**League Report**

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**There was a critical match in Division 1 this week when two struggling teams battled for much needed points. In the end Lillington Free Church C emerged as 6-4 winners against Nomads Aces. Sam Wiggins made the difference for the victors recording a treble, though each tussle went to 5. Harry Purewal chipped in with two and Jeff Harris added one. Simon Nolan won two in reply with Paul Rowan beating Harris in 5 before guiding Tony Thomas to an easy doubles win. Phoenix got home by the same score on their visit to Wellesbourne. Taran Dhillon grabbed his three for the Coventry side, Mark Rose posted two and William Panes one. Awais Muhammed won twice for the villagers, losing to Dhillon 12-10 in the 5th. Gary Stewart took one single and joined Muhammed for a doubles success. St Georges B have aspirations of the title and swept aside Free Church C 10-0, Damon Fenton, Mark Jackson and Andy Woodcock the unstoppable trio. Free Church A also stayed in contention with an 8-2 win over Wellesbourne. Sam Weaving starred for Church with a maximum, Jack Green and Dave Ramsey supplying twosomes. Ramsey and Weaving took the doubles with Alan Cotton and John Price both scoring for their opponents. Another strong side are Colebridge A whose Kate Hughes, Paul Lenormand and Ben Willson cast aside Free Church D 10-0.**

**In Division 2 Snitterfield A enjoyed a welcome win, 6-4, when entertaining Nomads Enigmas. Stuart Ayres was in sparkling form to remain unbeaten in the singles. Michael Klein added two and Nigel Payne one. For Enigmas, Malc Mcafarlane’s two included a 12-10 in the 5th verdict over Klein. Steve Proctor contributed one and the pair secured the doubles. Rugby B edged County Council C 6-4 despite an excellent maximum from Council’s Mark Freeman. He also took the doubles with Cliff Jackson but Rugby bounced back with braces from Madu Ezedinma, Ben Holvey and Peter Ratcliffe.**

**Flavels’ push for promotion in Division 3 was helped by a 6-4 win over Rugby D. Shivah Kapur won his three and Mick Bennett and Sam Bradley gained single wins. Trevor Bradley joined Kapur for the crucial doubles win. Stuart Mills (2), Dave Cox (1) and Joe Mills (1) replied.Free Church J squeezed past their G team 6-4 thanks in the main to a hat-trick from Guru Chandrasekhar. He was helped by Dan Shaw (2) and Ben Hall (1). The G side rallied with two wins from Tom Yarrow and one from Milly Green, the pair combining to take the doubles. High flying Colebridge B were made to work by Free Church H, getting home 6-4. Dean Hicks won his three, Michael Credland landed two and Mike Evetts one but Owain Jones put in his best performance of the season to grab two, Nicholas Ho added one and the pair took the doubles. The Birmingham side were in much better form when facing Nomads Codgers, surging to a 9-1 victory. Credland, Evetts and Hicks won all of the singles but were out-foxed by Les Hoggins and Richard Miles who won the doubles comfortably. Rugby C had a good 7-3 win against the strong St Georges D side. Sarah James and Martyn Lilley won 6 singles and Jo Outhwaite won once. Andy Caine (1) and Richard Grover (1) responded and Grover joined Jerry Simmons to win the doubles.**

**Top Division 4 side Warwick University A saw off their nearest opposition, Rugby F, 9-1. Arslan Arwan and Michael Farmer won 7 points and Adam Green took two, losing to Grace Newman. However, Rugby stayed on course for promotion with two good wins. The first came against Eathorpe D who were dispatched 9-1. Alex Bowe and Jack Kuomi won all their singles and the doubles and Newman’s only blemish was a loss to Thomas Backhouse. Warwick University B were then beaten 7-3 , Bowe (3), Newman (2) Kuomi (1) with Bowe and Newman pairing for the doubles. The students replied through Sam Pattison (2) and Ratish Singh (1). Ashorne D also beat the University’s B team 7-3, Steve Handsley, Jim Jack and Tony Philpott all successful in two singles with Handsley and Philpott pinching the doubles. None could master Singh who won his three.**

**Division A leaders Free Church L bagged all 5 points when visiting Eathorpe F, Nicholas Ho and Joe Shrimpton in fine form. Snitterfield B had an 11-8 in the 5th doubles win from Michael Klein and Ron Shakesheff to thank for their 3-2 win over FISSC A. Klein won his two singles but Mark Kingham and Brian Marston kept it tight. FISSC went on to whitewash Eathorpe F 5-0 through Kingham and Marston.**

**In Division B FISSC B hosted Free Church N and beat them 4-1. Martin Hamer won two, Mandip Takhar won once, losing to Alfie Ransom, and the partnership secured the doubles.**

**In Division C Free Church O defeated County Council F 3-2 although Council’s Neil Davis was unbeaten. David Knott and Alex O’Driscoll accounted for the other points. Free Church P also tasted victory beating Eathorpe H 4-1. Jack Bradbury won his two and partnered Dan Stone to take the doubles. Stone added once but lost his 100% record to Joshua Atkins.**

**Eathorpe J are heading for promotion from Division D after two wins. They beat Free Church T 5-0 with Ben Anderton and Adam Colbridge gathering the points and then edged past Free Church S 3-2. Anderton and Colbridge gained a single win each and the doubles but both lost to Arnav Mulay. Eathorpe I might well join them after overcoming Free Church T 4-1. John Gymer and David Hanson won their singles but Matt Hayes and Joe Cole managed to defeat them in the doubles.**