

NEWSLETTER OF THE WIRRAL TABLE TENNIS LEAGUE

Editor :- Stan Wilkinson.

Sept. 1988.

Here we are at the beginning of another season, all seems much the same we still have 5 divisions albeit slightly reduced numbers, we do have a new club Bertram Lawn Tennis Club I have no other details at this moment, but welcome just the same. Details of the first few weeks matches are announced elsewhere in the letter.

After this issue the newsletters will be posted direct to all team captains on the second monday in the month.

Again I will say that I would welcome any news and/or articles to publish each month, it will make the newsletter more worthy of it's name.

It is with deep regret that I have to announce the death in the close season of Joan Hepple, I feel that the league has lost a friend, she has been this and a lot more not only to the Lady members of the league, but to all who played Table Tennis with her and against her, she was no mean player in her own right as many of us found out to our cost, but it was in the running of the Ladies teams for the league where she will be most remembered and missed, always ready to step in herself if needed and always more than holding her own even at Inter League level, nost of all we shall miss her unfailing cheerfulness, even latterly when she was not well there was always a smile, and an interest in what was going on within the league, a our sympathy goes out to Fred & Ann I know Fred will miss her because they were a team, but we can only be thankful that we & him are left with happy memories.

Also as many of you will have heard we lost one of our Vice-Presidents in Ten Blunn during the summer, he was an early member of our league long before my time, of course he went or to greater things, eventually becoming Chairman of the E.T.T.A. to his family we extend our sympathy.

Handbook amendment.

Wallasey Rugby Union F.C. Have now only one team, they have withdrawn their first team - The Club secretary and Captain is now Ken Cross Restherne, Leasewe Rd, Wallasey, 638 6240.

J & F HEPPLE CUP Prelim round to be played W/c 12th Sept.

IMPORTANT as in ALL cup competitions the HOME team to contact AWAY team to agree Match Night, please play in week defined.

Caldy 'A' v Caldy 'E'

NALGO 'A' v Eng Mart

NBCC v Caldy 'D'

Marconi v Pinewood 'B'

R.A.F.A. CUP Prelim round to be played W/C 19th Sept.

Caldy 6 v Bertram LTC

GRPC 2 v Pinewood 2

Pinewood 3 v Oxton

Civic 3 v Eng Mart 2

LONSDALE CUP ist round to be played W/C 19th Sept.

Caldy 2 v NBCC Caldy 4 v Caldy 5 Eng Mart v Civic 4 NALGO v NCLTC NBCC 5 WEUFC2 v Caldy v GRPC Alderley 2 Civic 2 v Marconi v Caldy 3 Thingwall v Alderlay Wall Man v Neston 2 NECC 2 V BBB

J&F HEPPLE CUP round 1 to be played W/C 26th Sept,

Neston 'B' v Marconi or Pinewood 'B'

GRPC v NALGO 'A' or Eng Mart

Weston 'A' v NBCC or Caldy 'D'

Civic 'B' v Pinewood 'A'

NALGO 'B' v Caldy 'C'

Caldy 'A' or Caldy 'E' v Alderley

Caldy 'B' v Thingwall

Civic 'A' v WRUFC.

CONGRATULATIONS to John Perratt of Caldy - He wona Gold Medal at the World Paraplegic Cames held in Los Angeles during the summer.

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October 1988.

Mostly Cup draws and the like this month, Ipresume that most of you have sta have started your League fixtures by now, unfortunately the bad news this month is that Pinewood 3 has had to drop out of Division 3 we just had no alternative because of lack of commitment from cur players. Huw Owen & myself the 2 survivors of the team will be helping! the other Pinewood teams for the rest of the season.

The good news is that G.R.P.C. is entering a 4th. team in the 5th Division so please note the new details for ALL G.R.P.C. teams as under :-

GAUTBY ROAD PLAY & COMMUNITY CENTRE, Gautby Rd, Birkenhead.

Sec. E.L. Jones, 14 Clare Cresc, Wallasey. 638 8868 (H) 652 5645 (C)

Captains :- 1st Team - N. Allen 645 1389 " - K.Marett 677 4673 2nd " - G. Pentland 652 8033 3rd 4th " - R.Ccx 652 5645 (Club)

Match nights - 1st & 2nd Teams Mcnday Team Friday Team Wednesday

- PINEWOOD As most of you know Pineword now play all their matches at League H.Q. Arrowe Park, and have no association with the club in Knapps Way.
- N.C.L.T.C .- Have now moved their premises, will now play at the Wallasey Manor Club in Kingsway Wallasey, I presume alternating with the home team, they have the same match night - WEDNESDAY.
- Note from Fixture Sec. & Treasurer All fines must be paid from last season, some clubs have paid, the others note that the fines are still on the books and will be carried forward.

Still on the subject of fines , no fines will be imposed this year until 7th. Oct because of postal dispute, please send in your cards promptly.

R.A.F.ACUP round 2 to be played w/c 24th. Oct. Home side to contact away side to notify match night.

| GRPC 2 v | Pine. 2 | WRUFC 2 | V | BBB 2 |
|--------------|----------|-------------|---|----------|
| Oxton v | Civic 3 | Caldy 3 | V | NBCC 4 |
| NBCC 5 v | Neston 2 | NALGO 3 | V | NALGO 5 |
| NALGO 4 v | Caldy 6 | Wall Man | V | NALGO 2 |
| Caldy 4 v | Caldy 2 | Thingwall 2 | V | Pine 4 |
| Marconi 2 v | Civic 4 | Eng Mart | V | Marconi |
| Alderley 2 v | ESWA | Caldy 5 | V | Neston 3 |
| BBB v | NBCC 3 | Neston | V | NCLTC |

J & F HEPPLE CUP Round 2. To be played before December 10th.

Home side to contact away side to arrange game. No blank week set aside so please play as soon as possible.

Marconi v NALGO A
NBCC v Pinewood A
Caldy C v Caldy A
Thingwall v Civic A

LONSDALE CUP Round 2 to be played w/c 31st Oct, home side to contact away side to notify match night.

| Pinewood 4 | V | Civic 2 | exton v | Marconi 2 |
|-------------|-----|------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Thingwall 2 | V | NALGO | NBCC 3 v | NBCC 5 or GRPC |
| ESWA | V | Pinewood | BBB 2 v | Alderley 2 |
| Alderley | V | NBCC 2 | Eng Mart 2v | NALGO 3 |
| Caldy | V | Caldy 4 or5 | Bertram v | Civic |
| Caldy 6 | | Wall Man or Nes | | |
| Neston | V. | Neston 3 | Caldy 2 or N | BCC v Pine 2 |
| NBCC 4 | | Eng Mart 3 | | Eng Mart |
| Bye - NALGO | 2 (| pinewood 3 withd | rawn) | |

DIPLOMA COACHES COURSE

Any Club Coach wishing to attend the above course on 26/27 November can obtain forms & details from Les Jones. This is the last chance for Club Coaches in this area to obtain their diploma badge, for after the course the new assessments for coaching badges will come into effect and all Club Coaches will become assistant coaches.

CHESHIRE JUNIOR RANKINGS

In the above trials Wirral Juniors achieved the following rankings

BOYS

Girls

Four - Peter Lau Eight - Neil Allen Three - Cerie Tierney

Eleven - Mark Newns

Four - Sussana Sorrentino

Twelve - Keith Gillison Eighteen - Mark Vincent

As can be seen from the above rankings all the juniors enjoyed a good tournament, but in the boys cases nerves in the early stages prevented some finishing higher.

Mark Vincent in both Wirral Trials & Cheshire has shown a vast improvement since this time last year. With K Gillison & M Newns (still both Cadets) proving once again that there is little to choose between them

Highlight of the day Cerie Tierneys (also still a cadet) 3rd. place.

WIRRAL T.T.L. Junior Ranking List 1988 - 89

Born on or after 1-7-71.

| 110 | 13 - 2-73 29 - 4 - 75 |
|--------------------|--|
| | 26 - 12 - 71 |
| | 16 - 6 - 75 |
| 11. | 26 - 8 - 71 |
| Tr G | 19 - 4 - 72 |
| 1100 | 18 - 8 - 72 |
| 110 | 23 - 8 - 76 |
| | 12 - 10 - 74 |
| No 10 Roger Taylor | |
| | 15 - 9 - 77 |
| 1.0 | 21 - 3 - 73 |
| No 13 Alex Lawson | |
| No 14 Mike Riley | |
| | 22 - 7 - 75 |
| No 16 Clare Newns | |
| No 17 Naomi Lomax | 4 - 11 - 75 |

CADET Ranking List B 0 0 After 1 - 7 - 74

| No | 1 | Keith Gillison | No | 5 | Peter | Walsh |
|----|---|----------------|----|---|-------|--------|
| No | 2 | Mark Newns | No | | | Hughes |
| No | | Garry Allen | No | | | Newns |
| No | 4 | Cerie Tierney | No | | | Lomax |

CHESHIRE CADET RANKING from the Cheshire Trials

| Cerie Tierney | No 1. Cadet Girl | Mark Newns Nc 1. Cadet Boy |
|---------------|------------------|----------------------------|
| Kerry Hughes | No 2. | Keith Gillison No 2. " |
| Clare Newns | No 4. | Garry Allen No 4. " |
| | | Peter Walsh No 11. " |

What a marvellous result must be a long time since the Wirral League could boast such an array of talent, who knows what the future holds for youngsters now Table Tennis is a full Olympic sport!

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Asst. Manager

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Liverpool now have a team in the Leeds British League 3rd. Div. Nth. and won their first 2 games convincingly against Ormsby III (Middlesborough) and Birmingham Sports Centre.

Next home game is cn 23rd. Oct at DE La Salle School against Vymwa International II. I am told the first two games were well worth watching so even a trip to BYKER in the N.E. on 6th. Nov. might prove worthwhile. Malcolm McEvoy is the only regular Wirral player in the squad at no. 2, but those cf you with a long memory may remember Keith Williams (4) 7 Chris Ford (5) playing for Virral Gas at different times, The team is sponsored by Capital Providence Insurance Company, details from Phil Deeks.