

# The Wirral Horn

## NEWSLETTER OF THE WIRRAL TABLE TENNIS LEAGUE

Editor :- Stan Wilkinson.

Sept. 1984.

Welcome to another season, some things have changed even if this letter bears a striking resemblance to many of its predecessors, same old format, it looks as if you will have to put up with me for another season, so we'll make the best of it.

We do have a new fixture secretary, well nearly new anyway, his face is very familiar, in Phil Deeks thanks Phil for the work you have already put in to this years Table Tennis; please help him by sending your score cards in promptly and of course seeing your matches are played on time and with the minimum of hassle !

We have a new points scoring system don't forget, one point for every SET won so the maximum is ten points, (passed at A.G.M. 1984).

Also we have a sprinkling of new Clubs, but on looking at their make - up closely there does seem to be many familiar names in their ranks. We hope that they find a welcome from the League and enjoy the facilities we offer.

Talking about facilities, I can't at this moment comment on the outcome of the negotiations re the League Headquarters, we are still very hopeful that we can settle the matter in the near future.

A special word of thanks to Norman Berry and his family for the many years of help they have given to the League, we hope to see him enjoying his T.T. as a player for a long time yet.

LONSDALE CUP ROUND 1 to be played w/c 10th. Sept 1984.

First named teams at Home.

Alderley	v	Mountwood
W.R.U.F.C.	2v	Thomp & Ross
Upton V.H.	v	N.B.C.C. 4
Caldy 3	v	Bye
Wirr Gas 2	v	Thingwall 2
Pinewood 4	v	Egerton
Upton C.C.	v	N.B.C.C. 2
N.B.C.C. 3	v	Pinewood
Alderley 2	v	Beauforts
St Peters	v	N.C.L.T.C. 2
Eng. Mart 2	v	Caldy 4
B.Land Reg	v	Pinewood 3
N.C.L.T.C.	v	Pinewood 2
Neston 2	v	Nalgo 2
Civic 3	v	Neston
Thop & Ross2v		N.B.C.C.
Wall. Man	v	B.B.B.
Mountwood 2	v	Wall. Man 4
Eng. Mart 3	v	Eng. Mart 4
Nalgo	v	Oxton C.C. 2
Wirr. Gas 3	v	Wall Man 2
Oxton C.C. 3v		Wall Ferr.
Wall Man 3	v	Civic 4
Wall R.U.F.C.v		Caldy
Civic	v	Pinewood 5
Wall Ferr 2	v	Civic 2
Caldy 6	v	Caldy 7
Liv. St	v	Caldy 5
Oxton C.C.	v	Marconi
Thingwall	v	Eng Mart
N.C.L.T.C. 3	v	Neston 3
Caldy 2	v	Wirr. Gas



R.A.F.A. CUP 1st Round to be played w/c 8th. Oct. 1984

First named teams at home.

W.R.U.F.C.	v	N.B.C.C. 2
OXTON C.C.	v	Pinewood 4
	v	
Civic 2	v	Wall Man 2
Alderley 5	v	Marconi
Civic 4	v	B'Head Land Reg.
Alderley 4	v	Neston 3
Eng. Mart 2	v	Wirr Gas 3
Wall Man 3	v	Caldy 3
Nalgo	v	Wall Ferr
Caldy 6	v	Nalgo 2
Upton C.C. 2	v	Pinewood 5
Busways	v	Pinewood 3
Neston	v	Liv. Street.
St Peters	v	N.C.L.T.C. 3
Thomp. & Ross 2	v	N.B.C.C. 4
Caldy 2	v	Beaufort
W.R.U.F.C. 2	v	Caldy 5
N.C.L.T.C. 2	v	B.B.B.
N.B.C.C. 3	v	Thomp. & Ross
Eng. Mart 3	v	Egerton
MOUNT 2	v	N.C.L.T.C.
Oxton C.C. 3	v	Mountwood
Thingwall	v	Caldy 7
Neston 2	v	Eng. Mart
Wirr. Gas 2	v	Civic 3
G.R.P.C.	v	Eng. Mart 4
Marine	v	Upton C.C.
Wall. Ferr 2	Bye	
Caldy 4	"	
Wall. Man 4	"	
Oxton C.C. 2	"	
Thingwall 2	"	

HANDBOOK AMENDMENTS Will all readers please enter these in your books NOW.

UPTON VICTORY HALL will replace N.A.L.G.O. as team No. 4 in Div. 1  
N.A.L.G.O. Will replace U.V.H. as team No 3 in Division 2.

CALDY 2nd. Team captain is now R.Simm 648 6649. (H)

OXTON C.C. substitute G Hardie 647 3068 (H) for S.Collins  
as Captain of the 3rd. Team.

N.A.L.G.O. 1st. Team Match night now Wednesday.

ALDERLEY	3rd. Team Captain	P.Roberts	632 4999	(H)
	4th "	A.Wheldon	625 1057	(H)
	5th. "	H.Sanderson	625 9105	(H)
			647 8764	(B)

PINEWOOD	1st team	Match Night	Thurs
	2nd "	" "	Tues
	3rd "	" "	Fri
	4th "	" "	Tues
	5th "	" "	Fri

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A touch of sadness at the beginning of the season -

I have heard this week of the death of John Watts who has been a member of the Wallasey Manor Club, and up to recently the secretary of the club, he was also a registered coach, obviously he will be missed by all his friends in the league our sympathy goes out to his family.

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This edition of the newsletter is mostly factual, please copy the many amendments up carefully to save you and your opponents wasted time and calls,

CIVIS 1st team, match night now Wed.

G.R.P.C. Play as team 5 in division 6.

UPTON.C.C. Play as team 5 in division 5.

CALDY 5 J. Powell Telephone No is 625 8774 (H).

St PETERS Match night is Tuesday.

MOUNTWOOD Withdrawn both teams.

UPTON V.H. Match night thursday.

PINEWOOD 2 Withdrawn as team no. 8 in division 1.

PINWOOD 3 Capt. F.IRWIN 608 6429

PINEWOOD 6 Take over as team no. 9 in 6th. Division.  
Capt. Dave Coulson 648 3969 Match night Monday.

CALDY Club Secretary now :- I.Owen, 14 Sandringham Ave,  
Hoylelake, L47 3BZ. 632 1049.

### CHESHIRE RANKINGS

Well done Steve Green. At the recent Men's Trials he played so well to finish as fourth ranked man in Cheshire.

At junior level, Bernie Wentworth and Andy Taylor finished second & third.

LONSDALE CUP Round 2.

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ALDERLEY	v	WALL.R.U.F.C.
UPTON V.H.	v	CALDY 3.
WIRRAL GAS 2	v	PINEWOOD 4.
N.B.C.C. 2	v	N.B.C.C. 3 or PINEWOOD.
ALDERLEY 2	v	St PETERS.
CALDY 4	v	PINEWOOD 3.
N.C.L.T.C.	v	NESTON 2.
NESTON	v	N.B.C.C.
WALL. MAN.	v	WALL. MAN 4.
ENG. MART 4.	v	NALGO.
WALL.MAN 2	v	WALL. FERRIES.
CALDY	v	WALL. MAN 3.
CIVIC 2	v	CIVIC.
CALDY 6	v	CALDY 5.
OXTON 2	v	ENG. MART.
WIRRAL GAS	v	N.C.L.T.C. 3.

To be played week comm. 22nd. October.

Closestmatch in round one was Civic 2 beating Wall Ferries 2 by 1 game. Bill stanley lost 19 in the 3rd. to E Whitby who won the match for Civic.

Please remember CUP RULE that requires Home team to notify away team of match night and the match must be played on that night.

A note from the fixture Sec, which says that fixtures must be fulfilled as per handbook or matches will be forfeited, please help him in this respect.



Lonsdale Cup Round one. English Martyrs 111 4 v English Martyrs 1V 6

What a turn up for the book ! Still we can always say that we were weakened by P Townsend not being available.

To offset that, so too can the 4th, by John Lau not being available. So be it - George Barrow did his best to keep us in this match with a shout, winning both of his singles, but losing narrowly with Graham Knowles in the third game of their doubles.

Unfortunately Jim Rathbone & Paul Gibbins could not match this, each only winning one, both losing to Roger Taylor. Watch out for this young man, he will soon be going places.

Roger was the backbone of the 4th, winning both of his singles and being more than ably supported by Belinda Lau, beat Jim & Paul, no mean feat at this, in the 1st. doubles.

Belinda, being blooded and playing as no. 2 played well in her singles but was unfortunate to lose both, first to an inspired George who could hardly do a thing wrong, and then reaped the backlash of Jim's loss to Roger.

Belinda has only been coached for about 6 months but given time experience and learning to control her impetuosity, will soon be competing for high places in the rankings.

Steve Gibbins playing as no. 3 played well, losing narrowly to Paul and beating our no. 4 Graham. Steve has improved on last season and could do really well this season.

Both reserves acquitted themselves well. Incidentally both were also playing their first matches in the League :- Peter Berry as no. 4 for the 4th doing a good job in winning one of his singles and combining well with Steve to win their doubles.

Graham Knowles as our no. 4 was unfortunate not to have a win on the night, losing to Steve & Peter in his singles, this could be because he only came to watch but had to be 'pressganged' into service owing to our shortage. Better luck next time Graham.

Keep up the good work all of you. Well done the 4th... Could these be the dark horses of the 6th Div. this season.

This was a good evening with the youngsters performing & behaving extremely well. Upon reflection I must put the blame for our defeat fairly & squarely upon the shoulders of Cliff Swindells, whilst at the same time thanking him for his invaluable help in coaching these youngsters.

You could say we were 'Swindelled' out of this one.

J.R.



Cheshire Rankings Cont... At the under 14 level Paul Birken was ranked first for the second year running and Roger Taylor and Neil Allen (both only 12) were ranked 6th. & 7th.

Sharon Norman was ranked 3rd. in the under 14 Girls.

At a recent ranking Tournament for the Wirral League held at Grange Rd Eight players played a round robin with the following results:-

	won	lost
1. Malcolm McEvoy.	7	0
2. Neil Royden.	6	1
3. Peter Lee.	4	3
4. Bernie wentworth.	4	3
5. Alan Timewell.	3	4
6. Andy Taylor.	3	4
7. Steve Green.	1	6
8. Gordon Exell.	0	7

Rob Bevan, Eric Hardman, Phil Luxon & Geoff Oldfield were not able to attend. Final placings will be determined at the Oct. 1st Committee Meeting. A big thank you to Ron Jones, John Trenbirth and Val Franco for umpiring so well throughout the afternoon.

Junior trials have not yet been completed, but already Bernie Wentworth and Andy Taylor have definately achieved no. 1 & no. 2 places respectively.

#### LANCASHIRE & CHESHIRE LEAGUE.

Three fine wins were recorded last weekend by Wirral teams, the second Mens team beat St Helens 8 - 2. A weakened junior first team beat Stockport 9 - 1 to make a fine start to their campaign in the First Division. Paul Birken won all three as did Ian Thomas who is making a successful return after a year off. Graham Fletcher making his debut in the first team won two. The Junior second team beat Bolton 7 - 3 in the second division. Julian Wetherall scored a maximum, Paul Birken won 2 and Leigh Donnison won one.

Get well soon is the message to Joan Hepple who is at this time in hospital.

We are as a League still talking to the Council about the proposed league H/Q mostly about money, we will soon have to make a decision whether to take the plunge or not.