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ARTHUR CLARKE **YOUNG PERSONALITY OF THE YEAR**

2004-05	Jessica Haddon	2009-10	Sam Buckland
2005-06	Mark Rendall	2010-11	Tate Young
2006-07	Ben Drake	2011-12	Tate Young
2007-08	Simon Ible	2012-13	Dan Fisher-Pearson
2008-09	Simon Ible	2013-14	Tom Scard
		2014-15	Dan fisher-Pearson.

MARGARETS MARSH T.T.C. **CHAIRMAN'S CUP**

1984-85	A Clarke	2000-01	C Cornford
1985-86	M Marsh	2001-02	N Cowell
1986-87	D Wynne	2002-03	Chalke Valley Club
1987-88	S Angell	2003-04	M Orton
1988-89	D Forbes	2004-05	P Rolfe
1989-90	N Penney	2005-06	G Gray
1990-91	F Greaser	2006-07	R Fry
1991-92	D Chalk	2007-08	M Penney
1992-93	P Cutler	2008-09	T Hibben
1993-94	N Cowell	2009-10	D Hughes
1994-95	G Downer	2010-11	S Cutler
1996-97	A Hislop	2011-12	S Park
1997-98	K & D Chalk	2012-13	Tournament Committee
1998-99	M Penney & P Deeming	2013-14	Keith Anthony
		2014-15	Barrie Waterman
1999-00	The Committee	2015-16	East Stour TTC
1998-99	M Penney & P Deeming	2016-17	Simon Cutler
1999-00	The Committee		

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CHAIRMAN'S INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the new season. I hope you all had an enjoyable summer.

I have taken over as Chairman from Les Whittaker who has retired after 2 seasons in the post and 17 years as a Committee member. I am pleased to say however that we will still be seeing him as a player. On behalf of you all I sincerely thank Les for the great service he has given to the League.

I am delighted to confirm that all other members of the Committee have agreed to serve again this year. They are a fine group of volunteers working on your behalf and whilst I thank them one and all for their valued contributions I take this opportunity to especially mention our Secretary Simon Cutler. His role is the most onerous and his contributions are major factors in the smooth running of every aspect of the League. I ask all players to assist Simon and the Committee as a whole by adhering and responding swiftly, willingly and positively to any requests and directives he may send out at the Committee's behest.

Sadly, as you know, we lost our President Alan Hislop during last season. He and I played in the Bedford League as long ago as the 1950s and whilst I took a 30 year time-out Alan continued to play and make worthwhile contributions every season right up until the end of his long, distinguished and thoroughly useful life and playing career. Quite simply he was a credit to the game, the league and to himself and he will be sadly missed and long remembered with affection by all who knew him. Another long-standing, highly respected stalwart, Malcolm Penney, who has also given great service to the League, has graciously accepted the role of President.

It only remains for me to wish you all good luck, health and enjoyment in the season ahead. I feel certain the game will continue to be played in the spirit of sportsmanship and fellowship that it has been my good fortune to encounter whenever and wherever I have played in this fine League.

Paul Hooley.

Blackmore Vale Table Tennis League (formerly Shaftesbury League) was established in 1964 and is affiliated to: Table Tennis England (www.tabletennisengland.co.uk) and Dorset Table Tennis Association (www.dorsettta.org.uk)

WINNERS RECORDS

DIVISION 1

2005-06	Grosvenor SAS 'A'
2006-07	S.A.S. 'A'
2007-08	S.A.S. 'A'
2008-09	Chalke Valley A
2009-10	Stalbridge
2010-11	S.A.S.
2011-12	Compton S.A.S.
2012-13	Compton S.A.S.
2013-14	Compton S.A.S.
2014-15	Child Okeford B
2015-16	Child Okeford B
2016-17	Child Okeford A

DIVISION 2

2005-06	Shaftesbury
2006-07	S.A.S. 'B'
2007-08	Shaftesbury 'A'
2008-09	Chalke Valley C
2009-10	Shaftesbury A
2010-11	Compton D
2011-12	Child Okeford C
2012-13	Child Okeford B
2013-14	Chalke Valley Brothers
2014-15	Child Okeford D
2015-16	East Stour A
2016-17	Compton C

DIVISION 3

2006-07	Child Okeford 'B'
2007-08	Chalke Valley 'D'
2008-09	Child Okeford D
2009-10	Sturminster
2010-13	Not played
2013-14	Compton E
2014-17	Not played

OPEN SINGLES

2004-05	T Andrews
2005-06	J Joynes
2006-07	P Colledge
2007-08	K King
2008-09	K Williams
2009-10	G Ware
2010-11	C Dunn
2011-12	J Trevillion
2012-13	Rafal Zak
2013-14	S Angell
2014-15	Julian Watson
2015-16	Chris Watkins
2016-17	Karl King

LADIES SINGLES

2001-02	C Cowell
2002-03	C Cowell
2003-04	C Cowell
2004-05	L Hales
2005-07	Not played
2007-08	J Haddon
2008-09	Not played
2009-10	C Cowell
2010-11	S Boddington
2011-17	Not played

BLACKMORE VALE TEAM TROPHY

1994-95	M Penney & N Smith
1995-96	S Angell & N Cowell
1996-97	M Andrews & T Andrews
1997-98	M Andrews & T Andrews

JUNIOR SINGLES

1994-95	R Fry	2003-04	T Andrews
1995-96	R Fry	2004-05	T Andrews
1996-97	P Butler	2005-06	M Rendall
1997-98	M Andrews	2006-07	M Rendall
1998-99	T Andrews	2007-08	M Rendall
1999-00	R Underdown	2008-09	T Rendall
2000-01	T Andrews	2009-10	S Ible
2001-02	T Andrews	2011-17	Not played
2002-03	T Andrews		

JUNIOR GIRLS SINGLES

1996-97	D Haskett	2002-04	No competition
1997-98	D Haskett	2004-05	J Haddon
1998-99	S Turton	2005-06	J Haddon
1999-00	E Turner	2006-10	No competition
2000-01	E Turner	2011-17	Not played
2001-02	E Turner		

CADET SINGLES

1997-98	M Andrews
1998-99	T Andrews
1999-00	R Underdown
2000-01	T Andrews
2001-02	T Andrews
2002-03	P Atkinson
2003-04	J Haddon
2004-05	J Haddon
2005-06	Tom Rendall
2006-07	R Upshall
2007-08	K Taylor
2008-09	D Jerrard
2009-10	D Jerrard
2011-17	Not played

POPLAR INN (VETERANS SINGLES)

2008-09	C Dunn
2009-10	C Dunn
2010-11	No competition
2011-12	S Angell
2012-13	Not played
2013-14	D Beare
2014-15	D Beare
2015-16	Julian Watson
2016-17	Tom Carr

NIFTY FIFTIES SHIELD (SUPERVETS)

2008-09	P Rolfe
2009-10	G Ware
2010-11	No competition
2011-12	C Cornford
2012-13	Richard Davies
2013-15	Not played
2015-16	Russell Haddon
2016-17	Tom Carr

PETE MACKEY TROPHY (HARD BAT)

2008-09	D Hughes
2009-10	D Hughes
2010-11	S Ible
2011-12	G Ware
2012-13	Tom Williams
2013-14	S Crichton
2014-15	R Gambell
2015-16	Steve Ible
2016-17	Not Played

PETER ROLFE MASTERS TROPHY

2010-11	R Fry
2011-17	Not played

POT LUCK HARD BAT DOUBLES

2013-14	S Angell & N Smith
2014-15	R Gambell & D Fisher-Pearson
2015-16	Eric Williams & Dean Haskett
2016-17	Tom Scard & Simon Crichton

DIVISION SINGLES

	DIVISION 1	DIVISION 2	DIVISION 3
2006-07		M Rendall	J Haddon
2007-08		M Andrews	J Haddon
2008-09		D Flack	P Taylor
2009-10		S Monteith	A Hislop
2010-11		R Fry	
2011-12		P Hooley	
2012-13	D Haskett	P Hooley	
2013-14	R Zak	P Hooley	
2014-15	D Haskett	A Hislop	
2015-16	Karl King	Paul Hooley	
2016-17	Chris Watkins	B. Waterman	

OPEN DOUBLES

2005-06	A Doggrell & C Cornford
2006-07	T Andrews & M Andrews
2007-08	C Cornford & A Doggrell
2008-09	P Rolfe & T Hibben
2009-10	S Ible & S Ible
2010-11	S Ible & R Fry
2011-12	C Cornford & K King
2012-13	P Hooley & Steve Ible
2013-14	D Beare & S Dedman
2014-15	D Beare & S Dedman
2015-16	J Watson & K Williams
2016-17	Dave Beare & Steve Deadman

MIXED DOUBLES

2004-05	J Edwards & L Hales
2005-07	No competition
2007-08	D Flack & N Penney
2008-09	Not played
2009-10	K Williams & S Jordan
2010-11	S Ible & S Boddington
2011-12	S Cutler & N Faulkner
2012-15	Not played
2015-16	R Haddon & S Boddington
2016-17	Dave Beare & Kay Procter

TEAM HANDICAP

2004-05	Grosvenor S.A.S. 'A'
2005-06	No competition
2006-07	No competition
2007-08	S.A.S. 'A'
2008-09	-
2009-10	Stalbridge
2010-11	Shaftesbury A
2011-12	Compton A
2012-13	Stalbridge
2013-14	Compton C
2014-15	Compton B
2015-16	Stalbridge
2016-17	Child Okeford A

SINGLES HANDICAP

2004-05	K King
2005-06	J Joynes
2006-07	P Colledge
2007-08	M Rendall
2008-09	R Upshall
2009-10	G Ware
2010-11	S Ible
2011-12	R Shaw
2012-13	Paul Hooley
2013-14	N Bastable
2014-15	D Beare
2015-16	Rod Fry
2016-17	Simon Cutler

POT LUCK DOUBLES

2001-02	C Cowell & S Ible
2002-03	G Gray & A Hislop
2003-04	M Orton/Shawn Ible
2004-05	N Cowell & B Drake
2005-06	A Hislop & L Whittaker
2006-07	No Competition
2007-08	J Chown & R Upshall
2008-09	D Flack & R Haddon
2009-10	G Gray & K Williams
2010-11	K Trascott & R Shaw
2011-17	Not played

SALISBURY PRINTING HANDICAP DOUBLES

2003-04	L Whittaker & G Gray
2004-05	Steve & Shaun Ible
2005-06	Linda Hales & Tom Hales
2006-07	T Andrews & M Andrews
2007-08	C Cornford & A Doggrell
2008-09	S Ible & S Ible
2009-10	G Gray & E Udell
2010-11	S Ible & R Fry
2011-13	Not played
2013-14	D Beare & S Dedman
2014-15	R Gambell & D Fisher-Pearson
2015-16	D Beare & S Deadman
2016-17	D Beare & S Deadman

POPLAR INN VETERANS HANDICAP

2006-07	R Fry
2007-08	L Whittaker
2008-09	C Dunn
2009-10	R Shaw
2010-11	G Ware
2011-12	C Cornford
2012-13	Not played
2013-14	A Hibben
2014-15	P Hooley
2015-16	B.Gambell
2016-17	B.Gambell

SUMMER LEAGUE

2005	A Doggrell & C Cornford
2006	A Doggrell & C Cornford
2007	Adrian's Imports
2008	Karl's Imports
2009	Hillsiders
2010	Shaftesbury Spinners
2011	The Gillingham 3
2012	Not played
2013	Not played
2014	Not played
2015-17	Not played

FIXTURE CHART FOR AUTUMN 2017

18 Sep			25 Sep			02 Oct			09 Oct			16 Oct		
1	v	13	7	v	6	1	v	11	6	v	5	1	v	9
2	v	12	8	v	5	2	v	10	7	v	4	2	v	8
3	v	11	9	v	4	3	v	9	8	v	3	3	v	7
4	v	10	10	v	3	4	v	8	9	v	2	4	v	6
5	v	9	11	v	2	5	v	7	10	v	1	12	v	11
6	v	8	12	v	1	13	v	12	11	v	13	13	v	10
7	No Match		13	No Match		6	No Match		12	No Match		5	No Match	
23 Oct			30 Oct			06 Nov			13 Nov			20 Nov		
5	v	4	1	v	7	4	v	3	1	v	5	3	v	2
6	v	3	2	v	6	5	v	2	2	v	4	4	v	1
7	v	2	3	v	5	6	v	1	10	v	9	5	v	13
8	v	1	11	v	10	7	v	13	11	v	8	6	v	12
9	v	13	12	v	9	8	v	12	12	v	7	7	v	11
10	v	12	13	v	8	9	v	11	13	v	6	8	v	10
11	No Match		4	No Match		10	No Match		3	No Match		9	No Match	
27 Nov			04 Dec			11 Dec			18 Dec			25 Dec		
1	v	3	2	v	1	8	v	7	Hard Bat Singles Wed 20/12/17			XMAS WEEK		
9	v	8	3	v	13	9	v	6						
10	v	7	4	v	12	10	v	5						
11	v	6	5	v	11	11	v	4						
12	v	5	6	v	10	12	v	3						
13	v	4	7	v	9	13	v	2						
2	No Match		8	No Match		1	No Match							

Notes :

Teams, Chart Numbers and Home Match Nights

	<u>TEAM</u>	<u>HOME VENUE</u>	<u>HOME NIGHT</u>
1	East Stour A	East Stour	Thursday
2	Stalbridge	Stalbridge	Wednesday
3	Compton D	Gillingham YC	Monday
4	Compton A	Gillingham YC	Monday
5	Compton B	Compton VH	Wednesday
6	Child Okeford D	Child Okeford	Wednesday
7	Cv Robins	Broad Chalke	Tuesday
8	CV Nightjars	Broad Chalke	Wednesday
9	Child Okeford C	Child Okeford	Monday
10	Child Okeford B	Child Okeford	Monday
11	Compton C	Compton VH	Wednesday
12	Child Okeford E	Child Okeford	Wednesday
13	East Stour B	East Stour	Thursday
14	Free Week		-----

SEASON 2017/18 DIRECTORY OF CLUBS
HOME VENUES & TEAM CAPTAINS

TEAM	CAPTAIN	TELEPHONE
CHALKE VALLEY: Chalke Valley Sports Centre, Broad Chalke, SP5 5DX		
CV Nightjars	Malcolm Penney	01722 780514 <i>malcjp@uwclub.net</i>
CV Robins	Malcolm Penney	01722 780514 <i>malcjp@uwclub.net</i>
CHILD OKEFORD - Child Okeford Village Hall, DT11 8EX		
Child Okeford B	Ron Crosby	01963 23933 <i>rscrosby103@btinternet.com</i>
Child Okeford C	Colin Chalkley	01258 821669 <i>Colin.chalkley@btopenworld.com</i>
Child Okeford D	Dave Turner	01202 521524 M 07708610127 <i>davidturnerhome@aol.com</i>
Child Okeford E	Nigel Bastable	01258 860459 <i>nigelbastable@btinternet.com</i>
COMPTON - Compton Abbas Village Hall, SP7 0NJ & Gillingham YC SP8 4AZ		
Compton A	Antony Hibben	01747 823407 <i>anthony@toshie.plus.com</i>
Compton B	Nick Smith	07789713559 <i>nicholassmith78@yahoo.co.uk</i>
Compton C	Barrie Waterman	01258 450669 <i>barriewaterman@hotmail.co.uk</i>
Compton D	Bill McIntyre	01747853013 <i>janandbillMcIntyre@gmail.com</i>
EAST STOUR - East Stour Village Hall, Back Street, SP8 5JY		
East Stour A	Paul Hooley	01747 826001 <i>PJHooley@postmaster.co.uk</i>
East Stour B	Sue Boddington	01747 840246 07946 023921 <i>suebod22@sky.com</i>
STALBRIDGE - Stalbridge Hall, Lower Rd, Stalbridge DT10 2NJ		
Stalbridge	Stuart Angell	01258 820395 07970 979432 <i>stuartangell1308l@gmail.com</i>

TEAM RECORDS

Played	Won	Draw	Lost	For	Against	Points
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2017

18 Sept						
25 Sept						
2 Oct						
9 Oct						
16 Oct						
23 Oct						
30 Oct						
6 Nov						
13 Nov						
20 Nov						
27 Nov						
4 Dec						
11 Dec						

M E R R Y C H R I S T M A S

2018

8 Jan						
15 Jan						
22 Jan						
29 Jan						
5 Feb						
12 Feb						
19 Feb						
26 Feb						
5 Mar						
12 Mar						
19 Mar						
26 Mar						
2 Apr						
9 Apr						
16 Apr						

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

[illegible]

PLAYERS

[illegible]

DIARY DATES

PRESENTATION EVENING

Child Okeford Village Hall

9th May 2018

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BLACKMORE VALE TTL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Child Okeford Village Hall

23rd May 2018

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LEAGUE POSITIONS 2016-17

Division One Spring

Team	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Child Okeford A	12	12	0	0	317	100	317
Child Okeford B	12	8	0	4	270	163	270
Stalbridge	12	8	1	3	230	195	230
Compton B	12	7	0	5	229	201	229
Child Okeford C	12	2	0	10	168	272	168
Compton A	12	4	0	8	161	270	161
East Stour A	12	0	1	11	122	295	122

Division 2 Spring

Team	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Compton C	12	9	0	3	278	162	278
Chalke Valley Nightjars	12	9	0	3	265	176	265
East Stour B	12	9	0	3	233	204	233
Child Okeford E	12	7	0	5	229	210	229
Child Okeford D	12	3	0	9	179	249	179
Compton D	12	3	0	9	173	252	173
Cv Robins	12	2	0	10	162	266	162

Top Player Averages Spring 2016-17

Pos	Name	Team	Pld	Won	%
1	Karl King	Child Okeford A	21	21	100
2	Chris Watkins	Stalbridge	18	18	100
3	Kevin Williams	Child Okeford A	36	34	94.44
4	Tom Carr	Compton B	27	24	88.89
5	Nick Dibben	Child Okeford A	27	21	77.78
6	Stuart Angell	Stalbridge	27	21	77.78
7	Dave Beare	Child Okeford B	33	24	72.73
8	Steve Deadman	Child Oke B	21	15	71.43
9	Pratikcha Rai	Child Okeford C	24	17	70.83
10	Terry Austin	Child Okeford B	24	16	66.67
1	Colin Chalkley	East Stour B	15	14	93.33
2	Bob Erskine	Cv Night jars	12	11	91.67
3	Tom Scard	Cv Night jars	30	27	90.00
4	Rod Fry	Compton C	21	18	85.71
5	Peter Street	Cv Night jars	12	10	83.33
6	Robert Rideout	Compton C	21	17	80.95
7	Barrie Waterman	Compton C	30	24	80.00
8	Keith Antony	Child Okeford C	21	16	76.19
9	Richard Ashwood	East Stour B	24	18	75.00
10	Leslie Daxter	East Stour B	24	17	70.83

TABLE TENNIS ENGLAND RULE 2.6

Service Rules

Resting position – 2.6.1 – Service shall start with the ball resting freely on the open palm of the server's stationary free hand.

Projection – 2.6.2 – The server shall then project the ball near vertically upwards, without imparting spin, so that it rises at least 16cm after leaving the palm of the free hand and then falls without touching anything before being struck.

Strike – 2.6.3 As the ball is falling the server shall strike it so that it touches first his court and then touches directly the receiver's court; in doubles, the ball shall touch successively the right half court of server and receiver.

Visibility – 2.6.4 – From the start of service until it is struck, the ball shall be above the level of the playing surface and behind the server's end line, and it shall not be hidden from the receiver by the server or his doubles partner or by anything they wear or carry.

Free arm – 2.6.5 – As soon as the ball has been projected, the server's free arm and hand shall be removed from the area between the ball and the net.

Umpire satisfaction – 2.6.6 – It is the responsibility of the player to serve so that the umpire or the assistant umpire can be satisfied that he complies with the requirements of the Law and either may decide that a service is illegal.

Warnings – 2.6.6.1 – If either the umpire or the assistant umpire is not sure about the legality of a service he may, on the first occasion in a match, interrupt play and warn the server, but any subsequent service by that player or his doubles partner which is not clearly legal shall be considered incorrect.

Physical disabilities – 2.6.7 – Exceptionally, the umpire may relax the requirements for a good service where he is satisfied that compliance is prevented by physical disability.

Source – TableTennisEngland website (applies from April 2016)

COACHING FOR ALL

Sunday 10.00 am - Sturminster Newton
Contact: Nick Cowell ☎ 01258 473237

Child Okeford

Mondays: from 7.30 pm
Wednesday: from 7.30 pm
Contact: Keith Anthony ☎ 01258 860094

Coaching and Open Practice at Chalke Valley

Sunday evenings from 6.30 pm
Contact: Malcolm Penney ☎ 01722 780514
Email: malcjp@uwclub.net

CONSTITUTION OF THE LEAGUE

The League shall be called 'The Blackmore Vale Table Tennis League' and will be affiliated to the Dorset Table Tennis Association (DTTA) and Table Tennis England.

1. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

- 1.1 The League shall be responsible for promoting Table Tennis in the Blackmore Vale area.
- 1.2 The League shall offer coaching and competitive opportunities to all players who wish to play Table Tennis in the Blackmore Vale area.
- 1.3 The League shall ensure a duty of care to all individual members and member clubs who are registered to the League.
- 1.4 The League shall ensure that all present and future members are treated as equals and will be regulated in a fair and equal manner.

2. OFFICERS OF THE LEAGUE

- 2.1 The Officers of the League shall be the following: Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer, Match & Press Secretary, Tournament Secretary, Table Tennis England Representative.
- 2.2 The Honorary Secretary shall be responsible for convening and taking minutes at all General meetings and meetings of the Executive Committee as well as conducting all correspondence on behalf of the League.
- 2.3 The Honorary Treasurer shall administer the funds of the League and shall keep these funds as approved by the Committee.
- 2.4 The Honorary Treasurer shall be responsible for maintaining the accounts and preparing an audited statement of accounts for submission to the Annual General Meeting.
- 2.5 The duties of the other officers shall be decided from time to time by the Committee.
- 2.6. On the retirement from office, an Officer shall hand over to the Committee all papers, books and information applicable to that office.
- 2.7. All Officers shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting.
- 2.8. That where funds permit, each of the main officers of the League (Chairman, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Treasurer, Match & Press Secretary, Hon. Tournament Secretary) be awarded an annual Honorarium.

3. THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 3.1. The League shall be managed through an Executive Committee consisting of the Officers and any Executive Members duly elected at the Annual General Meeting.
- 3.2 Only these posts with the exception of the Chairman shall have the right to vote at a meeting of the Executive Committee. The Chairman shall only have the casting vote.

- 3.3 Four members of the Executive Committee shall form a Quorum providing that the Chairman or Vice-Chairman plus one other Officer are present.
- 3.4 The Executive Committee may co-opt other members of the League as the business of the League may require, and may also delegate their powers to such Sub-Committees as it may be necessary to form.
- 3.5 One non-voting member of any B.V.T.T.L. club can attend the committee meetings.
- 3.6 The Executive Committee shall be responsible for adopting new policy, codes of conduct and the regulations affecting the organisation and running of the League.
- 3.7 The Executive Committee shall be responsible for disciplinary hearings of individual members, teams or clubs who infringe the Regulations and/or the Constitution of the League.
- 3.8 The Executive Committee shall hear all appeals made by individual members, teams or clubs where implementation of the Regulations and/or the Constitution of the League has caused some difficulty.
- 3.9 The Executive Committee shall convene as business requires during the playing season and at an agreed frequency in the close season.
- 3.10 All teams or clubs are required to either post team and registration forms to the Registration Secretary by the due date or send a representative to the pre-season meeting to pay their team and player's registrations and to collect scorecards for the coming season. Failure to do so will mean the team is not included in the new season.

4. GENERAL MEETINGS

- 4.1 The Honorary Secretary shall give notice of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) not less than 21 days prior to the meeting.
- 4.2 Officers, Members of the Executive Committee, League Members and any other interested parties may attend the Annual General Meeting.
- 4.3 All teams are required to send a representative for their team to the AGM.
- 4.4 The Officers and Executive Committee candidates shall be proposed and seconded at the Annual General Meeting.
- 4.5 Where two or more candidates are proposed and seconded for one post, a ballot of the League Members present at the meeting shall be held.
- 4.6 Only registered League Members have the right to vote at the Annual General Meeting. The Chairman shall have the casting vote.
- 4.7 The Annual General Meeting shall receive annual reports from each of the Officers and a statement of the audited accounts.
- 4.8 The annual individual and team registration fees shall be set at the Annual General Meeting.

- 4.9 Any other matters to be discussed at the Annual General Meeting including changes to the Playing Regulations shall reach the Honorary Secretary no later than 14 days before the meeting.
- 4.10 An Extraordinary General Meeting may be called by the Executive Committee, or any League Member upon request in writing to the Honorary Secretary and signed by at least 25 members or 20% of the membership whichever is the least.
- 4.11 20% of the membership shall form a quorum at an Extraordinary General Meeting.
- 4.12 Only registered League Members have the right to vote at an Extraordinary General Meeting. The Chairman shall have the casting vote.

5. FINANCE

- 5.1 All League funds shall be held in a bank account in the name of the Blackmore Vale Table Tennis League.
- 5.2 There shall always be two signatories for every cheque raised against the bank account, consisting of two from the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary or Treasurer.
- 5.3 The Honorary Treasurer shall be responsible for the finances of the League and will present a report to the Executive Committee at each meeting.
- 5.4 The financial year for the League shall end on the 30th April each year.
- 5.5 The Honorary Treasurer shall present a fully audited statement of accounts to the Annual General Meeting.

6. DISSOLUTION OF THE LEAGUE

- 6.1 The League shall not be wound up except by resolution at an Annual General Meeting or an Extraordinary General Meeting of the League Members.
- 6.2 In that event, the funds of the League shall either be distributed amongst the League Members or donated to an organisation with a similar objective to the League as the meeting shall decide.

7. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

- 7.1 The Constitution shall only be changed through agreement by majority vote at an Annual General Meeting or Extraordinary General Meeting.

8. PLAYING REGULATIONS

- 8.1 The League shall publish the Playing Regulations annually prior to the start of the season.
- 8.2 Changes to the Playing Regulations can only be made in accordance with Clause 4.8 above.
- 8.3 The League shall publish any amendments to the national and international playing regulations when issued by Table Tennis England and ITTF as and when they impact upon the League.

EQUITY POLICY STATEMENT

- 1.1** The Blackmore Vale Table Tennis League is committed to ensuring that equity is incorporated across all aspects of its development. In doing so, the League acknowledges and adopts the following Sport England definition of sports equity.

Sports equity is about fairness in sport, equality of access, recognising inequalities and taking steps to address them. It is about changing the culture and structure of sport to ensure it becomes equally accessible to everyone in society.

- 1.2** The League respects the rights, dignity and worth of every person and will treat everyone equally within the context of their sport, regardless of age, ability, gender, race, ethnicity, religious belief, sexuality or social and economic status.
- 1.3** The League is also committed to everyone having the right to enjoy their sport in an environment free from the threat of intimidation, harassment and abuse.
- 1.4** All League clubs, teams and individual members have a responsibility to oppose discriminatory behaviour, promote equality of opportunity and to promote the League as a 'friendly league'.
- 1.5** The League will deal with any incidence of discriminatory behaviour seriously and in accordance with the League disciplinary procedures.
- 1.6** Welfare Policy is available on request.

PLAYING REGULATIONS

1. League Membership and Regulations

- 1.1 All Clubs will be required to submit an official registration form showing the Club Secretary, Home Venue and Captain of each team entered by that Club. The membership fee shall be £15.00 per team, school teams £7.50 per team. All entries will be considered at the discretion of the committee.
- 1.2 Each Club must nominate teams in descending order of strength, i.e. the strongest team will be the "A" team, second strongest the "B" team and so on.
- 1.3 No more than six players may be registered for any one team during the season and only four reserves can play up (see 1.8 below). All players must be registered with Table Tennis England before playing in the BVTTL.
- 1.4 Each Club must initially register three players for each team but no more than six. The individual registration fee shall be £12.50 per adult player, plus the current Table Tennis England membership fee or number if acquired directly or via another league. There will be no Table Tennis England fee nor League fee for players under 18 year of age.
- 1.5 As long as the total number of players for a team does not exceed six, further registration may be made up to the end of February, on application to the Match & Press Secretary.
- 1.6 Such late registration can be for a full team member (£12.50) up to 31 December and then £5 up to the end of February. In all cases Table Tennis England membership fee/number must be paid/produced along with the new player's full address, date of birth and home telephone number before play.
- 1.7 A team may also use a reserve from a lower team in that Club, as long as in doing so does not mean that the limit of ten players per team is exceeded.
- 1.8 A player registered for one team may play for a higher team within that Club as a reserve. He or she may play as a reserve for that team only and up to a maximum of four games. See also Rule 1.7

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- 1.9 All player transfers need to be authorised by the committee.
- 1.10 No unregistered player may play in a League match or any other event organised by the league, with the exception of the Junior and Cadet Tournament, for which special rules apply.
- 1.11 All new teams will be vetted by the Committee as to which Division they are to enter.

2. PROMOTION AND RELEGATION

- 2.1 In the event of the League points being the same at the end of the season, the team winning the most matches will be deemed the higher team
- 2.2 If they are equal, that team having drawn the most matches will be deemed the higher team.
- 2.3 If they are equal, a play off will ensue (no doubles), the winners being deemed the higher team.

3. MATCH ORGANISATION

- 3.1 Teams are to consist of three players, two of who may play in the doubles. Additional player(s) may be brought in for the doubles.
- 3.2 All pre-match preparation to be completed to enable matches to start at 7.30 pm, unless an alternative start time has been specifically requested and agreed.
- 3.3 Only best quality 3 star 40+ Plastic Table Tennis England approved balls to be used. The use of a new ball for each match is encouraged.
- 3.4 Matches to be played according to the full ITTF laws. Team Captains should ensure that team members are conversant with these (Law booklets are available from the League Secretary if required).

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- 3.5** All results should be posted or emailed within 24 hours.
- 3.6** All matches should be played to a finish.
- 3.7** A point will be awarded for each leg won during a game allowing a potential 50 points to be won in the match.
- 3.8** All matches to be played on the date scheduled in the handbook. In the absence of regular players, reserves should be played or the team play with one or two players.
- 3.9** Matches may be played *prior* to the scheduled date. However, in exceptional circumstances the Match and Press Secretary can approve an alternative date, agreed between the two teams. *This must be played within 28 days of the scheduled date and all outstanding games must be played with-in a week of the season ending.*
- 3.10** *If a match is not played on or by the scheduled or agreed revised date, the team unable to fulfil the fixture will be deducted 0 points and the opponents will be awarded 30 points.*
- 3.11** It is the home team's responsibility to ensure a venue is available for the scheduled date. If the venue is not available, then it becomes a cancelled game by the home team.
- 3.12** Opponents should be given 48 hours notice of a change of fixture date. Failure to do so will result in an extra penalty of 10 points. The Match and Press Secretary must also be made aware of the change.

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4. PUNCTUALITY

- 4.1 In the event of a final (third) player not being available to play by 8.45pm, his or her games shall be forfeit except at the discretion of the opposing team captain.

5. CONDUCT

- 5.1 Any bad language, misconduct or unfair practice (such as excessive gamesmanship) should be reported in writing to the Executive Committee via the League Chairman or Honorary Secretary.
- 5.2 The Executive Committee is empowered to take appropriate action in such cases.

6. APPEALS

- 6.1 The Executive Committee recognises that in exceptional circumstances, difficulties may be caused by the implementation of the above League Regulations. In cases of dispute, the final arbitration rests with the B.V.T.T.L. Committee.

7. TOURNAMENTS

(See Tournament Rules and 2017-2018 Fixtures)

TOURNAMENT RULES

1. To qualify for any tournament, team or individual, a player must have played at least one-third of the scheduled league fixtures by 31st December. Exceptions will be at the Committee's discretion. In a handicap event any player not so qualifying must play off scratch, unless a handicap can be established from previous participation in the League.
2. In the team handicap cup, only players qualified by 31st December will be eligible to play. Exceptions will be at the Committee's discretion.
3.
 - (a) To qualify for tournaments, Cadets must be under 15 years on 1st January 2017.
 - (b) To qualify for tournaments, Juniors must be under 18 years on 1st January 2017.
 - (c) To qualify for tournaments, Veterans must be 40 years on 1st January 2017.
 - (d) To qualify for tournaments, Super Vets must be 50 years on 1st January 2017.
 - (e) To qualify for the tournaments, over 60s players must be 60 years on 1st January 2017.
4. In an individual tournament, play shall commence at the time stated. The Committee shall be empowered to scratch any player(s) whose absence delays the tournament's progress. The Committee's discretion in the matter shall be limited to the extent that players arriving late by thirty minutes or more must be scratched except by prior arrangements.
5. Round Robin: where two player(s) have equal points at the end of a round, the winner(s) of their game played during the round will take precedence; where more than two player(s) have equal points at the end of the round, then the aggregate points scored during the round shall decide the winner(s).
6. In handicapped competitions, the service shall be decided by the toss of a coin. The winner of the toss may elect either to serve, or receive an extra half-point on the total points scored in the match.
7. The calculation of a handicap for doubles pairings shall be half the combined individual handicaps for each player, rounded down where the mean is a fraction.

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