

WARREN SPRING TABLE TENNIS CLUB NEWSLETTER

September 2019 Edition

Hello Everybody, and welcome to a brand new season.

Commencement of Season

Please note that the 2019/20 season will commence the week beginning **Monday 16th September**.

A Warm Welcome

To the following players that joined us during the close season period.

Sara Williams & Roger Pyle both B team (Premier Division), and re-joined Marek Mastalerczyk A team (Premier Division) and Maciej Demski B team (Premier Division), Martin Klopstock D team (Division one), Turgut Gurer, G team (Division two), and re-joined Erol Hasan H & K team (Division 2 & 3) & Steve Campbell & Noah Maidment both K team (Division three).

Club AGM 2019

The main points to come out of the 2019 AGM were;

Club Fees to stay at £103.00 for adults and £55.00 for juniors for 2019/20. The rules for those players playing less than 50% of games is also unchanged.

Roger will stand down as club secretary in May/June 2020. Mark Redford will take over, but a junior secretary will be needed.

It was agreed to reduce the number of newsletters from six to three per year.

Club Subscriptions

These are now due, and it is essential that we receive everyone's money in good time. Team captains are asked to monitor their team to ensure prompt payment. Subscriptions for this season as agreed at our AGM are as follows;

Senior Players £103.00 and Junior Players £55.00

Please make cheques payable to Warren Spring Table Tennis Club.

A reminder that our bank details are;

Account No: 26118568

Sort Code: 77-05-11

Members who play less than 50% of competitive games will pay a senior club fee of £20.00 and £5.00 per match whilst juniors will pay a club fee of £15.00 and £3.00 per match.

Associate Membership fees will be £15.00 per annum.

All money should ideally be paid by September 30th of each year (in line with existing club rules) but **MUST** be paid by 31st December. Any payments received after the 31st December will incur a £20.00 penalty for adults and a £10.00 penalty for juniors.

If a member feels that they have an exceptional circumstance which may make payment difficult, then their request to defer or to make an alternative amount will go forward to the club's finance committee who will review matters on a case by case basis.

Practice and Play your Club Subscription Evening

There will be a double practice evening on Tuesday 10th September. Those members based at Wymondley i.e. teams A, B, C, G, H, J, & K will be able to practice there, whilst those playing at Newnham i.e. teams D, E & F are requested to go to the Newnham hall for practice. Even if you cannot stay long, it will be a good opportunity to pay your club subscription on time. I will be taking money at Wymondley whilst Bill will do so at Newnham.

Collection of Handbooks, Scorecards, Balls and Keys

Please note that team captains for those teams playing at Wymondley i.e. **Arron, Eric C, Samuel, Jim, Nigel & Eric M**, will be able to collect handbooks, scorecards, balls, plus raffle tickets (part of Diamond Anniversary celebrations) and if necessary a key to the venue from me at the Tuesday 10th September practice session from 7.45pm onwards. Team captains for those teams playing at Newnham i.e. **Paul, Mark & Dave K** will be able to collect the same from Bill Price who will be at the Newnham venue – same time. Should a team captain be unavailable then it would be appreciated if they could send a representative in their place.

Individual Registrations

Please remember, if you have not yet renewed your membership for the 2019/20 season or submitted your name as a new member with Table Tennis England you only have until Friday 13th September to do so through the Table Tennis England Sport 80 website. Please note, that your results will not count if you are NOT a paid up TTE player with a valid Membership Number. I would be grateful if captains could check that their team members are all registered in time for their first matches.

Club Contact List

A copy of an up to date contact list will be emailed to the Chairman and all team captains. If any member would also like a copy could they contact me direct and I shall send one off to them.

Diamond Anniversary Elite Tournament

When; Sunday 10th November

Where; St. Neots Table Tennis Centre

Commencing: 9.00am, doors open at 8.00.

Entry Forms have now gone out to all those players that stated an interest to play. It is shaping up to become a great competition with the men's top seed likely to be Jack Bennett from Sussex, along with Joseph Langham-Ferriera, Thai sensation Naphat Boonyrappa and Corby's Sam Wilson. Also in the running and providing local interest will be Stevenage's top England ranked junior Ethan Walsh together with Arron Beckett and Victor Ramirez Rioja who are representing the club.

The ladies' event is looking just as good. Top seeds here are likely to be England No 6 and No 7 Mollie Patterson and Lois Peake respectively together with Romania's Elena Todirca and top England junior international Megan Gidney. Local interest is in the form of Hertfordshire's Sara Williams (ranked England No 1 ladies veteran) together with North Herts premier players Sandra Harper and Natasha Nutland (nee Walsh). Isabelle Lacorte will represent our club.

Spectators are welcome at the event which gives you a rare opportunity to see so many good players in action under one roof and at a local venue.



Sam Wilson



Naphat Boonyaprapa



Ethan Walsh



Mollie Patterson



Lois Peake



Megan Gidney

Local Leagues Event

On the day before and at the same venue, we are running an event for local players from around the various local leagues. If you would like to take part then please give Paul Waterman a ring on 07732 972783 or email him on pjwsprings-ft@yahoo.co.uk he will then arrange for an entry form to be sent to you. The event is for players of all standards so please come along and support the club in its 60th year.

Table Cleaner

Will club captains please note that there are now bottles of table cleaner at each of our venues. Please let me know when they run low so that I can reorder.