

# LONDON BANKS AND CIVIL SERVICE TABLE TENNIS LEAGUE BULLETIN 11

AS AT 7 JANUARY 2018

	P	W	D	F	A	B	P
CASTAWAYS	10	9	0	81	19	30	111
TREASURY A	10	8	0	80	20	30	110
NAT WEST	10	8	1	72	28	30	102
MORPETH	10	6	2	59	41	30	89
EMPLOYMENT	11	5	2	53	57	33	86
PRO	10	4	1	49	51	30	79
COMETS	10	3	1	41	59	30	71
SPARTA	10	2	1	34	66	30	64
INSURANCE	10	3	0	33	67	30	63
OUTCASTS	9	2	1	30	60	27	57
TREASURY B	10	0	1	18	82	30	48

Bonus points shown in penultimate column. Ultimate column shows total points from sets won and bonuses

## THINGS TO NOTE

- ✓ Individual match scores can be found on the website  
[https://www.tabletennis365.com/LondonBanksAndCivilService/Fixtures/Season\\_2017-2018/Division\\_One](https://www.tabletennis365.com/LondonBanksAndCivilService/Fixtures/Season_2017-2018/Division_One)

## COMMENTARY

### Week 11 (Late result)

Sparta had a lean night against the Treasury A juggernaut. Peter Tokely took an end off Fung but got no further. Dave Evans pushed Persaud all the way only to lose 12-10 in the fourth – a creditable near miss. But the surprise of the night was Evans beating Winston Wong three straight! That is a very big win over a man several places above him in the averages. Well done! That was the single ray of sunshine for Sparta in a 9-1 loss.

### Postponed matches

Sparta's bad run continued in the rearranged match against Employment. They had lost their previous five matches and lost this one too. Their cause was not helped by only have two players. Peter Tokely lost all three but in-form Dave Evans kept hopes alive by winning all three and only dropping one end all evening. Sparta won the doubles to make the match result a 4-6 loss.

Treasury A are going all out to keep up with Castaways at the top. This time PRO were on the receiving end of another crushing Treasury performance. Only two sets went past the third end and the outcome was an emphatic 10-0 win. Laikram Persaud conceded a stingy 45 points all evening and most of those were to Ronnie Turner. Best set of the night was Turner against Fung where Ronnie took the first two ends only to lose 11-5 in the fifth. A thankless night for Crawford and Buchanan in that match.

Comets rearranged match with Employment was played as a double header. It proved to be a good match, closer than the 7-3 win for Employment suggests. Richard Oppenheim gave Steve Fagan a run for his money before losing in four ends. Richard won his other two sets three straight. Paul Baylis had an even closer set against Fagan. He took the first two ends but just couldn't keep it up and Steve clawed his way back to take the next three ends. Close contest! Paul went on to win his other two sets, both in four. Chris McKee lost to Fagan in four, beat Codrington in four and Gargrupe in three. Best set of the night was the doubles where, after 56 points had been played, we were only at the conclusion of the second end! Employment took the first two ends and Comets came back to take the next two. In the fifth end it was close but Employment pulled ahead to win it 11-6. 105 points played and a good doubles victory. Seven sets went beyond the third end in that match.

Those postponed matches have rather altered the shape of the table. Treasury A are now within one point of Castaways. The title looks to be between those two but Nat West have the squad to rival them. I have commented before on how well the promoted teams were doing but all of them have had a disastrous November and December where the combined record of the three promoted teams over the last five matches reads played 15, won two! A good start to the second half seems essential.

Pick of next week's fixtures is Treasury A's visit to Morpeth. Treasury will be looking to turn round the 6-4 loss in the first half. PRO and Nat West fought out a surprise draw in the first half but I can't see that happening again in the rematch. Outcasts had a big 9-1 win over Treasury B in the first half and must hope to repeat that in the battle to avoid relegation. And, finally, having cautioned all the promoted teams they'll need to start strong in the second half, Insurance begin with what looks like an uphill battle against Castaways!

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**AVERAGES (Qualification: ≥ 12 sets played)**

<b>Player</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Sets Won</b>	<b>Sets Played</b>	<b>Average (%)</b>
Catt	NAT WEST	17	18	94.4
Harris	CASTAWAYS	14	15	93.3
McKee	CASTAWAYS	14	15	93.3
Persaud	TREASURY A	20	23	87.0
Herbert	NAT WEST	13	15	86.7
Fung	TREASURY A	16	20	80.0
Fagan	COMETS	23	29	79.3
Bekele	MORPETH	14	18	77.8
Oppenheim	EMPLOYMENT	9	12	75.0
Wong	TREASURY A	17	23	73.9
LeMilliere	CASTAWAYS	21	29	72.4
Giuffrida	TREASURY A	8	12	66.7
Chambers	MORPETH	11	18	61.1
Baylis	EMPLOYMENT	14	23	60.9
Crawford	PRO	14	23	60.9
Evans	SPARTA	14	23	60.9
Mak	EMPLOYMENT	13	22	59.1
Turner	PRO	15	26	57.7
Jones	NAT WEST	13	24	54.2
Blyuss	MORPETH	8	15	53.3
Brown	MORPETH	6	12	50.0
Coull	OUTCASTS	6	12	50.0
Jameson	OUTCASTS	6	12	50.0
Macalister	OUTCASTS	6	12	50.0
Persaud	PRO	6	12	50.0
Shore	TREASURY B	11	24	45.8
Francis	INSURANCE	13	30	43.3
Roullier	OUTCASTS	7	18	38.9
Codrington	COMETS	7	20	35.0
Cranstone	INSURANCE	9	27	33.3
Buchanan	PRO	8	26	30.8
Tokely	SPARTA	8	27	29.6

Velinor	INSURANCE	7	27	25.9
Jones	OUTCASTS	3	12	25.0
Colgan	TREASURY B	2	12	16.7
Gittens	TREASURY B	2	24	8.3
Gargrupe	COMETS	2	29	6.9
Okai	TREASURY B	1	21	4.8