

BRISTOL TABLE TENNIS REPORT for WEEKS No 1 and 2

The start of another season, and the postal strike will no doubt cause some confusion. Send in your results as usual and some day the postman will arrive with a huge sack and a slipped disc!

If you have any late individual registrations please send me an e-mail with their details before they play. The official form and money can be forwarded later.

I am sorry to report that Pete Pitchford of Bristol Club is unable to compete any more owing to a serious operation. We all wish him well in adapting to his new life.

I am sorry to be informed that Steve Fussell of Page will not be competing any more as he feels he can no longer do himself justice at the table. Those of you who have seen and played against him in the past can only have been amazed at his prowess in a wheelchair. His presence will be missed

Barry Young of Fromeside has been quite ill during the spring and summer and I believe that he is now recovering well. Our best wishes go to him for a full recovery.

With the late withdrawal of Bristol Club B in the Premier and Bristol Club D in Division 4 the Executive Committee after much deliberation and consultation filled the vacancies with Filton Academy B and Almonds H.

Premier Division

Newly promoted Cobras started life back in the Premier with a good win against Academy A. Failand A with only two players went down to Yate A. New player Tom Maynard took all three for Brigands as they defeated Knowle B. Gary Catermole of Brigands probably kicked the cat when he got home having lost to Paul Hooper 13-11 13-11 12-10

Division 1

First score sheet error of the season was signed for by an Executive Committee member who shall be nameless or he may stop my expenses! Relegated Winterbourne A opened their account with a win over Knowle C. Joe Ratajczak (Almonds C) and Mark Goodship (Ocelots) equalled the record number of points for a three game set.

Division 2

Bristol E defeated two player Failand C, from the score sheet it must have been a short evening. Sally Jones (Bobcats) became the first five game three set player of the season when Bobcats defeated KCC B.

Division 3

Scruffy sheet of the two weeks goes to Westbury D v Creams (just). Creams started their relegated position with a heavy defeat. Promoted Almonds E and Fromeside B fought an honourable draw.

Division 4

It was Portishead fortnight with their D team playing their C team who also played their E team. Both matches finished in 6-4 results. Promoted C/S raiders had a big win and could be worth a flutter on promotion.

Division 5

Promoted Pythons continued where they left off with a good win over Avspol. Promoted Knowle E started with two wins over Yate D and Pegasus, Michelle Leonard being unbeaten. Relegated Longwell went down to Yatton but defeated Cougars thanks to Martin Moore's maximum. Almonds G defeated Bristol H, William Zhu doing well to defeat Bert Charlton.

Division 6

Vipers winners of Division 7 last season confirmed their position with a big win over the other promoted team Winterbourne B who also went down heavily to promoted Jaguars. Boost had a good win over Leopards and could be in with a shout at the end of the season.

Division 7

Terra pushed a strong, promoted, Knowle E close, every player losing a set. Merlins reinforced by Dave Nipper and Paul Allen comfortably defeated Shoguns and are short odds for the title.

Division 8

Relegated portishead G started with two wins against Kestrels and two player Cheetahs who in turn defeated two player Page H. Page G proved too strong for the new team Westbury E.

RESULTS

Premier

Academy A (Russell 3) 3 Cobras 7; Failand A 4 Yate A6; Knowle B 4 Brigands (Maynard 3) 6; Knowle A 5 Failand B (Reeves 3) 5;

Division 1

Yate B 4 Bristol C (Champneys 3) 6; Bristol C 1 Almonds C (Ratajczak 3 Costello 3) 9; Portishead A 1 Ocelots (Newton 3 Player 3) 9; Page A (Phillips 3) 3; Knowle C 2 Winterbourne A (Duke 3) 8; Ocelots (Newton 3) 6 Almonds C 4;

Division 2

Bristol E 7 Failand C 3; Bobcats (Fitzpatrick 3 Jones 3) 7 KCC B 3; KCC A 5 Rattlers 5; Bobcats 4 Almonds B (Yang 3) 6;

Division 3

Almonds E (Webster 3) 5 Fromeside B 5; Westbury D (Youings 3 Triggles 3) 9 Creams 1; Gladiators (Wyatt 3) 5 Almonds D 5;

Division 4

Raiders (Ratajczak 3 Boucher 3) 9 Page C 1; Portishead D 4 Portishead C (Beynon 3) 6; Page C 3 Beavers (Carey 3 Williams 3) 7; Portishead E 4 Portishead C (Doidge 3) 6;

Division 5

Almonds G (John 3) 7 Bristol H 3; Longwell 4 Yatton (Treleaven 3) 6; Yate D4 Knowle E (Leonard 3) 6; Page B 3 Cougars (Hodson 3) 7; Knowle E (Leonard 3 Payne 4) 7 Pegasus 3; Pythons (Budd 3 Peters 3) 8 AVSPOL 2; Cougars 4 Longwell (Moore 3) 6;

Division 6

Jaguars (Mason 3 Wilkinson 3 Bridgewater 3) 10 Winterbourne B 0; Leopards 1 Boosts (Backes 3 Craig 3) 9; Winterbourne B 2 Vipers (White 3 Scott 3) 8; Page D 3 leopards (Mitten 3 Allan 3) 7; Tigers 3 Ninjas 7; Page E 6 Almonds F (Ruderham 3) 4;

Division 7

Bristol G 1 Page F (Jones 3 Burke 3) 9; Terra 4 Knowle F 6; Merlins (Nipper 3 Allen 3) 9 Shoguns 1; Portishead F (J Muscati 3 A Muscati 3) 9 KCC C 1;

Division 8

Cheetahs 8 Page H 2; Page G (Lodge 3 Flinders 3 Hawkesby 3) 10 Westbury E 0; Kestrels 3 Portishead G (Coles 3) 7; Portishead G 8 Cheetahs 2;

HIGHEST SCORES OF THE WEEK

Highest game score

19-17 Joe Ratajczak (Almonds C) v Mark Goodship (Ocelots)

Highest three game set

86 Joe Ratajczak (Almonds C) v Mark Goodship (Ocelots) 19-17 15-13 12-10

Highest four game set

89 Duncan Jones (Page F) v Steve Hooper (Bristol G) 8-11 17-15 11-8 11-8

Highest five game set

110 Richard Wyatt (Gladiators) v Mark Quinn (Almonds D) 12-10 11-6 14-16 8-11 12-10

Stuart Schofield (Page E) v Graham Harper (Almonds F) 11-9 10-12 9-11 13-11 13-11

Highest number of individual points played in an evening

262 Sally Jones (Bobcats) v KCC B

Highest number of points played in evening including doubles

352 Damien LeCocq (Portishead E) v Portishead C

Five three set matches in an evening

Sally Jones (Bobcats) v KCC B

ERRORS

4 All in the higher divisions

POSTPONEMENTS TO DATE

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