

Week Commencing 30th October 2006

With this week's Cup results yet to filter through, only a few League matches to report on from last week.

In Division A, the performance of the week was given by St George's D player Paul Nason. An exquisite display of technical competence led him to a maximum at the expense of two of the division's top players in Andy Caine and Tracey Fletcher. Andy and Tracey showed their class to devastating effect by winning their remaining singles and the doubles without the loss of a set and thus claimed the match 3-2. FISSC B made light work of Free Church I. Tony Scott and Brian Marston storming to a 5-0 win without dropping a set.

In Division 1, WCC A met BGN A and just managed to sneak the win. Council's Phil Paine, Pat McCabe and Clive Irwin all picked up two games; Phil showing his mettle to edge out Bob Harman in five sets for one of his. BGN's response came in the form of a Bob Harman brace, who was on the right end of a 3-2 win this time when facing Pat. Barry Hook prevailed in another five-set encounter to pull another point back and was joined by Gary Jackson when taking the doubles.

AP Sports A registered their first win of their Division 2 campaign against Flavels B, but had to work hard to get there with half of the games going the distance over the course of the night. Terry Smith and Samantha Apostol put AP in command by taking two each; both overcoming deciding set tests in one of their games. For Flavels, Roger Potts led the charge by taking a brace of his own and was supported by John Earles and Mick Bennet who won singles. AP's Andy Meredith edged AP back into the lead in another game that went the distance, then partnered Sam to take the vital doubles and steal the match 6-4. Ken Southwell was in imperious form as Whitnash notched up a solid 7-3 win over Copsewood. It was a hat-trick plus doubles for Ken that gave Whitnash a firm footing. Paul Ryman, the other half of the doubles-winning combo, picked up two for himself and Dennis Woodhead one. Copsewood's Gordon Tucker continued some good early season form by picking two points up; Roy Joiner managed a single.

A fast-improving Free Church E side kept up their Division 3 momentum by pulling off a fine win against former Div 2 side WCC C. Luke Hobbins was County Council's chief tormentor and left the room with a maximum. Tom Hunt claimed a couple, Chris Blowey one and the doubles together. Council's James Owen, Graham Roberts and Susan Clarke all registered a point in reply.

Lillington Free Church Table Tennis Club will be holding their second Graded Tournament of the season at Sydenham Sports Centre on Saturday 11 November. The morning session starts at 930 and is split into groups according to age; the afternoon session starts at around 1400 and is grouped by ability. Closing date for entries is Wednesday 8 November. Entry forms are available online at <http://lillingtontt.tripod.com> or from organiser, Hugh Matthews, on 01926 314539.

Entries are also now being accepted for the Warwickshire Closed Championships, which are being held earlier than usual this year at St Nicholas Park Leisure Centre on November 26. Forms have been sent out to all team secretaries and are also available online at <http://leamingtontt.tripod.com> – closing date for entries is Wednesday 15 November.