

Week Commencing 25th April 2005

Three wins for Whitnash C moved them up the placings in Division 3. First they edged past AP Sports B 6-4, with braces and the doubles from Dennis Woodhead and Paul Riman and a crucial single from Suzi Lingard. Samantha Apostol and Stephanie Hawkins both kept two for AP. Then an 8-2 against County Council C. Dennis Woodhead and Paul Riman took singles and doubles for Whitnash, Suzi Lingard one whilst Tony Ford and Howard Rodgers kept one each for Council. Finally a 10-0 over LCP Spartans with Dennis Woodhead, Suzi Lingard and Paul Riman taking singles, Suzi and Paul the doubles. AP Sports B squeezed past RNA D 6-4 with three from Samantha Apostol, two from Stephanie Hawkins and the doubles together. Jim Thomas kept two for the navy, Steve Kurle and Robin Fox-Strangways one each. County Council C saw off Free Church Z 7-3 with Howard Rodgers and Tony Ford taking singles and doubles. Vincent Yeung, David Jordan and Mike Skidmore all kept one in reply for Church. FISSC A also won at 7-3, with three, two, one respectively from Brian Marston, John Hunt and Mark Kingham and the doubles by Mark and John. For opponents Eathorpe B Paul Deavall kept two, Michael Rossington one. A 5-5 draw for Standard Photographic against St Georges C, with two from Standard's Brendan Leahy, one each from Chris Fincham and Geoff Taylor and the doubles from Brendan and Chris. For Saints, Martin Bennett kept three, Tony Bennett two.

Other results:

AP Sports B 8 (Stephanie Hawkins 3, Charlotte Freeman 1, Samantha Apostol 3, Hawkins/Apostol dbls); Standard Photographic 2 (Brendan Leahy 1, Geoff Taylor 1). FISSC 7 (Brian Marston 2, Mark Kingham 2, John Hunt 2, Marston/Kingham dbls); Ashorne 3 (Roger Kelley 3). County Council C 3 (Tony Ford 3); RNA D 7 (Steve Kurle 2, Robin Fox-Strangways 2, Jim Thomas 2, Fox Strangways/Thomas dbls).

Three wins in one week for Free Church G in Division A. First Adam Cooper and Luke Hobbins took singles and doubles for a 5-0 romp over Eathorpe F and then they did the same to Eathorpe C. Finally a 4-1 to the G's against Church E, Adam Cooper taking his two, Luke Hobbins one and the doubles at deuce in the fifth. Keith Knott kept the one point for E in this local derby. Previously Free Church E had squashed St. Georges F 4-1 with two from Keith Knott, one from Estyn Williams and the doubles together. Lawrence Sweeney held his own for one for Saints. Rugby finish well out in front with a final 4-1 over Eathorpe F with two from Jack Randle and one from Stephen Maddison and the doubles together. Chris Long worked hard to hold one single for Eathorpe at 16/14 in the fifth. Also 4-1 for Eathorpe D over Free Church I, Sophie Cooper taking her singles and the doubles with Sophie Niepceron, Peter Nicholson one single. Phil Blowey held onto one for Church. A Church H against Church F local derby saw Chris Blowey adding the doubles with Tom Hunt to his singles for the 3-2 win to the H's. Sam Smith and Steve Richards kept one single each for F.

It came to the match between them to sort out first and second in Division B, with both St. Georges E and Eathorpe E unbeaten to that point. First Kate and Dave Hawker for Eathorpe E had whitewashed Eathorpe G and LCP Groovers 5-0. St. Georges E saw off Eathorpe I 3-2 when Phil Morby and Steven Johnson added the doubles to their one single each, William Hancock keeping a brace for Eathorpe. But in the match against each other Saints got the upper hand with Phil Morby and Steven Johnson taking the singles for the 4-1 result and the title with 51 points. Katie and Dave Hawker kept the doubles for Eathorpe E and are second with 49 points. Free Church J overcame Free Church L 5-0, Philip Booth and Anthony Reeve taking singles and doubles but then went down 3-2 to LCP Packers though Ross McDermott held one and the doubles with Philip Booth. Steve Deeley took his two for Packers, Doug Smith one. Another Church derby saw Church K edging out Church M 3-2 when Michael Turner and Robert Smith added the doubles to their one single each. Jack Hobbins kept his two for the M's. An LCP derby saw the Packers defeating the Inkers at 4-1, with Steve Deeley two,

Doug Smith one and the doubles together with Inkers' James Dex hanging onto one single. Also 4-1 for Eathorpe H over LCP Groovers, Alastair Nicholson two, Robert Young one plus the doubles, with Sara Hemp keeping one for the Groovers.