. It appears too much to ask that we are able to field our best player all the time and for sanity to reign which enables players to enjoy their competitive duties, yet still have week-ends to improve their skills, in short a schedule that is not dominated by a sterile hunt for computer points, that is English Table Tennis today, at any rate at the top.

We closed on a high note with a 5-5 draw against Hampshire II being near to victory more than once in this match. Two from Carl, one from Jim, both doubles made up our five. An excellent crowd watched this match.

This time 3 points were not enough to avoid bottom place. At home we were a match for anybody, away we were often like fish out of water.

We now await next season with trepidation. The 4th Division would be a disaster: Only 4 teams and all far away. We were consistently the best supported team in the division. Our enthusiasm for County Table Tennis is undiminished. A good base exists, one we can build on.

Mary Rose reports from . . .

## **WARWICKSHIRE**

### **REVISED RANKINGS**

Desmond Douglas and Karen Groves head the revised rankings which became effective as from Apl. 1. They are:

#### **Men**

1 D. Douglas, 2 D. Johnson, 3 C. Morgan, 4 D. Munt, 5 B. Johnson, 6 B. Hayward, 7 A. Pilgrim, 8 L. Bertie, 9 P. Glynn, 10 P. Gunn.

#### **Women**

1 K. Groves, 2 S. Peakman, 3 D. St. Ledger, 4 L. Brison, 5 A. Lloyd, 6 J. Harden, 7 J. Harper, 8 F. Sutton, 9 M. McHale, 10 D. Bromley.

The South Birmingham league team of Rod Lewis, Mike Wootton, Steve Bertie and Joan Harden seem to have once again clinched the championship of the Warwickshire League. With only one fixture still to play against Birmingham Business Houses they have a 100% record although both Rugby and East Birmingham showed they

were no pushovers by taking the South to 5-4 finishes.

Rugby, especially, gave them quite a fight when they went into a 2-0 lead which even had Brian Lloyd, the very confident South League secretary looking worried. But, like champions. South came strongly back to take the match in the final set.

#### WARWICKSHIRE CLUB COMPETITION

The final of the Warwickshire Club competition was held at the West Warwickshire Club on Apl. 12 between Nat. West. Bank (Coventry) and West Midland Police (Solihull), with the Nat. West. side winning by 378 pts. to 311 after the 144 pts. start had been added to the W.M. Police's total. Police took their defeat well and were the first to admit that they had been outgunned by a very talented side, with a lot more experience of the modern game. Nat. West. are a young team who should do well in the future. Well done lads for a very enjoyable game. On behalf of the Association I would like to thank the two officers officiating at the final, Frank Soper and Phil Hilliar, also the West Warwicks Club for once again coming to our aid.

#### ROSE BOWL

Wolverhampton proved Birmingham's downfall in the Rose Bowl competition. Karen Groves beat Janet Dunning but that was their only success in a very disappointing match. The women's 'A' team in the Midland League represented by Karen, Di St. Ledger and Sandra Peakman have also finished runners-up to Wolverhampton as expected.

#### AROUND THE LEAGUES

**Stratford** are very grateful to an anonymous donor who has provided money to award trophies for the personal best performances in each division during the season. These will be given to the four top averages in each division. In future seasons anyone who registers for a division which is of much lower standard than their playing ability will not be eligible to be considered.

The finals of the 15th closed championships were held at the FISSC Sports Club and the four junior events produced a clean sweep for Kenilworth St. Nicholas through Neil Betteridge and Richard Gardiner taking a title each and Steven Swallow taking two titles.

The men's title winner produced a familiar name but with different initials. Martyn Langston beat Nicky Mytton 19 and 19 in one of the best finals seen for years. In the women's singles final Shirley Betteridge beat Jen Williams.

In the doubles events the speed and power of Nicky Mytton and Andrew Stenson were too much for Jim Betts and Arthur Clarke in the men's as was the case in the mixed where Shirley Betteridge and Ian Langston took Joy Roberts and Dave Williams in two. Biggest cheer of the evening was for the underdogs Val Taylor and Pat Cockerill when they beat favourites Jen Williams and Joy Roberts.

The veteran singles produced the expected defensive marathon with Dave Noakes just taking the first and Dave Williams the second at "deuce" just as expedite was called. The third game was an extremely tense affair heightened by the calling of returns required by the expedite rule and the frequent spectacular crashes to the floor of Noakes. The final result was a 21-13 win in favour of Williams.

#### SCHOOLBOYS SUCCESS

Neil Betteridge, who plays for Kenilworth St. Nicholas in the Stratford Assn., won the U-13 Worcestershire Schools Championships.

#### DUNLOP BIRMINGHAM

Dunlop Birmingham turned in one of their best performances when they won their final Premier Division match 5-3 at Letchworth Corporation in the Halex National League. It was very much a revenge win as the Londoners had hammered Dunlop 6-2 at Birmingham. Steve Mills had two fine wins over Dave Wells and Richard Jermy, and Ian Horsham and Derek Munt both defeated Max Crimmins while the recalled Barry Hayward beat David Dodd.

#### DURHAM COUNTY CLOSED

by Elaine Blackburne

A record entry was attracted to the 1983 Durham County Closed held at Lowhills Road Leisure Centre, Peterlee and, with over 100 entries, more than 300 games were played before the final results were known.

All the events were well supported with few surprise results.

Husband and wife team, Tony and Shirley Gelder from Sunderland each appeared in three finals and took two titles between them. After joining forces to win the mixed doubles beating Neil Herrington and Lynn Yarnell (Sunderland), Shirley teamed up with Lynn Bainbridge, also of Sunderland, to beat A. Brown and J. Leslie of South Shields in the women's doubles.

In the men's singles Peter McQueen of Gateshead, had an unusually easy game against Tony — beating him 21-1 in the first end — taking the title 2-straight.

Gelder and McQueen became partners in the men's doubles but were beaten by Tom Robson (Murton) and 15-years-old Darren McVitie of Peterlee.

Shirley Gelder then lost the women's singles to Linda Spensley.

McVitie then had two further victories — in the boys' events. He beat 15-year-old David Blackburne (Thornley) in the singles and then partnered David to victory in the doubles beating Anthony Black (Washington) and David Hope (Bishop Auckland).

Lorna Wilson, 16, of Bishop Auckland won the Girls' singles, beating Jeanette Roberts, 14, of Chester-le-Street. Jeanette went on to beat Jill Mallam of Sunderland in the Under-15 Girls' Singles.

The Girls' doubles final was between four 12-year-olds. Lisette Pearson and Angela Wiffen of Blackhall and Horden, beat Judith Grant and Trudy Robinson of Thornley.

Paul Young, 14, of Thornley, took the Under-15 Boys' singles title beating Neil Thornley of Horden.

The Veterans' Singles was battled out between L. Cartmell of South Shields and G. Bissett of Consett with Cartmell coming out on top.

In the Consolation Singles S. Datta, India and Durham University, beat Gary Webstell of Bishop Auckland.

Mr. Don Charlton, President of the County Association presented the trophies.

Last month the Durham County Schools Association held its heats to find the

youngsters who will represent the County in the National Finals to be held at Mansfield.

The results were as follows:

#### U-19 Boys' Singles:

M. Gent (Bishop Barrington) bt C. Dennis (Bishop Barrington).

#### U-19 Girls' Singles:

E. Blackburne (Wellfield) walk-over.

#### U-16 Boys' Singles:

D. Blackburne (Wellfield) bt D. McVitie (Howlatch).

#### U-16 Girls' Singles:

L. Wilson (Bishop Barrington) bt F. Bridle (Bishop Barrington).

#### U-13 Boys' Singles:

G. Collins (Wellfield) bt G. Milne (Bishop Barrington).

#### U-13 Girls' Singles:

J. Grant (Wellfield) bt W. Lowther (Bishop Barrington).

#### U-11 Boys' Singles:

A. Wilkinson (Woodhouse Close) bt R. Crammond (Woodhouse Close).

#### U-11 Girls' Singles:

M. Paling (Close House) bt A. Walker (Thornley).

It has been a good season for the county's top two Junior Boys, Darren McVitie and David Blackburne. Both have been fighting for a high England Junior ranking and are currently positions 20 and 21 respectively. However, after the last ranking tournament, held earlier this month, these positions should improve.

In the First Division of the County Championships both boys completed the season losing only one set each. They are still juniors next season.

Other hopes for the future are the two girls representing the county at present. At the age of 12, Judith Grant of Thornley has played three matches for the team being the youngest girl ever to do so.

Jeanette Roberts, 14, of Chester-le-Street, is also a high hope for the county.

In the last match of the season the team went down 6-4 away to Warwickshire. Until this match Darren and David were unbeaten but each lost a set. Anthony Black of Washington won a singles on debut with David and Darren picking up the other set in the doubles.

Sunderland came up with the two main titles in the County League winning both the men's and women's titles. The men beat Philadelphia 6-3 in the play-off after being level on points at the end of the season. The women had an easy victory in their division completing the season with an unbeaten record.

In the Boys' Division, Peterlee took the title with two of their players, Blackburne and McVitie going through the season undefeated.

#### Obituary

#### GROVE MOTLOW

It is with much regret that I record the passing away of Grove Motlow. Grove was well known as a table tennis player and administrator and was admired by many in South Wales and South West England for his devotion to the game. He was for some time the Secretary of the Western Counties League; and as the Secretary of the Newport & District League was a founder member of the Monmouthshire Table Tennis Association, in 1962 becoming the Secretary

of that body until he stepped down from office in 1974 when his eyesight began to fail.

Grove Motlow was associated with table tennis for nearly 60 years. He retired from active involvement in the game in 1981 when his sight had almost completely gone but at the time of his death was still President of the Gwent Table Tennis Association.

Grove moved to Newport from Walsall in 1914 and the family settled at 29 Carisbrooke Road, where they stayed to this day. In 1943 Grove married his wife, Daisy, and they settled with their daughter at the same address.

His association with Newport table tennis began in 1925 with the Recreation Athletic Club soccer team, who entered a table tennis team into the Newport & District League. Grove was an accomplished soccer player and as a goalkeeper he was offered three trials by Newport County AFC. He turned down the trials as at the time there was no players' insurance and he had already received a number of injuries playing for a local team. In 1931 he gave up soccer and concentrated on table tennis. He won a number of individual titles and between 1934 & 1936 enjoyed an unbeaten run of games. After the Second World War, the Newport & District League was reformed and he was asked to become secretary. He continued playing table tennis until 1960.

It was as an administrator that Grove Motlow excelled. He spoke openly at meetings and could be a formidable opponent although his opinions were well respected. At one period in his life he was actively involved in the running of over twenty organisations including work with youth groups and the church.

Grove Motlow died on 1 May, 1983 aged 71. He was a man who kept and expected very high standards in all walks of life. An example to us all.

**STEPHEN GIBBS,**  
Honorary General Secretary,  
Gwent T.T.A.

## DERBY 2-STAR JUNIOR OPEN

by MIKE PAYNE

### CANADIAN CAPERS

Sponsored this year by the Derbyshire Building Society and held at the Derby Sports Centre on 29 March, it was Bradley Billington from Chesterfield, who represented the best local hopes when he was seeded 4 in the U-14 boys' singles. As the seeding predicted he reached the semi-final only to lose to Matthew Syed. In the final against Adrian Dixon, Syed defended confidently in the first game but the second slipped away from him. In the decider Dixon kept pace with Syed until 20-21 and then had the misfortune to mishit his serve into the net to lose the match.

**Semi-finals:**  
A. Dixon (St) bt M. Oxley (Wi).  
M. Syed (Bk) bt B. Billington (Dy).

**Final:**  
SYED bt Dixon 19, -11, 20.

In the U-17 boys' singles and doubles the surprise Canadian entries of Bao Nguyen and Robert Chin completed their 11 day



Canadians Bao Nguyen and Robert Chin, winners of the boys' doubles title at Derby pose between Mr. J. S. Oake of the Derbyshire Building Society (left) and Mr. Jack Hughes the Derby Association President.

tour of Britain by dominating both events. In the top half of the draw the 4th seed Mark Ellett did not arrive and Matthew Syed seeded 16 arrived in the semi-final against the No. 1 seed Gary Lambert. Syed returned most of what Lambert unleashed at him and eventually won through into the final against Nguyen. In the first game Nguyen was confused by Syed's combination bat but steadied up to win the second game. The last game was very close with the Canadian finally edging ahead to win at 21-18.

**Semi-finals:**  
Syed bt G. Lambert (Dv).  
B. Nguyen (CAN) bt R. Chin (CAN).  
**Final:**  
NGUYEN bt Syed -13, 8, 18.

In the boys' doubles Chin and Nguyen who had been sponsored by the Canadian TTA proved too strong for Murray Jukes and Adrian Dixon who had been seeded 4.

**Semi-finals:**  
Chin/Nguyen bt Harris/K. Cartwright (St).  
M. Jukes/Dixon bt Leigh/Savins.  
**Final:**  
CHIN/NGUYEN bt Jukes/Dixon 14, 17.

The standard of entry in both girls' events was high. In the U-14 singles the seeding read rather like the England ranking lists — the 8th seed was ranked 10!

In the U-17 event local girl To Thuy Dung was unlucky to lose a cliff-hanger against Amanda Hegarty -18, 19, -23, who then went out in a semi-final in a long match against Fiona Elliot. No. 1 seed Jill Powis proved too strong even for the attacking skills of Elliot in the final.

**Semi-finals:**  
J. Powis (St) bt J. Ryalls (Y).  
F. Elliot (St) bt M. Seaton (Y).  
**Final:**  
POWIS bt Ryalls 17, 19.

Jill Powis was also seed 1 in the U-14 singles, taking out Helen Perrott (S8) and Julie Houghton (S2) on the way to the final. In the bottom half of the draw Louise Davis (S2) went out in the quarter-final to Claire Potts (S5) and Angela Sanders (S4) lost to Helen Perrott (S8) in the other quarter.

The final once again showed Powis as too strong for the opposition — this time Helen Perrott.

**Semi-final:**  
H. Perrott (Av) bt C. Potts (Ch).  
Powis bt J. Houghton (K).  
**Final:**  
POWIS bt Perrott 12, 18.

In the girls' doubles Powis with Fiona Elliot clinched her third title when they beat Melanie Seaton and Josette Ryalls.

**Semi-finals:**  
Powis/Elliot bt T. Spencer (St)/S. Weston (Sx).  
Seaton/Ryalls bt J. Shaw/R. Brook (Y).  
**Final:**  
POWIS/ELLIOTT bt Seaton/Ryalls 16, 19.

The Derby Association would like to thank the Derbyshire Building Society for putting up the £256 prize money and for Mr. Oake for presenting it. The Association President Jack Hughes presented trophies for all singles events. The entry was slightly down on 1982 but the standard was high and Arthur Morgan, our referee, ensured the event ran smoothly.

## LEICESTER CLOSED

At the Leicester Closed, Martin Pickles worked nearly as hard as his mother at the Announcer's Desk, being constantly on the table during the last hour. However if he was tired he certainly did not show it and was successful in taking three trophies. First he won the Intermediate Singles by beating Simon Griew, a game left-hander who has matured considerably. Pickles had a much closer game in the semi-final against Griew in the Men's Singles, just scraping home in the second after the left-hander had hit him off in the first whilst in the other semi Grahame Hall's loop was too much for No. 1 seed Philip Smith. Pickles turned his attention to the Men's Doubles, where partnered by Hall, the all-round play of the pair finally bested Keith Fellows and Stuart Wilford by a very narrow margin. Partnered by Yvonne Hall in the Mixed,

Pickles looked to be on the verge of further triumph against Karen Smith and Simon Griew but on this occasion Griew was on the winner's side of the table. In the Men's Singles final, Pickles initially had trouble with Hall's loop but thanks to some magnificent defending and gritty determination, proved to run out, ultimately, an easy winner. In the Women's Singles Karen Smith, after an exciting first game against Yvonne Hall, steadied down and won in a canter. Geoff Aldwinckle — after being beaten by son David in the Under 300 Grading event, recovered his composure sufficiently to win the Veterans' Singles, which he did when he chopped Bryan Hall — the third member of the Hall family to be amongst the prizes — off the table. Paul Bumpus was at his brilliant best against David Aldwinckle in the Boys' Singles, winning easily but he met his match in the Under 250 Singles when team-mate Robert Liquorish kept him out. Aldwinckle's best moments came in the final of the Under 300 event, when he brilliantly hit and defended in the final against Steve Day and was rewarded with a two-straight win. A dual winner was the highly-promising Tracey Clark who accounted for Joanne Murray in the final of the Cadet Singles and performed a similar feat in the Under 100 Singles when she hit through David Newman. The Under 200 Singles was surprisingly won by Graham Cutler, who beat Mark Morley in the final. The Under 150 Singles was a triumph for youth, young Gillett proving too much for Matthew Briggs. In all a hectic day but an enjoyable one for those lower-graded players who turn out in their numbers to make this tournament the success it was.

#### SCORES

##### Under 100 Grading:

Miss T. Clark bt D. Newman 16, 12.

##### Under 150 Grading:

D. Gillett bt M. Briggs 17, 18.

##### Under 200 Grading:

G. Cutler bt M. Morley 9, -7, 16.

##### Under 250 Grading:

R. Liquorish bt P. Bumpus 12, 21.

##### Under 300 Grading:

D. Aldwinckle bt S. Day 18, 24.

##### Cadet Singles:

Miss T. Clarke bt Miss J. Murray 16, 18.

##### Boys' Singles:

P. Bumpus bt D. Aldwinckle 16, 13.

##### Intermediate Singles:

M. Pickles bt S. Griew 19, 15.

##### Veterans' Singles:

G. Aldwinckle bt B. Hall 10, 12.

##### Men's Doubles:

Pickles/Hall bt Wilford/Fellows -14, 14, 17.

##### Mixed Doubles:

Griew/Mrs. Smith bt Pickles/Miss Hall 14, -12, 6.

##### Men's Singles Semi-finals:

G. Hall bt P. Smith 21, 14.

M. Pickles bt S. Griew -12, 19, 17.

##### Final:

Pickles bt Hall -15, 9, 11.

at the North Bridge Leisure Centre in Halifax over the weekend of May 7/8 proved a fitting finale to the domestic junior tournament round.

An entry of 230 players was handled comfortably on 18 tables, two or more of which were available pretty well throughout the weekend for practice, and the Cadet finals were under way by 6 p.m. on Saturday, with the Junior finals going on an hour earlier the following day.

The breakdown of entries proved an interesting one, with an obvious acceleration in the tendency for the event to develop into two separate tournaments — a Cadet and a Junior — with only a minimum number of Cadet players staying over for both days — a reflection on the stringency of present times.

Before moving on to a summary of the play, I must pay tribute to referee LEWIS WARD and his team of umpires, recorders and other helpers, who got the tournament through so competently, to the sponsors, the Calderdale Metropolitan Borough Council, to the staff of the Centre, not forgetting the catering side who provided satisfying meals at realistic prices, and to the players themselves who, by their co-operation, kept play on the move.

Only in three of the ten events did the top seeds come through — in the BS and BD and the U-12 BS — but on the Saturday two Cadets, neither of whom rated a seeding spot in the top four, collected a brace of titles.

JIMMY STOKES, seeded 5, chopped down STUART CRAGGS (4) in the quarters and then ADRIAN DIXON (2) to line up against home-town colleague MATTHEW SYED, the top seed, in the final and, on this occasion, he proved too good for the young defender, getting home comfortably.

STOKES collected his second crown when he teamed with ANDREW SYED, elder brother of MATTHEW, who had withdrawn from the singles to concentrate on the Junior event, and the pair, second seeded, gained their victory at the expense of PAUL AMOS/KARL BALL, who had dismissed top seeds DIXON/MATTHEW SYED in the penultimate round.

By coincidence it was SARAH HAMMOND, the parallel No. 5 seed in the Cadet Girls' events who 'did a Stokes' to take the Singles and Doubles titles, the latter in partnership with RACHEL KNIGHT, on her first visit to the Yorkshire Junior. The Southampton girl warmed up against HELEN BROOMHEAD in her opening set and then shot out JULIET HOUGHTON (seeded 4), CLAIRE POTTS (2) and DEBBIE SOOTHILL (1), to take over the champion's mantle.

Third-seeded in the Doubles, HAMMOND/KNIGHT made their final place at the expense of the unseeded ALISON EVANS/HAZEL KAVANAGH, who had accounted for SOOTHILL/POTTS, effectively the top seeds following the withdrawal of LOUISE DAVIS/ANGELA SANDERS, and made the winners' rostrum past HOUGHTON/CLAIRE BROOKS, who had put out fourth seeds ANDREA HOLT/DAWN WICKSTEAD.

In the major BS NICKY MASON who, as a result of the non-arrival of his entry form due to postal problems, occupied the fourth-seeded place allocated to the absent BILLY GLEAVE, fell in the last sixteen to ANDREW SYED, who thus justified his decision to concentrate his efforts on this event.

Also in the bottom half of the draw MATTHEW SYED, AMOS and PAUL SAVINS all came through their groups to beat minor seeds in DAVID ROOK, ANDREW CUNNINGHAM and STUART WORRELL and, with KEITH SAMUELS slotting into the place of the absent GARY WILSON, the quarter-finalists lined up with the SYED brothers in opposition and SAMUELS facing second seed STEVEN SHARPE.

In a much more predictable top half, where the only surprise was the demise of Welsh No. 1 NIGEL TYLER, beaten by DARREN McVITIE in his group, top seed ALAN COOKE took on PHIL HUGGON and GARY LAMBERT was up against PHIL GUNN.

GUNN's dismissal of the higher ranked LAMBERT caused the only stir in the quarters, and COOKE and SHARPE duly took their final places with wins over GUNN and ANDREW SYED, with the No. 1 seed taking the title in a tight match in which SHARPE, spurred on by his 'home' crowd, pushed him to 18 in the decider.

The Doubles went according to seeding with HUGGON/GUNN getting the better of SHARPE/SAMUELS in the final, the latter, a scratch pairing, having got their place past another scratch team in COOKE/WORRELL.

Among the girls FIONA ELLIOT took out top seed SUSAN COLLIER before losing an all-Wolverhampton battle to JILL POWIS in the semi, Miss POWIS going down in the final to JEAN PARKER, who did not drop a game on her way to the title. Semi-final victim was Miss HOUGHTON who, in the absence of HELEN BARDWELL, despatched TERESA MOORE to claim the vacant spot.

In partnership with Miss COLLIER the Lancashire girl looked odds-on favourite to add the GD title but, amid tremendous excitement the top-seeded team were overturned in the final by JOANNE SHAW and RACHEL BROOK from 'down the road', the Yorkshire girls following up their defeat of ELLIOTT/POWIS with a tight win at 23 in the third to give the host County a share of the honours.

The Under-21 titles went to CLAIRE POTTS and MATTHEW SYED, the latter thus gaining his just reward for an excellent tournament — but what a pity he had to play with a spare bat when his first choice was banned by the referee after sharp eyed umpire CHRIS CLEMSON had spotted an irregularity which had been deliberately built into the bat. Surely the game suffers enough from technology taking over from players without the latter having to break the rules to gain even further advantage!

#### RESULTS

##### Junior Events

##### Boys' Singles Quarter-finals:

A. Cooke (Dy) bt P. Huggon (La) 5, 10;  
S. Sharpe (Y) bt K. Samuels (Bd) 8, 11;  
P. Gunn (Bk) bt G. Lambert (Dv) 18, 13;  
A. Syed (Bk) bt M. Syed (Bk) 9, 12.

##### Semi-finals:

Cooke bt Gunn 12, 8;  
Sharpe bt A. Syed 13, 13.

##### Final:

COOKE bt Sharpe 14, -13, 18.

##### Girls' Singles Semi-finals:

J. Parker (La) bt J. Houghton (K) 19, 15;  
J. Powis (St) bt F. Elliot (St) 18, -20, 16.

##### Final:

PARKER bt Powis 19, 12.

##### Boys' Doubles Semi-finals:

Huggon/Gunn bt M. Ellett (Dv)/Lambert 11, 17;

## YORKSHIRE JUNIOR OPEN

by REA BALMFORD

### MAGNIFICENT NEW VENUE

Even in the absence of top-ranked juniors CARL PREAN and LISA BELLINGER, both on duty with the England senior squad in Tokyo, the Calderdale Yorkshire Junior Open, played in a magnificent new venue

Sharpe/Samuels bt Cooke/S. Worrell (Li)  
18, -9, 18;

**Final:**  
HUGGON/GUNN bt Sharpe/Samuels  
18, -11, 17.

**Girls' Doubles Semi-finals:**  
R. Brook/J. Shaw (Y) bt Elliot/Powis  
-23, 16, 12;  
S. Collier (Bk)/Parker bt M. Seaton/  
J. Ryalls (Y) 13, -17, 15.

**Final:**  
BROOK/SHAW bt Collier/Parker 18, -12, 23.

#### Cadet Events

**Boys' Singles Quarter-finals:**  
J. Stokes (Bk) bt S. Craggs (Cv) 14, 16;  
M. Syed bt K. Ball (K) 18, 18;  
A. Dixon (Su) bt J. Bult (Y) 19, 19.  
P. Amos (K) bt M. Oxley (Wi) 12, 16.

**Semi-finals:**  
Stokes bt Dixon 16, 11;  
M. Syed bt Amos 20, 17.

**Final:**  
STOKES bt M. Syed 15, 9.  
**Girls' Singles Semi-finals:**  
S. Hammond (Ha) bt C. Potts (Ch) 12, 16;  
D. Soothill (Cu) bt A. Holt (La) 16, 16.

**Final:**  
HAMMOND bt Soothill 21, 9.

**Boys' Doubles Semi-finals:**  
A. Syed/Stokes bt B. Billington (Dy)/  
S. Gibson (La) 14, 16;  
Amos/Ball bt M. Syed/Dixon 19, -18, 23.

**Final:**  
A. SYED/STOKES bt Amos/Ball 13, 15.  
**Girls' Doubles Semi-finals:**  
Hammond/R. Knight (Mi) bt A. Evans/  
H. Kavanagh (Y) 19, 20;  
C. Brooks/Houghton bt H. Broomhead/  
J. Roberts (Y) 14, 18.

**Final:**  
HAMMOND/KNIGHT bt Brooks/Houghton  
-17, 15, 18.

#### U-12 Events

**Boys' Singles Semi-finals:**  
M. Syed bt Nicky Ryder 11, 8;  
M. O'Driscoll (Y) bt Billington 16, -12, 12.

**Final:**  
M. SYED bt O'Driscoll 10, 18.

**Girls' Singles Semi-finals:**  
Potts bt K. Hall (Dy) 11, 9;  
Holt bt J. Dixon (St) 9, 11.

**Final:**  
POTTS bt Holt 14, 16.

## AUBREY DRAPKIN reports on the Northumberland 2 Star

### KEEN CONTEST AT CRAMLINGTON

The 'Evening Chronicle' Northumberland 2-Star tournament was held at Concordia Leisure Centre, Cramlington on April 30th. The prize fund of £1,005 attracted a good quality entry with 21 English ranked men and nine of the ranked women submitting entries. In addition six ranked men and one woman from North of the border also entered. All of the Scottish players arrived but some of the English players were missing. Barry Johnson had to withdraw because of business commitments and David Barr also indicated that he would not be present. Ian Kenyon, Kevin Beadsley, Tony Sanderson, Martyn Smith, Mandy Reeves and Julie McLean all failed to arrive, but I do wish that they had informed me in advance.

This still left a very strong group of competitors and the men's singles, in particular, was keenly contested with Philip Bradbury and Nigel Eckersley being elimi-



Finalists at the 'Evening Chronicle' Northumberland 2-Star tournament pictured with Derek Thompson (Promotions Manager of the 'Evening Chronicle') and Aubrey Drapkin (Treasurer of the E.T.T.A., who organised the event).

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nated before the quarter-final stage. The eventual winner was Alan Fletcher who disposed of Bertie Kerr, Ian Robertson, Ram Bhalla, Chu Van Que and Kenny Jackson on his way to the final where he beat Dave Wells. The Yorkshireman did not drop a single game in the competition, and, of course took the top prize of £225.

Top seed Bradbury crashed in the fourth round to young Alan Cooke who was in turn beaten by Wells. Second seed, Jackson, reached the semis but then went out to Fletcher. Eckersley suffered a shock defeat in round 4 at the hands of Stephen Scowcroft, whilst local hope Chu Van Que, got into the quarters but he, too, succumbed to Fletcher.

The Women's Singles was won, as expected, by top seed Alison Gordon who beat second seed Jill Harris in the final. Jill had a tremendous battle with Helen Williams in the semi-final before winning in the third end, but Alison was too strong for her in the final and claimed the £85 prize.

The favourites, Jackson and Bradbury, duly won the men's doubles title with Eckersley and Fletcher taking second place. Second seeds had been Kenyon and Wells but the non arrival of the former put paid to their chances. Wells was eventually partnered by Babs Adedayo but without success.

Top pairing in the Women's Doubles was meant to be Helen Williams and Mandy Reeves but Reeves was replaced by Julie Speight, who had also been left without a partner. The new pairing, however, did get to the final but were beaten by Gordon and Harris. It was unfortunate that Julie was taken ill just before the final was due to be played but she recovered sufficiently enough to play when the match was put on later in the finals programme.

Cooke had little opposition in the boys' singles and had an easy win over local boy Neil McMaster in the final. Neil did well to get into the final with a good win in the semis over Yorkshire's Martin Firth.

England-ranked girls Joanne Shaw and

Rachel Brook contested the girls' final and produced the most entertaining match of the finals session, Shaw winning in straight games.

The Veterans' event had an impressive entry including Babs Adedayo, Derek Schofield, Peter D'Arcy and Matt Sheader as well as Scotland's Bertie Kerr. Adedayo fell to Brian Allison in the first round but Schofield went through to the final to beat Kerr and reclaim the title he first won eleven years ago.

All in all it was a highly successful event which ran smoothly. Most matches took place at the allocated time and there were no behaviour or 'stamping' problems. Stuart Sherlock of Macclesfield had a relatively easy day as referee and I must compliment the players upon the excellent spirit in which the tournament was played. I feel sure that they must also have been pleased with the conditions and with the excellent amenities at Cramlington.

The awards were presented by Derek Thompson, Promotion Manager of the Newcastle 'Evening Chronicle' and by the assistant manager of Concordia, Colin Toothill.

#### RESULTS

##### Men's Singles Quarter-finals:

D. Wells (Mi) bt A. Cooke (Dy) 10, -19, 13;  
S. Scowcroft (La) bt M. Sheader (Li)  
19, 15;

A. Fletcher (Y) bt Chu Van Que (Nd)  
12, 18;

K. Jackson (E) bt P. McQueen (Nd) 15, 9.

##### Semi-finals:

Wells bt Scowcroft 19, -15, 13;

Fletcher bt Jackson 18, 11.

##### Final:

FLETCHER bt Wells 14, 15.

##### Women's Singles Quarter-finals:

A. Gordon (Bk) bt H. Shields (Y) 14, 7;

J. Shaw (Y) bt C. Buglass (Nd) 13, -19, 13;

H. Williams (Mi) bt L. Robb (SCO) 12, 13;

J. Harris (St) bt K. Groves (Wa) 6, 17.

##### Semi-finals:

Gordon bt Shaw 15, 11;

Harris bt Williams 15, -20, 15.

**Final:**  
GORDON bt Harris 15, 16:  
**Men's Doubles Quarter-finals:**  
P. Bradbury (Bu)/Jackson bt P. D'Arcy  
(Ch)/Scowcroft 16, 17;  
K. Green/L. Taylor (Cv) bt Chu Van Que/  
Cooke -16, 15, 14;  
B. Johns/W. Percival (Ch) bt D. Campbell/  
B. Kerr (SCO) 9, 16;  
N. Eckersley (Ch)/Fletcher bt G. Docherty/  
I. McLean (SCO) 11, 17.

**Semi-finals:**  
Bradbury/Jackson bt Green/Taylor  
16, -19, 14;  
Eckersley/Fletcher bt Johns/Percival  
15, -20, 22.

**Final:**  
BRADBURY/JACKSON bt Eckersley/  
Fletcher 15, 20.

**Women's Doubles Semi-finals:**  
J. Speight (Y)/Williams bt R. Brook (Y)/  
Shaw 10, 18;  
Gordon/Harris bt Groves/S. Peakman (Wa)  
10, 11.

**Final:**  
GORDON/HARRIS bt Speight/Williams  
6, 17.

**Boys' Singles Semi-finals:**  
Cooke bt D. McVitie (Du) 10, 11;  
N. McMaster (Nd) bt M. Firth (Y) -15, 16, 9.

**Final:**  
COOKE bt McMaster 7, 11.

**Girls' Singles Semi-finals:**  
Shaw bt D. Wilkinson (Nd) 7, 10;  
Brook bt K. Wilkinson (Nd) 11, 8.

**Final:**  
SHAW bt Brook 16, 16.

**Veterans' Singles Semi-finals:**  
Kerr bt T. Donlon (Ch) 13, -15, 15;  
D. Schofield (Ch) bt Sheader 18, 13.

**Final:**  
SCHOFIELD bt Kerr 14, 18.

## TSB Fakenham Closed

This year, as last, the Fakenham League was fortunate enough to acquire sponsorship from the Trustee Savings Bank and so we were able to hire 8 top class Jaques tables. The championships were held on March 13 at RAF West Raynham, with the trophies being presented by Mike Segon, local TSB branch manager and Squadron Leader German from the RAF.

### RESULTS

**Open Singles:**  
Paul Rich bt Richard Mussett 18, -13, 11.

**Open Doubles:**  
David Ashmore/Hilary Howlett bt Mussett/  
Gerry Rudley 14, 12.

**Handicap Singles:**  
Alwyn Bates (37) bt Howlett (8) 51-49.

**Veteran Singles:**  
Malcolm Diggins bt Alan Petts 9, 11.

**Youth Singles:**  
Rich bt Lee Diggins 18, 9.

**Div. 2 Singles:**  
John Parfitt bt Robert Fenn 19, 16.

**Div. 3 Singles:**  
Keith Stolworthy bt Bates 14, 19.

## EXCHANGE VISIT

The small but ambitious village club from East Hanningfield which was formed only five years ago completed their biggest venture yet — an exchange visit with the large T.U.S. Zehlendorf club from West Berlin which was formed in 1888 — when

34 members of the T.U.S. club visited East Hanningfield between Mar. 31 - Apl. 6. Hanningfield who run 13 teams in the local Burnham and Chelmsford leagues in Essex were grateful to Mike Watts for making the initial arrangements.

The German visitors arrived at Chelmsford railway station on the Thursday morning and were met by a fleet of cars and taken to the club premises, where the ladies of the club had arranged a buffet meal, and the leader of the German party Peter Christen introduced all his members to their hosts. In the afternoon the younger members of the party, which included several players ranked in Germany, had matches against junior players from the Hanningfield club and other local clubs, some who included England-ranked juniors, with the Germans coming out on top in most of the matches. In the evening it was the turn of the adult members of the party to play local clubs, and in this series of matches honours were even.

On the Friday the party were taken to Southend for Ten Pin bowling in the morning, sight seeing along the seafront in the afternoon and a local pub was persuaded to open up early for an evening drinking session. On Saturday we had a day trip to Woburn Safari Park in a double decker bus. Sunday was meant to be a rest day, but they wanted to play a match between our respective 1st teams, so this was arranged for the afternoon. This match was played in front of an audience of over 40, who were very appreciative of the play and applauded any shot that they thought was good. This audience was far more than a lot of County and National League games played this year locally (perhaps we should apply to join the National League!!).

The result of the match was a win for East Hanningfield thanks mainly to fine performances from Steve Tilson (surely a player of the future) and Yvette Brown. In the evening the club premises were converted into a Disco/Bar B Que, and the evening's entertainment ended approx 2.00 a.m. Swimming had been arranged for early Monday morning but this was delayed to 11.00 a.m. due to the previous evening's late night. But this could have been cancelled because as soon as the German party arrived at the Swimming Pool and saw the space invader machines, that was it, they found that more entertaining and left their English hosts to swim. Monday afternoon two football matches were arranged, a serious one, won by Hanninfield 5-1, and a fun match for the women and juniors, this was won by the Germans 3-0. In the evening more table tennis matches were arranged against local clubs. This time the party were obviously beginning to feel rather tired, and they lost most of these matches.

On Tuesday a tournament was arranged for all the players within the two clubs and a total of 60 participated in 4 separate events. Group 4 (for the weaker players) was won by Carsten Wallnig over Steffen Grzegorski, Group 3 by Falk Zimmerman over Jens Kurreck, Group 2 by Guido Kleeman (an exceptional 12-year-old) over Tobias Tschop, and Group 1 by Eckart Fleischmann (who had a good win over our "star" Terry Dowsett in the semi-final) and beat Chris Jacob in the final. Chris was the only member of our club to get to a final, he obviously wasn't going to be as diplomatic as the rest of the club. In the evening a farewell dance/buffet was arranged at the

club premises, and at this our club sponsor, local business tycoon Colin Andrews from C. Andrews (Printers) Ltd. made a special certificate to commemorate the visit and presented each of the party with one of these in a wooden frame. In return Peter Christen presented our club with a copper plaque of the Olympic Stadium, a commemorative cup and formally invited the East Hanningfield Club to Berlin for Easter 1984, which was accepted. All in all a very tiring but enjoyable week.

## INTERNATIONAL TABLE TENNIS RETURNS TO BRIGHTON

The Norwich Union English Open Table Tennis Championships will be held in the Brighton Centre from Thursday, 26th January to Saturday, 28th January, 1984.

Since 1962 this popular event was staged in the Dome and Corn Exchange, only quitting the town due to the fact that the entry had outgrown the venue, but now that the new date allocated in the European calendar for the championships is much later in January they can be held in the Brighton Centre after the Ice Show.

Tom Blunn, Chairman of the English Table Tennis Association, and John McDonnell, Public Relations Manager for the Norwich Union Insurance Group, have said how much they look forward to establishing these major championships back in Brighton which has been their natural home for a long time.

Tony Hewison, Director of Resort Services for Brighton, said today: "I am delighted that this splendid sporting event will once more be staged in Brighton, this time at the Brighton Centre which has established itself as one of the most popular venues for sporting events, both for players and spectators.

## Letters to the Editor

### HISTORY COMPILATION

It is my intention to compile a History of the Cambridgeshire Table Tennis Association and at the moment I have quite a lot of information on this subject including photographs and old cuttings which has enabled me to start this project with much enthusiasm.

If any former Cambs player or fan who has now left the district has any useful information or photographs concerning Cambs table tennis I should be grateful if they could let me have it in order that I can include it in this production. Anything received will be treated with the utmost care and attention and will be returned as soon as possible.

It would be nice to receive letters from old acquaintances.

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# 7th COMMONWEALTH CHAMPIONSHIPS

## *Clean sweep for Hong Kong*

by George R. Yates

What then of England's fortunes in the sauna-like conditions prevailing in the Negara Stadium which, although spacious enough, did not boast air conditioning but, there again, similar conditions prevailed at the Khar Gymkhana Ground in Bombay over the period Feb. 3/9 last year.

In the men's team event our first engagement was against India and apart from Graham Sandley going down to Manmeet Singh, we got home comfortably enough although Carl Prean was taken the distance by Singh.

**Next in line came Scotland and what was thought to be an easy passage turned out to be anything but with the Scots at one stage holding their own at 3-3.**

It was only at this critical stage that England got the bit between their teeth with Prean seeing off Keith Rodger and Sandley inflicting the only defeat on David Hannah who had previously accounted for Douggie Johnson and Prean with Richard Yule being responsible for Scotland's third success against Sandley.

In the two subsequent matches, against New Zealand — beaten 5-0 — and Australia, beaten 5-1 with Sandley going down to Robert Tuckett we were back on course until the storm clouds gathered over our final stage match against Hong Kong.

The colony swept into a 4-0 lead with "the Chinaman", Chan Kong Wah, beating both Johnson and Prean, the latter also losing to Vong Lu Veng and Hilton going under to Chiu Man Kuen.

But, as against Scotland, matters just could not go on that way and the tail twisting was halted as first Johnson beat Chiu Man Kuen, Hilton accounted for Vong Lu Veng and Prean, despite going to three, overcame Chiu Man Kuen to narrow the deficit to one set.

**It was at this crucial stage that Hong Kong lodged a complaint against Hilton's bat rubber when he was due to play Chan Kong Wah. And, after considerable debate and a lengthy hold up, the protest was upheld whereupon a complaint was lodged against Chan's bat and that too, after further delay, was also upheld!**

So, with Hilton forced to play with another bat and Chan only permitted to use one side of his, the set, at long last, got under way. But after a tight first game which went to Chan, Hilton folded in the second and Hong Kong topped the group leaving England to face Nigeria in the first crossover encounter.

This we had to win to contest the top two positions but, after coming back from 1-3 down to lead 4-3, the Nigerians, in the persons of Francis Sule, against an out-of-touch Hilton, and Sunday Eboh, against Johnson, triumphed 5-4 with Prean unbeaten for England but only Johnson,

against Sule, able to supplement.

With Sandley restored, for Hilton, we secured third place with a 5-0 success over Pakistan and Nigeria went down 1-5 against Hong Kong with Vong Lu Veng losing to Atanda Musa the defending singles champion.

Success over Scotland (3-0), Canada (3-1), N. Ireland (3-0) and Singapore (3-1) carried our women to the top position in their initial grouping with a crossover encounter against India, the second-placed team in the other group, behind Hong Kong.

But, despite getting off to a good start, with Lisa Bellinger beating Snigdha Mehta, we were beaten 3-1 the thorn in our flesh being Indu Puri who won both her singles, against Lisa and Joy Grundy, and also figured in a doubles success against the Bellinger sisters.

A 3-0 final success over Canada assured the girls of third place but, like the men, a disappointing performance but one we could make amends for in the individual events — or so we thought!

It was not to be, however, for despite all our four contenders reaching the quarters of the men's singles, not one succeeded in progressing.

Hilton went out to Musa and Prean to Chan Kong Wah, both over four games, whilst Johnson, in losing to Chiu Man Kuen, and Sandley to Vong Lu Veng, failed to take a game off their opponents. So, in one single session, the battle was left in the hands of Musa to engage the Hong Kongers.

But the defending champion took his departure in the semis when beaten by Chiu Man Kuen who, in turn, beat the favourite, Chan Kong Wah, in the final.

**In the counterpart women's event, only Joy Grundy succeeded in reaching the quarters losing over five hard-fought games to Hui So Hung, the defeated finalist.**

Lisa Bellinger, in the previous round, had gone under to Chai Man, again over five games, whilst her sister, Jackie, fell to the



Hong Kong's Yu Kam Kai, winner of the women's singles title.

Photo by Dennis George, Scotland.



Chiu Man Kuen (Hong Kong), winner of the men's singles title in Kuala Lumpur.

Photo by Dennis George, Scotland.

**For the first time ever in the Commonwealth Championships England failed to win a single gold medal having to satisfy themselves, in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, over the period Apl. 17/23, with five bronze awards as opposed to five gold in the previous championships in Bombay.**

In much the same manner as England dominated the first three championships, in Singapore (1971), Cardiff (1973) and Melbourne (1975), Hong Kong swept the board in taking all seven titles with Nigeria (men) and India (women) finishing in the silver medal positions in the team events.

Peter Simpson, England's national trainer/coach, freely admitted that the standard of play far exceeded that which he had anticipated whilst Messrs. Sandley, Prean, Johnson and Hilton, together with Mesdames Lisa and Jackie Bellinger and Joy Grundy, also had cause to come to the same conclusion.

Such was the authority of the Hong Kong men's team that in eight matches they only dropped four sets — three to England and one to Nigeria — whilst their women swept through with a succession of six 3-0 wins.

**Chiu Man Kuen** beat his compatriot Chan Kong Wah to win the men's singles title and, likewise, in the women's singles final **Yu Kam Kai** triumphed over Hui So Hung.

**Chiu Man Kuen** took his second title in the men's doubles when, with **Vong Lu Veng**, the Hong Kong pair beat Manjit Dua and Kamlesh Mehta of India whilst, in the women's and mixed doubles Hong Kong had it all to themselves with **Chai Man** and **Mok Ka Sha** winning the former and **Chan Kong Wah** and **Hui So Hung** the latter.

ultimate champion, Yu Kam Kai, this after a win over Ireland's Jennifer Reid.

Prean and Hilton carried England's hopes into the semis of the men's doubles there to lose to Chiu Man Kuen and Vong Lu Veng just as Johnson and Sandley had gone under to another Hong Kong pair, Chan Kong Wah and Chen Scheng Shien, in the second round.

Again, in the women's doubles, the Bellinger sisters, reached the penultimate round there to be beaten by Chai Man and Mok Ka Sha whilst Joy Grundy, paired with Australia's Nadia Bisiach, lost yet again to a Hong Kong pairing — Hui So Hung and Yu Kam Kai.

For a third time we reached the semi of an event, this time in the mixed, in which Johnson and Miss Grundy, failed against Chan Kong Wah and Hui So Hung. Prean and Lisa also fell to this Hong Kong combine whilst Sandley and Jackie were beaten -20 in the fifth by Canada's Ming Yuan and Thanh Mach.

All in all a lack lustre performance portending for disaster in Tokyo. Ah, but that is another story!

No one could fault the organisation in Malaysia; the most hospitable of hosts; the more than comfortable Merlin Hotel on the outskirts of the city; and the food which was abundant and varied. Oh but the heat which, in all honesty, favoured the players from Hong Kong much more so than the sun-starved players from the U.K.

### 7TH COMMONWEALTH CHAMPIONSHIPS INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

#### Men's Singles Round 3:

A. Musa (NGR) bt Chen Scheng Shien (HKG) 19, -17, 16, 12;  
J. Hilton (ENG) bt V. Chandrasekhar (IND) -13, 25, -19, 18, 18;  
D. Johnson (ENG) bt Lim Chin Leong (MAA) 7, 14, -17, 16;  
Chiu Man Kuen (HKG) bt S. Sri Ram (IND) 8, 12, 8;  
C. Prean (ENG) bt Y. Bankole (NGR) 15, 20, 19;  
Chan Kong Wah (HKG) bt G. Haberl (AUS) 16, 5, 11;  
G. Sandley (ENG) bt K. Mehta (IND) -12, 17, -20, 12, 15;  
Vong Lu Veng (HKG) bt Kok Chong Fatt (MAA) 18, 11, 16.

#### Quarter-finals:

Musa bt Hilton 12, 16, -14, 15;  
Chiu Man Kuen bt Johnson 9, 15, 8;  
Chan Kong Wah bt Prean -15, 9, 12, 13;  
Vong Lu Veng bt Sandley 14, 13, 14.

#### Semi-finals:

Chiu Man Kuen bt Musa 16, -17, 14, 7;  
Chan Kong Wah bt Vong Lu Veng 4, 14, 8.

#### Final:

CHIU MAN KUEN bt Chan Kong Wah 14, 16, -15, 14.

#### Women's Singles Round 3:

I. Puri (IND) bt Leow Lian Mool 10, 17, 12;  
Mok Ka Sha (HKG) bt C. Dalrymple (SCO) 12, 13, 9;  
J. Grundy (ENG) bt Lai Sau Lam (HKG) 19, 15, -15, 12;  
Hui So Hung (HKG) bt Yong Yoke Peng (MAA) 9, 11, 9;  
M. Domonkos (CAN) bt S. Palmer (NEZ) 11, 19, 20;  
Chai Man (HKG) bt L. Bellinger (ENG) 20, -18, 19, -19, 16;  
L. Karanthi (IND) bt J. Morris (NEZ) 16, -18, 12, 12;  
Yu Kam Kai (HKG) bt Tan Ah Tee (SIN) 8, 17, 9.

#### Quarter-finals:

Mok Ka Sha bt Puri 13, 11, 12;  
Hui So Hung bt Grundy 15, -12, 18, -15, 18;  
Chai Man bt Domonkos 16, 10, 11;  
Yu Kam Kai bt Karanthi 8, 9, 10.

#### Semi-finals:

Hui So Hung bt Mok Ka Sha 18, 16, -14, 18;  
Yu Kam Kai bt Chai Man 21, 14, -17, -14, 18.

#### Final:

YU KAM KAI bt Hui So Hung -13, -18, 19, 13, 17.

#### Men's Doubles Quarter-finals:

M. Duo (IND)/Mehta bt S. Edoh (NGR)/Musa 20, -19, -19, 16, 18;  
Chan Kong Wah/Chen Scheng Shien bt S. Ghorpade (IND)/T. Ogunrinde (NGR) -15, 16, 15, -18, 15;  
Chiu Man Kuen/Vong Lu Veng bt Haberl/G. Tepper (AUS) 12, 8, -19, 16;  
Hilton/Prean bt Aavedchotani/A. Nakhuda (PAK) -22, 10, 16, 14.

#### Semi-finals:

Dua/Mehta bt Chan Kong Wah/Chen Scheng Shien 17, 17, 19;  
Chiu Man Kuen/Vong Lu Veng bt Hilton/Prean 18, 14, 14.

#### Final:

CHIU MAN KUEN/VONG LU VENG bt Dua/Mehta 6, 14, 11.

#### Women's Doubles Quarter-finals:

J. Bellinger (ENG)/Bellinger bt Karanthi/S. Mehta (IND) 15, 14, 14;  
Mok Ka Sha/Chai Man bt Domonkos/G. Hsu (CAN) 13, 16, 15;  
Hui So Hung/Yu Kam Kai bt N. Bisiach (AUS)/Grundy 19, -20, 6, 12;  
Puri/V. A. Parik (IND) bt Leow Lian Mool/Tan Ah Tee (SIN) 18, 14, 18.

#### Semi-finals:

Mok Ka Sha/Chai Man bt Bellinger/Bellinger 13, -17, 16, 14;  
Hui So Hung/Yu Kam Kai bt Puri/Parik 8, 15, 12.

#### Final:

MOK KA SHA/CHAI MAN bt Hui So Hung/Yu Kam Kai -16, 12, 17, 15.

#### Mixed Doubles Quarter-finals:

Vong Lu Veng/Yu Kam Kai bt Ming Yuan/Thanh Mach (CAN) -18, 8, 17, 20;  
Chiu Man Kuen/Chai Man bt E. Caetano (CAN)/Hsu 23, 11, 12;  
Johnson/Grundy bt Dua/Mehta 17, -19, 14, 12;  
Chan Kong Wah/Hui So Hung bt Haberl/D. Millikan (AUS) 17, 16, 14.

#### Semi-finals:

Chiu Man Kuen/Chai Man bt Vong Lu Veng/Yu Kam Kai 15, 11, -15, 19;  
Chan Kong Wah/Hui So Hung bt Johnson/Grundy 16, -20, -23, 19, 13.

#### Final:

CHAN KONG WAH/HUI SO HUNG bt Chiu Man Kuen/Chai Man -15, -15, 18, 22, 12.

### ENGLISH RESULTS

#### Men's Singles Round 1:

J. Hilton bt M. Thomas (WAL) 16, 11, 20;  
D. Johnson bt J. Morris (NEZ) 14, -18, 10, -19, 22;  
C. Prean bt Goh Boon Khai (MAA) 11, 11, 8;  
Sandley bt D. Hannah (SCO) 7, -12, 15, 16.

#### Round 2:

Hilton bt Teoh Yang Meng (MAA) 19, 19, -17, 13;  
Johnson bt T. Danielsson (AUS) 11, 7, 8;  
Prean bt A. Nakhuda (PAK) -19, 10, 13, 11;  
Sandley bt A. Griffiths (WAL) -15, 21, 14, 14.

#### Round 3:

Hilton bt V. Chandrasekhar (IND) -13, 25, -19, 18, 18;  
Johnson bt Lim Chin Leong (MAA) 7, 14, -17, 16;  
Prean bt Y. Bankole (NGR) 15, 20, 19;  
Sandley bt K. Mehta (IND) -12, 17, -20, 12, 15.

#### Quarter-finals:

Hilton lost to A. Musa (NGR) -12, -16, 14, -15;  
Johnson lost to Chiu Man Kuen -9, -15, -8;  
Prean lost to Chan Kong Wah 15, -9, -12, -13;  
Sandley lost to Vong Lu Veng -14, -13, -14.

#### Women's Singles Round 1:

J. Grundy bt S. Mehta (IND) 12, 8, 15;  
L. Bellinger bt V. A. Parik (IND) 18, 6, 13;  
J. Bellinger bt J. Ried (IRE) 6, 16, 12.

#### Round 2:

Grundy bt Lai Sau Lam (HKG) 19, 15, -15, 12;  
L. Bellinger lost to Chai Man (HKG) -20, 18, -19, 19, -16;  
J. Bellinger lost to Yu Kam Kai (HKG) -8, -9, -12.

#### Quarter-finals:

Grundy lost to Hui So Hung (HKG) -15, 12, -18, 15, -18.

#### Men's Doubles Round 1:

Johnson/Sandley bt Lim Chin Leong/Low Kong Seong (MAA) -17, 7, 9, 8;  
Hilton/Prean bt E. Caetano/Z. Kosanovic (CAN) 9, 13, 21.

#### Round 2:

Johnson/Sandley lost to Chan Kong Wah/Chen Scheng Shien (HKG) -18, -19, 17, 7, -15;  
Hilton/Prean bt K. Rodger/R. Yule (SCO) 16, 12, 15.

#### Quarter-finals:

Hilton/Prean bt Aavedchotani/A. Nakhuda (IND) -22, 10, 16, 14.

#### Semi-finals:

Hilton/Prean lost to Chiu Man Kuen/Vong Lu Veng -18, -14, -14.

#### Women's Doubles Round 2:

J./L. Bellinger bt Goh Shwu Fang/Leong Mee Wan (MAA) 18, 8, 14;  
N. Bisiach (AUS)/J. Grundy bt C. Lee/J. Morris (NEZ) 5, -18, 18, 16.

#### Round 3:

J./L. Bellinger bt L. Karanth/S. Mehta (IND) 15, 14, 14;  
Bisiach/Grundy lost to Hui So Hung/Yu Kam Kai (HKG) -19, 20, -6, -12.

#### Quarter-finals:

J./L. Bellinger lost to Chai Man/Mok Ka Sha -13, 17, -16, -14.

#### Mixed Doubles Round 2:

Sandley/J. Bellinger bt Yaung Hin Choong (SIN) 9, 15, 18;  
Johnson/Grundy bt Lau Chun Fung/Lai Sau Lam (HKG) 18, 18, 9;  
Prean/L. Bellinger bt Tay Kee/Leong Mee Wan (MAA) 17, 13, 12.

#### Round 3:

Sandley/Bellinger lost to Ming Yuan/Thanh Mach (CAN) 13, -13, -15, 15, -20;  
Johnson/Grundy bt Cheng Scheng Shien/Mok Ka Ha (HKG) -14, 12, 14, 13;  
Prean/L. Bellinger lost to Chan Kong Wah/Hui So Hung -18, 25, 17, -25, -17.

#### Quarter-finals:

Johnson/Grundy lost to Chan Kong Wah/Hui So Hung -16, 20, 23, -19, -13.

### TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### ENGLISH RESULTS

#### v India (won 5-1)

C. Prean bt M. Singh 12, -22, 19;  
bt V. Chandrasekhar 18, 10.  
G. Sandley bt K. Mehta 1, 14;  
lost to Singh -15, -13.  
J. Hilton bt Chandrasekhar 16, 18;  
bt Mehta 19, 19.

#### v Scotland (won 5-3)

D. Johnson lost to D. Hannah 18, -22, -14;  
bt K. Rodger -18, 18, 14.  
Prean bt R. Yule 18, 8;  
lost to Hannah -12, -17;  
bt Rodger 16, 14.  
Sandley bt Rodger 11, 14;  
lost to Yule -19, 9, -21;  
bt Hannah 19, 5.

#### v Northern Ireland (won 5-0)

Hilton bt T. Heasley 11, 12;  
bt B. Orr 12, 20.  
Johnson bt J. Robinson 10, 15;  
bt Heasley 14, 6.  
Prean bt Orr 10, 8.

#### v New Zealand (won 5-0)

Johnson bt J. Morris 18, 16;  
bt P. Jackson 8, 8.  
Sandley bt B. Griffiths 16, 16;  
bt Morris 15, 10.  
Hilton bt Jackson 15, 19.

#### v Australia (won 5-1)

Hilton bt G. Haberl 10, 16;  
bt R. Tuckett 18, 18.  
Prean bt R. Javor 9, 18;  
bt Haberl -19, 13, 12.  
Sandley lost to Tuckett 17, -13, -18;  
bt Javor 11, -22, 7.

#### v Hong Kong (lost 3-5)

Johnson lost to Chan Kong Wah -13, 19, -14;  
bt Chiu Man Kuen 18, 16.  
Prean lost to Vong Lu Veng -11, -18;  
lost to Chan Kong Wah -15, -18;  
bt Chiu Man Kuen -15, 11, 18.  
Hilton lost to Chiu Man Kuen 15, -16, -19;  
bt Vong Lu Veng 18, 16;  
lost to Chan Kong Wah -19, -7.

#### Second Stage

A1/B2 Hong Kong 5 Pakistan 0

A2/B1 Nigeria 5 England 4

S. Eboh bt Hilton 12, -12, 9;  
lost to Prean -18, -11;  
bt Johnson 18, -14, 20.

A. Musa bt Johnson 14, 15;  
lost to Prean -13, 4, -18.

F. Sule lost to Prean -18, -12;  
lost to Johnson -16, -17;  
bt Hilton -14, 19, 18.

A4/B3 Malaysia 5 Australia 2

A3/B4 India 5 Wales 0

A5/B6 Scotland 5 Singapore 0

A6/B5 Canada 0 New Zealand 5

### MEN'S TEAM

#### First Stage

Group A	ENG	HKG	IND	AUL	SCO	NEZ	IRE	Points	Games	Place
ENGLAND	x	3-5	5-1	5-1	5-3	5-0	5-0	5	28-10	2
Hong Kong	5-3	x	5-0	5-0	5-0	5-0	5-0	6	30-3	1
India	1-5	0-5	x	5-0	5-1	5-0	5-0	4	21-11	3
Australia	1-5	0-5	0-5	x	5-2	5-2	5-0	3	16-19	4
Scotland	3-5	0-5	1-5	2-5	x	5-1	5-2	2	16-23	5
New Zealand	0-5	0-5	0-5	2-5	1-5	x	5-0	1	8-25	6
N. Ireland	0-5	0-5	0-5	0-5	2-5	0-5	x	0	2-30	7
Group B	NGR	CAN	PAK	WAL	MAA	SIN	Points	Games	Place	
Nigeria	x	5-1	5-0	5-1	5-0	5-1	5	25-3	1	
Canada	1-5	x	5-1	3-5	3-5	5-2	2	17-18	5	
Pakistan	0-5	1-5	x	5-2	5-3	5-2	3	16-17	2	
Wales	1-5	5-3	2-5	x	3-5	5-3	2	16-21	4	
Malaysia	0-5	5-3	3-5	5-3	x	5-0	3	18-16	3	
Singapore	1-5	2-5	2-5	3-5	0-5	x	0	8-25	6	

**Third Stage**

**For Positions 1 and 2**

**HONG KONG 5 Nigeria 1**  
 Vong Lu Veng bt Eboh 8, 17;  
 lost to Musa 17, -18, -19.  
**Chan Kong Wah bt Sule -19, 23, 18;**  
 bt Eboh 9, 15.  
**Chiu Man Kuen bt Musa 20, 21;**  
 bt Sule 16, -18, 10.

**For positions 3 and 4**

**England 5 Pakistan 0**  
 Prean bt A. Khan 12, 19;  
 bt A. Nakhuda 13, 15.  
**Sandley bt J. Chotani 17, 15;**  
 bt Khan 20, -19, 21.  
**Johnson bt Nakhuda 11, 21.**

**For positions 5 and 6**

**India 5 Malaysia 0**  
 Singh bt Lim Chin Leong 13, -18, 12;  
 bt Kok Chong Fatt 15, -18, 15.  
**M. Dua bt Kok Chong Fatt 19, -17, 17.**  
**Chandreasekhar bt Lee Kin Kee 16, 16;**  
 bt Lim Chin Leong 14, -19, 10.

**For positions 7 and 8**

**Australia 5 Wales 2**  
 Javor lost to A. Griffiths -8, -11;  
 bt M. Thomas 20, -17, 18.  
**Haberl bt N. Thomas 10, 16;**  
 bt Griffiths 19, -19, 19;  
 bt M. Thomas 14, 18.  
**G. Tepper bt M. Thomas 14, 16;**  
 lost to N. Thomas 17, -6, -14.

**For positions 9 and 10**

**Scotland 5 New Zealand 1**  
 Yule bt Griffiths 26, 15;  
 lost to Morris -21, 16, -19.  
**Rodger bt Jackson -13, 14, 18;**  
 bt Griffiths 16, 8.  
**Hannah bt Morris 19, -20, 11;**  
 bt Jackson 14, -17, 6.

**For positions 11 and 12**

**Canada 5 Singapore 2**  
 Ming Yuan bt Yeong Hin Choong 14, -15, 19;  
 lost to Png Kim Siang -17, 13, -11.  
**E. Caetano lost to Png Kim Siang -17, -12;**  
 bt Loy Soo Han -19, 20, 16.  
**J. Ng bt Loy Soo Han 9, 7;**  
 bt Yeung Hin Choong 10, 10;  
 bt Png Kim Siang 14, 17.

**FINAL PLACINGS**

(Previous positions in brackets)

- 1 HONG KONG (3)
- 2 Nigeria (2)
- 3 England (1)
- 4 Pakistan (6)
- 5 India (5)
- 6 Malaysia (—)
- 7 Australia (7)
- 8 Wales (—)
- 9 Scotland (8)
- 10 New Zealand (9)
- 11 Canada (4)
- 12 Singapore (—)
- 13 N. Ireland (—)

**v Northern Ireland (won 3-0)**

L. Bellinger bt L. Gibson 8, 8.  
 J. Bellinger bt N. McEvoy 17, 15.  
 J./L. Bellinger bt Gibson/J. Reid 18, 12.

**v Singapore (won 3-1)**

Grundy lost to Tan Ah Yee 17, -8, -19.  
 L. Bellinger bt Leow Hock Moi 12, 16;  
 bt Tan Ah Yee 14, 9.  
 J./L. Bellinger bt Kim May Wong/Leow Hock Moi 17, 13.

**Second Stage**

**A1/B2 England 1 India 3**

L. Bellinger bt S. Mehta 14, 8;  
 lost to I. Puri 14, -16, -14.  
 Grundy lost to Puri -18, 16, -16.  
 J./L. Bellinger lost to Puri/Vyoma -18, -17.

**A2/B1 Hong Kong 3 Canada 0**

**A3/B4 Malaysia 0 Singapore 3**

**A4/B3 Scotland 2 New Zealand 3**

**A5/B5 Australia 3 N. Ireland 0**

**Third Stage**

**For positions 1 and 2**

**HONG KONG 3 India 0**  
 Hui So Hung bt Mehta 13, 9;  
 Mok Ka Sha bt Puri 12, 4.  
 Hui So Hung/Yu Kam Kai bt Puri/Vyoma 8, 19.

**For positions 3 and 4**

**England 3 Canada 0**  
 L. Bellinger bt Domonkos -14, 13, 7.  
 J. Bellinger bt Mach 19, 14.  
 J./L. Bellinger bt Domonkos/Hsu -13, 10, 15.

**For positions 5 and 6**

**Singapore 3 New Zealand 1**  
 Leow Hock Moi bt J. Morris 9, 10.  
 Tan Ah Tee bt C. Lee 8, 14;  
 bt Morris 12, 7.  
 Kim May Wong/Leow Hock Moi lost to Lee/Morris -13, -17.

**For positions 7 and 8**

**Malaysia 3 Scotland 2**  
 Loke Wai Har lost to Dalrymple -17, 20, -9;  
 bt Thomson 16, 11.  
 Goh Shwu Fang bt Thomson 21, 19;  
 lost to Dalrymple -11, -18.  
 Goh Shwu Fang/Leong Mee Wan bt Dalrymple/Thomson  
 -17, 16, 15.

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**PREAN TOPS LIST**

Carl Prean, 15, the Isle of Wight school-boy is the new England No. 1 on the men's computerised ranking list issued recently. Desmond Douglas the Birmingham professional has dropped to number two after topping the list unbroken since 1977.

Top Six — 1 C. Prean (IoW), 2 D. Douglas (Warwicks), 3 J. Hilton (Lancs), 4 G. Sandley (Middx), 5 D. Johnson (Warwicks), 6 P. Day (Cams).

**ETTA AGM**

The AGM of the ETTA will be held at the Bloomsbury Crest Hotel, Coram St., London WC1 on Saturday, July 9th, commencing at 2 p.m.

**INDIVIDUAL RECORDS**

**England**

	L. Bellinger	J. Bellinger	J. Grundy	JB/LB	F	A	Opponents
	1-0		1-0	1-0	3	0	India
	2-0		1-0	0-1	3	1	Scotland
	1-0	1-0		1-0	3	0	Canada
	2-0		0-1	1-0	3	1	N. Ireland
	1-1		0-1	0-1	1	3	Singapore
	1-0	1-0		1-0	3	0	India
					16	5	Canada
	8-1	2-0	2-2	4-2			

**INDIVIDUAL RECORDS**

England	Prean	Johnson	Hilton	F	A	Opponents	
Sandley	2-0		2-0	5	1	India	
1-1	2-1	1-1		5	3	Scotland	
2-1	1-0	2-0	2-0	5	0	N. Ireland	
		2-0	1-0	5	0	New Zealand	
2-0	2-0		2-0	5	1	Australia	
1-1	1-2	1-1	1-2	3	5	Hong Kong	
	3-0	1-2	0-3	4	5	Nigeria	
2-0	2-0	1-0		5	0	Pakistan	
	8-3	13-3	8-4	8-5	37	15	

**WOMEN'S TEAM**

**First Stage**

Group A	ENG	CAN	SCO	SIN	IRE	Points	Games	Place
ENGLAND	x	3-1	3-0	3-1	3-0	4	12-2	1
Canada	1-3	x	3-0	3-2	3-0	3	10-5	2
Scotland	0-3	0-3	x	0-3	3-0	1	3-9	4
Singapore	1-3	2-3	3-0	x	3-0	2	9-6	3
N. Ireland	0-3	0-3	0-3	0-3	x	0	0-12	5
Group B	HKG	IND	AUL	NEZ	MAA	Points	Games	Place
Hong Kong	x	3-0	3-0	3-0	3-0	4	12-0	1
India	0-3	x	3-0	3-2	3-0	3	9-5	2
Australia	0-3	0-3	x	2-3	0-3	0	2-12	5
New Zealand	0-3	2-3	3-2	x	3-0	2	8-8	3
Malaysia	0-3	0-3	3-0	0-3	x	1	3-9	4

**ENGLISH RESULTS**

**v Scotland (won 3-0)**

J. Grundy bt C. Dalrymple -17, 17, 10.  
 L. Bellinger bt V. Thomson -19, 11, 7.  
 J./L. Bellinger bt Dalrymple/Thomson 15, 11.

**v Canada (won 3-1)**

Grundy bt M. Domonkos 18, -17, 21.  
 L. Bellinger bt T. Mach 7, 10;  
 bt Domonkos -19, 16, 15.  
 J./L. Bellinger lost to Domonkos/G. Hsu -14, 18, -21.

**FINAL PLACINGS**

(Previous positions in brackets)

- 1 HONG KONG (—)
- 2 India (3)
- 3 England (1)
- 4 Canada (2)
- 5 Singapore (—)
- 6 New Zealand (7)
- 7 Malaysia (—)
- 8 Scotland (5)
- 9 Australia (6)
- 10 N. Ireland (—)

**U.S.A. at 1983 World  
 Championships**

by MALCOLM ANDERSON

**Men's Team**

The U.S. team was in the stronger half of the top division. Eric Boggan showed that he deserves his World ranking, but he had little support. First we lost to China 5-0, then to Sweden 5-1 (Ricky Seemiller beat Appelgren). Yugoslavia then beat us 5-1 — Eric won the first set, and Danny Seemiller lost the second set at 19 in the third. Against Czechoslovakia Eric won two and Ricky won one; Eric won three against West Germany, one against South Korea and three against France. Danny, formerly our best player, played in every team match and had no wins. Scott Boggan and Attila Malek also were winless.

Since we were 0-7 in Group A and the Soviet Union was 1-6 in Group B, we played them to determine who would stay in the top division in 1985 —

- D. Seemiller d. Boris Rozenberg 18, 13.
- E. Boggan d. Mikhail Ovcharov 11, 17.
- R. Seemiller l. Igor Solopov -14, -11.
- Boggan d. Rozenberg 8, 11.
- D. Seemiller d. Solopov 13, 14 (Dan was

behind 10-11 in the second game).  
 R. Seemiller l. Ovcharov -11, -10.  
 Boggan d. Solopov 20, 17 (Solopov missed a hamburger at 20-18 in the first game).

As Denmark beat W. Germany in the other crossover, both 8th place teams stayed up and both 7th place teams were relegated to the 2nd division! We beat Denmark to finish 13th, our highest in 20 years.

#### Women's Team - Second Division

In Sook Bhushan is again our best woman player — her son Austin is two years old. In most of the team matches Alice Green played singles as did In Sook, and In Sook and Kasia Gaca was our doubles pair.

We started well by beating Luxembourg 3-0 and Singapore 3-0, then lost to Hong Kong (Commonwealth Champions) 0-3. We then beat Malaysia 3-0, Canada 3-1 (Angelita Rosal-Sistrunk lost a close match to Thanh Mach), Italy 3-1 (Kasia lost her singles "deuce" in the 3rd), and New Zealand 3-0.

In the crossover to decide who is promoted to the top division we played Belgium. In Sook won her two singles, but we lost the doubles in 3 and Alice lost both her singles, both under the expedite rule. Good Luck in Group 1, Belgium!

Against Poland for 19th and 20th, we trailed 1-2 when In Sook fell and sprained her ankle. Our Women's captain, Yvonne Kronlage, withdrew her after that game (she lost 20-22); the sprain was bad enough to keep her out of the rest of the tournament, and probably the U.S. Open as well.

#### Men's Singles

In the prelims, Attila Malek d. Roberto Cesares Sanchez (ESP) 19, 17, -16, 21; d. Bandar Al-Oumeri (SAU) 18, 11, -19, 15; then lost to Mario Alvarez (DOM) 9, -21, -18, -12.

Ricky Seemiller d. Helmi Zahid (SAU) 15, 12, 14, and Henk Van Spanje (HOL) -17, 15, 14, -9, 14 to reach the first round, where he lost to Kalinic (YUG) -14, -13, -8.

First round action — Scott Boggan got hot against Gabor Gergely (HUN) winning the first game at 19 with some spectacular shotmaking, but Gergely then cooled him off, winning 15, 14, 11.

Eric Boggan d. Juzo Nukazula (JPN) 18, 18, 13; d. Keith Rodgers (SCO) 17, -17, 10, 13, and d. Zsolt Kriston (who upset Orlovski) 13, 17, -15, 15, to play No. 1, Guo Yuehua. Eric led the 1st game 16-14, then was down 16-19, losing at 19. Guo won the 2nd at 14. In the 3rd, Eric led 14-9, then trailed 14-15, and lost at 20. In all 3 games Eric had Guo running all over the court, and Guo kept hitting winners as he ran.

Danny Seemiller beat Haryono (INA) 11, 18, 12, then played Cai Zhenhua. Cai won the first fairly comfortably at 17. At 3-5 in the 2nd, Danny excitedly told the U.S. bench "I can see it, I can read his serves" — which he then did, his excellent service returns prevented Cai from attacking quickly, and Danny won the game at 13. Cai started the 3rd game by using footstamp serves — after several complaints (and missed serves) from Danny, umpire Angelo Tebone (AUS) prevented further footstamping by correctly calling let whenever one occurred, but Cai managed to hold his lead, winning at 19. Danny won the 4th game at 18. Cai started off with a 4-1 lead in the 5th game, but Danny tied it at 5 all, and led 10-8. At this point, Cai had another footstamp serve ruled a let — about the 6th of the match — and protested — the Chinese did not have an interpreter available, and managed to delay the match at least 5 minutes, while Danny cooled off — Cai then jumped ahead 12-10, then 20-14 (Danny missed a critical kill), and won at 16. It's a pity that one of the best matches of the tournament was marred by the interruption.

#### Women's Singles

Kasia Gaca lost to Lim Jong Hwa (PRK) -11, -19, -9.  
 Alice Green d. Yanet Cifuentes (COL) 14, 8, 16 and Sags (ESP) 14, 12, 9, to reach the first round, where she lost to Shin Deuk Hwa (KOR) 13, -12, -11, -11.  
 Angelita Sistrunk lost 1st round to Suzanne Pedersen (DEN) -15, 18, -12, -16.  
 In Sook withdrew because of her ankle.

#### Men's Doubles:

Attila Malek/Zoltan Kaposztas (HUN) lost to Kano/Inokushi (BRA) -15, 15, -21, -18.

#### 1st round

Eric and Scott Boggan lost to Vladislav and Miroslav Broda (TCH) -15, 17, 19, -14, -15.  
 Dan and Rick Seemiller lost to Chen Xinhua /Diao Ming (CHN) -9, -11, -16.

#### Women's Doubles:

Alice Green/Kasia Gaca d. Espino/ Bernardo (PHI) 12, -19, 11, 18, then lost to Armas Nunez/Baez Gato (CUB) -14, -17, -20.

#### Mixed Doubles

Eric Boggan/Angelita Sistrunk d. Alain Bourbonnais/Gloria Hsu (CAN) 17, -18, -16, 13, 16, lost to M. Broda/A. Pelikanova (TCH) -14, -14, -14. (WHY do teams from the U.S. and Canada have to play each other first match???)  
 Scott Boggan/Kasia Gaca lost to Chu Jong Chol/Lim Jong Hwa (PRK) -15, -9, -5.  
 Rick Seemiller/Alice Green lost to Patrick Renverse/Patricia Germain (FRA) -17, 17, 19, -13, -20!

A beautifully staged Worlds — many thanks to the Japanese TTA for doing such a splendid job.

## AS I SAW TOKYO

by JOHN WOODFORD

who covered the tournament for the "Daily Telegraph", "Sunday Telegraph", "Daily Mail" "The Sunday Times" and assisted Reuter

"What's it like in Japan?" is the question I have been asked many times since my return from the World Championships in Tokyo, so as a relief from the quantity of results and play description in this edition of "Table Tennis News", I agreed with George Yates at 35,000 feet over the North Pole on the return journey, to write down a few of my thoughts on my 17-day trip, my third visit to the Far East but my first to Japan.

I travelled via Anchorage, Alaska three days before play commenced with Karen Witt and Don Parker. Des Douglas should have been on the flight but due to a fire on the Birmingham-London train, he missed us at Heathrow and came 24 hours later. You can imagine our concern, until at Anchorage we learned that he was following on. Several long trips I have made in the past have depended to some extent on Fleet Street's interest in having Des there and not subjected to some hazard that would prevent him arriving, wreck the programme and subdue Press interest.

With three days in hand it seemed that I would have plenty of time to see something of the city of Tokyo in which 11.6 million people live. In reality, by the time I had spent a few hours relaxing in the Keio Plaza five-star Intercontinental Hotel, found the Yoyogi stadium, organised my lines of communication for the "Daily Telegraph" via the Reuter telex line and twice got lost

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with a taxi-driver in the concrete jungle of Tokyo, the players were arriving and there were so many people to meet and renew old acquaintance that the spare time soon evaporated.

So much depends on the climate when friends ask, "Is it worth going there for a holiday?" The weather was kind to us, in the 17 days we had some rain only once. I wore shirt, trousers and sandals all the time, the air was warm rather like Spain in May, without being uncomfortably hot. The warmth in Tokyo was drier, not steamy and sultry and thundery like Hong Kong. The daily weather seemed on most days to follow a pattern of a bright and sunny morning and then high cloud gathering later in the day and then dispersing again in the evening, making many fine nights when the many-coloured lights of the Shinjuku night-life district (including a "Soho-type" area) shone so brightly that many table tennis people could not resist visiting once, twice or even more according to their tastes for the high-class massage parlours and "coffee-peep" dives. Costs, so I am told, were about £5 for the first drink that included just the drinks service by topless waitresses who would later double up as masseurs for £16, average time twenty minutes, my sub-correspondents tell me!

Now if you think that's expensive, spare a thought for those of us who play golf. Johnny Leach and Albert Shipley arrived in Tokyo bright and bushy-tailed for a day on a Japanese golf course, but when they returned at the end of the day, they were tight-lipped and with considerably slimmer wallets, no danger of my "News of the World" colleague, falling over his wallet on that day, contrary to other stories I have heard on more average days. This was no ordinary day for John or Albert, cutting a long golfing story short, after a two-hour run by car to the course, they found a lady caddy (compulsory), a nice course, a bit hilly, with a communal football-type bath waiting at the end of the round and a bill that Albert thought must have been a misunderstanding — they were not buying the course or even thinking of purchasing shares — £65 for the round including all the extras and some refreshments at the tenth hole.

The strong desire by Messrs. Leach and Shipley to play golf in the Far East has now been quenched, also their interest in buying any golf equipment — no mis-prints here — the average cost of buying a wooden golf club was around £400 each weapon individually, not a set! We discovered that to join a golf club in the Tokyo area, negotiations would start for five-day membership at £10,000.

In some respects, potential holiday-makers are frequently told that Tokyo is an expensive city. In general, that is correct, there are not many hotels around less than £25 a night, most of them are nearer £40 or more per night, often excluding all meals, but one of my pet personal theories was proved — that in all cities of the world I have visited, especially capital cities, it is possible to eat well and cheaply. Instead of using the larger hotel catering facilities — there are 29 restaurants at the Keio Plaza — within a few minutes walk, meals can be purchased from £5 upwards and substantial snacking places, McDonalds, Kentucky, etc. are usually not far away.

At the Yoyogi Stadium, playing conditions were excellent and the coach services to

the stadium could hardly be faulted. Some of the media arrangements were amusingly simple and inadequate although the media area in the hall itself was huge. The Press room was far too small. At the start we were provided with only four outside telephone lines to tell the rest of the world what was happening, but the Press Officer was willing, did not speak English and was not a journalist. Eventually, the phones were increased to seven and life became a little more tolerable for the Press men, many of whom including myself spent up to twelve hours a day at the stadium.

An arrangement that caused me most concern was access for the working journalists to the players behind the courts. Guests of the ITTF, Swaythling Club members and others were allowed to roam freely anywhere, that is people just watching and socialising, whilst journalists without photo armbands could not get to their players for the essential quotes. After protesting for hours at this injustice, I was awarded an armband, but the fact remains that most newsmen could not get the access they wanted. Table Tennis desperately needs publicity to fight the opposition, making this sort of thing a disgrace.

I found the Japanese, with few exceptions, pleasant, smiling people, anxious to please but sadly lacking in professional expertise. Again, the referee had to use an interpreter. They are a peace-loving race at this time, seeking to avoid aggravation and in doing so they proved weak. Umpiring was one example as our two English umpires Doug Young and Bill Moran will tell you. I was quoted in the "Telegraph" as saying that serving by Janos Molnar (Hungary) was "diabolical", That was being polite. When Molnar was quite properly faulted by a Nigerian umpire, after 30 minutes delay, the Nigerian was replaced by a Japanese umpire by the referee, so under the new rules on serving, umpires are going to be in a position to enforce some discipline on court, let's hope they have the courage they need, because

opposing team captains will no longer we hope, suffer stamping, invisible serving and other abuses, currently going unchallenged.

#### NEW ERA

As I saw it from the court-side, the England team enjoyed a most successful tournament. To emerge fourth from 62 nations was something to be savoured for the next years until we reach Gothenburg. The successes by the younger teenagers Carl Prean and Lisa Bellinger gives us great hopes for the future of English table tennis and more hopes that the combination bat players can overcome the new rules which (in England) will probably start in late January at the Brighton Centre in the Norwich Union English Open, the start of the two-colour bat era for international events only.

If you feel like going to Japan, it is an exciting country, better weather than Hong Kong, but in the main not so beautiful, although the top tourist area is probably the Mount Fuji district, some 80 miles from Tokyo, an area visited only by our English umpires. The Japanese food, in general, I did not care for, despite being taken on one night to a real Japanese restaurant where you sit on the floor and the Japanese waitress serves on her knees. Sea-food is very good and sometimes served raw, noodle-soup seems to be a standard diet.

Over 40 British people were involved in the return flight over the Pole, 24 from England, players, captains, officials, etc. and the rest from Wales and Scotland. China is still top of the world of course and I see no chance in the next few years of any real change. My bet for the 1985 world champion is Cai Zhenhua, the retiring Guo's natural successor — at least Surbek and Kalinic prevented a total clean sweep by China and at least England can hold its head high for the next two years. But, just say our Flight JA423 was forced to make an unscheduled ditching on the Polar ice-cap on the way home, the whole course of British table tennis might have been changed for ever!

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# WORTHING ENGLISH JUNIOR OPEN

by Robert Oldfield

## PREAN SUPREME

Carl Prean, 15, despite the presence of 150 competitors from eleven countries at Worthing Sports Centre on Sat./Sun., May 21st/22nd for the English Junior Open, has served notice of his intentions for the forthcoming European Youth Championships. On the Saturday evening he led England, almost single-handedly, to the team event title and, the following day, proceeded to preserve his unbeaten record and demolish all those in his path to the boys' singles championship.

Only Alan Cooke, of Derbyshire, 1½ years older than the Isle of Wight school-boy, was able to force errors from the pimples-playing Prean. And even he, with the advantage of having met the World Championships sensation on at least ten occasions, often found the unpredictable spins too difficult to handle.

Cooke, however, known for his consistency, managed what no other competitor was able to do in the singles; he prolonged his Prean encounter to a final game. Losing the first at 19, he fought to keep level in the second and, on his third game point, squeezed through 23-21. He could be forgiven a short celebration with arms aloft for this achievement, for there was none next game. Prean raced to an early lead, kept it, and ran out the winner 21-14.

Pausing only to receive the trophy from ETTA General Secretary, Albert Shipley, Prean raced off to grab a few hours rest before his flight to Jamaica next day for the Norwich Union Masters. His last-minute

invitation and the English Association's granting of permission subject to participation in the English Junior Open had been responsible for no few sparks of controversy and at least the champion emerged with the credit for keeping both his commitments and his concentration.

## TEAM GOLD

England's only other medal was the gold of the boys' team. In the final, Nicky Mason of Bexhill, Sussex, came to the table first, against the Republic of South Korea's Joo Jung Han, but the blonde attacking Surrey county player soon found himself trailing 16-19 to the twiddling black bat defender. Producing three 'evil' serves he made it 19-all but, despite saving a game point in the first and a match point in the second, Korea went one ahead. Then Prean arrived . . . 3-1.

The girls' team event, like the girls' singles, doubles and mixed doubles, were Korean dominated but in one of those quirks which defy apparent logic, Korea II beat Korea I. The Korean seconds had beaten Austria in the semi-finals and, in the previous match the No. 2 seeds, England I, of Lisa Bellinger and Jean Parker.

Kim Young Mi, the eventual girls' singles champion, was the mainstay of the Korean team and, in the England match, won her two singles and the doubles with Kim In Soon. However, every set went the full distance of three games before Parker lost 21-17, to Kim Young Mi and England were out 3-2.

Bellinger's defeat seemed not to be a serious blow to her ambitions as No. 1 seed, particularly on looking at the draw, with Kim Young Mi in the other half and her first Korean scheduled for a quarter-final meeting. Unfortunately for the Dunstable girl, however, Ulrika Hansson had other ideas.

## DUMPED

Hansson dumped Bellinger in Round 2 — leaving her to reach the semi finals of the girls doubles with Parker — and then crashed out herself to Jung Yun Yoon. Jung

went no further but she did at least have the satisfaction of a 21-0 victory — against poor Myrian Hazon of Israel in Round 1.

The quarter-finals of the singles were, therefore, all Korean and two girls who the previous day had won the team event reached the final. When Kim Young Mi won the first at 21-12 it looked all over, but then Kim In Soon fought back for the second 22-20. Often, without the spice of opposing patriotism, this is routine fare, but both of the agile attacking pen-holders contributed to an excellent singles final.

Of the rest, Lars Mattsson and Per Karlsson of Sweden were outstanding in the boys' doubles. Unseeded, they dispatched the No. 1 seeds Lee Jung Hak and Joo Jung Han in the quarter finals (22, -18, 19); moved past the conquerors of Prean and Cooke, Frank Gullberg and Hans-Peter Andersson, in the semi; and won a nail-biting first game in the final, 28-26. Then the two Parks — Sang Jae and Ji Hyun — took control and their winning streak was over.

## THANK YOU WORTHING

The 1983 English Junior Open Championships were supported by the Worthing Borough Council and the Association wishes to place on record its appreciation to the Council, which enabled the top junior event of the year to be held again after a year's lapse. Thanks are due also to the Council's staff and, particularly to those of the Worthing Sports Centre, headed by Manager, Clive March, where the competitors and officials were made most welcome.

## WORTHING ENGLISH JUNIOR OPEN RESULTS

### Boys' Singles Round 3:

C. Prean (ENG) bt S. Dettmar (E) 9, 6;  
Park Ji Hyun (KOR) bt L. Mattsson (SWE) 12, -16, 10;  
N. Mason (ENG) bt F. Gullberg (SWE) 16, 11;  
Joo Jung Han (KOR) bt C. Andersson (SWE) 14, 16;  
J-P. Gatien (FRA) bt N. Tyler (WAL) -13, 12, 18;  
Park Sang Jae (KOR) bt A. Syed (ENG) 15, -20, 14;  
A. Cooke (ENG) bt P. Karlsson (SWE) 20, 12;  
L. Cabrera (BEL) bt Lee Jung Hak (KOR) -19, 21, 16.

### Quarter-finals:

Prean bt Park Ji Hyun 10, 17;  
Joo Jung Han bt Mason -20, 16, 15;  
Park Sang Jae bt Gatien 11, 19;  
Cooke bt Cabrera 11, 10.

### Semi-finals:

Prean bt Joo Jung Han 10, 5;  
Cooke bt Park Sang Jae 21, 18.

### Final:

PREAN bt Cooke 19, -21, 14.

### Girls' Singles Round 2:

U. Hansson (SWE) bt L. Bellinger (ENG) 17, -10, 17;  
Yoon Jung Yun (KOR) bt F. Elliot (St) 11, 13;  
K. Teravuo (SWE) bt I. Vertessen (BEL) 12, 17;  
Kim In Soon (KOR) bt E. Coubat (FRA) 12, 9;  
Choi Gum Og (KOR) bt B. Wiltische (AUT) -13, 14, 9;  
Kim Young Mi (KOR) bt J. Parker (ENG) 15, 17;  
L. Saunot (FRA) bt L. Erlman (SWE) 18, 10;  
Lee Gie Sun (KOR) bt S. Thirion (BEL) 9, 6.

### Quarter-finals:

Yoon Jung Yun bt Hansson 14, 12;  
Kim In Soon bt Teravuo 8, 7;  
Kim Young Mi bt Choi Gum Og 10, 19;  
Lee Gie Sun bt Saunot 12, 18.

### Semi-finals:

Kim In Soon bt Yoon Jung Yun 16, 21;  
Kim Young Mi bt Lee Gie Sun 17, 14.

### Final:

KIM YOUNG MI bt Kim In Soon 12, -20, 16.

### Boys' Doubles Quarter-finals:

Karlsson/Mattsson bt Joo Jung Han/Lee Jung Hak 22, -18, 19;  
P. Andersson (SWE)/Gullberg bt Cooke/Prean 14, 19;  
P. Bayer (FRA)/Gatien bt O. Einarsson (SWE)/P. Gunn (ENG) -15, 17, 14;  
Park Ji Hyun/Park Sang Jae bt C. Anderson/P. Ahlgren (SWE) 10, 16.

### Semi-finals:

Karlsson/Mattsson bt P. Andersson/Gullberg 18, 19;  
Park Ji Hyun/Park Sang Jae bt Bayer/Gatien 9, 15.

### Final:

PARK JI HYUN/PARK SANG JAE bt Karlsson/Mattsson -26, 14, 11.

### Girls' Doubles Quarter-finals:

Kim In Soon/Lee Gie Sun bt S. Collier/J. Powis (ENG) 15, 7;



Albert Shipley, General Secretary of the ETTA presenting Carl Prean with the trophy for winning the boys' singles event.

Photo by Stephen Line, Shoreham-on-Sea.

U. Hansson/A. Lath (SWE) bt S. Hammond (ENG)/  
 J. Houghton (K) 13, 12;  
 Choi Gum Og/Kim Young Mi bt Erlman/Teravuo 15, -14, 8;  
 Bellinger/Parker bt Coubat/Saunot 15, -19, 19.

**Semi-finals:**  
 Kim In Soon/Lee Gie Sun bt Hansson/Lath 17, 14;  
 Choi Gum Og/Kim Young Mi bt Bellinger/Parker 15, 17.

**Final:**  
 KIM IN SOON/LEE GIE SUN bt Choi Gum Og/  
 Kim Young Mi 11, 17.

**Mixed Doubles Quarter-finals:**  
 Park Sang Jae/Kim In Soon bt Preat/Bellinger 20, 10;  
 Joo Jung Han/Lee Gie Sun bt Mattsson/Erlman 9, 16;  
 Park Ji Hyun/Choi Gum Og bt Ahlgren/Hansson 10, 6;  
 P. Eckel (AUT)/Wiltische bt Lee Jung Hak/Lee Gie Sun  
 18, -21, 17.

**Semi-finals:**  
 Joo Jung Han/Lee Gie Sun bt Park Sang Jae/Kim In Soon  
 14, 16;  
 Park Ji Hyun/Choi Gum Og bt Eckel/Wiltische 21, 13.

**Final:**  
 JOO JUNG HAN/LEE GIE SUN bt Park Ji Hyun/  
 Choi Gum Og 17, 19.

**Boys' Team**

**Round 1:**  
 Korea I 3 Wales 0  
 England III 3 Israel I 0  
 Syed bt Levy 14, -16, 19;  
 Cooke bt Hacham 9, 7;  
 Cooke/Syed bt Hacham/Levy 17, 13.

England II 3 Norway 0  
 Huggon bt Strom 9, 11;  
 Gunn bt Blikken 13, -19, 12;  
 Gunn/Huggon bt Blikken/Strom 13, 16.  
 Sweden I 3 Ireland 0  
 France 3 Scotland 0  
 Korea II 3 Israel II 0  
 Sweden II 3 Belgium 1  
 England I 3 Austria 0  
 Mason bt Eckel 8, 13;  
 Preat bt Glanzer 13, 14;  
 Mason/Preat bt Eckel/Glanzer 8, 13.

**Round 2:**  
 Korea I 2 England III 0  
 Lee Jung Hak bt Cooke 10 17;  
 Joo Jung Han bt Syed 12, -20, 15;  
 Joo/Lee bt Cooke/Syed 16, 17.  
 Sweden I 3 England II 1  
 Mattsson bt Gunn -21, 19, 18 ;  
 Ahlgren bt Huggon -17, 19, 13;  
 Carlsson/Gullberg lost to Gunn/Huggon 19 -17, -7.  
 Ahlgren bt Gunn -17, 14, 13.  
 Korea II 3 France 2  
 England I 3 Sweden II 0  
 Mason bt Einersson 18, 12;  
 Preat bt Andersson 10, 7.  
 Mason/Preat bt Anderson/H. Anderson 15, 22.

**Semi-finals:**  
 Korea I 3 Sweden I 0  
 England I 3 Korea II 1  
 Mason lost to Park Ji Hyun -8, -13;  
 Preat bt Park Sang Jae 9, 12;  
 Mason/Preat bt Park/Park 10, -14, 10;

Preat bt Park Ji Hyun 9, 9.

**Final:**  
 ENGLAND I 3 Korea I 1  
 Mason lost to Joo Jung Han -20, -20;  
 Preat bt Lee Jung Hak 14, -18, 17;  
 Mason/Preat bt Joo/Lee 15, -12, 19;  
 Preat bt Joo Jung Han 18, 14.

**Girls' Team**

**Round 1:**  
 England II 3 Israel 0  
 Powis bt Hazan 11, 7;  
 Collier bt Corsia 17, 13;  
 Collier/Powis bt Corsia/Hazan 7, 11.  
 England III 3 Wales 0  
 Davis bt Wright 22, -14, 18;  
 Hammond bt Sully 14, -15, 12;  
 Davis/Soothill bt Sully/Wright 14, -16, 15.  
 Sweden I 3 Norway 0  
 Austria 3 Scotland 0  
 Sweden II 3 Ireland 0  
 Korea II 3 France 0  
 England I 3 Belgium 0  
 Parker bt Thyrlion 13, 12;  
 Bellinger bt Vertessen 18, 19;  
 Bellinger/Parker bt Thyrlion/Vertessen 19, 10.

**Round 2:**  
 Korea I 3 England II 0  
 Yoon bt Collier 17, 17;  
 Lee bt Powis 5, 5;  
 Lee/Yoon bt Collier/Powis 9, 12.

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England III 3 Sweden I 1  
 Hammond bt Hansson 19, 10;  
 Soothill lost to Lath 16, -10, -18;  
 Davis/Hammond bt Hansson/Lath 18, 13;  
 Hammond bt Lath 16, -19, 22.  
 Austria 3 Sweden II 0  
 Korea II 3 England I 2  
 Kim Young Mi bt Bellinger -17, 16, 14;  
 Kim In Soon lost to Parker -18, 20, -9;  
 Kim/Kim bt Bellinger/Parker 15, -19, 9;  
 Kim In Soon lost to Bellinger 19, -18, -19;  
 Kim Young Mi bt Parker -18, 10, 17.

**Semi-finals:**

Korea I 3 England III 0  
 Yoon bt Davies 9, 7;  
 Lee bt Hammond 7, 9;  
 Lee/Yoon bt Hammond/Soothill 16, 14.  
 Korea II 3 Austria 0

**Final:**

KOREA II 3 Korea I 1  
 Kim Young Mi bt Yoon Jung Yun -12, 16, 14;  
 Kim In Soon bt Lee Gie Sun 14, 18;  
 Choi Gum Og/Kim Young Mi lost to Lee Gie Sun/  
 Yoon Jung Yun -15, -16;  
 Kim Young Mi bt Lee Gie Sun -19, 20, 16.

**Team Plate**

**Boys:**

Austria bt Norway 3-0.

**Girls:**

France bt Norway 3-0.



Carl Prean (left) and Nicky Mason holding the boys' team trophy after their victory over the Republic of Korea.

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## Welsh Corner

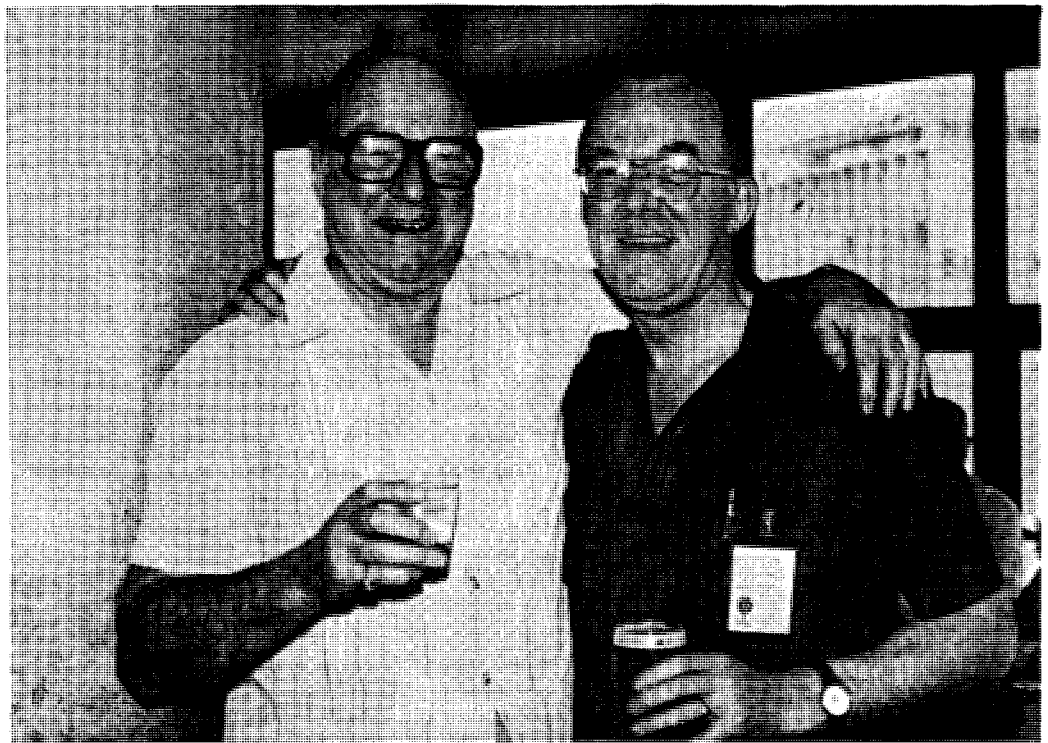
by H. ROY EVANS

Welsh performances in the Commonwealth Championships in Malaysia and in the World Championships in Japan fell far short of expectations, and the improvements shown in Novi Sad and Bucharest were sadly absent.

It's true we attained an eight position in Kuala Lumpur, above Scotland, New Zealand, Canada, Singapore and Northern Ireland, but we were unconvincing, breeding no optimism for the harder World Championships fight ahead.

The excessive heat in Kuala Lumpur took its toll of most of the Western people, even England dropping to third spot, for the first time since the event began. Alan Griffiths was in a bad way for one whole day, whilst Mark Thomas, who normally sweats a lot, was soaked most of the time when he was playing. Nigel Thomas seemed unaffected, but he had other problems.

We started off in tremendous style, lead-



Welsh Corner columnist H. Roy Evans, the ITTF President, and TT News Editor George Yates, take time out for a welcome drink in Kuala Lumpur.

ing Canada 4-0 at one time, and surviving a worrying fight back to win 5-3. All our players took toll of the experienced Errol Caetano, whilst Alan also beat Ning Yuan and Nigel beat Joe Eng. Canada never seemed to recover from this set back, whilst we almost failed to capitalise on it. We went down to Nigeria, only Alan beating Sule, Mark taking a game from Musa, their No. 1, but the other sets going badly against us.

We reckoned we were in with a chance against Malaysia, whom we have beaten before, but we lost 3-5, Alan winning two, and Mark one. The next day saw Alan utterly exhausted by the heat, and he had to concede his second game against Pakistan, after winning the first. Mark won one, and Nigel went very close to taking another, but we were in poor shape by this time, and lost 2-5.

We then managed to beat Singapore 5-3, Alan only winning one, Mark, succumbing too easily to the heat, only winning one, but Nigel, turning on his best performance, winning his three.

So now we had play-off with Australia for 7th or 8th place, and we fancied our chances when Alan beat Robbie Javor in the first set. But first Nigel and then Mark turned in quite spiritless performances. Alan lost 19 in the third against the Australian No. 1 Gary Haberl, but Mark, having seen how easily Alan had disposed of Javor, proceeded to let the latter win. Nigel recovered to beat Tepper, but Mark never looked like beating Haberl.

In the singles Alan took the first game against England's Graham Sandley, should have taken the second, which he lost -23, but then fell away in the next two. This was after Alan had eliminated Australia's Glenn Tepper.

Nigel went out to Canada's Yugoslav import Kosanovic, who was not eligible for the team event, whilst Mark failed to repeat his National League win over John Hilton, and lost three straight.

Nigel teamed up with a Canadian Ming

Yuan to beat a Malaysian pair, but then lost to the Hong Kong stars Chiu and Vong. Hong Kong in the shape of Chan and Chen accounted for Alan and Mark, although the Welsh pair did take the first, and only lost the third at 20-all.

And so on to Tokyo, where mercifully the weather was much kinder.

Our first match was against India, and we did quite well to hold them to a 5-2 win. Alan had a good win over the experienced Manjit Dua, and only lost 20-22 in the third to Manmeet Singh. Mark also beat Dua, but that was the extent of our successes.

Then we met Hong Kong, who predictably "whitewashed" us, no set going to three games.

The next day we met Scotland, who, although finishing below us in Kuala Lumpur, nevertheless looked a stronger side, and so it proved. The wily old Richard Yule did what he almost always does to Griffiths when the match was poised at 2-1 to us, Alan having beaten Keith Rodger and Mark playing very well to beat David Hannah. Alan's heavy defeat seemed to take the heart out of us, Nigel losing to Hannah, Mark surprisingly going down to Rodger, and Alan losing 19 in the third to Hannah.

We played Netherlands on the next day, and lost 1-5. The Dutch side included ex-English international Bob Potton, who beat Mark and Alan. Mark registered our only success with a good win over Rene Hijne.

Then it was time for another go at Australia, but the result was 5-0 to them, worse than in Kuala Lumpur. Only Alan put up any sort of fight, taking a game from Haberl, the only set to go to three.

By now we were running out of chances to stay in Category 2, and looked to a win against Switzerland for salvation. This was a real nail-biter, with the result in balance right to 20-all in the third game of the last set, but it has to be said that Mark Thomas had his chances to register our first win.

Alan won three, but Nigel could only take one, and Mark should have won that decider.

We had a last chance against Israel, but a thoroughly lack lustre performance saw us go down 1-5, even Alan looking spiritless in this encounter.

So we were fighting in the bottom bracket of the play-off to escape relegation, and to everyone's astonishment we beat Malaysia 5-0, Alan taking two, Mark two and Nigel one. So it was Switzerland again, happier that we could not now go down. And it was another cliff-hanger, only this time it was Nigel who lost 18 in the third of the ninth set! Again Alan won his three, whilst Nigel comfortably beat Stefan, the man he had lost to in the earlier deciding game. Nigel could have won his decider to register a win.

So we live to play another day in Category 2, but it was a disappointing performance. Alan is still a much better player than the others, but even he is getting older and sometimes loses his edge. Also he must suffer some frustration because the two Thomas's played less well than they had in Novi Sad and Budapest. Mark is becoming more and more the victim of his own fidgeting, whilst Nigel's confidence seems to have deserted him.

In singles Mark lost three-straight to Stellan Bengtsson, Nigel didn't survive the qualifying rounds, whilst Alan, after a good win over New Zealand's Barry Griffiths then proceeded to give Desmond Douglas a fright, losing the first 20-22 after leading, and the second 20-22 also after leading. Desmond won the third. The two Thomas's lost to the Poles Grubba and Kucharski in the first round of the doubles, whilst Alan, teaming up with John Hilton won one round in the qualifying, but lost to two Norwegians in the next.

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**SCOTTISH NEWS**

by DENIS GEORGE

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**REVIEW OF THE 1982/83 SEASON**

**CLOBER SPORTS NATIONAL LEAGUE**

The third season of the Scottish National League ended with GREAVES SPORTS (ex CENTRAL) retaining both the Division I and Division II titles, albeit only by superior games records in each case. The 'A' team's match with MURRAYFIELD JOOLA — two unbeaten teams — ended in a draw whilst in Division II the 'B' team, although having lost to the unbeaten DUMBARTON BALLANTINES earlier in the season, took the title 50/20 to 46/24 on games.

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DUNLOP SCOTTISH CLOSED 1983**

David Hannah won the Men's Singles for the 3rd year running, beating Keith Rodger (who had beaten Richard Yule in the semi-finals) 11 and 16 in the Final, whilst a very determined Carole Dalrymple beat Elaine Forbes 18 and 19 in the Women's Singles to take the title for the 4th time.

**EUROPEAN LEAGUE — DIVISION II**

The unexpected 5-2 victory over TURKEY in the last match of the season hiked Scotland into second place in the final table, and incidentally gave SPAIN pro-

motion to Division I — which occasioned the profuse thanks of Ladislav Stipek when we met in Tokyo! Carole Dalrymple with 7 wins in singles, including victories over Carine Risch (Luxembourg) and Ann Leonard (Ireland), was our most successful player, whilst Hannah and Yule had 8 and 6 wins respectively out of 12. Carole now has a run of 10 successive European League wins to her credit, going back to February 1982.

With NORWAY coming down and GUERNSEY replacing PORTUGAL, we look forward to the 1983/84 season in the hope that we will go one better.

**AMONGST THE JUNIORS**


There has been considerable activity amongst the juniors and cadets during the season with matches against Wales and

Northern Ireland. Most promising performances have come from Glasgow's Brian Wright, winner of the Ulster Boys' title, 11-year-old Sarah Hurry, from Stirling, who won the Ulster Under-12 Girls' title, Janet Smith, of Kent, winner of Ulster Girls' title, and Gordon Waddell, of Falkirk, winner of the Ulster Cadet Boys' title for the second year running.

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# County Championships Round-up

by AUBREY DRAPKIN

As yet another season draws to a close only three matches remain to be played, but one of them, Essex v Middlesex, will decide the destiny of the Premier Division championship. The honours throughout the divisions have been well spread and the original idea of the creation of a more even standard of play by the 'pyramid' system appears to have had an effect. In the senior divisions only Middlesex II of the teams promoted last term did well in their higher environment, although Staffordshire finished with a flourish to retain their premier status. On the other hand three of the four teams relegated to the third division finished in the top two of the lower divisions this time round. The exceptions were the two counties relegated from the Premier Division, Northumberland and Cheshire, who have plummeted into the third for next season.

Mention must be made of the Administrator, Les Smith, who has done a good job this season and also of the committee chairman, Ian Whiteside who, I know, always has the best interests of the counties at heart. With so many variations in the format for next season being proposed at the Annual Conference, poor Les is in the impossible situation of not knowing what to prepare in the shape of divisions for next season.

## PREMIER DIVISION

### Berkshire 6 Dorset 3

Andy Wellman bt Mark Werner 11, 21;  
bt Martin Abbott 13, 7.

Jonathan Samuel lost to Abbott -14, -16;  
lost to John Robinson -22, -16.

David Barr bt Robinson 12, 16;  
bt Werner 17, 10.

Mandy Smith bt Julie Reading 12, 14.  
Barr/Samuel lost to Robinson/Abbott  
-20, 14, -17.

Wellman/Smith bt Werner/Reading 9, 15.

### Warwickshire 1 Staffordshire 8

Derek Munt lost to Andrew Bellingham  
-15, -14;

lost to Andrew Rich -18, -17.  
Barry Johnson lost to Rich -16, -16;  
lost to Craig Bakewell -20, 11, -15.

Carl Morgan bt Bakewell 13, 14;  
lost to Bellingham -12, 15, -16.

Munt/Johnson lost to Paul Barnett/Bill  
Bridgeman 11, -10, -17.

Morgan/Groves lost to Bellingham/Harris  
-14, -14.

Karen Groves lost to Jill Harris 19, -14, -18.

Staffs just retain Premier status as a result of their big win against Warwickshire. Berkshire fail by one set to stay up and accompany Dorset into the second division. Title will be decided when Essex meet Middlesex.

## DIVISION 2A

### Derbyshire 5 Staffordshire II 5

### Cambs 7 Northumberland 3

### Leics 8 Lancs II 2

### Yorks II 7 Cheshire 3

Empathic win by champions Leics over

2nd placed Lancs II. Chris Rogers, Karen Smith, and Julie Revill all unbeaten. Mick Harper, Keith Richardson and Joanne Palmer unbeaten for Cambs who sent a weakened Northumberland team into the third division, along with Cheshire. Staffs gained the point they needed against Derbyshire when Mrs. J. Dinning beat Mrs. M. O'Sullivan in the penultimate match.

## DIVISION 2B

### Hants 3 Devon 7

### Wilts 10 Bedfordshire 0

### Surrey 5 Middlesex II 5

### Kent 5 Sussex 5

Champions Surrey dropped their first point when held to a draw by Middlesex II. Let down by David Hannah they called up the evergreen Gordon Chapman and he it was who ensured a draw with a last set win over Tony Stark. Mark Oakley was the Surrey anchor man winning both of his singles as well as the doubles with Steve HOLLOWAY. Middlesex girls (Sarah Sandle and Laura Goldsmith) too strong for Michele Hams and Linda Clemett. The success of Surrey's first team this season has been due to an excellent team spirit with everyone who has played recording at least one win. Pride of place, however, must go to Nicky Mason who only lost one of his twelve sets.

Hants defeat at the hands of Devon leaves them second bottom. When Ram Bhalla levelled the score at 3-3 against Devon they appeared to be in with a good chance, but the West Country side took the last four sets.

## DIVISION 3A

### Derbyshire II 3 Cumbria 7

### Northumberland II 4 Warwick II 6

### Northumberland II 4 Lincs 6

### Lincs 6 Leics II 4

Apparent lack of registered players in this division with Derbyshire men having to concede all of their matches thus turning a 6-4 'win' into a 3-7 defeat. Warwick also had one unregistered player which reduced an 8-2 victory to one of 6-4.

## DIVISION 3B

### Somerset 8 Cornwall 2

### Dorset II 6 Gloucs 4

### Isle of Wight 5 Hants II 5

### Berks II 2 Avon 8

Dorset II again provided the upset by beating Gloucs who finish in third place behind Avon and Somerset. R. Thomas and Joyce Coop were both unbeaten for Dorset in a match where six sets needed a third end to decide them.

Andy Creed, P. Hooper, Rebecca Russe, and Helen Perrett remained undefeated against Berkshire II to make sure that Avon won the division. Carl Prean helped Isle of Wight to a draw in no uncertain manner, the scores in his two singles matches being 21-5, 21-6, and 21-4, 21-7.

## DIVISION 3C

### Hereford 5 Hunts 5

### Worcestershire 6 Wilts 4

### Hunts 7 Glamorgan 3

### Northants 6 Oxon 4

### Bucks 10 Hereford 0

Top teams all won and Worcestershire take the title with a much better set average than Northants. Oxford's defeat put them bottom of the table. Two wins from S. Dunning and one each from S. Claxton and T. Washington as well as the men's doubles gave Worcs a 5-1 lead against Wilts but this was pulled back to 5-4 and it was left to Claxton to get the winning set against B.

Powell. Northants also struggled against Oxon with the score standing at 4-4 and two matches to play. Mandy Wallis won in three ends against Stephanie Haddrell and Graeme McKim won the last one convincingly against Mark Ball.

## DIVISION 3D

### Norfolk 3 Suffolk 7

### Sussex II 6 Herts 4

### Cambs II 3 Kent II 7

### Essex II 8 Surrey II 2

Ray Hogg, secretary of Norfolk, states that the match against Suffolk was very entertaining and that they 'arranged for Suffolk to obtain the points they needed for promotion'. In reality Norfolk pushed Suffolk all of the way and John Kichener had two extremely close matches before winning both of them. Sue Welham and Julie Dowsett both needed a third end to win their singles and narrowly won the doubles 21-19, 21-18. Essex II won the battle for second place with Surrey II with Les Eadie, Stuart Gibbs, and Des Charlery gaining all of the men's singles and Kim Mudge winning her singles. Yvette Brown got in on the act by winning the ladies doubles with Kim.

## JUNIOR DIVISION 2A

### Northants 2 Lancs 8

### Leics 5 Lincs 5

### Staffs 9 Yorks II 1

### Warwicks 6 Durham 4

Staffs convincingly disposed of Yorks II who slip to third place. Richard Hayward, Jill Powis and Fiona Elliot were in top form for the champions and with Yorks boys playing out of order the final score was 9-1. A draw by Lincs was not enough to lift them off the foot of the table. Warwick's win over Durham made them runners up in this division. J. Singh was in good form whilst the girls (F. Sutton and M. McHayle) out-classed their opponents.

## JUNIOR DIVISION 2B

### Herts 4 Middlesex II 6

### Gloucs 5 Kent 5

### Glamorgan 4 Wiltshire 6

### Essex 2 Berks 8

The Essex bubble burst in their final match with a crushing defeat by Berkshire who take the title. Andrew Syed, Jimmy Stokes and Matthew Syed made a clean sweep of all of the boys' sets and Susan Collier beat Lisa Haydon to make the score 8-2. One win by Alison Barker plus the girls' doubles was all that Essex could muster. Wiltshire finally managed a win but still remained in last place. Against Glamorgan they came back from 2-4 down to take both points, with the girls, Michele Cook and Helen Wilson, unbeaten.

## JUNIOR DIVISION 3A

### Notts 5 Cheshire 5

### Cleveland II 0 Staffs II 10

### Derbyshire 9 Northumberland 1

### Cheshire 7 Staffs II 3

What a tremendous finish to this division with Derbyshire and Cheshire level on points and sets. Games ratio only just separated the two counties with Derbyshire's record being .05 better than that of Cheshire! Paul Harvey, David Rhodes, Miss L. Forster and Miss J. Weightman all dominated Derbys match with Northumberland, with Nigel Adams winning one set. Cheshire's draw at Nottingham cost them the championship but, in fact, they did well to come back from 1-5 down. Their girls, J. Murdoch and L. Harrison contributed much to the come-back by winning all of their sets. L. Neil was unbeaten for Notts.

**JUNIOR DIVISION 3B**

Warwicks II 6 Dorset II 4  
 Hants II 4 Bucks 6  
 Oxon 6 Hants II 4

Warwicks duly won the division but were made to fight all of the way by lowly Dorset, G. Woodcock eventually clinching the last set 25-23 against J. Hegarty. M. Campbell and S. Swallow both unbeaten for the winners whilst both girls singles were won by Dorset (S. Scott-Poulson and T. Scott-Poulson).

**JUNIOR DIVISION 3C**

Avon 5 Surrey II 5  
 Cornwall 6 Avon 4  
 Hants 3 Somerset 7  
 Wilts II 2 Cornwall 8  
 Dorset 10 Berks II 0

Dorset (G. Plutz, R. Thomas, R. Fairhall, L. Harman, S. Hegarty) got the big win they needed against Berks II but as things turned out any winning score would have been sufficient with Surrey II being held to a draw by Avon. Three sets to nil in the lead, Surrey appeared to be on the road to victory but the Avon girls had other ideas and won all of their sets, and with the boys' doubles going their way and P. Lewis overcoming J. Dudman, Avon actually led 5-4 before J. Daniels made it a draw for Surrey.

**JUNIOR DIVISION 3D**

Suffolk 6 Norfolk II 4  
 Cambs 6 Essex III 4  
 Essex II 6 Sussex II 4

This division was dominated by the two Essex teams despite the 'thirds' losing their last match to third placed Cambs. Simon Kempton was unbeaten for Sussex II against Essex II whilst Peter Holliday and Julian Wheel were unbeaten for Cambs against Essex III.

**VETERANS PREMIER DIVISION**

Lincs 6 Middlesex 3  
 Hunts 2 Cheshire 7  
 Kent 6 Notts 3  
 Dorset 4 Essex 5

Cheshire retained the Veterans' Championship title with a 100% record, just as they did last year. Derek Schofield, Eddie Griffiths and Doreen Schofield won all of their singles against Hunts with Peter D'Arcy getting one and combining with Doreen to take the mixed.

**VETERANS DIVISION 2A**

Cheshire II 6 Avon 3  
 Oxon 2 Leics 7  
 Worcs 4 Herts 5  
 Northants 7 Bucks 2

Leics, promoted from division 3 with a 100% record last year, made light work of the second division this year and won that also with a 100% record. Iliffe and Ard-winkle won all of their men's singles against Oxon whilst Mrs. Kilsby won her singles and also the mixed with Iliffe. The Leics total was completed by Truman who won one set.

**VETERANS DIVISION 2B**

Middlesex II 3 Hants 6  
 Berks 6 Sussex 3  
 Essex II 9 Bedfordshire 0  
 Kent II 9 Dorset 0

Sussex fell at the final hurdle to give Berkshire top spot, whilst the Essex maximum took them into second place only on inferior set ratio. Berks led all of the way against Sussex and had Brian Halliday undefeated.

**VETERANS DIVISION 3A**

Wiltshire 5 Cumbria 4

Close win by Wiltshire not enough to lift them into second place.

**VETERANS DIVISION 3B**

Berks II 5 Hants II 4

Hants first defeat but they still win the division.

**TABLES**  
 (as at 21st April, 1983)

**SENIORS****PREMIER DIVISION**

	P	W	L	F	A	P
Middlesex .....	6	5	1	35	19	10
Essex .....	6	5	1	34	20	10
Lancashire .....	6	4	2	31	23	8
Yorkshire .....	6	3	3	33	21	6
Warwickshire .....	7	3	4	30	33	6
Staffordshire .....	7	3	4	28	35	6
Berkshire .....	7	3	4	27	36	6
Dorset .....	7	0	7	16	47	0

To play: Essex v Middlesex and  
 Lancashire v Yorkshire

**DIVISION 2A**

Leicestershire ..	7	6	1	0	55	15	13
Yorkshire II .....	7	4	1	2	42	28	9
Cambridgeshire ..	7	4	1	2	36	34	9
Lancashire II ...	7	4	0	3	38	32	8
Derbyshire .....	7	2	1	4	31	39	5
Staffordshire II ..	7	1	3	3	26	44	5
Northumberland ..	7	2	0	5	27	43	4
Cheshire .....	7	1	1	5	25	45	3

**DIVISION 2B**

Surrey .....	7	6	1	0	48	22	13
Kent .....	7	4	2	1	41	29	10
Middlesex II ...	7	4	1	2	37	33	9
Devonshire .....	7	4	0	3	38	32	8
Sussex .....	7	3	1	3	37	33	7
Wiltshire .....	7	3	0	4	41	29	6
Hampshire .....	7	1	1	5	22	48	3
Bedfordshire ...	7	0	0	7	16	54	0

**DIVISION 3A**

Warwickshire II ..	6	6	0	0	49	11	12
Lincolnshire ...	6	4	0	2	34	26	8
Nottinghamshire ..	6	3	2	1	33	27	8
Leicestershire II ..	6	3	1	2	35	35	7
Cumbria .....	6	2	0	4	16	44	4
Northumberland II ..	6	1	1	4	27	33	3
Derbyshire II ...	6	0	0	6	16	44	0

**DIVISION 3B**

Avon .....	7	4	2	1	45	25	10
Somerset .....	7	4	1	2	40	30	9
Gloucestershire ..	7	3	2	2	38	32	8
Hampshire II ...	7	2	4	1	34	36	8
Dorset II .....	7	3	1	3	37	33	7
Berkshire II .....	7	2	2	3	30	40	6
Cornwall .....	7	2	1	4	32	38	5
Isle of Wight ...	7	1	1	5	24	46	3

**DIVISION 3C**

Worcestershire ..	7	6	0	1	52	18	12
Northants .....	7	6	0	1	43	27	12
Buckinghamshire ..	7	5	0	2	45	25	10
Herefordshire ...	7	2	2	3	29	41	6
Wiltshire II .....	7	2	1	4	34	36	5
Glamorgan .....	7	1	2	4	25	45	4
Huntingdonshire ..	7	1	2	4	24	46	4
Oxfordshire ...	7	1	1	5	28	42	3

**DIVISION 3D**

Suffolk .....	7	6	1	0	51	19	13
Essex II .....	7	5	1	1	50	20	11
Surrey II .....	7	3	2	2	30	40	8
Kent II .....	7	3	1	3	34	36	7
Hertfordshire ...	7	3	0	4	35	35	6
Norfolk .....	7	3	0	4	31	39	6
Sussex II .....	7	2	1	4	33	37	5
Cambridgeshire II	7	0	0	7	16	54	0

**DIVISION 4**

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Clwyd .....	3	3	0	0	23	7	6
Norfolk II .....	3	2	0	1	19	11	4
Worcestershire II ..	3	1	0	2	10	20	2
Northants II .....	3	0	0	3	8	22	0

**JUNIORS****PREMIER DIVISION**

Yorkshire .....	7	6	1	0	59	11	13
Middlesex .....	7	5	2	0	48	22	12
Devonshire .....	7	5	0	2	40	30	10
Kent .....	7	4	1	2	42	28	9
Surrey .....	7	3	0	4	39	31	6
Cleveland .....	7	1	1	5	19	51	3
Sussex .....	7	1	0	6	21	49	2
Bedfordshire ...	7	0	1	6	12	58	1

**DIVISION 2A**

Staffordshire ...	7	6	1	0	51	19	13
Warwickshire ...	7	4	2	1	44	26	10
Yorkshire II .....	7	4	1	2	42	28	9
Lancashire .....	7	4	0	3	46	24	8
Durham .....	7	2	3	2	36	34	7
Leicestershire ..	7	1	2	4	22	48	4
Northants .....	7	1	1	5	22	48	3
Lincolnshire .....	7	0	2	5	17	53	2

**DIVISION 2B**

Berkshire .....	7	6	1	0	50	20	13
Essex .....	7	6	0	1	55	15	12
Hertfordshire ...	7	4	1	2	40	30	9
Middlesex II ...	7	3	0	4	29	41	6
Gloucestershire ..	7	2	2	3	28	42	6
Glamorgan .....	7	2	0	5	26	44	4
Kent II .....	7	1	1	5	27	43	3
Wiltshire .....	7	1	1	5	25	45	3

**DIVISION 3A**

Derbyshire .....	8	6	2	0	62	18	14
Cheshire .....	8	6	2	0	62	18	14
Nottinghamshire ..	8	5	2	1	48	32	12
Staffordshire II ..	8	5	0	3	53	27	10
Northumberland ..	8	4	0	4	40	40	8
Cumbria I .....	8	3	0	5	42	38	6
Lincolnshire II ..	8	3	0	5	30	50	6
Cleveland II ...	8	0	1	7	14	66	1
Cumbria II .....	8	0	1	7	9	71	1

**DIVISION 3B**

Warwickshire II ..	5	5	0	0	32	18	10
Buckinghamshire ..	5	4	0	1	32	18	8
Oxfordshire ...	5	3	0	2	26	24	6
Worcestershire ..	5	2	0	3	20	30	4
Hampshire II ...	5	1	0	4	24	26	2
Dorset II .....	5	0	0	5	16	34	0

**DIVISION 3C**

Dorset .....	7	6	1	0	52	18	13
Surrey II .....	7	5	2	0	50	20	12
Somerset .....	7	3	1	3	36	34	7
Cornwall .....	7	3	1	3	33	37	7
Avon .....	7	2	2	3	35	35	6
Hampshire .....	7	3	0	4	34	36	6
Berkshire II ...	7	0	3	4	22	48	3
Wiltshire II .....	7	0	2	5	18	52	2

**DIVISION 3D**

Essex II .....	7	7	0	0	58	12	14
Essex III .....	7	5	0	2	38	32	10
Cambridgeshire ..	7	4	1	2	41	29	0
Norfolk II .....	7	4	0	3	35	35	8
Norfolk I .....	7	3	0	4	32	38	6
Suffolk .....	7	2	0	5	25	45	4
Sussex II .....	6	1	1	4	27	33	3
Hertfordshire II ..	6	0	0	6	14	46	0

Outstanding match:

Sussex II v Hertfordshire II

VETERANS

PREMIER DIVISION

	P	W	L	F	A	P
Cheshire .....	7	7	0	43	20	14
Kent .....	7	6	1	39	24	12
Lincolnshire .....	7	4	3	41	22	8
Essex .....	7	4	3	32	31	8
Middlesex .....	7	3	4	34	29	6
Nottinghamshire ...	7	3	4	27	36	6
Huntingdonshire ...	7	1	6	22	41	2
Dorset .....	7	0	7	14	49	0

DIVISION 2A

Leicestershire .....	7	7	0	48	15	14
Hertfordshire .....	7	6	1	48	15	12
Worcestershire ...	7	4	3	41	22	8
Cheshire II .....	7	4	3	30	33	8
Avon .....	7	3	4	27	36	6
Northamptonshire .	7	3	4	22	41	6
Oxfordshire .....	7	1	6	22	41	2
Buckinghamshire ...	7	0	7	14	49	0

DIVISION 2B

Berkshire .....	7	6	1	43	20	12
Essex II .....	7	6	1	40	23	12
Sussex .....	7	5	2	43	20	10
Kent II .....	7	4	3	35	28	8
Hampshire .....	7	3	4	25	38	6
Middlesex II .....	7	2	5	30	33	4
Bedfordshire .....	7	2	5	21	42	4
Dorset II .....	7	0	7	15	48	0

DIVISION 3A

Clwyd .....	4	4	0	24	12	8
Hertfordshire III ...	4	2	2	18	18	4
Wiltshire .....	4	2	2	15	21	4
Huntingdonshire II .	4	1	3	18	18	2
Cumbria .....	4	1	3	15	21	2

DIVISION 3B

Hampshire II .....	5	4	1	30	15	8
Hertfordshire II ...	5	3	2	29	16	6
Berkshire II .....	5	3	2	22	23	6
Somerset .....	5	2	3	21	24	4
Sussex II .....	5	2	3	20	25	4
Wiltshire II .....	5	1	4	13	32	2

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS

by Ron Fosker

Premier Decider

ALL-ROUND MIDDLESEX TAKE THE COUNTY TITLE

Middlesex's greater all-round strength and a masterly tactical play brought them the County Championship for the second year running at Dagenham on May 8.

They overcame a fighting Essex side 6-3 after twice being behind and left the home side sweating over the Yorkshire-Lancashire result to find out if they had finished runners-up.

After the abandonment at Bristol where the floor was found to be more suited to the skills of Torvill and Dean, the two teams found themselves level on points with no challengers at the top of the table. It was a heaven-sent opportunity to bring back the glory days of the County Championship and Essex wasted no time or effort in setting up a showpiece.

Nearly 200 people gathered at Dagenham Football Club for the match, sponsored by Dagenham Motors, which would decide the title. The match was staged far enough into Essex's metropolitan belt to be almost a neutral venue. Indeed some of the home team's supporters travelled much further than those of the away side.

It was a match that looked likely to depend on the two doubles. Essex knew that on the ranking list, and indeed on current form, they were in line to lose the singles sets 5-2. Their main hope was to nick one of those and take both the doubles.

The first part of the plan was enacted immediately when Essex No. 2 Ian Horsham beat Middlesex's No. 1 Dave Wells, overturning a gap of 16 places in the ranking list and ironically reversing the one result from the abandoned ice dance.

Dave Newman, who always finds his best form in an Essex shirt, came close to a similar feat of turning the rankings on their head (23 places this time) when he matched Colin Wilson point for point in both games only to fall two points short at the end of both.

Kenny Jackson, Essex's banker for two sets, duly obliged by beating Mark Mitchell, but only after a nail-biting "deuce-in-the-third" battle in which Mitchell several times pulled back big leads.

With Essex leading 2-1 Middlesex played their master stroke and included John Souter in both doubles. I don't know what their reasoning was but it was clearly sound as he partnered first Angela Mitchell to victory at 16 in the third over Jackson and Lisa Hayden and then Wells to a 13 in the third win over Horsham and Newman.

It says much for Middlesex's determination to win the title that five players instead of the minimum four were prepared to make the trip for only two sets (except for Wells) on the day they could have been playing in their own county closed championships.

After the doubles wins the fluent Angela Mitchell scored an expected win over the diminutive but doughty Lisa Hayden (who had celebrated her 14th birthday earlier in the week) and Middlesex were left needing only one of the final three men's singles to clinch the title.

Wilson duly obliged in the first one, but not until he had built up a tension in the crowd worthy of his novel-writing namesake. He beat Horsham easily enough in the first, but then needed five match points (championship points as Dan Maskell would call them) before clinching the second at 25.

The now dead last two singles could have taken on a more leisurely tone but there was no lack of fight as Jackson beat Wells — bursting the ball on the way — and then Mitchell beat a tired looking Newman.

SCORES

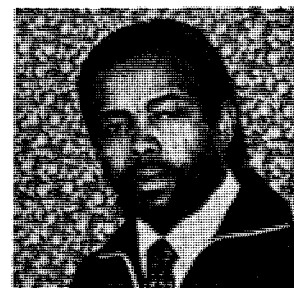
I. Horsham bt D. Wells 18, 16;  
 D. Newman lost to C. Wilson -19, -20;  
 K. Jackson bt M. Mitchell -18, 15, 20;  
 Jackson/L. Hayden lost to J. Souter/  
 A. Mitchell -18, 12, -16;  
 Horsham/Newman lost to Souter/Wells  
 -14, 11, -13;  
 L. Hayden lost to A. Mitchell -12, -16;  
 Horsham lost to Wilson -11, -25;  
 Jackson bt Wells 14, -19, 12;  
 Newman lost to Mitchell -18, -15.

Result:

Essex 3 Middlesex 6.

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THIS & THAT IN SURREY



by MURRAY CORBIN

DEATH OF A PRESIDENT

I regret to have to inform you of the death in April of CHARLES ALBERT BOURNE — President of SURREY TTA and the CROYDON & DISTRICT LEAGUE. Please join with me in expressing sincere heart felt sympathies to his wife Joan and his relatives, for the great loss they have sustained. Charles was a founder member of our County Association, and therefore, much is to be grateful for by many, to this great man. Space prevents me from paying the appropriate tribute to him at this moment, and I hope that this can be done, in the near future. REST IN PEACE, DEAR CHARLES!

BITS AND PIECES

Congratulations to JENNIFER — nee Webster and STEVE CLARK on their recent marriage . . . The COUNTY JUNIOR Teams for next season look a little thin on paper. Miracles will have to be created during the County Summer Coaching sessions. All League Secretaries should bring immediately to the attention of MIKE KERCHER details of all young players, who may have shown to have some talent during the season, and who would now benefit from being coached at County level. The invitation also extends to good senior players who are interested in coaching or even helping to sustain a high standard of play during the Junior Summer Coaching sessions. You may contact Mike at home in the evenings at 01-644 3408 . . . The SURREY JUNIOR CLOSED will be held at Elmbridge Leisure Centre, Walton-on-Thames, on 12th and 13th November. Please note . . . Congratulations must also be extended to SPEN LANHAM of the SUTTON LEAGUE, who was accepted by the National Council for a merit award . . . THE BRIGHTON CENTRE will be the venue for the 1984 ENGLISH OPEN . . . The ETTA have told the ITTF that they are interested in staging the 1985 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS . . . The BBC have agreed to televise the 1983 ANNUAL INVITATION EVENT at Wembley Conference Centre . . . A JUNIOR GRAND PRIX, consisting of 2 Nationals and 4 Select Tournaments, will be launched in September: the winner will benefit from a Scholarship, which will enable him/her to be Coached and Trained abroad. I do not know 'where or for how long' . . . The THAMES VALLEY Team has moved on to the semis of the CARTER CUP, after defeating NORTH HERTS 5-3. Well done and keep moving on . . . I just phoned BARBARA SEXTON but was informed that "they have moved" . . . After amassing maximum points, REIGATE & REDHILL LEAGUE must surely

win the PERCY JOHNSON CUP. CROYDON & DISTRICT may just hold off the advances of HASLEMERE & DISTRICT, for second place . . . RAY MUNN certainly appears to be getting over "the Blues" he experienced over the last nine months. I was sorry to learn of the death of his Mother . . . I have been approached to coach and lecture in South Africa next year for at least three months . . . JANICE SEABROOK seems to have had a good year with the bat and her umpiring; she won both Ladies Closed Competitions in the WANDSWORTH and DULWICH Leagues. She is sad at not yet being ranked amongst the Ladies in Surrey, and feels that in her opinion, she has from time to time, done sufficiently to warrant such an achievement. However, hearty congratulations in passing your INTERNATIONAL UMPIRE'S TEST. I reckon you highly at any rate Janice . . . I am pleased to see that STEVEN HOLLOWAY has moved up the National Ranking to 61. I am confident that he could get into the twenties, if he wanted to badly enough . . . Due to extensive coverage of the WORLD and COMMONWEALTH Championships, there may not be space for details of the Seventh Annual Surrey Schools Metropolitan Inter-Borough Championships, and the Guildford or the Dulwich Closed Championships, to be published. Should this prove so, I offer my apologies to DAVID LOMAS, TED SIMPKIN and JANICE SEABROOK, respectively, and assure them that I will pass on the information they sent me to my successor . . . I send a special 'hello and greetings' to Surrey TTA Life Member STAN BUCHAN, way up there in Scotland; to ALF PEPPARD — Press Officer of Gloucester, who is too modest about the good work he is doing over there; more locally to KAREN HEASMAN, LYNN BENNETT and IAN MACDONALD, of the Dulwich League; to the Soul Brothers at ABENG YOUTH CLUB in Brixton Town, maaan. Right On! JAH! not forgetting ZARINA HUSEIN-ELLIS, Matron of St. Catherine's Nursing Home in East Grinstead, who is ranked twelfth amongst the Surrey Ladies, and of course my good man — JOHN WOODFORD in Sussex for the attention he has given me. I thank you one and all. May God Bless You! Adios Amigos!

### NINA BACK HOME

Gloucestershire's Nina Taskarisianos is back home from Tokyo after a 19 weeks stay for coaching purposes in Japan.

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## Stiga English Schools Individual Championships

by David Lomas

Although some seeded players were dislodged in early rounds there were no major upsets when the tenth Stiga English Schools Individual Championship took place at Mansfield Leisure Centre on Saturday, April 30th. Of the eight titles at stake only three new names have surfaced. Kerry Hall (Derbyshire) and Andrew Eden (Lancashire) are not surprisingly new winners of the Under-11 events whilst Sue Collier (Berkshire) wins her first Individual Schools title in lifting the Girls' U-16 crown.

The senior events were won by the 1977 Under-11 winners: Jean Parker (Lancashire) and Gary Lambert (Devon). In the Boys' U-19 event No. 1 seed David Dodd (Inner London) went out to Michael Hammond (Surrey Metropolitan) in the quarters whilst seeded players Keith Samuels and Iain Fullerton were eliminated in the second round by Richard Denbow and Anthony Wattis, respectively. No. 2 seed Mark Oakley also bowed out to Mark Werner (Dorset) in the quarter-final.

In the Girls' U-19 category the only minor upset was the defeat of Lesley Broomhead (South Yorkshire) by Fiona Elliot (West Midlands).

The Syed brothers, Matthew and Andrew pulled off a "double". Andrew beat Nigel Tyler in the Boys' U-16 final whilst Matthew raced to his third title in beating Michael Rutherford (Kent County) in the Boys' U-13 event.

Claire Potts (Cheshire) also won her third national schools title at the tender age of twelve when she beat Tanya Holland in the Girls' U-13 event.

As well as the main competitions, which were organised on straight "knock-out" lines there were consolation events for those players who lost their first matches. Not surprisingly Damian Holland — having lost in the first round to "unknown" David Fulton (Kent County) — won the Boys' U-11 consolation competition. On reflection perhaps that was a shock exit for Damian because he was number one seed!

Play took place on 15 Stiga tables. Once again Organiser Eddie Mitchell and Referee Tony Chatwin did a fine job but I'm sure they'd be the first to pay tribute to the 30 hard-working Officials in the ESTTA "team".

The Championships were again sponsored by Stiga and the Association were pleased to greet Mr. Ken Young, Managing Director of Rodan (UK) Ltd. who are now the Stiga UK Distributors.

It was also a pleasure to welcome the Chairman of Nottinghamshire County Council, Coun. Whitelaw and the Chairman of Mansfield District Council, Coun. Strauther. The ESTTA wishes to thank both Councils for their help towards the Championships.

Also involved in the presentation ceremonies were Mr. Don Palmer, Chairman of the National Council for Schools' Sports, and ETTA stalwarts Mike Watts (Deputy General Secretary) and Peter Charters (Chairman of Selectors).

### RESULTS

#### Boys' U-19 Semi-finals:

Michael Hammond (Surrey Met.) bt  
Anthony Wattis (Cleveland) -15, 13, 9;  
Gary Lambert (Devon) bt Mark Werner  
(Dorset) -13, 19, 13.

#### Final:

LAMBERT bt Hammond 14, 18.

#### Girls' U-19 Semi-finals:

Sarah Sandley (Herts) bt Susan Blackburn  
(Berks) 18, 19;

Jean Parker (Lancs) bt Fiona Elliot (West  
Midlands) 14, 11.

#### Final:

PARKER bt Sandley 16, -22, 15.



BOYS' U-13: Matthew Syed is congratulated by Mr. Don Palmer, Chairman of the National Council for Schools' Sports.



**GIRLS' U-19:** (left to right) Fiona Elliot (3rd), Sarah Sandley (2nd), Jean Parker (1st), Susan Blackburn (3rd), Tracy Lightfoot (consolation winner), with Mr. Peter Charters (Chairman of England selectors).



**GIRLS' U-16:** (left to right) Laura Goldsmith (3rd), Sue Collier (1st), To Thuy Dung (2nd), Clare Mouzon (3rd), Sarah Hammond (consolation winner) with Councillor Whitelaw, Chairman of Nottinghamshire County Council.

**Boys' U-16 Semi-finals:**

Nigel Tyler (Inner London) bt Rodney Thomas (Dorset) 14, 14;  
Andrew Syed (Berkshire) bt Keith Cartwright (West Midlands) 8, 12.

**Final:**  
SYED bt Tyler -17, 23, 13.

**Girls' U-16 Semi-finals:**

To Thuy Dung (Derbyshire) bt Clare Mouzon (Northumberland) 12, -22, 19;  
Susan Collier (Berkshire) bt Laura Goldsmith (Middlesex) 15, 11.

**Final:**  
COLLIER bt To Thuy Dung 20, 17.

**Boys' U-13 Semi-finals:**

Matthew Syed (Berkshire) bt Gavin Black (Bedfordshire) 12, 13;  
Michael Rutherford (Kent County) bt Adrian

Bolton (Nottinghamshire) 19, 14.

**Final:**  
SYED bt Rutherford 13, 18.

**Girls' U-13 Semi-finals:**

Claire Potts (Cheshire) bt Helen Lower (West Midlands) 16, 15;  
Tanya Holland (Essex County) bt Julie Billington (Derbyshire) -19, 14, 12.

**Final:**  
POTTS bt Holland 14, 11.

**Boys' U-11 Semi-finals:**

David Fulton (Kent County) bt Nicholas Ryder (West Yorkshire) 18, 11;  
Andrew Eden (Lancs) bt Gavin Boyd (Cumbria) 11, 6.

**Final:**  
EDEN bt Fulton 18, 16.

**Girls' U-11 Semi-finals:**

Kerry Hall (Derbyshire) bt Joanna Dyke (Shropshire) 16, 13;

Julie Dixon (West Midlands) bt Caroline Buckley (Bedfordshire) 13, 17.

**Final:**

HALL bt Dixon 13, 13.

**Consolation Winners:**

**Boys:**

U-19: Philip Aspinall (Gtr. Manchester)

U-16: Stuart Craggs (Cleveland)

U-13: Dale Saunders (Gloucestershire)

U-11: Damian Holland (Essex County)

**Girls:**

U-19: Tracy Lightfoot (Cheshire)

U-16: Sarah Hammond (Hampshire)

U-13: Dawn Wickstead (Shropshire)

U-11: Tracy Hooker (Avon)

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JOHN O'SULLIVAN**

**News from the ESTTA AGM**

All the major officers were re-elected at the ESTTA's AGM on May 15.

It is hoped to have the 1983-84 Handbook ready for publication and distribution in September.

Details of ESTTA competitions can be obtained from the Competitions Secretary, E. J. Mitchell, 6 Quinton Close, Matchborough West, Redditch, Worcs B98 0EL. (0527 500400) (s.a.e. please).

The meeting voted overwhelmingly in favour of pursuing the possibility of affiliating to the ETTA. This would involve new legislation which if given the go-ahead by both Associations would not become effective until 1984 at the earliest.

**WHAT'S ON AND WHERE**

*September 1983*

- 3/4 South Bank 1-Star Open.
- 11 Bournemouth 1-Star Open. National League (1).
- 16/17 QUADRANGULAR INTERNATIONAL, British Aerospace Dynamics, Lostock, Bolton, Lancs.
- 18 National League (2).
- 21 EUROPEAN LEAGUE, SUPER DIVISION - POLAND v ENGLAND.
- 24 North of England 2-Star Open (Stretford, Manchester). Entry forms from: Mr. L. W. Jones, 261 Mauldeth Road, Burnage, Manchester M19 1EH. Phone: 061-224 6672.
- 25 Regional Trials (Cadet).  
Regional Trials (Junior).  
National League (3).

*October 1983*

- 1 County Championships (1).
- 2 National League (4).
- 8/9 Sussex 2-Star Open (Hastings).  
North Yorkshire 2-Star Junior Open (Boroughbridge).
- 12 EUROPEAN LEAGUE, SUPER DIVISION - ENGLAND v SWEDEN (Sunderland).
- 15/16 Grove 2-Star Junior Open (Market Drayton).
- 16 Merton 1-Star Open (Bournemouth).  
National League (5).
- 22/23 HUMBERSIDE 3-STAR OPEN (Hull).
- 28/30 Swiss Open.
- 29 County Championships (2).
- 30 Wiltshire 2-Star Open (Calne).

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