

Week Commencing 8th May 2006

In Division 1, St. Georges A won their final match at 6-4, and the league for the second year running with 166 points from 19 wins, 2 draws and only 1 loss. Ian Packford, Earl Sweeney and Mike Bishop won three, two, one respectively for Saints; for losers Wellesbourne, Pete Dunnett, Gary Stewart and Michael Wilkins took singles and Pete and Gary the doubles. County Council A edged out Colebridge B 6-4 to finish the season, Pat McCabe three, Phil Paine two and Clive Irwin one; while Colebridge's Michael Rinnhofer held onto one, Navinder Matharu two and the doubles together. This puts last year's runners-up Council, again into second place with 163 points, only 3 points behind the winners. Free Church A took out two-man Flavels 9-1, Alan Jones and Hugh Matthews picking up braces and the doubles, David Daniels one plus three forfeited points for Church, Damon Fenton one for Flavels. Church then went down 6-4 to Whitnash A, for whom Alan Hewitt and Jon Williams took hat-tricks. Gary Webb, Stuart Kurle and David Daniels gave church singles and Gary and David the doubles. Fixture problems for Church A have led them to concede matches against Colebridge A, Colebridge B and Wellesbourne, who have all been awarded 5 points based on their first half results, and BGN, who picked up 3 points in recompense. Wellesbourne's match against Whitnash A was declared a 0-0 void. Flavels and RNA C will be relegated.

In Division 2, St. Georges C finished on top with 15 wins, six draws and only one loss for 148 points. Saints beat two-man Whitnash B 7-3, Alf Chapman two, Brian Aston and Gary Edwards one each plus the three points given away. Paul Ryman held two and the doubles with Dennis Woodhead for Whitnash. As expected, Eathorpe A moved into second place with a 9-1 success over RNA B and 140 points, Matthew Cooper and Allan Stockham taking singles and doubles and Chris Atkins a brace. Richard Smith consoled the navy with a single. AP A drew 5-5 against Free Church B, Andrew Meredith and Samantha Apostol two each and Edward Freeman one for AP; Chris Mulligan two, Ian Rourke and Tom Brocklehurst one each with the doubles going to Chris and Tom. Whitnash B edged out Free Church C 6-4, Paul Ryman and John Bunn winning their three. For Church, John Taylor, Cherry Matthews and Les Hoggins took singles and Cherry and John the doubles. Whitnash B then defeated Church B 9-1, John Bunn and Mark Woolerton taking singles and doubles and Dennis Woodhead two, whilst Tom Brocklehurst kept one for Church. In the return fixture against Free Church B the result was a 5-5 draw. For Whitnash Dennis Woodhead took his three, Paul Ryman one and the doubles. For Church, Chris Mulligan and Ian Rourke two each and critically Emma Churchley one. RNA B also drew 5-5 with Whitnash B, naval crew Richard Smith taking a brace, Dave Harding and Richard Miles one each and the doubles. For Whitnash, Paul Ryman three, Dennis Woodhead two. The two bottom sides, Riverhouse Henley A and RNA B, mutually declined to play each other as both will be relegated anyway. Neither side therefore gain any points for the matches.

In Division 3 Free Church E gained a 7-3 score against Standard Photo, who were one short giving away three points. Tom Hunt won twice for Church, Chris and Phil Blowey one each while Photo's Brendan Leahy held two and the doubles with Chris Fincham. Better for Standard against AP B, where they won at 6-4, as AP gave away three games! Geoff Taylor, Chris Fincham and Brendan Leahy all won one for Photo, Tony Williams kept his three and the doubles with Carol Meredith. RNA D took the division with 173 points, Rugby Lawford second.

In Division A of the 2-aside league, FISSC B and Eathorpe E take first and second place. But at the bottom of the table, a point had to be given to LCP Dreamers as Riverhouse Henley B failed to turn up for their match. That places Dreamers on 18 points the same as Eathorpe D and a play off between these two teams for one to avoid relegation. Eathorpe F with 11 points is definitely relegated for next season.

Eathorpe J have come out at the top of Division B. First they beat Free Church G 4-1 reversing a 1-4

defeat in the previous encounter between the two teams, James Matharu two, Ryan Oldham one and the doubles for Eathorpe, Tom Crellin consoling Church with one. Eathorpe went down 3-2 to Church J, though James Matharu took his two. Church's Russell and Charlotte Spencer took one each and the doubles for the match in a fiercely competitive match with 4 matches going to 5 sets. Church J edged out LCP Packers 3-2 with one each and the doubles again by Russell and Charlotte Spencer to give them the runners-up place in the division. Douglas Smith kept his two for Packers. Church J had to be awarded 3 points for their failed match against Church G while G were penalised with the deduction of 5 points after persistent non appearance by Church G. However Church G (Tom Crellin and Ricky Fell) whitewashed Church colleagues H 5-0. Church H also went down 3-2 to Eathorpe J, Sam and Tom Smith keeping one single each for Church, James Matharu his two and the doubles with Ryan Oldham for Eathorpe. H then won at 3-2 over Church I, Tom Smith and Michael Turner one each and the doubles for H, Philip Booth two for I.