**League Report**

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**Second placed Free Church A enjoyed a comfortable 8-2 win at bottom side County Council A in Division 1. Sam Wiggins won his three and the doubles with Tom Brocklehurst. Brocklehurst added two and reserve Milan Sajiv posted two fine wins. Christopher Maiden and Pat McCabe responded. Rugby A sit fourth beating another team in a relegation spot, Wellesbourne, 8-2. Ryan Lines scored a treble and sealed the doubles for Sam Cafearo. Cafearo won twice as did Danny Ricks, both losing to Alan Cotton.**

**There was a huge shock in Division 2 where leaders Free Church D fell 6-4 to bottom side Rugby C. Dan Burgess was unbeaten and his successful doubles partner, Callum Ball, won twice. Tom Hunt notched a double for Church which was allied to singles from James Robertson and Milan Sajiv. Earlier, Rugby C had fallen 6-4 to relegation rivals County Council C. Mark Freeman recorded a triple and the doubles with Cliff Jackson. Jackson (1) and Tony Ford (1) completed the Council scoring. Burgess (2) and Peter Ratcliffe (2) kept Rugby in it. WCC C then felled Free Church F 7-3, Freeman (3), Ford (2), Jackson (1) and a Freeman /Jackson doubles success. Cherry Matthews took two for Church with Roald Myers adding a single. Millennium A defeated Rugby B 7-3 when Jack Shardlow won three, Jack Garner two and Rob Warnes one with Garner and Shardlow nailing the doubles. Ben Holvey won twice for Rugby and Jack Evans won one. Millennium followed this up with a 9-1 trouncing of Nomads Enigmas. This time Garner kept a clean singles sheet, as did Christian Ward. Peter Harris weighed in with two and he and Ward notched the doubles. Bobby Lee grabbed the consolation.**

**In Division 3 Whitnash B maintained their promotion push with a whitewash of Flavels A. Richard Smith, Greg Swan and Dennis Woodhead secured the 10 points. St Georges D were also in no mood to surrender points and inflicted a 10-0 drubbing on Nomads Codgers. Andy Caine, Tracey Fletcher and Richard Grover were the players in form. Two struggling sides clashed with County Council D having a welcome 8-2 success against Free Church I. Steve Poole and Ian Stevens scored hat-tricks for WCC and Derek Harwood won twice, falling to Chris Jones who also claimed the doubles with Dan Shaw. FC I then fell 9-1 to leaders Snitterfield A. Stuart Ayres (3), Michael Credland (3) and Michael Klein (2) did the damage in the singles and Ayres and Credland wrapped up the doubles. Ben Hall avoided the whitewash.**

**In Division 4 Eathorpe D crushed bottom team County Council F 10-0 with Paul Deavall, Shaun Martin and Michael Rossington racking up the points. However, their hopes of promotion stalled slightly as they were held to a draw by Free Church J. Sophie Cooper (2), Deavall (2) and Martin (1) took them to 5 but J responded with two from Janice Rowan, singles from Catherine McAuley and Mike Weaving and a doubles win for the ladies. Leaders Free Church L enjoyed a 7-3 win over their M team. Pen holders Jerry Chung and Nicholas Ho were unbeaten and Owain Jones chipped in with a single. Mark Singleton and Sajiv Swamy posted singles for M and Singleton guided Marc Briscoe to the doubles. Second placed Free Church K closed the gap at the top when vanquishing Warwick University B 10-0, Nick Darwen, Eleanor Fletcher and Darren Laffey in top form. Free Church M recovered from their loss to defeat Rugby E 8-2. Jay Virdi won his singles and the doubles with young reserve Tom Yarrow. Yarrow had a 3-a-side debut to remember as he also won two singles. Mark Singleton claimed two wins and it was left to Sarah James to gain Rugby’s points. Third placed Eathorpe B were given no favours by their C side who beat them 7-3. Luca Bloodworth and James Stone pocketed all the winning points with Jim Levack, Roger Palmer and Charlie Wragg getting consolation singles.**

**FISSC A pipped Ashorne A 3-2 in Division A despite a brace from Roger Pye. Mark Kingham and Brian Marston both won singles and paired for the doubles.**

**Ashorne C proved too strong for Free Church R in division B, taking all 5 points through Barry Bayliss and Jim Jack.**

**Eathorpe H beat Fissc B 3-2 in Division C with two wins for Josh Cope and a single from Jamaal Iqbal. Martin Hamer replied with a single and steered team-mate Mandip Takhar to the doubles. FISSC bounced back with a 3-2 win over Eathorpe I. Hamer and Takhar won singles and the doubles but both fell to Christian Roberts.**

**Free Church S recorded two wins in Division D. They came away with a 4-1 win from Eathorpe G. Nathan Jackson won two, Alex O’Driscoll bagged one and the duo won the doubles. John Gymer won for the villagers. S then edged their U team 3-2. Alfie Ransom won twice and took the doubles with O’Driscoll. David Knott and Dan Stone kept matters tight. County Council F are the early pace-setters and had a narrow 3-2 success over Rugby G, whose Tyler Humphries won twice. Bernard Hardingham and Steve Maggs won a single apiece and the doubles.**

**Eathorpe L lead Division E and recorded an emphatic 4-1 win over their J team. Declan Jay maintained his 100% record to win two, Joshua Jay added one and the brothers took the doubles. Keiran Braden-Brown took the consolation. Another derby saw Free Church W pip their V side 3-2. Charlie Hines won his two and guided young Jun Chung to the doubles. Michael Khovanov and Arnav Mulay notched singles for V.**