

Top seeds Wayne Matthews & Delyth North are Maidstone Champions



The Maidstone Table Tennis League closed championships were held on the 19th / 20th March 2022 at the Cornwallis Academy. The top four seed safely made their way out of the groups, but 5th seed Will Wrapson was beaten by Paul Godson and 6th seed Wayne Youngs lost to Paul Woollven, but with two going through from each group both lived to fight another day. The draw then bought Paul Woollven and Will Wrapson together with Wrapson winning 11-8, 11-7, 11-4 and he went on to beat 4th seed Petar Tancevski 11-5, 11-6, 11-5 before falling to top seed Wayne Matthews in the semi-final 8-11, 9-11, 4-11. In the other half of the draw 3rd seed Tim Vaughan beat Wayne Youngs 11-9, 3-11, 8-11, 12-10, 11-6 and then toppled 2nd seed Miro Danadzhiev 3-11, 11-7, 8-11, 11-7, 11-9, before losing to Wayne Matthews in the final 10-12, 11-9, 11-5, 10-12, 11-6. The Ladies singles was an extremely competitive event with favourite Delyth North failing to reach the veterans final on the Saturday losing to both Gill Skilbeck and Champion Rachel Woollven. But Sunday was a better day with revenge wins over Gill Skilbeck and last year's champion Jill Shipton before gaining revenge against Rachel Woollven in a high-class final.

Men's Singles semi-final –Tim Vaughan beat Miro Danadzhiev 3-11, 11-7, 8-11, 11-7, 11-9

Men's Singles semi-final – Wayne Matthews beat Will Wrapson 11-8, 11-9, 11-4.

Men's Singles – Wayne Matthews beat Tim Vaughan 10-12, 11-9, 11-5, 10-12, 11-6

Ladies Singles – Delyth North beat Rachel Woollven 11-9, 12-14, 14-12, 11-7



Men's Doubles – Tim Vaughan /Will Wrapson beat Terry Clapperton / Wayne Youngs 9-11, 11-9, 12-10, 11-6

Ladies Doubles – Jill Shipton / Gill Skilbeck beat Julie Parker /Delyth North (round robin)



Mixed Doubles –Tim Vaughan / Delyth North beat Wayne Youngs / Gillian Skilbeck 11-7, 6-11, 11-3, 11-9

Veteran Men's Singles – Martin Ball beat Tim Vaughan 11-7, 11-7, 11-7



O'50 Singles - Wayne Youngs beat Martin Ball 11-7, 8-11, 11-9, 11-9

O'70 Singles – Bruce Bengel beat Keith Ball 11-4, 11-6, 6-11, 11-5



Veteran Ladies Singles – Rachel Woollven beat Julie Parker 7-11, 11-6, 11-5, 11-6

Veteran Men's Doubles –Shev McDonald / Tim Vaughan beat Wayne Youngs / Wayne Matthews 15-13, 11-9, 11-5



Veteran Ladies Doubles –Rachel Woollven / Julie Parker beat Delyth North / Christina Flinn 11-7, 11-9, 11-9

Veteran Mixed Doubles – Tim Vaughan / Delyth North beat Wayne Matthews / Rachel Woollven 11-6, 11-4, 12-10



Men's Singles Class 1 – Tim Noble beat Hugh O'Neill 11-9, 11-3, 11-9

Ladies' consolation Singles – Julie Parker beat Christina Flinn 11-7, 11-3, 11-2



Under 40's - Sam Woodcock beat Anshul Palipati (round robin)

Under 21's - Anshul Palipati beat Alok Palipati 11-8, 11-7, 11-8



Division 2 Singles – Paul Godson beat Mark Steeden 11-8, 12-10, 11-3

Division 3 Singles –Bruce Benge beat Richard Bashford 11-5, 11-6, 11-6



Division 4 Singles – Ashok Sharma beat Chris Jeffrey 11-7, 11-8, 11-5



O'60 Single's – Wayne Matthews beat Wayne Youngs 11-3, 14-12, 11-9



Played on Handicap Finals Night

Non-League tournament

Non-League Singles – Terry Burt beat Calum Gannon 9-11, 11-8, 9-11, 11-7, 11-2

Non-League Singles Class 1 – Martha Jeffrey beat David Howes Conceded (ill health)



Terry Burt



Martha Jeffrey & David Howes with ball girl Loanne Le
We hope David makes a full recovery after being taken ill during the tournament. A special word of thanks to Terry Clapperton for his support.

Non-League Doubles – Ross Williams / Terry Burt beat Luke Penna / Johann Le 11-7, 11-5, 7-11, 11-9



Thanks to everyone that supported the tournament by playing and particularly those who gave up their time to set the tournament up on the Friday evening and who will be there again Monday morning to load the tables and surrounds back onto the lorries. Also, to all who helped clear away on the Sunday evening, volunteered to score did some washing up and made the organisers a cup of coffee when required.

Above all we must thank Julie Hall for all the organisation prior to the tournament and to Julie and Eve Skates for their total commitment to the weekend. It was also lovely to see Peter Newing back amongst us and helping with the organisation.