## LONDON BANKS AND CIVIL SERVICE TABLE TENNIS LEAGUE BULLETIN 23

### FINAL TABLE AS AT 13 APRIL 2025

	P	$\mathbf{W}$	D	$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{A}$	В	P
COMETS A	14	13	1	120	20	42	162
MORPETH A	14	10	3	95	45	42	137
CASTAWAYS	14	7	3	87	53	39	126
NAT WEST	14	8	2	73	67	42	115
PRO	14	2	4	51	86	42	93
COMETS B	14	2	1	45	95	39	84
COMETS C	14	2	2	40	97	42	82
OUTCASTS	14	3	2	43	97	27	70

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

### THINGS TO NOTE

Individual match details can be found on the website at

https://www.tabletennis365.com/LondonBanksAndCivilService/Fixtures/Active Season 24-25/Division One

- Check out the photos on the front page of the website under Featured Photos. Is your team there?
- Want a trip down memory lane? Every weekly bulletin issued since the 2014-15 season can be found on the first page of the website under the "Div Sec Reports" heading

### **COMMENTARY**

### Week 23

The last match of the season and it's Outcasts against Comets B. This is being played as a double header. Outcasts turn out Petko Guimichev, Bob Coull and Ben Towers. Quite a strong Outcasts' team! Comets B include Eric Woo, Adil Islam and Richard Hallinan. Guimichev begins against Woo. The first two ends are shared. The third end is close but Woo just takes it 11-8. We're all set for more tight ends to follow but Guimichev's challenge suddenly evaporates and Eric is wining point after point. He comes home with a comfortable 11-3 in the fourth victory. Next, is Ben Towers against Adil Islam. This set went Ben's way threestraight. Two comfortable ends and a very close third end that Ben won 12-10. Set three repeats the threestraight theme. This time it's Bob Coull, conceding 27 points in beating Richard Hallinan, all three ends ending 11-9. Not much between the two players! Back comes Towers to face Woo in what promises to be the set of the night. A landslide first end win for Ben, allowing Eric just one point! The second and third ends were much closer, both ending 12-10, one end to each player. So, going into the fourth end, Ben's ahead by a whisker. Once again, with everyone expecting a close contest, suddenly all the points were going in the same direction. The result was a win for Ben with a "hard to explain" scoreline of 11-1, 10-12, 12-10, 11-2! Outcasts are romping away with this and Guimichev added to their score with a three straight win over Hallinan. The match score is 4-1 in Outcasts' favour. Coull was up against Islam in set six. The first two ends are shared. The next two ends are also shared. This is a good contest! No idea who will win! The deciding end ebbed and flowed and, as it reached the final stages, the winner was still not obvious. One final push and it's Islam who comes home first, 11-8 in a set that could have gone either way. Set seven sees Towers complete his maximum with an impressive performance against Hallinan. The next set turned out to be the longest and closest of the night. It's Bob Coull ahead of Eric Woo after three ends. The fourth end goes Eric's way and we're all set up for a ding-dong deciding end. The score moves point for point all the way to 10-10. After all the twist and turns, there's now no margin for error. Holding his nerve, Eric sneaks the next two points to complete a 12-10 in the fifth victory! A good win for Eric but a frustrating night for Bob losing narrowly to both Islam and Woo in the final end. In the final singles set Guimichev beat Islam for the second time this season, starting with a narrow 15-13 first end victory but getting easier after that. A hotly contested doubles brought the evening to a close. It was another three straight win for

Outcasts but each end was hard fought before Towers and Coull triumphed over Woo and Islam 11-7, 13-11, 13-11! So, a 7-3 win for Outcasts. Both teams have struggled for a settled team this season. Had they been able to achieve that I'm sure they'd both finish higher up the table!

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## **AVERAGES** (Qualification: ≥ 17 sets played)

Player	Team	Sets Won	Sets Played	Average (%)
Persaud	COMETS A	32	34	94.1
Wong	COMETS A	22	24	91.7
Johnson	NAT WEST	18	21	85.7
To	MORPETH A	21	26	80.8
Samuels	NAT WEST	14	18	77.8
Francis	COMETS A	24	31	77.4
Sultani	COMETS C	18	24	75.0
S Fagan	COMETS A	19	26	73.1
Holohan	MORPETH A	16	24	66.7
Brown	MORPETH A	19	29	65.5
LeMilliere	CASTAWAYS	22	37	59.5
Bispham	CASTAWAYS	16	29	55.2
Marott	MORPETH A	13	24	54.2
Loveder	CASTAWAYS	15	29	51.7
Crawford	PRO	17	33	51.5
Guimichev	OUTCASTS	13	27	48.1
Woo	COMETS B	14	30	46.7
Islam	COMETS C	15	36	41.7
Turner	PRO	11	30	36.7
Coull	OUTCASTS	8	24	33.3
Siah	OUTCASTS	8	24	33.3
Persaud	PRO	7	24	29.2
Jones	NAT WEST	7	42	16.7
Buck	PRO	3	21	14.3
Sharma	COMETS B	3	30	10.0
Hallinan	COMETS C	2	30	6.7