**Table-tennis League Report**

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**Whitnash A showed their credentials as favourites to take the Division 2 crown with a 9-1 hammering of St Georges C to send them 2 points clear of their nearest challengers with a game in hand. Mark Woolerton and Paul Riman took maximums and the doubles with Richard Smith winning two but losing out in 4 to Brian Aston. Rugby C moved into the top half with a 7-3 victory at St Georges D. Hugh Crosfield secured a hat-trick, taking the doubles with Ben Holvey who won two. Jack Evans collected the other point, overcoming Andy Caine 12-10 in the 5th . Richard Grover (2) and Tracey Fletcher (1) replied. Millennium A beat Rugby B 6-4 but could not prevent Danny Orr chalking up another treble. He also added the doubles with Jo Outhwaite. Jack Garner, Christian Ward and Rob Warnes all won braces for the Banbury squad. However, Millennium’s most recent result was a 6-4 loss away to Free Church D whose Ricardo Bolanos, just 13, posted a fine hat-trick. Chris Blowey added two and steered the youngster to the doubles. Warnes (2), Pete Harris (1) and Ward (1) scored for the visitors.**

**Flavels A are 4th in Division 3 after squeezing Free Church H 6-4. Trevor Bradley maintained his perfect record with three wins and the doubles with Roger Potts, who posted two. Jenny Singleton had two excellent wins, Emily Beasley recorded her first win at this level and reserve Jerry Simmons helped out with one. Millennium B accounted for Nomads C 7-3 thanks to a Lewis Cox treble and doubles from Colin Astbury and Bob Clarke. Kim Wong won twice for Nomads and steered Richard Miles to the doubles. Millennium are now second.**

**The youngest team in the 3-a-side League, Free Church L, sit top of Division 4 after two wins in successive matches. Rugby C fell 7-3 despite singles from Sarah James, Grace Newman and Lesley Summers and County Council E suffered the identical reverse with Jason Grey, William Hung and Carl Morgan taking their three points. Eduardo Bolanos and Ben Hall were unbeaten in singles and doubles in both matches. Free Church I and Eathorpe C fought out an exciting draw. Katie Singleton won twice for I with Chris Jones and Pete Rourke chipping in with one apiece. Norbu Sunang- Joret took a maximum for the villagers with Jamie Sayer winning twice but the pair conceded the doubles 11-9 in the 5th to Jones and Singleton. Eathorpe are second by one point and FC I sit another point back in third.**

**In Division 1 County Council A edged Free Church B 6-4 in a basement clash. Phil Paine was in fine form, winning his three, Chris Brewer chipped in with two and Pat McCabe contributed one. Charlotte Spencer with two wins, starred for Church whilst Harry Purewal added one and guided young Jack Green to the doubles.**

**In Division A Flavels A lifted themselves off the bottom as they overcame FISSC A 4-1. Sam Bradley won his two and the doubles with Dot Macfarlane, returning from injury, who won once. Brian Marston notched the consolation. Free Church N sit in 4th, 2 points above Flavels, and also beat FISSC but by a 3-2 scoreline. Keith Knott won twice and his son Ashley chipped in with one but a Martin Hamer single and his doubles win with Mark Kingham kept the result close.**

**The top two met in Division B with Free Church P defeating Rugby H 4-1. Josh Yarrow kept his 100% average and guided Milly Green to the doubles. Green nabbed one but lost to Angel Chen. Free Church Q had a welcome 4-1 success against Eathorpe F. Dominic Priest won his two singles and the doubles with Marc Briscoe who supported with one. Richard Freeman used his experience to take a consolation. Q then faced their O side going down 2-3. Mike Weaving garnered the two for Q but Dom Priest and Jay Virdi harvested the remaining three. O and Q are level in 4th place.**

**Ashorne A moved to the top of Division C beating bottom side FISSC B 3-2. Steve Handsley won his two and the doubles with Tony Philpott. Martin Hamer and Mandip Takhar replied. FISSC did better in their next match edging Rugby I 3-2. Takhar was joined by Sam Taylor, both winning once and combining for the doubles. Grace Newman proved too strong for them.**

**The strongest side in Division D are proving to be Ashorne B and a whitewash of County Council F, courtesy of Steve Bolton and Steve Kay, propelled them to the top.**

**Division E has joint leaders. Rugby K are one and defeated their L team 4-1 with a double from Josh Tyagi and single from George Marshall. The pair combined to edge the doubles 12-10 in the 5th. George Spraget snatched a consolation. Rugby K then hammered Free Church X 5-0, Tyler Humphries joining Tyagi. Free Church W sit alongside them and saw off Eathorpe H 4-1. Sundeep Virdi won both singles and the doubles with Joe Shrimpton who had one success but found James Rome too strong. Free Church V included 9 year old Dan Stone for his debut against Rugby L but he showed little in the way of nerves as he remained undefeated in singles and the doubles with Owain Jones who won once in a 4-1 win. Connor Invernizzi avoided the whitewash. Finally Rugby L suffered another defeat to Eathorpe H who also took 4 points from them (Josh Atkins 2, Rome 2). Will Hilton and Spraget took the doubles in response.**