**Table-tennis League Report**

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The biggest shock of the week in Division 1 came from WCC B who edged 3rd placed Free Church A 6-4. Simon Griew, who is enjoying a tremendous campaign, proved invincible, winning his singles. Nilton Green notched a double and Martin Hunter one. Timmy Cooper (2) and Lee Dorning (1) replied and combined for the doubles. St Georges B became the new side in 3rd after a 10-0 pasting of Wellesbourne, Mark Jackson, Laurence Sweeney and Ron Vose the in-form trio. Colebridge A sit three points behind leaders Rugby A, dropping just the doubles to their B team. Kate Hughes, Mike Rinnhofer and Ben Willson snatched all the singles. At the other end of the table. Free Church C claimed their first win when they squeezed past Nomads A 6-4. Church’s Martyn Todd took a maximum and won the doubles with Harry Purewal. Adam Cofler weighed in with two wins. Paul Rowan (2) Andy Davies and Tony Thomas, both one, kept Nomads in contention. Free Church B’s two Sams, Weaving and Wiggins, saw their side home against County Council A by taking all of their singles. Chris Brewer and Phil Paine won the doubles for Council and, like Pat McCabe, took a singles.

Whitnash A are top of Division 2 by 3 points and enjoyed a 7-3 success over Colebridge C. Paul Riman secured a triple, Kevin Ariss a brace and reserve Richard Smith a single as well as winning the doubles with Riman. Mike Evetts won twice for the Brummies with Neil Wheatley adding one. Free Church E are second and edged Eathorpe A 6-4. Phil Blowey and Dudley Turner won two apiece, Tom Harris supplied one win and joined Blowey to win the vital doubles. Andy Baruch notched two for the villagers, Steph Hawkins and Pete Titmas one each. Free Church D lie third beating St Georges C 8-2. Jack Green and Anthony Smith were supreme in their singles, Cherry Matthews won once and took the doubles with Smith. Len Coonan and Will Fletcher responded. Phoenix O overcame Millennium A 6-4 thanks to Paul Calloway’s treble, the doubles with Roy Jardim and singles from Roy Joiner and Gordon Tucker. Christian Ward and Rob Warnes both won twice for the Banbury side.

In Division 3 leaders Flavels A were on the wrong side of a 7-3 scoreline at the hands of lowly Snitterfield A. Stuart Ayres led the way with a superb hat-trick, Dave Milton posted two wins and Henry Lu added one, Ayres and Milton taking the doubles. Mick Bennett, who lost two in 5, Dot Macfarlane and Roger Potts all triumphed once. County Council D recorded their second win in two matches when defeating Millennium B 6-4. Tony Ford starred with a treble, and Cliff Jackson won two, with the pair combining for the doubles. Bob Clarke took a consolation and 2-man Council conceded three. County Council C overcame Whitnash B 7-3 despite Greg Swan’s excellent triple. Derek Harwood, Steve Poole and Ian Stevens each won twice with Poole and Stevens victorious in the doubles. Nomads C had a welcome 7-3 success at the expense of Eathorpe B. Richard Miles posted an eye-catching maximum, Dave Harding contributed two and Les Hoggins one as well as the doubles with Miles. Rugby E’s Milly Bradshaw recorded a hat-trick against Free Church F but was still on the losing side, 4-6, as the only other point came from Dave Cox. James Robertson and Milan Sajiv nailed two wins each, Jenny Singleton recorded her first win at this level and partnered Robertson to pocket the doubles.

In Division 4 Ashorne A entertained Free Church J in a stalemate. Paul Rouse maintained his 100% record for the home side, Steve Bolton had one success and paired with Rouse for the doubles. Church bounced back with braces from Janice Rowan and Mike Weaving and a single from Jill Weaving.

Snitterfield B dropped their first two points in Division A to Free Church M whose Nikit Sajiv won twice to dent the villagers’ run. Henry Lu and Kim Wong ensured a 3-2 win. Fissc A defeated bottom side Free Church N 5-0, Mark Jones and Mark Kingham showing no mercy.

In Division B Norton Lindsey B collared WCC F 4-1 with two from John Walker and one from Guy Harrison plus the doubles. Bernard Hardingham got the consolation. Oscar Dalrymple led Free Church P to a 3-2 victory over Eathorpe F with two wins. Team-mate Joss Farmer won once. Richard Freeman replied and took the doubles with Dave Hawker. Eathorpe E defeated Norton Lindsey B 3-2 with all four players winning a single, Jamie Sayer and Norbu-Sunang-Joret for Eathorpe and Vince Ford and John Walker for the visitors, with the home team snatching the doubles. Free Church O maintained top spot, crushing WCC F 5-0 through Ashley and Keith Knott.

Rugby H have a 10 point lead in Division C but were taken to the wire, 3-2, by Free Church Q whose Ben Hall is in a rich vein of form, winning twice. Daniel Burgess and Jack Davidson guaranteed the win. Ashorne B edged Free Church R 3-2 thanks to a double from Steve Handsley and the doubles with Tony Philpott. Milly Green and Dominic Priest won singles to keep it tight.

Norton Lindsey C moved up to second in Division D and took all 5 points from FreeChurch U courtesy of Andy Mountney and Edward Rogers. Free Church U bounced back with their first win, 3-2 at Eathorpe H. Joshua Yarrow starred with two singles and the doubles with Sundeep Virdi. Marcel Bloodworth and David Hanson replied. Free Church T eclipsed their S side with Alex Costa and Amie Goldsmith claiming a full house.

Rugby I have still not dropped a point in Division E, Free Church W being their latest victims as Angel and William Chen maintained their 100% averages. Second placed Free Church V also bagged all 5 points against Free Church X in what was nonetheless a very competitive match. Eduardo Bolanos and Carolyn Dorning dug deep to claim the win.