



The Wirral Horn





NEWSLETTER OF THE WIRRAL TABLE TENNIS LEAGUE

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Welcome to a new seasons table tennis, this is an important milestone in the Leagues history - we have changed to playing all our league matches to 3 - a - side. This of course means that each player will play each of the opposing team members, preferably in the order set out on the new cards, each match will still consist of 10 sets - 9 singles and one doubles, points will be still awarded for each set won.

ETTA APPROVED LAWS OF TABLE TENNIS

1. I give you notice under ETTA Rule (1992/3)42.3 that at its Biennial General Meeting in May 1993 the International Table Tennis Federation made two changes to the laws of Table Tennis as shown in paragraphs 4 and 5 below, to come into force on 1st September 1993.
2. Consequently the ETTA Approved Laws of Table Tennis will be changed in the same way, and those changes will come into effect on 1st September 1993 unless a General meeting or the National Council decide otherwise under Rule 42.6 or 42.7.
3. The final wording may not be available from the ITTF until August 1993 but provisional wording is expected by the end of June 1993.
4.  Bat blade covering colour: The following, which has hitherto been a Regulation for International Competition (ITTF (1991-3)4.2.1.3), will become a Law: "the surface of one side of the racket shall be bright red and the surface of the other side shall be black, whether or not both sides are used for striking the ball".
5.  Volley: Laws 3.5.7 and 3.5.8, and Law 3.11.1.3, and consequential: A point will no longer be lost if the ball is volleyed not over the table. This will be effected by abolishing the separate "volley law" and including the over-the-table volley within the scope of the "obstructing law".
6. Ball Colour: "Yellow" in Law 3.3.3 already includes what most people call "orange", the colour of some balls currently on the market (because the specification of the colour range includes both colours). To make that more easily understood the word "orange" will now be included in the Law, along with white and yellow.
7.  Net Clamp: The wording of Law 3.2.1 is to be changed to make it clear that the clamp is part of the net assembly, so that if the ball bounces only on the net clamp the return is not "good".
8.  Glue: At the same ITTF meeting a decision was taken to ban the use of all liquid glues from 1st June 1994.

R H Sinclair
General Secretary

CHESHIRE JUNIOR TRIALS.

Results of above trials as follows

JUNIOR GIRLS.

Alice Howard 3rd Rebecca Nolan 5th Purdie Jones 6th Terri-Ann Nolan 7th
Clare Newns ranked 15th in England was exempt and ranked 1 in Cheshire
so making all the other girls rankings one place lower
A Howard goes through to regional trials, with R Nolan and P Jones resv.

JUNIOR BOYS.

Garry T/Allen the only Wirral player to produce any real form winning
all his 10 matches taking 1st place Peter Walsh 5th C Dunne 6th
J Harris 8th, with Ian Eaton ranked 9th in England and ranked 1 in
Cheshire all rankings are one place lower than results
G T/Allen through to regional trials, P Walsh and C Dunne reserves.

CADET GIRLS.

Rebecca Nolan 3rd Purdie Jones 4th Terri-Ann Nolan 5th Gemma Lloyd 6th
again Cheshire rankings one place lower due to Alice Howard ranked 9th
in England 1 in Cheshire R Nolan and P Jones through to regional trials
with T/A Nolan and G Lloyd reserves.

CADET BOYS

Chris Dunne 2nd J Harris 4th actual Cheshire rankings no exceptions,
both lads through to regional trials

Although once again Wirral will field a big majority of players in the
Cheshire junior teams, and the results of the trials look ok, I was very
disappointed, there was a lack of determination and effort required to
win, especially in the last set of 3 set games, of which there was a lot,
but we won so few, to mention late, late nights resulting in all players
being very tired in the afternoon plus a general attitude that it was
good enough to qualify for regional trials, which I do not expect, to
many old bad habits creeping back which will see you fall down ranking
lists not climb up.

WIRRAL JUNIOR RANKINGS

Due to lack of time and holidays I Decided that the Cheshire results
would stand for Wirral rankings which all junior players taking part
were aware of, If players who were not nominated wish to take part in
a ranking tournament for lower order rankings I will be happy to arrange same

JUNIOR GIRLS

1 C Newns 2 A Howard 3 R Nolan 4 P Jones 5 T/A Nolan 6 G Lloyd

JUNIOR BOYS

1 G T/Allen 2 P Walsh 3 C Dunne 4 J Harris 5 C Ashton 6 L Falkner
7 P Buckingham 8 J Caslin

CADET GIRLS

1 A Howard 2 R Nolan 3 P Jones 4 T/A Nolan 5 G Lloyd 6 A Sorrentino

CADET BOYS

1 C Dunne 2 J Harris 3 L Falkner 4 P Buckingham 5 J Caslin

WIRRAL JUNIOR TEAM RANKINGS

1 G T/Allen 2 C Newns 3 P Walsh 4 C Dunne 5 A Howard 6 J Harris
7 R Nolan 8 T/A Nolan 9 C Ashton 10 L Falkner 11 P Buckingham 12 J Caslin

All the above players will be registered to play for the two Wirral teams, and while in the main the top six players will be selected, at times due to unavailability, or the team managers desire to blood new players, lower ranked players could well be asked to represent Wirral.

Please remember you are required to wear royal blue shirt and shorts when representing Wirral, your opponents can refuse to play if the team is not wearing it's registered colours.

LJ.

You will notice some new names in the League set up this season, we welcome a new Club Birkenhead Lawn Tennis Club, some of the players are not new to the League we wish you well and hope that you enjoy your matches, a new name 'Wirral Hospitals' but mostly 'old faces' belonging to the late English Martyrs we wish you well at your new venue, handy for the odd pulled muscle or hamstring!

And those who are concerned that there is no NALGO don't worry you will find most of them turning out for Upton CC 2.

Representative team managers for 1993/4

Mens 1st Teams	Bernie Wentworth	608 1100
2nd "	Bob Hawkins	651 2269
Juniors	John Trenbirth	608 3637
Leas	Pat Jenner	638 0759
Vets 1st "	John Briggs	3273186
Vets 2nd "	Mike Ashton	678 6880
Vets 3rd "	Goeff Hockaday	334 2573

LONSDALE CUP

Prelim Round (A) Upton CC2 V GRPCC 2

(B) Caldý 2 V NCLTC

1st rd W/C 4th. Oct 93

Alderley	v	Wirral Hosp 2	Phoenix	v	Caldý 4
Winner(A)	v	NBCC 4	Phoenix 2	v	Civic 5
Pinewood 3	v	Civic	Neston CC 2	v	GRPCC
GRPCC 3	v	Caldý	Winner(B)	v	Civic 2
NBCC	v	ESWA	NBCC 3	v	Caldý 5
NBCC 2	v	Wirral Hosp 3	W Spart	v	Wirral Hosp 4
Civic 4	v	UptonCC	Alderley 2	v	Civic 3
Pinewood	v	Pinewood 2	Wirral Hosp	v	Caldý 3

R.A.F.A. CUP

W/C 13th. Sept 93.

GRPCC 5	v	BLTC	Wirral Hosp 3	v	Bye
Wirral Hosp	v	ESWA	Wirral Hosp 4	v	Pinewood 2
UPTON CC 2	v	Phoenix 2	Caldý 2	v	Civic 5
Wirral Hosp2	v	Pinewood 3	WRUFC	v	Neston CC 2
Caldý 3	v	Civic 4	Caldý 5	v	Bye
Caldý 4	v	BLTC 2	GRPCC 3	v	Civic 3
Pinewood	v	GRPCC 4	PHOEnix	v	NBCC 4
NCLTC	v	Upton CC	Bye	v	W Spartans

First named team at home.

Home captain to arrange match with opposition.