

# **WARREN SPRING TABLE TENNIS CLUB NEWSLETTER**

## **Club Fees 2012/13**

The club committee would like to extend a thank you to all those who have already submitted their fees for this season. For those still to do so, may I remind you that these were due in September and should be paid as soon as possible.

## **ETTA Individual Membership**

Congratulations and a big thank you to all of you who managed to enrol so promptly. At the last count there was only one member left who had still to do so, which considering our membership numbers was terrific.

## **Contact Details**

I am currently in the process of updating my contacts database. If any member has recently changed their details, including mobile numbers, or have not yet given me their mobile number then I would be grateful to receive it.

## **Radovan**

The club were very fortunate to acquire the services of Radovan Zivkovic who helped the A team out during their recent period of disruption. Radovan, who kindly made the journey from Harrow to play, quickly settled into the team (he had not met any of the team before) and enjoyed himself immensely, so much so, that he has indicated that he would be happy to play again if asked.

## **Match Round-Up**

**Warren B – 4** Marek Mastalerczyk, Isaac Beevor, John McCance

**Warren A – 6** Simon Proffitt, Radovan Zivkovic, Angela Smith

I went along to this match hoping to see a close fought affair and was not disappointed. The evening also produced one of the best premier games I have witnessed in a while as in the last game of the night Radovan took on the ever improving Isaac. The A team got off to a winning start with Radovan beating Marek in straight games. The B team levelled as Isaac defeated Angela in four. Then with Simon, Angela and Radovan all winning, the A team opened up a 4-1 lead. A mini fight back saw this lead reduced but by the final match-up of the night the A team had opened up a winning 6-3 lead. The match score however was never in the minds of Radovan and Isaac as they produced a most amazing five game thriller. The end result a win for Isaac by a score of (and this is not a slip of the pen) 25-23, 11-9, 19-21, 9-11, 11-7. Both players and spectators finally made their weary way home at just past 12.15am, but what a great evening's table tennis.

**Warren N – 5** Jack Hurley, Peter Newbery, Tricia Brown

**Broadway H –5** Christine Deeks, Ruth Hart, Phil Abbotts

The N team made up of improving juniors and adults who have never played competitive table tennis before did well in their first outing gaining a 5-5 draw after being 1-4 down. Indeed, it was a good team performance all-round, with Jack overcoming both Christine and Phil whilst Peter and Tricia took one each, Peter beating Christine 11-7, 13-11, 11-7 in the final game to earn the draw whilst Tricia was impressive in coming from 1-2 behind to defeat Ruth, who until this time had remained unbeaten, by a score line of 11-7, 6-11, 6-11, 11-8, 11-7.

### **Cup Round-up**

The A team of Simon Proffitt, Tom Carr and Angela Smith handed out a few lessons in premiership play as they demolished our D team of Mark Redford, Grant Whitfield and Dave Saunders 0-6 in their Willmott Cup clash. The only leg taken by the D team came when Mark – to the surprise of everyone – managed to claim the second leg 11-9 against Tom, but it was the latter's serving power which made the final result in the game inevitable. "Simon and Angela's attacking game was just too good. Angela seems to have two modes of hitting: hard and harder. Our game will definitely have to go up a few levels if we wish to maintain our premier status" was D team's captain Mark's comments afterwards.

The B team were also in action in the Willmott as Isaac Beevor, Marek Mastalerczyk and John McCance cruised to a 5-1 victory over Broadway A. Only team captain Marek found himself on the losing end as he was defeated in a close fought game by Broadway's James Swede.

In the McClaughlin Cup for division one sides, our G team looked almost "home and dry" at 3-0 against the current division one leaders Bedwell E, with Rob Worrell, Robert Chapman and Pooja Sharma all winning their opening games. However Bedwell soon drew level and it was nip and tuck until the deciding game which saw Rob narrowly losing to Bedwell's John Hirons by a score of 3-11, 11-6, 5-11, 13-11, 13-11. Bedwell E through 4-5.

The McClaughlin Inter Cup (div 2) also saw an all Warren Spring clash as our J team took on the K team winning by a score of 8-1. K's only success came from Ian Drakes who proved a little too awkward for J's Gary Kedzierski. In spite of maximums from Dave Kells and Dante Lacorte there were some close run matches as both Dante and Gary needed five legs to defeat Ian and Peter Fabian respectively.

In the Henderson Cup for division three, our M team had to concede their match due to unavailability of players. Meanwhile our L team were gaining a 6-0 clean sweep over Bedwell L who unfortunately only had two players on the night. Our team of Elaine Hanworth, Doug Livingstone and Steve King however proved far too strong for the Bedwell pair of Danny Christ and Rhys Walker.

## Website Update

We have now begun to update the club website, and have been lucky in recruiting Tamara Woodley (who attends our Sunday junior coaching sessions) and who has agreed to help with this task. Tamara, with assistance from David Kells, will be responsible for the day to day running and upkeep of the website. A reminder that we can be found at [wstabletennis.org.uk](http://wstabletennis.org.uk)

## Congratulations

To junior club members Isaac Beevor and Pooja Sharma who both qualified in first place at the recently held Eastern Region National Qualification event held at BATTs Harlow.

This means that both Isaac and Pooja will compete in the National Junior Championships to be held at the University of Hertfordshire, Hatfield over the weekend of 24/25 November. If any of you have an hour or so to spare, I am sure that both Isaac and Pooja would enjoy your support.



Pooja (far left) with Eastern Region coach Steve Gertson and winner's certificate.



Isaac (centre) complete with winners certificate