**Leaminton Table-tennis League**

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**St Georges B edged their A team 6-4 in their Division 1 encounter. Mark Jackson won his three and the doubles with Ron Vose who won twice. A move up to 4th. For B, Damon Fenton posted two wins and Gary Jackson and Matt Jordan a win apiece. There was another derby as Free Church A (Lee Dorning 3, Sam Weaving 3, Tom Brocklehurst 2 and the doubles) demolished their B side 9-1 with Harry Purewal notching the consolation. After 3 matches FC B sit bottom but may well have played the top three sides. Rugby A march on at the top, whipping two player WCC A 9-1. Ryan Lines and Adrian Pilgrim were unbeaten and Sam Cafearo won two and secured the doubles with Lines, but losing to Pat McCabe.**

**In Division 2 Rugby B’s Danny Orr made it 9 wins out of 9 as he claimed his hat-trick and the doubles with Jo Outhwaite in their tussle with Rugby C. However, he could not prevent a 4-6 loss as C bounced back through Hugh Crosfield, Ben Holvey and Freddy Jones who all won twice. Free Church F have emerged at the top of this division and enjoyed a hard fought draw against their E side who sit second. Phil Blowey led for F with a fine treble, Adam Pulman supported with one and joined Blowey for the doubles. Dave Ramsey 2, Anthony Smith 2 and Cherry Matthews 1 responded.**

**County Council D head Division 3 whitewashing Eathorpe B through Tony Ford, Mark Freeman and Cliff Jackson. Whitnash B in second already trail by 6 points, overcoming Rugby F 6-4 thanks to a Dennis Woodhead triple and a brace from Greg Swan, the pair taking the crucial doubles. Jack Evans 2, Ian Evans 1 and Bradley Matthews 1 replied.**

**Free Church I hauled themselves into second spot in Division 4 after beating County Council E 8-2. Nick Darwen took a maximum and Chris Jones and Katie Singleton each won two, Singleton joining Darwen for the doubles. Jason Grey was Council’s face saver with two victories. 3rd placed Rugby G entertained 4th placed Free Church J, the match ending in stalemate. Dan Burgess took his three for the home side and steered Lesley Summers to the doubles. Sarah James notched the other point. J kept themselves in contention with Jill Weaving (2), Mike Weaving (2) and Catherine McAuley(1) getting their points. Free Church K enjoyed their best result so far with a share of the spoils on their visit to Eathorpe D. Darren Laffey (2), Ian Beasley (1) and Richard Pittaway (1) plus a Beasley/ Laffey doubles accounted for Church’s points with Paul Deavall (2), Michael Rossington (2) and Sophie Cooper (1) ratcheting up the home team’s tally.**

**In division A Snitterfield dropped their first points as they lost to Free Church M 1-4. Their solitary point, gained by Stuart Ayres, keeps them top by one point but Nikit Sajiv (2) Milan Sajiv (1) and the doubles suggests an interesting campaign for both sides. Norton Lindsey went third after edging Free Church N 3-2. All 4 players won once, Gareth Hepworth and Ron Shakesheff for Norton and Ashley Knott and Dan Shaw for Church with the Norton duo pocketing the doubles.**

**Norton Lindsey’s 3-2 win at Ashorne A put them one point ahead of their opponents at the summit of Division C. Vince Ford and John Walker both won twice for the visitors, as did Steve Bolton and Steve Handsley for Ashorne but it was Ford and Walker who garnered the vital doubles. Free Church S squeezed home 3-2 against their R team with a double from Findlay Douglas and a single from Sarah Costa. Nicholas Ho won once for R and teamed with Dan Gunthorpe for the doubles.**

**Free Church T stormed to the top of Division D after collecting all 5 points against Eathorpe G, Jake Simmons and Tom Yarrow the boys in form. Rugby J are only two points adrift and also claimed a maximum haul against Free Church U through Alex Bowe and Oliver Wilson.**

**Division E leaders Free Church W were walloped 4-1 by their X side whose Alex O’Driscoll won both his singles and the doubles with Jack Knowles who won once. Erin Darwen got the consolation. Rugby K’s 3-2 win over Free Church V puts them joint second, 4 points adrift. Tyler Humphries nailed singles and the doubles for them but Chris Hearn proved too strong. Eathorpe H are the other side in second and defeated Rugby L 4-1, Josh Atkins and James Rome winning their singles but losing the doubles to Will Hilton and George Spraget.**