

WARREN SPRING TABLE TENNIS CLUB NEWSLETTER

Hello to everyone both old and new. I hope you all had a great summer returning to table tennis fully refreshed for what promises to be a long, hard but enjoyable season.

Commencement of season

Please note that the 2010/11 season will commence on the **week beginning Monday 13th September.**

Early Fixtures

To help members plan their commitments in advance of the release of the league handbooks, here are the fixtures for the first two weeks of the season. But please check your handbooks when received just to make sure that I have not made a mistake.

Tuesday 14 September; Warren Spring A v Warren Spring B
Tuesday 14 September; Warren Spring Warriors v ARTO A
Monday 13 September; Warren Spring C v Warren Spring F
Monday 13 September; Broadway B v Warren Spring D
Thursday 16 September; Warren Spring E v Broadway C
Wednesday 15 September; Bedwell H v Warren Spring G
Monday 13 September; Broadway D v Warren Spring H
Thursday 16 September; Warren Spring J v Bedwell K
Tuesday 14 September; Bedwell J v Warren Spring K
Friday 17 September; Warren Spring L v Broadway J

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Wednesday 22 September; Royston B v Warren Spring A
Monday 20 September; Warren Spring B v Bedwell A
Tuesday 21 September; Bedwell B v Warren Spring Warriors
Tuesday 21 September; Bedwell D v Warren Spring C
Monday 20 September; Warren Spring D v Bedwell F
Monday 20 September; Settlement Ravens V Warren Spring E
Tuesday 21 September; Warren Spring F v Royston C
Thursday 23 September; Warren Spring G v Broadway Musketeers
Thursday 23 September; Warren Spring H v Settlement Great Tits
Friday 24 September; Warren Spring K v Warren Spring J
Monday 20 September; Broadway K v Warren Spring L

A Warm Welcome

To the following players who all joined us over the summer period.

Division One: Pooja Sharma, Darko Butina

Division Two: Biao Wang

Division Three: Sathish Kumar, Doug Livingstone, Barney Ross-Smith, Mark Flint, Sin Sin Hsu, Yu Ning Tzeng and Ian Ostojic

ETTA Membership Forms

All club members should now be in receipt of a copy of the above or have been made aware of the need to apply for a player licence. **Whilst most forms have been returned to me, and licence numbers given I am still awaiting others.** I would therefore be grateful if those who have not yet sent their forms back or have still to

give me licence numbers could do this ASAP as they are now needed urgently. My address can of course be found in last season's handbook.

Club Fees

These are now due and as always prompt payment is being asked for. If you read our final newsletter of last season you will remember that the adult fees have increased by £5.00 per annum largely because of the new ETTA Membership Fee that has to be paid for the first time this season. Therefore subscriptions this year are;

Adults: £85.00 and juniors unchanged at £40.00

Club Practice

There will be a double practice evening on Thursday 9th September. Those members playing at Wymondley this season i.e. A, C, D, F, G, J, K and L teams will be able to practice there, whilst those playing at Newnham i.e. B, Warriors, E and H teams are requested to go to the Newnham hall for practice.

Note to Club Captains

Team Captains or elected representatives for those teams playing at Wymondley this season will be able to collect handbooks, balls and scorecards from me at the Wymondley practice session on Thursday 9th September. I will be at the hall from 7.30pm onwards. For those teams playing at Newnham, Bill Price will be doing the honours on the same date and at the same time.

Those teams wishing to provide refreshments at home games should consult amongst themselves and come up with a best practice arrangement suitable to each team.

Junior Corner

Tournaments

Our juniors had plenty of success in tournaments which took place towards the end of the season. In the North Herts Junior Closed U/18, Tom Baines was runner-up to Luke Walsh of Bedwell. In the girls Open, Pooja Sharma was runner-up to Natasha Walsh. In the U/15's Isaac Beevor was runner/up to guess who (again) Luke Walsh.

Other Achievements

Isaac Beevor winner U/15 Essex 1*
Tom Baines winner U/16 Chesham 2*

Congratulations

Go to Tom Baines being a part of the Hertfordshire junior county team that gained promotion to the National Counties Premier Division, and Pooja Sharma on being invited to play for the Ellenborough Club (Enfield) in the junior girls division of the British League next season.

Club Annual Tournament

Having consulted the ETTA fixture list, it is proposed to hold our 2011 tournament on either **Sunday 23rd January** or **Sunday 30th January 2011** as there appears to be no county/British League (other than premier division) or Veterans matches on those

days. This could of course change over the coming weeks but I would ask you all to make a note in your diaries now, as we would like this next event to be as successful as the previous couple have been.

If you know of any reason why this / these dates should not be suitable I would be grateful if you would let me know as soon as possible.

It is expected that entry forms will be sent out in early December.

Note to all new members

Most of you will already know this I am sure, but for those playing in competition for the first time a word on dress code. White (shirt, shorts or trousers) should not be worn when playing league table tennis. Any other colour will suffice but dark colours are preferable. Many thanks.

Roger Bowler