

Week Commencing 14th October 2002

Ashorne have started in excellent form this season with their second win in Division 3 when they overcame Free Church D 6-4. Roger Kelley, Chris Bowles and Steve Bolton took three, two, one respectively to give Ashorne the narrow victory while Jonathan Taylor kept a brace and the doubles with Mike Skidmore, who added a single as well, to give Church their four points. Eathorpe B have had tremendous success in their latest two matches (after falling in their first match). First 'thorpe B rolled over Standard Photographic A 8-2 and then they edged past RNA E 6-4. Against Standard Photo Ron Coates and Michael Rossington took singles and doubles for Eathorpe and Dave Hawker chipped in with a single. Chris Fincham and Ashley Smith both kept one for Photo. The tighter naval match saw Calvin Woodings, Ron Coates and Michael Rossington all making braces for 'Thorpe but none could stop naval's Jim Thomas in singles and the doubles. RNA E had previously fallen to FISSC A 8-2 though Wilf Harris kept the naval spirits up with a brace. Brian Marston made a treble for the Farmers, George Mudie and John Hunt two each and the doubles together. FISSC A followed that result with a 5-5 draw against Marconi B, a match in which every player won. George Mudie held two singles and the doubles with Brian Marston, who chipped in with a single as did Mark Kingham for the Farmers whilst Marconi's Stan Render took a hat-trick, Geoff Taylor and Bob Montgomery one each. Two more 6-4 results in the division. Standard Photographic A picked up that score-line against AP Sports C despite being a player short and so having to give 3 points to AP. Sean Care returned to Leamington league play with a fine treble and the doubles with his photographic teammate Ashley Smith who added a brace. AP's Ros Freeman took one single. Myton A were led to 6-4 success against County Council C by Jim Quinn who took his three and the doubles with Jonathan White who contributed a brace. Tony Ford held his two for Council, Pat Woolvin and Andy Woodfield one each.

In Division 2 Whitnash B and Free Church A are both unbeaten after 3 weeks. Whitnash trounced RNA C 9-1 with three each from Dennis Woodhead and Paul Ryman, two from Jane Dickens and the doubles from Woodhead and Dickens. 'Nash's Andy Davies stopped the whitewash with a single. Church A had a tighter match against St. Georges B, before edging past in the final match 6-4. Hugh Matthews took his treble, Dave Daniels a brace and John Taylor a crucial single for Church's victory. Rob Bennett gave Saints two and the doubles with Tracy Fletcher and Rob Warnes one. St. Georges B however swamped newly promoted Marconi A 8-2 led by Rob Warnes and Alf Chapman who both took hat-tricks and a useful brace from Tracey Fletcher. Dennis Mockford held onto one single for Marconi and the doubles, 12/10 in the fifth, with Gordon Tucker. RNA A picked up a useful 7-3 victory against AP Sports B, led by Ken Southwell and Tony Thomas, both unbeaten in singles and one from Ian Stevens. Eddie Stafford and new signing Gerald Taylor took one each and the doubles for AP. Meanwhile RNA B were having a titanic struggle with Eathorpe A which finished in a 5-5 draw. Steve Poole was unbeaten in the singles or the doubles with Tony Bennett and Richard Miles chipped in with the critical single. Chris Atkins and Matthew Cooper both kept two for Eathorpe and dad Colin Cooper one.

At the top the top team keep at the very top of Division 1. County Council A gained their third success by swamping promoted Flavels 10-0, Mark Jackson, Phil Paine and Clive Irwin the Councillors in control. For County Council B, only up this season, however, promotion into the top flight looks likely to be shortlived. They went down 9-1 to Colebridge B and 6-4 to Phoenix. For Colebridge, Michael Rinnhofer and John Taylor took singles and doubles, Neil Wheatley a brace whilst council's Derek Harwood saved the day with a single. Against Phoenix, Derek Harwood held two, Arthur Clarke and Reg Warnes one each for council's 4 points. Allan Stockham picked up singles and doubles for Phoenix, Martin Tallis a brace. Two 8-2 results this week. St. Georges A rolled up Blessed George Napier 8-2 with Martyn Todd taking a treble, Earl Sweeney and Brian Aston braces and the doubles went to Sweeney and Todd. Simon Nolan held onto two for BGN. Wellesbourne gained their

first success 8-2 over AP Sports A led by Andy Cockerill in singles and the doubles with Alan Cotton, who added two as did Julie Richardson. AP's Ron Vose kept hold of two. Whitnash A had a tussle with Nuneaton Bucks before the match ended in a 5-5 draw. Mark Woolerton led 'Nash with a treble, Ian Perry added a single and the doubles also went to Whitnash. Arun Jogi and Dave Grundy kept two for Nuneaton, Sohail Caratella the crucial single.

In the 2-aside Division A it was Standard Photographic B who were luckless. First they fell 4-1 to Free Church G and then 5-0 to Free Church E. For Church G Mark Harris took two, Greville Owen one and the doubles between them, Paul Marsh salving Photographic's pride with one point. Then Church E's Keith Knott and Paul Nason whitewashed the photos. Eathorpe C, however, squashed Church G 4-1 with Eric Smith taking two, Richard Freeman one and the doubles together. Robin Hirons held onto one for Church's reply.

Two good results for Free Church H in Division B. First the duo of Ben McNally and Chris Blowey crushed club-mates Church J 5-0. Then Church H overcame Eathorpe D 4-1 with Ben McNally taking two, Adam Cooper one and the doubles together for Church, Jim French holding onto one for Eathorpe's pride. Eathorpe E gained the doubles to give them 3-2 success over St. Georges D. Nicola Rossington and Katie Hawker picking up one single and the doubles for 'Thorpe but neither could stop Saints' Philip Morby.