



# Table Tennis <sup>Copy</sup> DIGEST

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### EDITORIAL

A nice welcome to our friends from Merseybus and a special hello to B. Harrison who has taken on the many chores as Hon. Sec. It is a bit ironic, but at one time there was a distinct possibility that they would join English Electric as a combined Sports and Social Club.

As all the moans, groans, bright suggestions and new ideas were mooted by me in the Editorial and as Brian Leeson has tried to satisfy as many as possible, I think his new suggested set up should get top priority. So here are Brian's first class ideas – support him and the League Closed Tournament.

Dear Jack,

The Liverpool Closed Championships will be held this season at Kirkby Sports Centre on Sunday, 7th February, 1993 and in response to our members helpful suggestions, I have made changes, with Committee approval, to the format of the Tournament, which I can here outline.

Five events remain unaffected, i.e. Men's singles, Women's Singles, Men's Doubles, Junior Singles and Vets Singles. The Finals of these events, plus the two Men's Singles Semi-Finals, will take place at the Police Club on Tuesday, 16th February.

The Mixed Doubles and the Restricted Singles will not be held this year, but in their places I am introducing four new events, individual Divisional Championships for the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th Divs. Players in these lower divisions can enter their own Divisional Championship Event and the Men's Singles event if they wish. However it must be noted that the finals of these extra four events will be held at Kirkby on the Sunday. They will not be included in the Finals night at the Police Club, as there will not be time during that evening's programme unfortunately.

Entry forms for this season's Championships are being distributed to all registered players, via Club Secretaries, together with the first edition of the Digest. It is hoped therefore that this season's major event in the Liverpool League's calendar will attract a good entry and I look forward to receiving completed entry forms by the closing date, which is Friday, 15th January.

Brian Leeson

If the good news is that 'Digest' time has arrived again, the bad news has got to be that I have arrived with it. Non of my critics having been able, or willing to put their pens where their mouths are.

We have lost a few familiar faces, gained a few. Back are Peter Taylor, Dave Tagg and Ahmed Thabet and the return of E. Supp. also bringing back Mall (I'll never play in Liverpool again) McEvoy, Rob Bevan, Peter Flint. Enjoying their first spell in the Liverpool 1st Div. with Electric Supp. are Terry Turner and Ken Connor. Also back is Bernie Wentworth after a brief spell Down-under.

Good news on the junior front with Cadwa having seen the light and given Phil Musgrove and Kevin Dolder a regular 1st team place. Ably led by Neil Gravener, who is having a great season, they have already rattled a few cages, taken some early scalps and left a few red faces in their wake. It is this change by Cadwa which has presumably prompted the transfer to Colonsay of Natasha Williams. I note, however, that she has turned out in the 2nd for Colonsay and one wonders why she could not also have filled a dual role for Cadwa as Neil Gravener is not always available due to his work.

With the reserves Electric Supp. have, this looks likely to be Mal's season of the great revenge. Some two years back he told me he would never play in Liverpool again for he held critical views on those elected to run the league. Now he is back. That he will succeed appears certain, but it won't be quite so easy and painless as winning the 2nd. Only a sustained fall in his players availability will prevent a League and Cup double again falling to his imported team. It follows that any sets taken from them will be hard earned and newsworthy. Their first match did little for their confidence and might even have left a slight dent in Plan 'A'. It certainly put an early dent in any 100% aims for the Colonsay line-up of Chris Ford, Peter Coyle and Colin Rourke had scant regard for reputations, even less for aims and ambitions. Peter and Chris both took a set from Terry Turner and Colin took the award of the week by trouncing Mal 2 str. They got back into their stride against Liverpool Y.M. with a -1 win. The 'whitewash' being avoided when Keith beat Rob Bevan. The following week they beat current champions Wavertree Lab. 6-4. Mal took his three and Rob got 2. When they met Cadwa, who were without Neil, it must have looked good. Cadwa thought otherwise with reserve John Allen marking his debut with a win against Terry Turner (John is actually ranked in the 3rd Div. No. 2 junior in Wales and No. 12 man. Ranked in the 3rd. The mind boggles). Phil Musgrove helped make it another miserable night for Terry by also beating him. They dropped three more against Bath St. with Ken Jackson recording a noteworthy win against Mal and Mike Keane doing likewise against Rob Bevan. A great doubles win - 2 str. - by Peter Taylor and Ahmed over Mal and Rob prevented a whitewash against Y.M. 'A'. But these are really only hiccups in their stampede, or should it be, canter, to the title.

Champions, Wavertree Lab. also had a bad start meeting cage rattlers, Cadwa, who did not so much rattle their cage, as shake it violently leaving the champions image badly dented and their ego's severely bruised. Ably led by Neil, who won his three, they took the match 7-3. Kevin and Phil both beat Steve and Dave, leaving newly returned Bernie to salvage something from the wreckage by putting Kevin and Phil in their place. Not a

night they will want to remember, but a night when Cadwa gave notice of their arrival. Great news for this Div. I just hope they keep their feet firmly planted on the ground as they hopefully go on to further success. Wav. Lab. struggled again against Bath St. to win 6-4. They were without Steve Green and look likely to be without him during December. His replacement, Gary Watson, had a bad night losing to Mike and Ian McElwee who did likewise to Dave. It was again left to Bernie to salvage their pride and points by winning his three. They picked up from then until meeting Colonsay who had new transfer Natasha playing. She beat Bernie and Steve and Peter Coyle beat Steve. Their fixture with Liv. Y.M. ended in a hard fought draw with Keith building the foundations by winning his three before going off to work. The set between Dave and Peter was real thriller when in the 3rd Peter went 10-3 up. Dave fought back to 15-all, went 20-16 up only for Peter to flight back to 20-all. Dave sneaking it 23-21. One hell of a set to watch and the end match result of 5-all was fair. Only real winner on that night was Elec. Supp. Wav. Lab. lie in 2nd place with Y.M. a close 3rd but I see no chance of either team presenting any real challenge to E. Supp. Push them, maybe. Challenge them, no.

Runners-up last season, Y.M. fared no better for they met cage rattlers Cadwa, in Wk.1 and lost 6-4. Once again, Neil was in great form and took his three. Kevin and Phil disposed comfortably of Mike Mahoney and Phil got his double by beating Peter Lee. It was again left to Keith to salvage points and pride by putting usurpers Kevin and Phil in their places. They did follow up their brutal beating by E. Supp. 9-1 with good wins against Bath St. and Lab. 'A' but a challenge of any kind is as far away as the comet which has been in the news.

Cadwa are nicely placed in 4th position and if they can maintain their early form and turn-out could well force themselves into 3rd place at the expense of Y.M. Their 9-1 wins against Bath St. and Y.M. 'A' help enforce this view. They had a setback against Lab. 'A' when without Kevin and Phil they could only scrape a 6-4. The cup draw has been favourable to them and should see them into the semis. The enigma team, Bootle J.C. continue to confound even themselves. They had a comfortable 7-3 against Bath St. and struggled to a 6-4 against Y.M with seven sets going to three. They never seem quite able to produce the really good results which could be theirs. I watched them against Wav. lab. and decided it could be due to their not calling on the right forces. Nick Miller had a problem with his feet which could only be relieved by calling on every deity known to assist him. Perhaps the devil might be prepared to give him more positive assistance. It has to be said, however, that they do seem to enjoy their games and don't even get rattled when the almighty turns a deaf ear to their vociferous appeal for assistance. Obviously got more sense.

Seemingly comfortably placed and with a slightly new look team are Colonsay, but still subject to attacks of the hiccups. After their sterling performance against Elec. Supp. they met Bath St. and crashed 9-1. Does one player make a difference? I don't know, but they were without Chris Ford then and again the following week when they met relegation contenders YM, 'A' and lost again 7-3. Colin Rourke saved the whitewash against Bath St. and he saved their face again against Y.M. 'A' by taking two. Reserve Brenda Buoeuy getting the third with a win against Peter Taylor. Chris was back against our other relegation candidates, E. Elec. but they struggled to a 6-4 win. having got rid of the hiccups and possibly had a say in who goes down, they stepped up their game

and beat Bootle J.C. 7-3; Chris winning his three. Who would be a forecaster in this Div. when a strong middle table team loses to one relegation zone team, narrowly defeats another and then comfortably defeat a good team up there with them.

No relegation worries for Lab 'A' with Gary Watson, Roy Smith, Alan Timewell and Mick Tierney to choose from they have recorded good wins when they should and fared well against teams around them. They disposed of E. Elec. 9-1; Roy Smith dropping a lone set to Alan Chase. G.P.T. fell to them 8-2 and they also beat Y.M. 'A' in the same confident fashion. Four sets from both Bootle J.C. and Cadwa being a fair share of the points.

At the bottom Elec. 'A' and Y.M. 'A' are in danger of the big drop and G.P.T. are also getting a close look at the drop zone. G.P.T. started off badly with a 6-4 defeat against Y.M. 'A' and a draw against Eng. Elec. They have picked up a few sets from higher placed teams but will be watching the results of those below them. They can't have felt pleased with Colonsay for giving away so many points to their companions in trouble.

Y.M. 'A' are finding it a real struggle to win points and they will be pleased with Colonsay and hoping they meet other teams in generous mode. Dave Tagg set up their victory against G.P.T. by winning his three and it may well be his form which will determine their fate. When they took four sets from Bootle J.C. and then went on to beat Colonsay the season must have taken on an early rosy hue. Cadwa and Wav. Lab. put a severe dent in their composure and darkened their rosy glow with 9-1 and 10.0 defeats. Their set from Cadwa being by way of a great doubles win for Ahmed and Dave against Neil and Kevin. As the season progresses sets may not be as easy to come by and these early points may yet save them.

Settling in at their new venue, Eng. Elec are also struggling to keep their feet. No generous gestures for them with every set being hard won. Their best result to date being four sets taken from a full strength Colonsay team. Ted taking two and Mike Corcoran one with the fourth coming from a doubles win. They had the narrowest of escapes last season and they can be certain that G.P.T. will not be wanting to let them off the hook as Cadwa 'A' did last season. Summing up, it might be all cut and dried at the top, but a battle royal will be taking place at the bottom between G.P.T., Eng. Elec. and Liv. Y.M. 'A'. Much may depend on one of them being lucky enough to meek a below strength higher team and picking up sets. I will defer my forecast until the next issue when I expect to see G.P.T. just clear of E. Elec.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all my devoted and admiring readers. If anyone feels like making my Christmas a good one then just give me a ring to tell me you want to take over these notes from me.

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### DIVISION 2

STAN CLARKE

I must start these notes with an expression of thanks to the editors' Henchman, one Kenneth Armson esq. To explain I was sitting watching the season go by, wondering if I would manage to win a set before it was all over when through the post came a letter from the ebullient Kenneth advising me that from a host of applications to be this seasons "Notes writer" I had been selected as one of the lucky few . As you can imagine this tremendous honour proved the spur I had needed and it wasn't long before

I had actually recorded two wins. Sadly the euphoria seems to have evaporated and I am now back to normal.

Enough of this nonsense, lets get down to business and the problem of predicting the probable winners and losers for this season.

At the time of writing CADWA 'A' are top of the division and must say I can't see them losing top spot, they have a strength in depth that few other teams can boast with Ken Hastley at one, Ian Miller at two, Billy Hargreaves three and Mike Power at four, I must say I enjoyed my games against Ian and Mike, who must be grateful that they caught me after I had fallen from my peak, however the team are currently 15 points ahead of their nearest rivals with a game in hand.

In 2nd place are Bootle J.C. 'A' with 63 points from 10 matches, another formidable team, though I must admit I am surprised to see they are dropping an average of almost 4 sets in every match.

The two G.P.T. teams, 'A' & 'B', seem to be having a personal duel with the 'B' team currently holding 3rd spot from the 'A' team albeit by only one point.

In joint 5th place are Police and Fords with 43 points, both of these teams suffering from failing to pick up points from lowly Colonsay 'A'. It has to be said that Police were somewhat unlucky in conceding 5 sets to Colonsay, Len Dyson and Gareth Jones picking up the remaining sets, Fords of course had the misfortune of meeting Colonsay 'A' with Steve Gittins playing at No. 4 in place of the unavailable Harry Nielson, the resulting 6/4 win by Colonsay being their first win of the season.

English Electric 'A' in their new accommodation are only one point behind Fords and Police but with a game in hand should be able to move into 5th place.

Harold House have played only 7 matches with a score of 31 points, however if Wayne Percival remains for the rest of the season I am sure they will soon start to climb the division.

The two bottom places I expect to be filled by Waterloo and Colonsay 'A' with 32 and 27 points respectively, I can't see either of these teams escaping the drop into division 3 next season, unless they can strengthen their teams fairly quickly.

The only team not mentioned so far is Colonsay 'B' who are lying in 8th place with 38 points from 8 matches, this team seems to be unable to play to their full potential on a regular basis but if they can get their act together I feel they could finish in the top five.

To date I have found only one match conceded, Waterloo receiving a walk over against English Electric 'A', let's hope that is the last of the season.

There have been a surprising number 9/1 results already this season with the following players saving their sides from a whitewash.

Bob Hawkins, Bath Street 'A' beat Mark Whittaker G.P.T. 'B' 11 & 15, Paula French, Colonsay 'B' beat Ray Lavin GPT "A" 13 & 13, Billy Clayton Bath Street, 'A' beat Mike Power CADWA -8, 18, 18, Martin Hunter Colonsay 'A' beat Karen Gibson Bath Street 'A' -19, 14, 10. R. Goldson, Fords beat Mike Power CADWA 15,19, Bill Harris Colonsay 'A' beat Mark Whittaker GPT "B" 19, -17, 11. Martin Hunter Colonsay 'A' beat Dave Graham, Bootle J.C. 'A' 11, 20. Stuart Fay and Derek Sullivan of Bootle J.C. 'A' beat Ken Hartley and Mike Power in their doubles.

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Well here we are again, another exciting season to look forward to!! It might just be me, but their seems to be some new faces in Division 3, is Table Tennis making a comeback??

After 7 weeks of the season the Division is quite close with only 11 points between the leaders Bath Street 'B' and the 7th placed team G.P.T. 'C', this should ensure that the season's honours are still up for grabs well into the new year.

Looking through the first batch of score cards sent to me, I notice that captains are still not entering Division Key number nor are they noting the players club ranking position. This information is not only helpful to Eddie Cameron but also enables me to spot any noteworthy win by a lower ranked reserve.

Bath Street 'B' seem to have a very settled side namely Colin Owens, John Watson, Billy Clayton and John McCann with all players picking up points. They started the season with a first to the Electric Supply 'ice rink' and came away with a very good draw, 5 of the sets going to a 3rd game, though neither Colin or John could take a game off Paul Kinsey who looks a bit handy for the 3rd Division. Typical fighting display by Billy winning 20/22 in the 3rd against Ian Turner. Billy must have the longest service run up in Table Tennis. Bath Streets only poor display so far was the 9-1 defeat by Maghull with only a John Watson win over Ro Craddock saving the white-wash.

Currently second in the Division are Maghull who this season have introduced 2 ex English Electric players, Julie Prince and Ro Craddock along with Chris Roberts and yours truly. Good wins to note so far are, Chris Roberts over Mike Moran of Bootle J.C. 'B' 16/21 in the 3rd, Ro Craddock against John McCann of Bath St. 2 straight, Julie 15/21 in the 3rd against Ritchie Winkle of the Police.

In 3rd place 4 points behind the leaders are Bootle Y.M.C.A., this is the side who were relegated from the 2nd Division last year. This is the first time I have seen some of this team and they look as though they could give most teams in the Division a very hard match providing they can field their strongest side namely John Higham, Tom Killip, Roly Wright and Danny Every. I think this team proves the point that unless your reserves are capable of winning at least 1 singles then any promotion hopes are hard to fulfil. Sets that have been highlighted as worthy of note include a John Higham win over Colin Owens of Bath Street and a defeat for Tom Killip by Billy Clayton in the same match, which proves that you can get a mention for losing.

Looking at the bottom of the Division we have Linacre with 11 points. This team always gives of its best, has a sense of humour and sportsmanship but seems unable to find the right level to play at. Maybe a spell in a lower Division would enable them to start winning matches again, there again a spot of shore leave for Harry Reeve wouldn't do them any harm, but should they be relegated the 3rd Division would miss Frank Lacy, Ken Ainsworth, Mal Cray and Jack Davidson. Couple of good wins to report Frank over Rob Davies and Jack over Emma Fletcher in their match against Cadwa 'B'.

Thai year because of the demise of English Electric we have two teams from Wavertree Labour in the Division the 'B' and 'C' teams. Good to see after the rumours last year of the possible demise of the club, but I feel sure that Ken Armson would have built a club

himself if this had happened. The 'C' team seem to have got off to the better start not struggling for players as much as the 'B' team.

Well reader in the immortal words of Bugs Bunny "*That's all folks!*"

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### DIVISION 4

### TONY CONNOR

As a new writer for this division, I actually feel at home with half of last years 5th accompanying me at the higher level. So hello again, old buddies and hello new(ish) buddies. Four into two just doesn't go, but Electric Supply, Wavertree Labour, Maghull A and Bath St., all mean business in the promotion stakes. So lets look at the evidence in matches, so far, between these four - Hmmm. Not much to choose, with all games going 6-4 to one or other except for Supply v Maghull finishing 7-3. And what a match that was with seven games going to three, as Harry McGanity and George Frost won one apiece for the only Maghull singles success. But the best game was a Trevor Hughes cliffhanger job, 21, 17, 23 against George.

Yes, Supply must be favourites. Easily champions of the Fifth last year, this is a 3rd Division set up with Trevor, Allan Biggs, Arthur Harrison, Ian Turner and Peter Carney blazing the trail. Alan, unbeaten last year, lost first time out to Bath Street's hitter Dave Aimson, but hasn't lost since. Peter Carney's hard bat defence is so frustrating as he not only wins every game, but manages to do so very easily. Maghull A reserve, Brian Gregory's - 19 in the 3rd loss was a notable exception.

But Maghull A are clearly strong. I don't know how else you could describe a team with Wilf Gibson playing only at number 4. Harry McGanity is hitting more than I remember he did, and maybe this is borne out of the confidence of a 70 + % success rate at number one, so far. Steve Wood's attacks, and does so consistently, as shown in his 17, 17 routing of Maghull B's Bill Salter who is well capable of closing down most games if he needs to. Maghull were missing Steve in their match against Supply, which ruined their chances of a closer game.

Wavertree Labour have lost 6-4 to all their rivals and whilst I predict 3rd for them, it's going to be close. John Reynolds at one, scored a fine double over Supply's Rob Conley and Trevor Hughes and has only lost against Steve Woods and Bath Street's hitmen Rob Peat and John Langton. John L reckons he needs to do some work on his footwork around the table. I just hope he never gets round to it. Mike Ashton was fast on his feet for Labour in cutting John Langton off 20, 19 in the same match, but he slowed down to paint drying pace whilst edging out Pete Mercer in the 3rd at 11.45 pm. I believe Sandie still managed to get a last pint in. No doubt pleased at taking Dave Staddern two straight after being blasted 13 and 18 by Rob Peat.

The divisions strongest teams, holding the rest of us up, are Bootle YM, Harold House B and Maghull B. Relegation should be between these, with Bootle looking already doomed with 11 points from 7 games. This despite having the divisions hardest hitter in mobile penholder, Tom Wong. The trouble is Tom hits EVERYTHING and is countered by the players who can mess him around like Waterloo's Bill Spencer, 10 and 12. But I predict that his talent will convert to more victories in the second half, and

that Chris McGuire, will convert some narrow defeats into new year victories. Chris and brother Tony both play Business Houses, too, and look improving players. So hope yet for Bootle?

Harold House B, promoted after finishing 4th in division five, are finding it tough in the Fourth, and best player Ted Cramsie's absences, haven't helped. His scalps include Trevor Hughes, Bill Spencer and Ian Turner, turned over 20 and 20. Team-mate Les Mulholland outblasted Waterloo's John Forest 18 in the 3rd for a cracking win and disposed of Fraser Farquarson in the same match. Yet Harold House B still struggle, but not more so than Maghull B who started so well, 7-3 against Cadwa. The pick of this match was a - 15, 16, 19 Bill Salter win over Peter Roberts (Cadwa) after Peter had triumphed just closely over Brian Gregory. Sorry, Brian, 2 defeats reported so far, so I'll even things up with your - 21, 12, 18 win over Bill Spencer. That was a gud'n.

Phil Christie's purple patch against Bath Street's John Langton and Jack Letch was almost good enough to force victory, but he lost each closely in the 3rd. But he did triumph 18, 19 over Russell Thornton in Maghull 'B's match against Cadwa. Maghull B's best result was a 6-4 triumph over GPT, in which Jimmy Gill recorded a fine double over Tom Downing and Tom Banton, 18, 12 and 19, 18. With all these performances Maghull B must be disappointed that they cannot find more consistency, but surely they're too good to go down.

Cadwa are 5th with the same team that finished 5th in last years bottom division. They wont climb higher, but will cling to their position with all they've got. Russell Thornton is hitting everything this season and managed to blow away Labour's Mike Ashton, 15 in the 3rd. This was unexpected and other excellent victories include:- Pete Mercer - 21, 17, 20 against Trevor Hughes: Bill Salter 12, 11 also against Trevor. (Are we still friends?): Emma Fletcher 16, 10 over Paul Morgan: Jack Power 16, 15 against Jimmy Gill: Jimmy Gill 18, 12 over Tommy Downing: Austin Hayden 17, 15 against Les Mulholland. Les Mulholland - 16, 16, 18 over John Forest. Most of these seem to upset the form book, or are surprisingly easy victories, but my favourite is Eric Young's 18, - 17, 16 defeat of GPT's Bobby Bell.

Stan Harvey, Tom Downing and Tom Banton combine regularly with Bobby to keep GPT in a middling position, and Ted Green occasionally steps down from the 3rd division to brighten up proceedings in his own inimitable way. Just as happy win or lose. Put it in a bottle, and I'll buy some Ted, as it really doesn't matter does it? Who am I kidding.

Waterloo, too, are middling, averaging 4 points a match despite no wins in 7. Strangely, Maghull B are 4 points behind despite winning 3 matches. So lots of 4-6's for Waterloo and they have featured in both drawn matches in this division so far (only 2 drawn matches out of 35 played - A very low amount). Fraser Farquarson is struggling at one, not helped by his bat which cost 2/6d and which remembers where it was when President Kennedy died, but John Forrest and Bill Spencer continue to win many, especially John. Austin Hayden and Eugene Berger chip in at 3 or 4, with Eugene recording a fine 19, 10 victory over Bath Street's Peter Mercer. A question of Eugene knowing Peter's game inside out, I fancy.

Harold House A have used nine players on the 4 cards I have, and those playing more than once are: Dave Cohen (4 times), Les Mulholland (3), Paul Morgan (2), Eric Young



(2), so this appears to be the core team averaging 5 points a match, though Eric is a regular in his own B team.

This division is well stocked with out and out hitters who think a push is what happens on a maternity ward. I'll do an item on these players in the next notes, and examples are Rob Peat, John Langton, Pete Roberts and Sandie Sanderson. Spot the deliberate mistake. Yes, you've got it – Pete likes to push as well! I'll finish off with Pete versus Rob which went - 16, 19, 21 in Rob's favour, and lasted 1½ minutes. See you in the New Year.

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### DIVISION 5

### JACK LETCH

Well, here we are again as a new season begins and it is nice to be able to say that we have our full compliment of teams. Welcome to the new teams, Bootle Y.M. 'B' Waterloo 'B', Police 'B', Merseybus and Maghull 'C'.

Before we start looking at results and performances to date, let's make our division unique this season by making our motto "NO WALKOVERS". Shall we try to play all our matches and not have a repetition of last season when four teams had their records expunged due to giving away too many walkovers.

Who is going to finish the season on top? Bath St. 'D' have a strong side with Reg Edwards, Alex Gould, Clive Chislett and Dave Batty, all experienced campaigners. Also Wavertree Lab. 'E' with the evergreen due of Mabel Neary and Ken Armson backed up by 'youngster' Ken Ray (please note, do not have your tea before going to Wavertree as Ken will not let you leave until all refreshments have been eaten. Nice one, Ken).

Also, you cannot ignore the Chelsea Pensioners of Aigburth, Bill Leeming, Bill Holmes, Eric Wood and Charlie Gallantry. Great to see you all playing so well for yet another season. On the fringe could be Merseybus, Bootle Y.M. and the unknown quantity, University. I am afraid that for the rest of us it could just be a case of enjoying our games.

I only have a few cards to hand, so far, so I cannot comment in detail on results to date. Best performance so far, Aigburth 7, Bath St. 'D' 3; Bath St. 'E' 4 Wavertree Lab 'E' 6, Bath St. coming from 5-1 down. A good double for Ken Ray 22/20 21/9 and 23/21; 21/14 against Brian Holden and myself. Bath St. 'D' 7, Wavertree 3 with Wavertree playing one short. Maghull 5, Aigburth 5; good wins for Sue Anderson 21/9; 23/21 v Eric Wood and P. Maitland 16/21; 21/17; 21/19 against Bill Leeming.

Ron Georgeson, Bath St. 'E' saved his side a whitewash against Bath St. 'D' 21/19; 14/21; 24/22 v Alex Gould, and 21/11; 19/21; 21/17 against Charlie Gallantry v Aigburth. Aigburth 8, Police 2; good wins for Brian Jelley 22/20; 17/21; 21/15 v Bill Leeming and Len Wilkinson 21/18; 10/21; 21/19 v Bill Holmes. Merseybus 7 Bootle Y.M. 'B' 3; double for Eddie Preston 21/14; 21/5 v G. Rollenson and 21/11; 21/13 v P. Carus. Good win for A. Platt 21/15; 21/16 v Brian Perrin saved a white wash for Waterloo against Bootle Y.M 'B'.

To all captains, please make sure you play your team in ranking order. Waterloo had a 6-4 winning score against Harold House turned into a 7-3 defeat by not keeping to

ranking order.

Mabel, get well soon, we all miss you, especially your team mates at Wavertree. Finally, to all captains, please, if you have any snippets of gossip, information or comments, please ring me on 928 4742 and I will include them in the next edition. Remember these are your notes, so let's have your ideas.

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## TABLE EDGES

A couple of crunchies from Ken Armson's new veterans rule-

Each team must register a **maximum** of four players.

Each player will be given a handicap based on ability, age and other relevant factors.

**Any** reserve outside the group when called on as reserve will start off scratch and, only will play in exceptional circumstances.

Two dates must be offered.

Matches will start at the handicap i.e. 15-10!!

To date, no meeting has been held to determine handicaps.

Nice to see Natasha Williams back in the fold with Colonsay after serving so well and reliably for English Electric.

And, how about Wayne Pervical back with Harold House.

The more good players the better.

One team turns up without a ball between them!!

Another with just a practice ball – which basically I agree with – you don't have to have a new ball.

Quite honestly, do we have to have aggro at the highest or lowest level in our game with everything, apart from boxing gloves – not I may add, inside the Liverpool League.

What a treat you over 40's missed at the World Veterans Championships in Dublin. A party of about 30 from Liverpool and Wirral Leagues led by Colin Pratt and Alex Gould.

A joy to see Secretary in full flight and full of personality.

A glorious ladies final between Denmark and Germany.

Old Comrades Association, Ralph Gunnion, Wally Allanson, Tony Clayton and more.

No praise high enough and the Guinness!?!?

English Electric 'A' now play in Division 2 at Waterloo Park on Friday with the co-operation and assistance of Ken Nelson, Mal Clark and company.

Bootle Y.M.C.A. – M/N Tuesday, 'A' Tuesday, 'B' Friday.

Maghull 'C' – M/N Monday.

Waterloo Park 'B' – Thursday.

Alan Wood was that embarrassed with his may retirements, he's buzzed off to Australia!?

Congratulations to Ken Armson on attaining 100% on the 100 Club.

## 100 CLUB REPORT

Congratulations, for the first time since Sylvia Graham relinquished the reins of our 100 Club we have got back to full membership. Last season we were within touching distance but success eluded us. As promised, in addition to our final winners for 91/92, and winners for Sept; Oct; Nov 92/93, you will find listed below name and allocated number of our 100 members. My thanks to the many retired members who contribute and who graced the Liverpool T.T. scene of some years past and who are still not forgotten by those who played against them. It is pleasing to know that they are still happy to contribute to the sport which gave them so much enjoyment. I always receive a nice letter from Eric Caird and his like is sorely missed from our A.G.M.'s of today. My thanks, also, to Dave Graham for his sterling work in recruiting 15, yes, fifteen, from Bootle J.C., several members of the Management Committee for their support and assistance and other members who have assisted with recruiting. To all who have given me assistance, and to you, our 100 members, my sincere thanks and appreciation of your commitment. I never expected such committed co-operation and thought it would take several seasons to get membership back to 100. I am pleased and delighted to have succeeded in doing so in just two seasons and I owe it to all of you.

JUNE: S. Graham, J. Davidson, D. Roberts. JULY: R. Neal, J. Power, S. Richards. AUGUST: V. Killip, L. Upton, J. Parker. CONSOLATION PRIZES: J. Parker, A. Wood, A. Upton, T. Rumjahn, H. Reeve, M. Neary, M. Poole, Cadwa TTC, T. Cramsie. SEPT: M. Ellis, K. Williams, A. Upton. OCT: P. Rumjahn, A. Chase, R. Parry. NOV: E. Birch, A. Wood, A. Gould.

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| 1. D. Roberts    | 26. S. Harvey     | 51. D. Cohen      | 76. A. Clark       |
| 2. P. Luxon      | 27. E. Cameron    | 52. L. Upton      | 77. P. Scarisbrick |
| 3. G. Armson     | 28. R. Davies     | 53. A. Upton      | 78. N. Miller      |
| 4. J. Davies     | 29. T. Killip     | 54. D. Bunclark   | 79. C. Spedding    |
| 5. T. Rumjahn    | 30. V. Killip     | 55. F. Lacey      | 80. A. Clark       |
| 6. K. Rumjahn    | 31. K. Jackson    | 56. P. French     | 81. M. Moran       |
| 7. D. Rumjahn    | 32. M. Ellis      | 57. S. Clarke     | 82. R. Neal        |
| 8. P. Rumjahn    | 33. Bath Street   | 58. R. Bulmer     | 83. S. Fay         |
| 9. G. Langshaw   | 34. Bootle J.C.   | 59. Anonymous     | 84. P. Roberts     |
| 10. A. Upton     | 35. Cadwa         | 60. B. Buoev      | 85. J. McKim       |
| 11. J. Gratton   | 36. Colonsay      | 61. R. Parry      | 86. P. Lee         |
| 12. K. Ray       | 37. Elec. Supply  | 62. J. Hodges     | 87. H. Reeve       |
| 13. Wav. Lab.    | 38. Liv. Y.M.     | 63. E. Birch      | 88. B. Edwardes    |
| 14. L. Armson    | 39. Fords         | 64. W. Leeming    | 89. E. Young       |
| 15. J. Davidson  | 40. G.P.T.        | 65. L. Armson     | 90. A. Chase       |
| 16. J. Davidson  | 41. Harold House  | 66. Maghull       | 91. M. Corcoran    |
| 17. K. Ainsworth | 42. Linacre       | 67. M. Poole      | 92. P. Coney       |
| 18. M. Neary     | 43. Police        | 68. L. Murphy     | 93. T. Cramsie     |
| 19. E. Birch     | 44. W. Stanley    | 69. I. Davies     | 94. S. Gittins     |
| 20. J. McCaig    | 45. A. Gould      | 70. N. Gravener   | 95. P. Taylor      |
| 21. V. McCaig    | 46. K. Armson     | 71. K. Williams   | 96. M. Allen       |
| 22. J. Parker    | 47. Aigburth      | 72. J. O'Sullivan | 97. G. Graham      |
| 23. E. Caird     | 48. D. Davies     | 73. F. Moore      | 98. C. Graham      |
| 24. J. Power     | 49. A. Wood       | 74. S. Graham     | 99. D. Sullivan    |
| 25. B. Leeson    | 50. R. Blackburne | 75. D. Graham     | 100. D. Tagg.      |

K. E. Armson, 100 Club Organiser

DIVISION 1	P	W	L	D	PTS
WAVERTREE LABOUR	10	7	2	1	73
ELECTRIC SUPPLY	9	9	0	0	71
CADWA	9	8	1	0	65
BATH STREET	11	4	6	1	54
LIVERPOOL Y.M.C.A.	8	5	2	1	52
BOOTLE J.C.	10	5	4	1	47
WAVERTREE LAB 'A'	10	4	5	1	47
COLONSAY	9	2	5	2	37
LIVERPOOL Y.M.C.A. 'A'	10	2	8	0	30
G.P.T.	11	1	8	2	27
ENGLISH ELECTRIC	7	0	6	1	17

DIVISION 2	P	W	L	D	PTS
CADWA 'A'	11	11	0	0	97
BOOTLE J.C. 'A'	11	7	2	2	68
G.P.T. 'A'	10	6	2	2	64
G.P.T. 'B'	10	8	2	0	61
COLONSAY 'B'	11	3	6	2	48
FORDS	10	3	5	2	47
POLICE	9	4	2	3	43
ENGLISH ELEC. 'A'	8	4	4	0	42
BATH ST. 'A'	12	2	9	1	39
WATERLOO	11	2	8	1	37
HAROLD HOUSE	8	3	5	0	37
COLONSAY 'A'	11	1	9	1	27

DIVISION 3	P	W	L	D	PTS
BATH ST. 'B'	10	7	1	2	64
BOOTLE J.C. 'B'	9	6	1	2	64
BOOTLE Y.M.C.A.	10	6	2	2	61
CADWA 'B'	10	6	4	0	60
MAGHULL	10	6	3	1	59
ELEC. SUPPLY 'A'	9	6	1	2	55
WAV. LABOUR 'C'	9	4	5	0	46
G.P.T. 'C'	10	2	7	1	34
WAV. LABOUR 'B'	10	2	8	0	33
LINACRE	10	2	7	1	28
POLICE 'A'	9	0	8	1	26

DIVISION 4	P	W	L	D	PTS
MAGHULL 'A'	10	9	1	0	74
ELECTRIC SUPP. 'B'	9	9	0	0	72
WAVERTREE LAB. 'D'	10	7	3	0	70
BATH STREET 'C'	9	7	2	0	59
HAROLD HOUSE 'A'	8	5	3	0	47
CADWA 'C'	10	4	5	1	45
G.P.T. 'D'	10	2	7	1	41
WATERLOO 'A'	10	0	7	3	35
MAGHULL 'B'	8	4	4	0	31
BOOTLE Y.M.C.A. 'A'	11	1	9	1	24
HAROLD HOUSE 'B'	9	1	8	0	22

DIVISION 5	P	W	L	D	PTS
UNIVERSITY	9	9	0	0	78
BATH STREET 'D'	10	7	2	1	72
WAVERTREE LAB. 'E'	9	7	2	0	63
AKGBURTH	9	5	2	2	56
MAGHULL 'C'	10	5	3	2	55
MERSEYBUS	6	4	2	0	40
BATH STREET 'E'	9	3	5	1	40
BOOTLE Y.M.C.A. 'B'	8	2	2	4	39
POLICE 'B'	10	1	9	0	29
L.I.H.E.	7	1	6	0	23
WATERLOO 'B'	10	2	8	0	19
HAROLD HOUSE 'C'	9	2	7	0	16

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### IMPORTANT NOTICE MATCH REGULATION 10

Many teams have matches outstanding, delayed cards should be posted immediately.

All outstanding match dates must be advised to the Fixture Secretary immediately.

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