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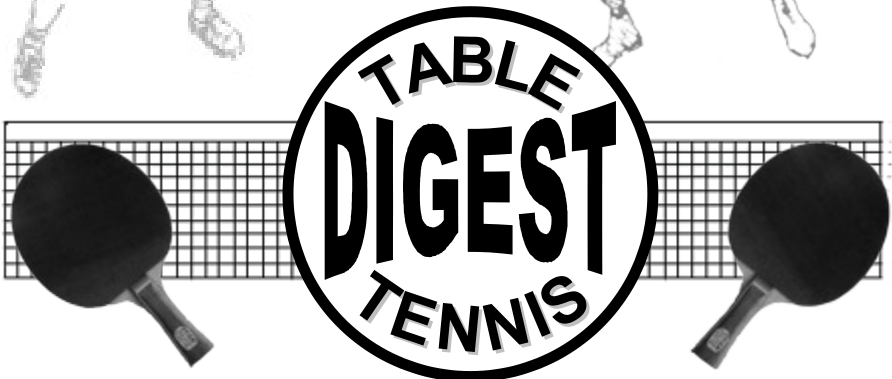
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Editorial

Another season coming to an end, my apologies to those readers who can only read the printed copies in which I was unable to write up a short Editorial, but this later web version has given me a little longer to sort something out.

The next AGM will be upon us soon, and following on from last years AGM when our Chairman mentioned that I was stepping down from the ManCom, and with it the Cup Secretary's position, at the end of this season, that is still my intention. As is usual at AGM's, a request was put out for more volunteers to join the ManCom, to help run 'your' League, in the way the majority would want it, only one volunteer has come forward, first division player Keith Bird, hopefully Keith will settle in and enjoy many years helping to run one of the best Leagues in the country, but more volunteers are needed, contact any ManCom member for info.

During the 10 (approx.) years I have been on the ManCom, I have learned that if it wasn't for the time and work that the volunteers on this committee put in, our, ('your') League wouldn't exist, even putting up with the many complaints which come in, usually from those who do the least, but at the end, their judgement has always been, unbiased, not always in the interest of the complainants, but as per the Rules agreed by all Clubs.

I do intend to carry on as Editor of the Digest for as long as possible, unless a younger, more dynamic, interested player, would want to have a go. While on this subject, thanks must go to our team of reporters who keep you informed of the 'state of play' in the divisions, but as always, I could do with a list of volunteers prepared to put their literary talents to the test.

At time of writing this we are into the last match week, winners and r/up's seem to be decided, except in Div. 1. where, after a fantastic season, leaders Crosby High 'B' may have to give up this spot to the 'regulars' Fords, nice to see a new name on the trophy, but I'm sure the big guns will be out for Fords!

Having spent many years commenting on the way players are getting older and older, and the League becoming 'top heavy' with age, lots of comments have been made recently about the influx of youngsters, Individual Registration Officer Trevor has now put together a table to show just how many youngsters are now playing League table Tennis. In the under 15 bracket , we have 17 players, the 15-19 bracket has 28, so 45 players, who I would class as 'young' are now starting their way through the League, the largest group are the 50-54 age with 49, not surprisingly is the next largest group, the 65-69 group with 43, the 85 – 89 group only has 1, in 10 years time, hopefully those 43 in the 65-69 group will have moved into the 75-79 group.

Don Davies mentions in his Nets and Edges that Ping is coming to Liverpool, tables erected in different areas of

the City to encourage people to play table tennis, volunteers are needed.

I picked up this little bit from the ETTA site about next season's scheme in London, after a successful first year of 32 tables, plans are set for an additional 60 tables, the success is mainly down to the volunteers, The Requirements listed for London are:-

1. Coaches – to deliver coaching sessions and master classes.
2. Leaders – to support coaches, run events and encourage passersby to play on the tables.
3. Pingers – to support coaches and leaders by continually replacing bats and balls, collect monitoring information, take photos and encourage the public to have a go, and would think that similar requirements will be needed in Liverpool.

Next year's ETTA Grand prix season will start with the City of Liverpool Grand Prix on August 18th & 19th, as usual, at the Wavertree Tennis Centre and again volunteers will be asked for, it seems along way away, but put it in your diary.

Another item which should be in diary's is the Liebherr Men's World Cup taking place at the Echo Arena 24th to 27th September, the best players from the world of table tennis playing for big money, it's the North West's chance to see some fantastic table tennis, so get your tickets now to save becoming a 'backwater' again!

Thanks again to Paul Gittens for his latest 11Up, Marconi's Peter Wass being the 'victim' this Digest, with photo's, it's good to see into 'life outside of table tennis'. Also to our Divisional reporters who would do even better if more match comments were added to match cards.

Last season was the first of the Individual Registrations, a lot of confusion and mixed thoughts of how to go about registering, leading into the problem of the season being well under way and some players not having registered in time, registration has to be renewed before the start of each new season. To try and save this registration confusion, now that players have their registration numbers, I think Registration Secretary Trevor, is trying to devise a system (for those who don't require 'licences') and can be completed at Club and League level, then sent to the ETTA, this way the League and Clubs, will know exactly who is and who isn't registered, something which can't be left to the start of the season, again it's more work for Trevor, on top of sorting the season's fixtures out, so when Club Secretaries get flusterd over last minute changes for them, think of what late changes mean to Trevor and Co.

Sadly, well known and respected Harold House Secretary and player David Cohen passed away recently, memories of David from League Chairman Don Davies (pg.3) and Harold House friend and colleague Eddie Clein (pg.17).

The league suffered a big loss with the passing of one of the most engaging, colourful and shrewd characters the league has enjoyed in modern times. When I joined the league in the late 60's Dave Cohen was a regular player and had been since the early 1950's. There will, I'm sure, be many tributes paid in this journal from those who have played with him plus from those who came into contact with him, either as an opponent or club official. Anecdotes will abound of instances in which Dave has been involved, the Harold House club secretary, as most will know, never short of a compelling explanation or story about any subject in which he became part of. I got on well with Dave and at times he gave advice in the same manner one's father would. At last month's Closed tournament, saying he came to address a difficult issue with me in person rather than responding to my email, Dave 'summoned' me out to the reception area as if to give me a dressing down as would a boss with 'in my office, now'. He spoke at length about the Harold House issue in question both as a secretary and as a friend but, our ten minutes conversation was concluded since he was struggling with a severe coughing bout which left him breathless at times. He apologised for the 'misunderstanding' although I was none the wiser when we parted as to just what had transpired! That, was how Dave handled matters and we shook hands and things returned to normal as though nothing had happened. Most saw him just once a season, usually at the AGM, when, on more than one occasion he caused havoc when it came to the handbook alterations which I'm sure some will recall. One other memorable instance I remember at an AGM came when Treasurer Don Cameron was trying to convince clubs' to vote for a small increase in fees and expected some opposition. When one club said they should remain at the present rate, Dave stood up and said that in real terms and due to inflation, they would in fact be going down if the proposal was rejected. He stunned the MC by promptly proposing an amendment - doubling Don's increase which was accepted by all but a few. Amazing! One thing is sure, the league has lost a unique personality who will be missed by myself and many others.

Last month I spent ten nights in Dortmund together brother Rob, where we witnessed eight tremendous days of world championships table tennis. Although the German men duly reached the Swaythling cup final, China made short work of them in a magnificent stadium in front of 11,000 spectators, comfortably winning 3-0. The top fifteen world ranked players which will include five of those finalists will be appearing in Liverpool as will four other players still to qualify. We are in for a treat in September and a standard of play never seen in Liverpool. Be there.



Former Liverpool league player Adam Robertson, the Liverpool Closed men's and junior champion in 2000, was in the Wales' team in Dortmund but able only to play in a few matches due to work commitments and to oversee a house move the following week. The ITTF world rankings issued following the worlds', listed the former Wavertree Labour man at 222 while Ryan, who will be returning to Liverpool to defend his title in August, stands at a surprisingly low, 272, having remained unbeaten in all his Swaythling cup encounters as was Adam, Wales winning each time they were in tandem.

The Men's World Cup tickets have been on sale for a few months and the ETTA are hoping for a big take up from around the country but, particularly on Merseyside, Lancashire, Cheshire and surrounding areas. A few clubs have made block bookings for the Echo Arena on 28/30th and it's strongly recommended that early application is made - the concessionary reduction for locals' ending on April 30th. Tickets are also on sale for the Great Britain v Australia match at Preston Guild Hall in July. Details may be obtained from former Liverpool Closed men's finalist and organiser Tony Rigby on riggerz@blueyonder.co.uk. You may also obtain details of the Lancashire Closed tournament, incorporating the Preston Guild championships, staged only every 20 years. on www.pta.org.uk I'm fairly sure that Brenda Buoeuy won the Ladies singles title in 1972 as a junior and I've urged her to again enter!! The visitors are bringing their Olympic Games squad to Preston which should provide good entertainment. I watched England beat the 'old enemy' in Dortmund but, victory wasn't achieved without a struggle and the Aussies won't want to lose this one just prior to the Games.

'Ping Liverpool' is less than four months away and after a number of meetings I've attended, we are still to learn the full extent of what is expected of the league in connection with the event. The 'Launch' is on Friday 29th June, at 10am, when six tables will be sited in Williamson Square where an invited number of youngsters will be present to try their hand. However, the final list of where the 25 fold-a-way and 10 concrete tables are to be sited has yet to be released and although helping to compile a list of potential sites, I know of just a few. The main obstacle in arranging suitable locations is that a person is required to wheel out the table in the morning, 'look after' it, the bats and balls during the day and take in the table at close of business and repeat this every day for a month, a tall order and not as simple as it was made out at the initial meeting when the scheme was announced. A number of my suggestions were not taken up due to a 'minder' not being

found although I can say that JLA at Speke, Liverpool Anglican Cathedral, Calderstones Park, Lime Street Station and Liverpool One, appear to most likely locations, the final list though, won't be known for a few more weeks.

After the 10am Press Call when TV, radio and local press will be present, a demonstration and exhibition from Keith Williams and Jonathan Taylor together with a similar presentation by Katy Parker and Andrea Holt, an Olympian in 1992 and 1996 will take place. Brian Kean will act as MC and the council has agreed to book Brian and John Hilton's comedy TT act for a couple of shows later in the month long project. I've not seen it for many years but, it is highly recommended.

In a previous issue I mentioned I'd received a telephone call from Bill Pierce a former England junior international and Liverpool League men's doubles champion in 60 and 61 and junior singles champion in 48 and 49. I met Bill and his wife Maureen at the Adelphi hotel while on a trip from Sussex when we chatted for a couple of hours about the sport. He asked about Jack McCaig, a league Life Member and men's doubles champion in 1946 with Alf Simpson and said he was good friends with the late John Coveney - Bill's team mate at African Oil. Bill now 80, also

mentioned many other players but, sadly, I had to advise they had passed on.

The Fawley Construction Closed was again concluded at Cadwa having been successfully staged at Wavertree eight days earlier. With a number of MC members unavailable, we were stretched not only in the run up but, over the three days in which the event requires. With Russell Thornton still inexperienced at taking charge of the event, former COL Referee Steve Smith was approached to take on the role to which he instantly agreed and for that we were grateful. A tournament report will be found elsewhere but, I must pay tribute to all who did help, before during and the few after the main event at Wavertree, and in particular, Saul Keelan, Roly and Rob Davies, who stayed 'late'. I gave thanks to the referee at the end of play - Steve, though, then having to drive home to London!

10/04/2012

Just rec. email from city council: Certain locations for Ping have been released. Queen's Square, Ropeworks Sq. St John's Centre, Central Station Concourse, Clayton Square, L'pool One, The Echo Arena and Greenbank Academy!!

Division 1- Editor (volunteers needed for next season)

It looks like we are going to have one of the closest battles for top spot we have had for many years, the two teams involved, Fords and Crosby High 'B', are well clear of the chasers, and either could win; going into this last 8 week period, Fords were in front, from week 18 Crosby 'B' had moved into top spot, and have held it since, and are now 5 points clear, but Fords have one game in hand, so both teams need to keep their top team in action, over the period Crosby 'B' have been lucky to have 2 ever presents, Paul Hutchings and Aaron Beech to have played every match, with James Bartolo only missing a few, a rare comment on the Div.1 match cards came with the match between Crosby 'B' and Harold House, "*Great comeback by James Bartolo, 9-2 down in the fifth against Steve Whalley, to win 12-10, an excellent match played in good spirit*" Fords on the other hand have spread the matches between their 4 regulars of Kevin Dolder, Mal McEvoy, Terry Turner and Andy Taylor.

Week 16 was an interesting one, 3 Derby matches in the one week, Fords beat their 'A' team 8-2, B.S.M. beat their 'A' team 8-2, and Crosby 'B'!! beat their 1st team 7-3. Week 18 was a bad and unlucky week for Fords, fielding a week team against bottom half Cadwa, who turned out Tomasz Rzesztko to win the 4 sets he was in, and holding Fords to a 5-5 draw, Crosby 'B' got a 10-0 off H. House that week. Crosby 'B' put a bit more pressure on with a good 9-1 win at B.S.M. in week 19, only James B. falling to Ken J. in 5, Fords had a rest that week. Week 20 saw Crosby 'B' take 8 off Fords 'A', with good wins for Michael Lunt over Aaron, and Paul Kinsey and Graham Cleary winning the doubles in 5 against James and Aaron,

A full strength Fords kept on the tail with a 9-1 win over C.t.K. only Keith Bird beating Andy. Crosby 'B' then dropped 3 in week 21, coming up against B.YM's Keith Williams, winning his three singles, in the same week Fords played a Crosby 'A' team with Paul Ciccelli in, he beat Terry and Andy, but couldn't repeat the same against Kevin D. Both teams postponed matches in week 22 due to the Closed Finals Night, so hold your breath for the run in.

Third placed Christ the King's regular team lately of Keith Bird, Omid Khaiyat and Joe Killoran are pushing to be above the chasing pack with 4 good wins from the last five, the 9-1 loss being against a full strength Fords, but at least any team who comes up against Fords now will suffer the same fate, and with two new names to watch, Joe Killoran and John Goodall, should be looking forward to a promising next season.

Fourth placed Bath St. Marine are just enjoying themselves now, having good runs against lower teams, Kenny and Gary are the strength, but regularly play any from 3 or 4 to make up the team, still 4th isn't bad in this Div.

Crosby High first team's usual squad of Stewart Mudie, Jamie Hewitt, Cherith Graham and Rob Barker helping out, just holding their own in 5th spot, 33 points behind the 'B' team, with their best win in this last period being a 9-1 win away to Fords 'A', and a 6-4 win over a much weakened Cadwa, Tomasz Rzesztko getting Cadwa's four. Police are another team turning out different players each week, when they have their regular squad of Jonathan Taylor, John Hope and Joe Mullin are capable of winning,

but have only managed this twice in the last period, winning both, but have still won two matches with reserves helping out, so with 4 out of five wins, can't be bad.

Bath St. Marine 'A' another safe mid table team, who seem to have lost interest in the season, their regular team of Dave Roberts, Clare Peers and Tony Kendall only appearing in only three out of the last six matches, one of those a 9-1 win over Fords 'A', good job ever present Dave keeps the team progressing with good wins over Omid K. and Joe Killoran, but when the forever obliging, never turn down a chance to play, evergreen Billy Clayton, (no disrespect to Bill), appears on a 1st div. match card, there's got to be a little 'lack of interest' somewhere.

Bootle YMCA are another team to struggle turning a regular team out, skipper and ever present Keith Williams, 13 wins out of the last 15, calling on 5 other players during the last 6 matches, only one win out of the those six matches, a 6-4 against a full strength B.S.M. 'A' team, young Matt McCormick getting two good wins against Clare and Tony, as usual with the new youngsters coming in, look out for him next season!

Christ the King 'A' have had two good wins in the last four, an 8-2 over Harold House and a 9-1 over Cadwa, which has helped to pull them away from the relegation zone. Practically 'ever present' Peter Lee, along with Ahmed and Billy are well clear, and will be looking forward to another season in the top div., hopefully with ever present John Goodall, (new name to me), I would like to think one of our new breed of youngsters who will be 'up to speed' next season, having won 9 out of his last 15. Crosby High 'A' regular team of Rob Wylie, Gavin and Gemma Lloyd have struggled to turn out together, their only win in their last 6 matches when they did play together, coming against a weakened BSM 'A' team 8-2, with a good win by Gemma over Dave Roberts, 3 straight. They are level points with Cadwa who have a game in hand, but have Crosby two tough matches coming up, one

against their 'B' team (fighting for top spot) and the Police, so this run in could be very close for next to bottom.

Cadwa have dropped two places since the last Digest, not being able to field a set team, and seemingly by-passing their 'A' team when reserves are needed, the last 6 matches have produced just one win and 2 draws, if it wasn't for Tomasz Rzesztko's 16 points from 16 visits, I think Cadwa would be definite candidates for the chop. In three matches a young Joel Webb has been thrown in at the deep end, usually going down 3-0, but he must be learning fast 'with experience' when he took Jamie Hewitt to five, going down 10-12 in the 5th, another good young promise!

No change for Fords 'A', looks like another trip down below, young Michael Lunn being the mainstay in a fairly regular squad Graham Cleary and Paul Kinsey, with Bob Hughes and, (nice to see her back) Denise McEvoy, who found Crosby High a bit too tough losing her 3. Young Mike seems to be the point grabber with good wins against Terry Turner (in 5), Gary Watson (4), Peter Lee (3), and Aaron Beech (4). With their remaining matches, I can't see them escaping!

The only certainty is Harold House, their position probably the result of a bad first half, never having a settled team, losing so many top players!!, and now coming up against teams from the top half, with only one win and one draw from the last seven matches, has put the 'final nail in the coffin', that 'only' win being against a full strength Crosby 'A' team, 6-4, maybe the possibility of new premises next season will put the sparkle back into Harold House.

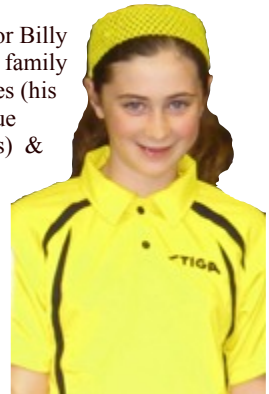
At time of writing this, Ian McElwee sends his best wishes to all, he's still waiting for decisions to be made over which direction the surgeons decide to take, full bye-pass, or other technique, he's still getting about, just waiting, we all wish him well.

Editor

"With a 66 year age gap, an epic battle between 13 year old Amy Hutchings and 79 year old Billy Clayton . Youth just triumphing over experience, deuce in the 5th.



This makes an unusual if not unique hat-trick for Billy who's played against 3 generations of the same family in the Liverpool League. The late Harry Hughes (his Business Houses team mate + Liverpool League opponent), Harry's two daughters Sue (Hughes) & Janette (Hutchings) and now Janette's daughter Amy, quite an achievement from the 1950's to present day.



Comment on the match card Maghull 'C' v Bath St. Marine 'F', thanks, and well spotted by Div. 4 reporter Doug Baker, I can't see that happening

again! Comments on the match cards do get read and picked up!!

By the time it comes to the third 2nd division report the season is almost done and dusted, and for quite a few teams the end of the season can't come quick enough. This season has been a standout for tension and excitement - for most of the season the top half of the division have been swapping and changing positions, and it has been very much anyone's guess as to who will be in the promotion places. This quarter of the season has seen Wavertree Labour pull away ever so slightly from the chasing peloton and with only four matches left to play, Marconi - the second placed team at present are going to find it hard catching them, but hey let's not count our fate before it's tempted.



promotion hopefuls and most of those games have been either draws or 6-4's.

Christ The King B, played 18, Points 106 With only six points to make up on Marconi - is this manageable for Christ The King, some would say that nothing is beyond the realms of possibility when it comes to Christ The King but I think that it is fair to say that this very strong team needs others to drop points to enable a top two finish. Dave Tagg, Peter Taylor, Peter Walsh Jr and Josha Matthewman dropped points with a player missing at Marconi (but still managed a 4-6). The very talented Josha Matthewman deserves a

mention here as he has only lost to Graeme Black in this quarter.

Wavertree Labour, played 18, Points 121

Well I said that this season would be all about the youngsters and it has certainly been that way so far! Young Tom Hill has only suffered one loss all season and is the main reason that Wavertree are in pole position. We have already discussed the strength of the division this year and this further supports Tom's credentials. Tom has also shown his maturity, desire and will to win in a number of games and this was evident in the fifth set win 14-12 over Paul Gittins.

Marconi, played 18, points 112

Now I have to be very careful what I say here, so here goes. Marconi have had a fantastic season so far; Bob Edwards, Ray Jackson, Chris Spedding and Adrian Bramham have been there or there about's for the majority of the season. Apparently I have made some untoward comments about my very good friend 'the Preston Sh, Powerhouse' Chris Spedding and I am not going to say anymore on the matter for now, let's draw a line and leave it at that until we play them next week - then I may have thought of something.

Bath Street Marine B, played 18, Points 108

From the chasing Peloton BSM B were looking the strongest for quite a while. Ricky Brown, Dermot Tierney and Fred Bainbridge have slipped down to third thanks to the strong results from Marconi, the rivalry was played out between the two teams and BSM narrowly lost 4-6 despite a strong performance from Colin Owens who is impressing everyone at the moment, taking two points. Trevor wrote on the back of the card 'Match finished at 11.50. 7 matches going to 5, 3 for Marconi and 4 for Bath Street'.

Cadwa A, played 19, Points 107

Having played an extra game than the other teams in the vicinity, Cadwa have played themselves out of contention slightly, Graeme Black, Mike Power and Paul Evans, although having said that, they have had a bit of a rough set of matches to contend with; out of the six matches played in this quarter 4 of them have been against serious

M/side Police A, played 19, Points 105

I know I have said it already, but it is amazing really that I am still talking about promotional possibilities with the teams in the 6th and 7th place in the division, the Police have kettled themselves into a position where they have played an extra game than most and therefore not as likely as the team below them to finish higher. Having said that, if this team had fielded Paul Gittins, Steve Gittins and Jon Dyson all season you have to feel that they would be in a much stronger position than they find themselves, the six matches played in this quarter have returned 1 draw, 1 loss and 4 wins (two of those 9-1).

Bootle YMCA A, played 18, Points 103

Bootle YMCA's team of Alan Chase, Ted Birch and John Higham have had their chances of promotion knocked by three losses in this quarter - the 9-1 to the Police (just above them) being particularly telling. Ted Birch is turning out to be the best field correspondent in the division and his comments from the match against CADWA were the best this quarter. "Another great night for Table Tennis. *A well deserved victory for CADWA (A). I would like the Man-Com to have Mike Power dope tested for his performance in the doubles, twenty three strikes - twenty two winners? I must give the M.O.M award to Graeme but Mike was very close to him. Again a great night for Table Tennis*".

Marconi A, played 19, Points 81

Marconi A and Harold House are the only two limbo teams really - no fear of going up or down (save any last minute disasters) Frank McCann, Andy Lloyd, Peter Wass and Ian Wensley have proved once again to be a hard team to play, maybe just not hard enough to beat.

Harold House A, played 18, Points 79

Harold House have returned a bit of a mixed bag of results, which is I suppose consistent with their position. Alec

Bryce, John Hughes and Rod Mcpherson have played all of the games in this quarter and the 9-1 win over bottom team Wav Lab B shows why they are not in that position

Crosby High C, played 19, Points 76

Crosby High C are another team that are very tough to play and you have to feel that they are not in a true position for their talents, Dave Evans, Roger Neal, Sylvia Graham and Jack Dempsey have been the team this quarter. Their best result was against Bootle YMCA (A) winning 6-4 and a hat trick for Jack. Jack really is starting to shine and this is shown not only in the good wins he has been picking up in the division but also winning the second division singles title as well as the excellent standard he displayed on finals night - well done Jack!

Wavertree Labour A, played 18, Points 70

Wavertree Labour did their survival hopes no good with a 7-3 loss to the team directly above them - Crosby High, the back of the card suggests that one of the players may have had other things on his mind with it being Valentines day and a re-enactment of a famous event played out on that day maybe coming his way!

Is this something that we need to look at as a league? Male or Female, if you are playing league table tennis (probably in more than one League) you need to have understanding

partners and this understanding can be stretched somewhat when you tell them that the romantic evening planned will have to be postponed for a table tennis match! surely the league can do something on this issue? maybe an amnesty for matches on that night if you can't raise a team or maybe private security protection / marriage guidance support!! Anyway back to the action and Dave Harse, Roy Adams and John Rowan also find themselves in an unusual position and seem to be unable to climb out of the mire. Their position it seems is down to a lack of a consistent team, the evidence for this is their 6-4 loss to the second placed team in the division.

Wavertree Labour B, played 20, Points 42

Wavertree Labour B have carried on stoically and have been picking up wins here and there, the team of Dong Xia, Lee Farley and Mario Giove have lost most of their matches but given their opponents some nasty moments. Dong Xia has been the stand out player of this quarter, he managed a three win night at Marconi A, he was joined by Mario in defeating Jon Dyson at the Police and he seems to be losing quite a few matches deuce in the fifth, Roy Smith and myself amongst them.

So that's it, what's going to happen? Exciting isn't it!!

Good luck for the rest of the season.

Paul Banks Wavertree Labour,

Division 3

Mike Hughes - Bootle YMCA

Match Week 16

Cadwa (C) v Bootle YM (B). An easy 10/0 win for Bootle with only 2 games going to 5 sets Paul Webb against Eddie Preston Eddie coming out on top 7/11, and Doug Baker also losing out to Eddie 4/11 in the 5th, Eddie, s a hard man to beat in a close match as he never gives up. Eddie MOTM .

Marconi (B) v Maghull, a comparatively easy win for Marconi 7/3 with Peter Holmes being MOTM for Maghull winning all 3 of his singles, John McLoughlan for Maghull

losing out 11/8 to Andrew Owens in the 5th.

Bath St Marine (C) v Police (C), a solid win for Bath St 7/3, Colin Owens being MOTM for Bath St winning his 3 singles along with the doubles partnered by Rob Peat, It looks a tighter match than the score indicates with 5 games going to 5 sets and 3 to 4.

Bath St Marine (D) v Bath St Marine (E), looks a hard, tight win for the (D) team 6/4 with the best game of the night being Mal Kent v Graham Turner, Mal's back hand coming out on top in the end. Also good wins against the (D) team for Ted Cramsie and Graham Turner, picking up 2 games apiece (thanks to Brian for the Match Comments).

Maghull (A) v CADWA (B), a good win for Maghull 7/3 with both John Langton and Phil Cristie winning all their 3 singles along with the doubles, it looked a bad night for George Frost losing all his matches.



Police (C) v Arriva NW, an excellent win for the police 6/4 with John Moore being MOTM with 2 outstanding wins against Derek Scotland, not lost many this season, and Larry Stone, a close match with Police just edging the day. (thanks for the Match report).

Match Week 17

Bath St Marine (D) v Maghull (A), a good match with honours even 5/5 MOTM John Langton, Maghull, winning all 3 singles played, a good effort in the doubles for BSM winning in 3 straight, well played

Brian and Gray. Bath St Marine (E) v Bootle YM (B), a strong win for YM 8/2, both Eddie Preston and Shakil Malik winning all their singles along with Shakil and Bert Rivers winning the doubles. Police (B) v Marconi (A), a good win for Marconi 4/6 even though they were 1 player short, MOTM Andrew for Marconi, winning all 4 games played. Maghull v CADWA (C), a good win for Maghull 6/4, 2 good wins for John McLoughlin jnr, his first match in the 3rd division, It's good to see youngsters! with only a couple of years playing so well, the future of the game is in their hands as we all become golden oldies.

Match Week 18

CADWA (C) v Police (B), a strong win by the Police 2/8, only Joseph putting up any resistance winning 2 of his 3

games, Dan Russell MOTM for the Police winning in all of his 4 games. Bootle YM (B) v Maghull, a good win for Bootle 7/3 Shakil, MOTM yet again for Bootle winning all his 4 games played, George Frost played well for Maghull beating Bert Rivers in 3 straight and losing out to Eddie Preston 12-10 in the 5th set, looks a really tight game, but I'm sure Eddie told Frosty he always had the set in hand. Police (C) v Bath St (D), a good win for Bath St 4/6 Paula Anderson being MOTM for the Police winning all 3 of her games, the last 2 being games 9 and 10 saving a 2/8 defeat. Maghull (A) v Bath St (E), a strong win for Maghull 8/2, John Langton being MOTM for Maghull winning all of his 4 games played, Ted Cramsie for Bath St did well to beat Phil Cristie in 5 with a marathon 2nd game going to 17/19 after winning the 1st 8/11, the 3rd and 4th went to Phil 11/5 and 11/6, but a good effort by Ted to come out 7/11 in the 5th. Bath St (C) v Arriva, a strong win for Bath St 8/2, Derek Scotland saving the day for Arriva winning 2 of his 3 games, it looks like both Larry Stone and Graham Rollinson lost their way in some of their matches, Larry taking 2 games to 5 sets but going down 11/6 and 11/7 along with Graham going down 11/4 in the 5th, Bath St also won the doubles 12/10 in the 5th set, it could have been a 6/4 win for Arriva, well played Bath St. Harold House (C) v CADWA (B), an easy win for HH, all 3 players winning their singles and only losing their doubles, letting CADWA avoid a white wash, George Higham for CADWA was unlucky, taking 2 of his games to 5 sets but going down 11/5 and 11/7.

Match Week 19

CADWA (B) v Bath St Marine (C), a strong win for away from home 2/8, Joel Webb did well for CADWA beating both Rob Peat and Dave Stodden, the rest of the matches look hard fought but with BSM coming out on top. Police (B) v Bootle YM (B), an unexpected loss for YM 8/2, who were well and truly beat, Dan Russell was man of the match for the Police winning all of his single games, even more unexpected for YM was Dan coming back from 2/0 down against Shakil Malik and winning the next 3 games winning the 5th 12/10, a tremendous fight back. Arriva NW v Marconi (B), another hard fought match with honours even 5/5, 3 games going to 5 sets and 5 going to 4, it looks a really good night for Tabo. Maghull (A) v Police (C), a good away win for the Police 4/6, with 4 games going to 5 sets it could have been a different score, another hard fought match. Bath St Marine (D) v Harold House (C), another good win for HH 3/7, Steve Wearden being MOTM for HH winning all of his single games, a good doubles win by Brian and Mal in game 10 made the score look more respectable. Bath St Marine (E) v Maghull, a good win for Maghull 2/8, no luck for BSM with them only picking up 1 of the 4 games which went to 5 sets, John Langton MOTM for Maghull, winning all 4 games he played.

Match Week 20

Maghull v Police (B), an unexpected win for Maghull 6/4 against a strong Police team, best game of the night was

John Langtons win against Danny Russell, John winning the first 2 sets 11/7, 11/7, Danny coming back in the next 2 winning 6/11, 6/11, and then John winning the 5th set 11/6, reported that it was a good match played in a good spirit. Police (C) v Bath St Marine (E), a good win for the Police 8/2, some tight games again with Bath St having very little luck, only winning 1 of the 4 games that went to 5 sets, MOTM Paula winning all 4 of her games played. Bath St Marine (C) v Bath St Marine (D), a bad night all round for the D team going down 10/0, there were a few close games, Mal Kent going down in 5 to Rob Peat, Brian going down to Dave in 3 close sets 11/9, 12/10, 13/11. CADWA (C) v Arriva NW, a poor home result for CADWA, 1/9 with Paul Webb saving the whitewash winning against Graham Rollinson in 4 sets. Marconi (B) v CADWA, a bad night for CADWA, going down 10/0, Ian Lunt offering the most resistance, losing in 4 sets to John McCann, and 5 sets to Andrew Owens.

Match Week 21

Bath St Marine (E) v Police (B), a good away win for the Police 2/8, Tom Purcell MOTM for the Police winning all his games. Bath ST Marine (D) v Marconi (B), a good away win for Marconi 3/7, with 3 hard fought games going to 5 sets and BSM only picking up 1, they were a might unlucky, MOTM nominated by Brian is Andy Owen for his win over Brian in a tight 5 set game, coming out on top 4/11 in the 5th. Maghull (A) v Bath St Marine (C), an easy win for BSM 1/9, the only game claimed for Maghull was John Langton v Colin Owens, with Colin retiring hurt. Police (C) v Harold House, reported by Len Dyson, a convincing win by HH 2/8, Colin Singleton played well to come back from 2 sets down against Paula to win. Arriva NW v Bootle YM (B), a good away win for Bootle 4/6, Shakil Malik being MOTM for Bootle winning all 4 of his games played. CADWA (B) v CADWA (C), a strongly contested match with honours even 5/5, Joseph being MOTM for the C team, winning all his 3 games along with the doubles, Paul Webb was unlucky against Ian Lunt of the B team, losing 11/5 in the 5th.

Match Week 22.

Maghull (A) v Marconi (B), a good away win for Marconi 3/7, only 2 sets going to 5 games, with Maghull picking up both, closest game of the night was Phil Cristie Maghull v Tony Mullally, with scores of 10/12, 11/3, 20/18, 12/10, a good win for Phil. CADWA (C) v Bath St Marine (D), a strong win for Bath St, 4/6, Josef Being MOTM for CADWA winning his 3 singles along with the doubles with his partner Paul Webb, Brian, Mal and Graham were put under very little pressure in the other games. Harold House (C) v Bath St Marine, a good win for HH, only Ted Cramsie putting up any resistance for Bath St, winning all 4 Games he played in, MOTM.

Bath St Marine (C) v Police (C), a disastrous night for the Police losing 10/0, well played Bath St. Maghull v Arriva, a bad night for Maghull losing 2/8, only John McLoughlin winning 1 singles game and the doubles with Peter Holmes,

it Seems that Maghull are unable to put out there strongest team on a weekly basis with so many players at their disposal you would think the 1st team would take priority ? well played Arriva. Bootle YM (B) v CADWA (B), a good home win for the YM 7/3, game of the night was Shakil Malik v Ian Burrows, Ian played an outstanding

game hitting Shak off the table the first set and 2nd and 3rd sets spanking Shak with an outstanding display of hitting, well played Ian, Eddie Preston was MOTM for the YM winning all his 3 single games.

Division 4

Doug Baker - Cadwa

At the end of the reporting period, with four weeks left to play, **Wavertree Labour 'C'** were 31 points ahead of the team in second who only had three matches left to play. By my maths that meant they couldn't be caught. So, but for a technical knockout, it's not premature with a month to go, to declare WavLab'C' worthy Champions, exemplified by a 7-3 win over rivals Huntsman Wood to start. After this match they swapped Paul's Morgan & Jennings around to strengthen things (not that any tinkering was really needed). There followed two more 7-3s to Arriva'A' and Cadwa'D', only two points dropped in three games against 'D' teammates and the bottom two to finish the period. As the points have come across the board/card, I'm sure Neil, Paul J, Paul M and Rob will prosper in the 3rd which is where they were a few seasons back.



Sefton Park 1st

Dropping from 2nd to 4th, although not due to a bad run of form, just as they were getting up a head of steam; 7-3's over BYMCA'C' (Perry & Puddifer undefeated) and WavLab'D' they had a break, and came back with a draw at Maghull'B';- Derek (tough fight with John McLouhlin) and Fred unbowed, declaring the floor to be "ok". Then a small win over Marconi'C': *"Even closer than the scorecard shows. Only double for Dave over Roy & Mike. Paul once again outclassing Derek, but Derek had all the luck against the Lucky coloured shirt of Bobby, doubles made the difference."*

Small defeat from visitors WavLab'E' and finally a draw with ArrivaNW'A' (whom they previously defeated 7-3; Derek btg Kristof & Wace as Mike had a good 5 game win over Pavel). Btw, sometime reserve Rob Puddifer is top of the averages, now there's an incentive not to play, though I doubt he's on Tevez terms!

Arriva North West 'A'

Also dropping two places, 5th to 7th, not on a roller coaster, more a see-saw, all the wins (7-3 Linacre & BYMCA'C) coming at home and all the defeats (CADWA 'D' & Wav_Lab'D' & Maghull'B') away! Just goes to show where they prefer to play at. Kristof showed how he's come on by beating Harry Reeve (2 games from deuce), Ian Laird and Mike Perry (both in 4 close games). Brian was the only home boy to win his singles (in 5 v Ray & Fred) with Sefton Park.

Not much movement in the mid-table teams below...

CADWA 'D'

Running a fluid line-up, defeat at Wav Lab'E', though Grahame Reid was undefeated and reserve Satish Ranka beat Stan, strong win over ArrivaNW'A', the Graham(e)s, Reid & Steve undefeated. Without their top 2, it was 3-7 at WavLab'C', newbie Xianmin Chang just beat Rob Barker in 3 with two 12/10s, Rob Davies had a good 11/9 5th game win over Paul Jennings, who two games later did the same to Ged Howard, most plaudits to Ged & Xianmin for teaming up to come from 2-1 down to beat Morgan & Barker. Nice 7-3 over Maghull'C' – *"Very good double from Sue Hughes (over Ian & Grahame), excellent blocking/counter hitting. Ged v Amy – Form teacher beats pupil, is this a first?"* Erm, don't know Grahame, but it's a good misleading headline! Just winning 6-4 at BSM'F';

That team in second are **Huntsman Wood**, with their future (3rd/4th next season?) in their hands, out of the top seven they had the fewest number of wins, joint most number of losses and draws, they've improved despite that loss to WavLab'C' (Lee Madin winning his two in 5, opening with 13/11 over Rob Barker, which must have led to his movement up the ranking order) and a 4-6 from BSM'F' (Lee turned in 3 games won from deuce to beat Barry Davis and then Billy), by putting in big wins over the bottom two (9-1 each) and even mid table teams: CADWA'D' 8-2, Marconi'C' & Linacre 7-3. Joe Whittingham showed mental strength in beating Laird & Davies in 4, then Loftus & McMahon in 5, 11/9 and 12/10 respectively, Mr Reeve put up resistance to Joe & Lee's challenges. If they can screw their courage to the sticking place for the last three games, they'll get promotion.

Bath Street Marine 'F'

Holding onto 3rd, not a bad sesh, but not as good as they needed. Big wins over the bottom two was to be expected (Barry Davis besting Sue Hughes) and 8-2 at Marconi 'C' was commendable. They came through that stern test from Huntsman with thanks to Colin Mitchell for beating the Rees' and winning both doubles, but 6-4 over Linacre (Barry beating Harry 12/10 in 3) and a draw with WavLab 'D' wasn't enough, as CADWA'D' also beat them on home turf, Barry's win in 5 over Grahame being their best moment. Competent wins for Barry and Ned over Steve Daniels.

Grahame beating Ned Hassan 11/9 in 5th, Rob btg Billy 13/11 in 5th as he completed a double after beating his soundalike Barry, ditto Steve over Ned and Colin. Then the tough home defeat from Huntsman (Ian btng Lee in 4 and Ged btng Steve in 5) before biting back with a 9-1 at Linacre (Ian & Graham both btg Harry in 4 and reserve Xianmin winning his singles).

Wavertree Labour 'E'

Can't do better than six wins outta six, even when without Colin Fyles at times, Dave Williams kept his nerve to win the opening 5 games and set up a fine win over CADWA'D'. Regulation 8-2 at BYMCA'C', "surprise" 7-3 over 'D' teammates, 6-4 over Maghull'B' (Colin & Andy perfect with wins over John McLoughlin and Dave with epic 13/11 5th game v Alan Chan), 6-4 at Sefton Park (setup by Andy & John, though Dave again shaved a 5 games with Fred 12/10) and Marconi 'C' (Colin's straights win over Dave McMahon, and John William's 5 games with Paul being the highlights), indeed John has come on over the season to be comfortable and confident against all types of opponent.

Marconi 'C'

Holding 8th place despite having only one win, coming off a break to lose 8-2 to BSM'F' (none-the-less a big night for Frank who won the last game off Billy in 5). 6-4 at Maghull'B' (mainly due to Bobby and the doubles), 3-7 to Huntsman (though 2 sets up thanks to Ken btg Paul Rees & Bobby btg Steve and 3:2 at half time), then 4-6 at Sefton, worse yet a weakened team suffered 2-8 at the hands of Linacre (Bobby at #1 beating Alex, Frank v John Bradshaw 11/9 in't 5th) and 4-6 at WavLab'E', (Paul had a great straights win over Colin, as they again went in 3:2 at the break).

Linacre

Just when 7-3 defeats seemed to be the order of the day; ArrivaNW'A' & WavLab'C' (congrats to Alex in beating Kristof 3:1 and beating Neil Jennings & Paul Morgan each over 5), they drew at Maghull'C' (Alex starting with a win over Janette, Charlie comeback to Denise, then he and Harry beating Amy). Back to successive defeats; BSM'F' (Alex beating Barry & Billy, could have been a draw if Charlie hadn't lost the last set to Colin 13/15 in't fifth!) & Huntsman, followed by 8-2 win at Marconi'C', then a 9-1 annihilation off CADWA'D', Alex rescuing a point off Rob Davies.

Maghull B (11th to 10th)

Steering a steady course, two draws, a close win, and two narrow defeats, before a crushing defeat from the Division's runaway leaders. Draw with WavLab'D', defeat from Marconi'C' (Sung undefeated, including 11/9 5th game with Dave McMahon), draw with Sefton Park (Steve motm for the home team beating Pery & Jones), 6-4 loss at WavLab'E' (Steve & Alan both besting Stan, Loon over Dave 13/11 in't 4th), 6-4 win over Arriva'A' (doubles set it up as everyone won 1 - lost 1 in singles), crushing 9-1

from WavLab'C' (total wipeout just saved by stand-in Amy 16/14 in't fifth with Paul Morgan).

Wavertree Labour 'D' (10th to 11th)

Draw at Maghull'B', 3-7 by Sefton, where Francis beat Ray in 5 thanks to a 12/10 3rd and Alf came from 2 down to beat Ian Findon. Defeat 3-7 from 'E' teammates, as Allan Biggs took a 2-0 lead over Colin before he rallied, Biggs then beat Stan in 5 with wins from deuce in the first and last. Francis won games 4 & 5 off Dave, 3 other games won in the 5th by the 'E' team show it could have been a draw. 6-4 win over Arriva'A' with Ben Chen in at #1 beating the top 2 and Alf beating the bottom 2. Crushed 9-1 by 'C' teammates (neither personal), could have been worse as Ben fought the Jennings; initially losing to Paul in 5, but then in the last game on saving the tin hat with 4 game victory over Neil. 4-6 from Maghull'C' (old Allan too wily for young Amy and Alf getting both his singles), and another draw with BSM'F' (Ben & Alf with 2, but no doubles).

Maghull C (12th)

The ladies were not for going down without a fight, panned 2-8 by BSM'F' (though Amy amazed with a 12/10 5th game win over Billy Clayton), and 1-9 by Huntsman - though harshly. Sue came from /5 to win 3 games by 2 points versus Lee and 4 other games went to 5 - "*Epic match of the night Lee vs Sue with the longest rally being 131 points, including several attacking rallies. The crowd were questioning what the expedite rule was! Great game between Jo and Amy with the youngsters showing the rest of us how it should be done*". Steadied by a draw with Linacre, (Sue beating Harry & Alex, Janette & Denise beating John Bradshaw), 3-7 at Cadwa 'D'. Back to back wins to keep them ahead of BYMCA'C' (Sue with 2 apu but also Janette too) and then WavLab'D' (probably due to Janette's 15/13 fifth game over Arthur).

Bootle YMCA C (13th)

They were previously bottom and had little chance of coming out of the relegation zone, but did have the carrot to try and get above Maghull'C' so as not to finish last. But the gap has opened up further, thus condemning them to the wooden spoon and 5th division, with no win to show for their efforts, thus far. Tough end of the period playing the top 3 in their last 4: 0-10 to the champions and 1-9 to second & third. Andy Tucker saved the whitewash 11/9 in the fifth with Bath Street's Ned Hassan and sub Tom Doubtfire beat Huntsman's Steve Rees in the first match. Four points at Maghull'C' (Steve & Andy both happy with wins over Amy Hutchings as Andy also beat Denise), three at ArrivaNW'A' (Brian Hornby off track to Andy Tucker & Mike Hughes), two from WavLab'E' (Mr Daniels' great win over Mr.Bird, and Mr Tucker by 2 points in 3 games over David Williams), three from Sefton 1st (Steve & Andy both happy with wins over Ray as Andy also beat Fred).

Season review

With the finish line in sight, all but a couple of positions look pretty nailed on but a couple of big wins (and defeats) could cause a shakeup in a few positions so here are how the teams look at the time of writing.

1st: Sefton Park A – 195

22 games gone, the (Sefton) A Team have racked up 195 out of a possible 220. Not bad going I guess, but with a lead of over 50 points with two games to go at time of press the league belongs to Sefton and they can look towards the summer break with Division Four awaiting them next term. Clinical finishing from messrs Tod, Puddifer, Cowley and Findon throughout although a big well done to Cadwa, the Police and Waterloo for daring to take more than one point off the Sefton Park juggernaut. Unbeaten in the last period: Notes on the Cadwa game: “Cadwa E a smashing bunch of lads. Matches keenly contested and played in the true spirit of the game. Lots of nets and edges with the lead changing sides often. It was the toughest match of the season for Sefton A but great fun all the same.”

2nd: Marconi D – 142

Marconi continue their great resurgence this season and are currently in pole position in the hotly contested to finish second, just a handful of points ahead of Maghull D and Bootle D. They suffered a big defeat at the hands of the Bootle Boys in week 16, losing 10-0 but the scoreline seems to have been whiskers away from looking quite different with James Haskell taking Saul Keelan and Alf Garnett to five sets, before the Bootle pair came out victorious. This Bootle defeat coupled with the almost-inevitable Sefton Park A victory did not hamper Marconi's spirit as they have ended the season in fine fettle with a comprehensive 10-0 over Police and an 8-2 win over the Busdrivers, with James, Andy and Jack seeing off the opposition rarely requiring more than the regulation three games. Against the drivers, Adrian looks to have become frustrated by Danny Bellard who defeated Ade in 5. Great form to end the season in and it appears they have more than enough firepower to cope with higher level fare next season.

3rd: Maghull D – 137

Still right up there locked together with Bootle as they have been for most of the season. They saw off stablemates in the E team 10-0 as noted below by our regular correspondent. Week 16 - Maghull D 10 – 0 Maghull E
“A good night for the D team – only 2 games going close, with a great fightback from Brian, who was very unlucky not to beat Naresh, but Naresh just held on to win 14-12 in the 5th. Special mention to Wilf and Jim Dickson. Wilf is a hero for continuing to play TT, despite suffering with an eye problem. Also, Jim struggling with asthma is still too hot to handle with his fast spin serves.” --- Andy

Tightly fought wins seem to be the key to Maghull's success this season. They seem to be the doggedly determined bunch who fight for every point. And their Away form looks like it may see them go up – wins at Bath St and Wavertree show that they are just as capable away from home. Alan Chan and Naresh Tagore have shown this season that they are going to be more than a match for those waiting in Division 4 if promotion beckons.

4th: Bootle YMCA D – 137

It may need a coin toss to decide between Bootle and Maghull, as the two Sefton-based teams have been scrapping it out for league position for most of the season. Liam's ice-cold control, Josh's launched forehands and Saul's erratically spiky assaults have been complemented superbly by Tom Doubtfire this season who must be a shoe-in for best newcomer considering bringing home the Division Five singles crown, surely to the jealous glares of his more experienced teammates!

Police E (Both teams 1 man down), “A big improvement for young Jack since we played them at their place. He hit some ferocious forehand shots, gave a lot of services away and needs to move into position more. It won't be long before he's up with Sam and Joe M! Another improvement for Mike. Some great forehand hits and pushes – well done for a first season! Eric Young is Eric, always willing to help out – just getting a little rusty. Josh and Tom, so relaxed, both prepared to wait for the big hit. Tom's 1st season just gets better.” --- Roly.

5th: Arriva NW B – 111

Arriva and Cadwa lie just outside the top four and are still very close together so they look to be contesting 5th place with advantage Arriva at the present moment but who knows what the current round of matches could throw up? Gordon Langshaw's Wavertree team defeated the Drivers 6-4 with Eric Spencer doing the damage with two fine wins over Janusz and Alan. Josef Kimala was the depot's hero saving the team from the Sefton Park whitewash in March with a tremendous display in a five set thriller over Fred Cowley. Not many have done so this must have been Josef's game of the season! They lost their last two games so they need to pull themselves up, dust themselves off and hope to finish the season in style.

6th: Cadwa E – 107

Comparing results it could be how Cadwa fare against the best teams that could be their best hope of leapfrogging Arriva for 5th place. Taking two off the top dogs Sefton will no doubt be precious in the run in. Peter Roberts, playing in the E team to ease his return to action has been a massive shot in the arm for the team who have seen the points tot up: narrow defeats in the first half seem now to

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The Fawley Construction Liverpool Closed 2012 Finals Night Program March 19th 2012

Welcome to Cadwa which will again, house a packed hall in expectation of another tremendous night of top class play something we've been fortunate to enjoy over the years. After successfully staging the Fawley Construction finals' a year ago, the league's management committee unanimously agreed to conclude matters here, a decision with which most, I'm sure, will concur. Although all eight contests that night produced engaging and competitive encounters, those present will have left with the vivid memory of the men's final when nine times champion Kevin Dolder took on Jonathan Taylor, the runner-up a year earlier. The contest was magnificent from start to finish which saw Jonathan edge home 11-9 in the decider. The only downside was that the clash wasn't recorded on camera.

Of the thirteen players appearing on that night a year ago, only five will be on show tonight but, more significantly, the evening doesn't include a ladies' final since not a single entry was received, this being only the second time since 1943 that the event hasn't been contested. From the programme you'll see that the men's event contains a quartet of first division stars, all of whom duly reached their allotted seeding position, three of whom are re-visiting the scene again. Holder of the Montague Burton challenge cup, Jonathan Taylor, ranked at 112 in England and the top seed, is drawn to meet the powerful Tomasz Rzeszotko who claimed the crown in 2010 when beating the Wirral man in the final while adding the vets' title - beating Keith in the final after ousting him in the last eight of the men's singles. Although Tomasz was born in Poland, he earns rating points for his successes in England and prior to the Blackpool Vets' event eight days ago, his total listed him in seventh in the England veteran list, two places above Keith. Liverpool university student, Stewart Mudie, the top seed in 2010 and third this year, is one of a few in the league to have registered a victory over Kevin Dolder although he was unable to repeat the feat when losing 3-0 in the semi's last season. Stewart has a 94% average having suffered just two losses to date.

Paul Hutchings may not thank me for reminding him, but thirty years have passed since his first appearance at the penultimate stage of the event although he'll be pleased to recall that he dismissed Keith Williams in the semi's before losing to Wayne Percival in that 1982 final. He subsequently made two more final appearances in the 80's losing to Keith in 85 while reversing the result against Wayne a year later to claim the title for the first time. After a break from the sport, Paul returned to Closed final action in 1998 but was beaten 21/19, 22/20 by Kevin but, in his last men's final outing in 2003, he regained the title in a memorable encounter, overcoming Keith 33/31, 11/8, 10/12, 11/8. As well as winning a number of veteran and doubles titles, the latter with three different male partners, Paul this time teamed up with daughter Amy and made the semi-finals eight days ago, before losing to Thomas Miller and Jack Dempsey, who delivered the knock out blow, to deny them the opportunity of becoming the first father and daughter pairing to reach the final. We'll see new doubles champions when favourites Jonathan Taylor/Rob Wylie face the surprise package of Jack Dempsey and Tom Miller who plays in division three and must be thrilled to appear in the Liverpool final.

The tournament line-up at Wavertree didn't contain either Kevin Dolder or Keith Williams, the latter the ten times Closed men's singles champion, decided instead to enter the Northern Masters veteran event in Blackpool, the decision paying off in grand style when beating Tomasz 15-13 in a fifth game decider in the final. Tomasz, not wanting to miss the Closed, then sped to Wavertree, albeit, too late to take part in the doubles with team mate, George Lennon but, in time for the singles group matches. Jonathan enjoyed another success last season when winning the Wirral Closed men's singles title, a feat not achieved in the same season since Barbados international Trevor Manning beat Keith Williams in the Closed final having also annexed the peninsular league crown in 1983. He kicks off the proceedings tonight aiming for his third consecutive final appearance while Paul, ranked at 75 in the England veteran list, will be looking for his sixth final attempt. As in other Closed finals night's, he'll take to the table on more than one occasion when he faces Crosby High club mate Rob Wylie (ranked at 183 in the England vets' list) in the vets' final, Paul coming out on top when they met twelve months ago at the same stage.

Manchester's John Hope, having faced Liverpool teams' many times over the years in Lancashire and Cheshire league action, will be hoping to retain his over 55's title he took for the first time via a 3-0 success over Dave Evans but, to do so, he must overcome the most successful player in terms of Liverpool league and cup honours since the late 1940's. Roy Smith reached his first Closed final in 1960 where he lost to John Ball in the junior singles but returned a year later to beat the 1959 winner Bob Eden. In 1963 he dismissed ten times men's champion Ron Rumjahn in the semi's before falling to Wally Allanson. His only other men's final appearance came 35 years ago when he suffered at the hands of Keith Williams who was collecting the first of his ten Closed men's singles crowns. Roy has also won a couple of Liverpool veteran titles and tonight sees him appear in the final of his fourth different event and only Keith W. can better that, with five.

Joe Killoran from Chester, ranked at 86 junior in England and making his debut in the Closed, qualified for the junior final following comfortable wins over division five champion Tom Doubtfire and Joel Webb without

dropping a game while his final foe, Jack Dempsey, boasting a 57% average in division 2, accounted for Andy Challoner and Tom Miller who took the opening game in the semi's 14-12 - The 'Manassa Mauler' Dempsey, though, taking the next three 'rounds' 5, 4 and 6.

The league's management committee, are extremely grateful for the continued financial assistance provided by Fawley Construction together with the support from Bill Fawley throughout the season and tonight when we shall see him and company directors' Leo Crone and David Fawley.

Hopefully, the interest shown in attending tonight, will extend to you supporting the Men's World Cup at the Liverpool Echo Arena on 28th, 29th and 30th September this year. The top 15 players in the world will be on show and tickets, starting at £10 are now on sale - the concessionary price for players' will last until March 31st and may be booked on line at the Echo Arena site. I sincerely hope you again enjoy the action in the 84th Liverpool Closed and I thank you for your attendance.

Don Davies

Chairman

2012 Liverpool Closed

Results - Sunday and Final's Night

Matches played at the Wavertree Tennis Centre Sunday 11th March 2012

Men's Singles

Last 16:

J Taylor bt J Dempsey ; P Walsh Jnr v P Taylor w/o; K Bird bt A Bramham ; P Hutchings bt J Killoran ;

S Mudie bt R Wylie ; A Beech bt N Jennings ; G Lennon bt D Russell ; T Rzeszotko bt J Hope ;

Q/F: J Taylor bt P Walsh ; Hutchings bt Bird ; Mudie bt Beech ; Rzeszotko bt Lennon ;

S/F Taylor v Hutchings; Rzeszotko v Mudie

O/55's

Q/F: J Hope bt E Preston ; J Langton bt T Purcell ; G Reid bt P Jennings ; R Smith bt N Jennings ; SF: Hope bt Langton ; Smith bt Reid ; Final: Hope v Smith

Veteran Last 16:

E Preston bt P Rees ; P Taylor bt R Smith ; R Wylie bt G Reid ; J Hope bt P Christie ; C Owens bt P Lee ;

C Spedding bt A Bramham ; G Lennon bt N Jennings ; P Hutchings bt T Purcell ;

Q/F: Preston by Taylor ; Wylie bt Hope ; Spedding bt Owens ; Hutchings bt Lennon

S/F: Wylie bt Preston ; Hutchings bt Spedding ; Final: Hutchings v Wylie

Juniors O/F:

J Killoran bt T Doubtfire ; J Webb bt S Keelan ; T Miller bt J Whittingham ; J Dempsey bt A Challoner;

S/F: Killoran bt Webb ; Dempsey bt Miller ; Final: Killoran v Dempsey

Open Doubles Last 16:

K Bird/J Killoran bt J Gittins/D Greene : P Christie./J Langton bt Walsh/Walsh ; A Bramham/C Spedding bt Jenning/Jennings ; J Taylor/R Wylie bt H Reeve/A Charcenko ; A Hutchings.P Hutchings bt T Doubtfire/J Webb ; P. Hutchings/A Beech bt G Miller/D Noden ; J Hope/D Russell bt T Purcell/B Chen ; J Dempsey/T Miller bt Bradshaw/Bradshaw ; Final: J Taylor/Wylie v Dempsey/T Miller

Divisional Results

Div. 2 S/F P Walsh Jnr. bt R. Smith ; J Dempsey bt C Spedding;

Final: Dempsey bt Walsh

Div. 3 S/F C Owens bt J Koudelik ; D Russell bt T Miller ;

Final: Russell bt Owens

Div. 4 S/F G Reid bt B Davis; P Jennings bt L Madin ;

Final: Reid bt Jennings

Div. 5 S/F J Haskell bt D Greene ; T Doubtfire bt A Challoner;

Final: Doubtfire bt Haskell ;

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Cadwa TTC Monday 19th March 2012

Men's Singles S/F : P Hutchings bt Jonathan Taylor ; T Rzeszotko bt S Mudie ;

Final: Rzeszotko bt Hutchings ;

Open Doubles Final:

J Taylor/R Wylie bt J Dempsey/T Miller ;

O/55's Final:

R Smith bt J Hope

Junior Final:

J Dempsey bt J Killoran ;

Veteran Final:

P Hutchings bt R Wylie ;

Men's Singles Final Rzeszotko bt Hutchings ;

11 up

Another in the series of interviews of well known players by Paul Gittens,
this one from Marconi's Peter Wass

1. Where did it all start ?

Football was always my first sport, and then cricket but TT was a close third. I started playing TT in the league aged 15 in 1962 for Linnets in the lowest division. In those days it was five a side, 21 up and I was pleased if I got 10 points against an opponent. In my 2nd year I started to win a few games and travelled everywhere on my trusty Honda 50 motorbike. The next 4 years I lived and breathed TT and represented Liverpool Juniors, Youth and Mens A team. Then I started going out to nightclubs and never took the game as seriously for a while and it become second sport to football. I got sent off once playing football. It was around Xmas time and as the ref raised a yellow card at me and asked me my name. I joking said Father Christmas. He sent me off for dissent and told me to go back to my grotto! Unfortunately I had to retire from football at 27 due to injury. I started to play cricket seriously and joined St Helens Recs and played there a number of years and became a coach for some 10 years.



All Souls Church -Winners of the Bardsley Cup in 1970 from the L/Pool & District C. of E. League - Peter front row , 2nd right



Holding the Worsley Cup (Peter right) in 1971 - for All Souls Church, L/Pool C. Of E. League

all important to me during my early years. On visiting a new dentist I asked him if he played TT and if he had ever lost game love. He said that he hadn't but I knew he had. So I waited until he had finished my treatment to remind him that he had lost 21-0 and it was me who beat him. Luckily he took it well and I went there many times. I have dentures now of course!!!

5. Best player to watch ?

My favourite player to watch is a fellow team mate Ian Wensley (the smiling assassin). He demonstrates how TT should be played, being one of the few defenders around. It is a real pleasure to watch him play. I prefer 4-a-side to 3-a-side as it is less tiring and more social. Frank McCann, Ian and I have played together for a long time, and although it is nice to win, we play for fun and TT has the advantage of being able to play at any age.



Coach to the Plessey's 20 overs team , bringing in the youngsters In the 70's

6. Funniest table tennis moment ?

I have always had digestion problems and that has led to me having quite a reputation both in TT and cricket. I would hope that this 'talent' has entertained along the way. I can recall arriving late at Trinity (a church hall in Walton) which had 3 courts separated by full length curtains. After a short time I broke wind rather loudly and Mick Keane, who was playing in the next court and hadn't even seen me, shouted 'All right Wassy! What a reputation! I think I will be remembered more for this than my TT ability!



Playing for St. Helen's Recs 1979

8. Is there life other than table tennis ?

I am now a keen beekeeper and that keeps me occupied during the summer months. I also run a cricket team in the 20 overs league (too old to play now).



Plessey's 1979 team , 1 to r. Ray Lavin, Peter, Bob Edwards and Trevor Owens

7. Who's your T.T. hero & why ?

My table tennis mentor was an ageing man (like I now am!) who was in bad health but had been a good player in his time called Jimmy Green. He was a past master at gamesmanship and taught me how to beat a player psychologically by fair or foul means. I can recall him offering his left hand to an opponent he had just beaten with his right hand saying it was partly paralysed! Jim made us practice pushing deeming it to be the most important skill.



The Plessey Inter Factory team 1976, Peter front 3rd. from left, Trevor Owens, 2nd. from right,

9. What changes in the game would you like to see ?

I don't think the game has improved as a spectator sport with the vast array of rubbers available and limited rallies associated with the modern player. It should be 3-a-side for youth, 4-a-side for the coffin dodgers like me. I have always believed in playing any sport for as long as you are capable at whatever level. Grow old gracefully and enjoy playing even if you drop a division or two. The older I have become, winning is not as important as taking part.



One of the many marches of the A.U.E.W. In the 70's, Peter under the pole on the left



In his Bee Keepers outfit, can also be used in T.T. Matches (Elf and Safety)

11. Coaching tip ?

Never ever under any circumstances 'Pull my finger' during a table tennis match. Be afraid. Be very afraid !



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be turned into narrow victories which could make all the difference.

Jack Highton has led the line well for Cadwa this season but the firepower lower down the lineup looks like the key factors for Cadwa's push for a top five finish: Shantanu, Lewis and Satish continuing to impress alongside new additions Peter Roberts and Xianmin Chang who show that the Cadwa international scouts are still doing their job!

7th: Maghull F – 95

After Cadwa and Arriva there is a bit of a drop off but there could be three sides able to secure 7th position with two games to go. Maghull stand 10 points ahead of Bath Street and saw off their nearest rivals in Week 17 7-3, Harry McGanity beating both Alb Parker and David Noden in four. Daniel Hall and Keith Dudley look to have played out a cracker with Daniel coming back from 2-0 only to lose momentum and succumb in the fifth. The D team showed the F'ers the difference between the two teams in Week 19, beating their clubmates 8-2 although the F team responded by going to the Police and defeating them 10-0, Luke Courtney, Harry McG, M. Stewart and P. Carlin doing the damage. (Don't know first names.. I don't play in this division remember!!)

8th: Bath St Marine G – 85

Bath Street seem to be able to pull out a good performance when it matters with a fine display against Maghull F and an excellent 6-4 win against Wavertree F. Albert Parker still able to hit opponents where it hurts with fine wins over Gordon and Eric. Femi hit back with two wins of his own so the battle of the ladies proved decisive with Barb Alcock besting Sharon Mahon despite losing the first set. Their season is ending in fine form with some narrowly fought victories – they went to Sefton and escaped with a 6-4 win. Standout games look like Eric Wood's besting of Alb in five and Alan Staniland's give set victory over Des Logan but unfortunately for the Sefton B lads, Alb got it together against Mike and Dave Noden posted two wins for the win!

9th: Wavertree Lab F – 82

Team Gordon still look capable of an upset despite their league position which they must surely improve on next season. They bested the Drivers at home and do not give over very easily: as their results show if you are going to get the win they will take as much off you as possible as seen with these 6-4 defeats they keep succumbing to. Gordon and Eric were able to defeat Cadwa's Jack Highton but Shantanu and Satish both won their two to ensure that the bulk of the points went to Cadwa. These 6-4 defeats continued with Waterloo and Bath St Marine barely escaping with the lion's share but maybe a bit more focus needed – The odd point or two per game could see them turn a 6-4 defeat into a 6-4 victory!

Maghull D

10th: Maghull E – 77

Brian Gregory and Andy McCourt's Maghull team look to have cemented their 10th spot unless they rip up some trees for the final round of matches and results elsewhere go their way. A great win for the E team over Wavertree who stand above them in the table, defeating Wavertree 6-4: Impressive wins for Luke Courtney over Eric and Ken, as well as Michael Stewart posting two victories over Femi and Ken proving the difference between the two sides. Bottom side Sefton saw off Maghull E 7-3 with Keith Whittaker and Andy McCourt saving the team from further damage, along with a comprehensive display in the doubles from Andy McCourt and Wilf Gibson who saw off Alan and Barry 3-0. They have the arsenal to threaten further next season, or at least improve on where they look like ending up this term.

“Another hard fought draw against a very good young Bootle team. The lads play with a very good temperament and are definitely ones to look out for in the future. The only black spot was Roly bringing his camera! So some ugly mug shots to appear in the digest soon. I would like to mention last week's away match at Sefton Park B. Eric Wood and his team were very hospitable to us after the game and we all had a good few jars in the clubhouse.

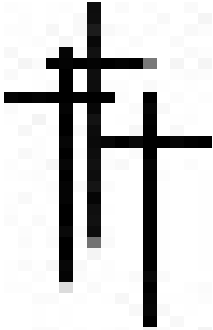
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Obituary

David Cohen

1 / 8 / 1931 - 30 / 3 / 2012

Secretary of Harold House T.T. Club

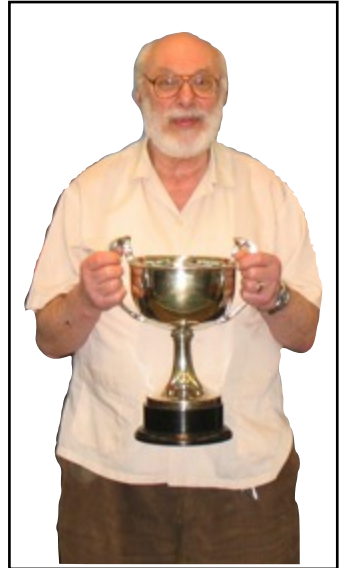


David Cohen joined Harold House, then in Chatham Street, in 1947 at the age of 15, he played in their boys team in the Liverpool Boys Association League until 1950 at which time he was called up into the Army for National Service.

In 1952 he was back at Harold House and joining up with Mike L'gynsky, they set about running

the section which has had numerous teams in all divisions of the Liverpool League right up to the present day.

David played well into his 70's, and only failing health actually stopped him playing about 3 years ago. He continued on as General Secretary, a role he had occupied for the last 40 years.



David was besotted with table tennis, never a champion player himself and one who definitely played a better game away from the table than on it, he often managed to surprise a few players who clearly on all known form were better than him.

David was a very sociable, and it was a known fact that any match that involved him as a player took at least 30 minutes longer to complete than would have been the case if he hadn't played.

He had many friends across the League over many years, and this was borne out by the fact that so many players turned up at his funeral to pay their respects.

Eddie Clein
Harold House Secretary

In my tenure as Cup Secretary, David rarely missed a Cup Final when one of Harold House's teams were taking part, the above photo after the 2007 - 08 Final of the Div. 3 Hyde Cup when Harold House 'A' beat Bootle YMCA 'A'
Editor

‘Ping’ is coming to Liverpool

Sport England’s new fund for public ping pong tables

Ping! is a recreational table tennis initiative which has brought a surge of new interest to the game. Funded by Sport England, the idea behind *Ping!* is to take the sport to where large numbers of people can enjoy playing regularly – installing tables across city landmarks, from museums to motorway cafes, stations to shopping centres, parks to local estates. The tables are free for everyone to use and enjoy.

The project has taken place in London, Birmingham and Hull to date and now, to extend the reach of *Ping!*, Sport England are making new funding available by setting aside £250,000 of lottery funding to pay for public ping pong tables. The ***Ping! the Public*** fund will enable all kinds of social enterprises and community organisations to bid for funds to host a public table.

“We’d like to see ping pong tables popping up everywhere – from village greens to university canteens, city squares to community centres.” says Sport England. “We welcome applications from a range of not-for-profit organisations – city councils to the scouts, youth clubs to older people’s day centres. The important thing is for any organisation applying for a *Ping!* package to demonstrate that the tables will be well used.”

- **Why be part of *Ping! the Public*? Ping pong makes people happy** – planting tables in public spaces encourages passers by to spontaneously join in, bringing people together through sport and making people smile!
- **Ping pong is popular** – it’s the second most popular sport in the world and attracts people of all ages and backgrounds
- **Ping pong is good for you and makes exercise fun** – it boosts heart rate, stamina and co-ordination
- **Ping pong is easy** – people of all ages and abilities can enjoy playing and even a complete novice can enjoy the game

Who can apply for funding?

The fund will be open to a wide range of partners, both large and small. Youth centres, community groups, schools, universities, museums, historic houses and city councils may all apply. The only criteria is that you are a not-for-profit organisation applying for a table that will benefit your local community.

Because Sport England aims to increase sports participation by adults, at least 50% of your project beneficiaries will need to be over the age of 14.

What is meant by a public table?

A public table is one that can be enjoyed by a wide range of groups, including shared community interest groups. It doesn’t need to be open to the general public but it does need to benefit your local community in some way.

What does the grant actually pay for?

There are two grants available:

- **£3,000 Outdoor *Ping!* package** – ideal for parks, colleges, universities, housing associations and hospitals to locate up to two permanent/semi permanent indoor or outdoor tables
- **£350 Indoor *Ping!* package** – ideal from clubs, community groups and village halls to provide a single indoor rollaway table for their members.

Each package includes resources, which will guide you through getting started, marketing, and delivery.

For how long will the registration of interest be open?

Not long! Register your interest in applying between 9th April and 23rd April.

I’m ready to play ball. What happens next?

Once you have decided which of the two recreational table tennis packages most suits your needs, please register your interest at etta.co.uk/news/ping-packages.



For an informal chat about *Ping! the Public*, please contact your Local Regional Development Manager in the first instance or Kieron Pelling on 01424 456 219.

See Don’s Nets & Edges page 3 for local details and dates

Results of the 2011 - 2012 Divisional Cup Finals And The 25th anniversary Frank Murphy Veterans Handicap Cup

READMAN CUP. Div. 1

Crosby High 'B'	5	v	4	Christ. The King
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RUMJAHN CUP. Div. 2

M. Police 'A'	3	v	5	Marconi
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HYDE CUP. Div. 3.

Bath st. Marine'C'	5	v	0	Arriva N.W.
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FORREST CUP. Div. 4

Wav. Labour 'E'	3	v	5	Wav. Labour 'C'
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STAMP CUP. Div. 5

Sefton Park 'A'	5	v	1	Maghull 'D'
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H/cap	The Frank Murphy Vets. Handicap Cup				H/cap			
198	Bath St. Marine	5	407	v	354	Bootle YMCA	1	-16

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We finally got away at quarter to 1. (Is this a league record?) Does Eric celebrate every win this way??" --- Andy McCourt

"Another lucky win for Sefton! Maghull pushed Sefton all the way with three sets going to deuce! In all fairness, we were outclassed by a team far too good for this league – at least we got in the bar a bit earlier! Another good humoured night nevertheless." --- Andy

11th: Waterloo – 65

It seems Waterloo have almost made it to the end of their debut season relatively unscathed but they have the personnel to regroup and improve next season now they have seen what the division has to offer. They have not suffered any whitewashes this period so that is a positive for morale for any team fighting it out at the bottom of the league – they make teams work for their wins, regularly snatching 3 points from a defeat. However, it is not all doom and gloom with a 6-4 win posted over Wavertree F who stand above them in the table. John Lau, so often Waterloo's saviour, seeing off Gordon and Eric for two points, along with Paul and George both defeating Sharon, showing that anyone can beat anyone on their day. Their other win came against Sefton B the week later, obviously buoyed by the previous week's outing. An impressive 8-2 win with double wins for John and Chris to ensure the win, with both doubles added to increase the margin of victory. Longest journey I've had to a match – Eastbourne, back with 20 minutes to spare only to go on against John Lau, should have stayed at Eastbourne! But good to see John playing again, and giving that little help to the Waterloo team who are improving every match. Liam back with his 'bad back', me limping about, good job Josh and Saul added their 5." --- Roy

12th: Merseyside Police E – 63

Merseyside Police's newest team have reached a standstill almost at the end of the season without a win for the last

five games so they must be hoping to end the season well with only a point between them and Sefton B in last place. This last win came against the basement team in a solid 7-3 win. Two wins for the Greens; John and Dominic, two for Michael with just Paul succumbing to Alan and Barry. They now just need to reassess and return stronger next term for a better league position than they are currently in now.

13th: Sefton Park B – 62

Bitter sweet for the Sefton Park camp as the A Team are runaway champions and the B team are currently in pole position for the division's wooden spoon of last place. I predicted at the start of the season that the Sefton sandwich of division 5 was a fleeting anomaly but here they are with only a match or two to go. They have the nous and they have the technical ability but it just hasn't worked out as it should have done in practice as it should have done on paper. Their sole win of this period coming against Maghull E in a 7-3 barnstorming performance. Eyewitnesses elsewhere in this report have revealed the carnival spirit following the victory so maybe it is for the best that their victories are few and far between of late: there may be a few more sore heads in the morning if their antics are to be believed! Two wins a piece for Mike Poole and Alan Staniland made sure of the game for Sefton with one each added by Eric Wood and Barry Meyer. In doubles the Sefton duo of Eric and Mike defeated Alan Smethurst and Keith Whittaker to make sure of the points. This was the kind of performance I predicted for Sefton but it hasn't really delivered this term. Maybe they could nick a spare body from the A team to lead them to some more victories next season?

"Table tennis at its best. Old mates, good clean fun, laughs in abundance and a late party to finish! Just what you expect in 5th Division. Well played to all concerned" --- A spectator

Ged Howard

League Tables as at 11th April 2012

Division One		P	W	D	L	Pts
1	Crosby High B	20	17	1	2	153
2	Fords	19	17	2	0	148
3	Christ The King	21	14	4	3	132
4	Bath St Marine	22	13	1	8	130
5	Crosby High	21	14	3	4	126
6	M/Side Police	20	11	2	7	105
7	Bootle YMCA	21	6	3	12	97
8	Bath St Marine A	21	6	3	12	97
9	Christ The King A	20	7	0	13	80
10	Crosby High A	21	5	0	16	78
11	Cadwa	20	6	2	12	74
12	Fords A	22	3	3	16	67
13	Harold House	20	2	2	16	53
14	Free	0	0	0	0	0

Division Three		P	W	D	L	Pts
1	Bath St Marine C	21	17	3	1	164
2	Harold House C	20	17	1	2	134
3	Bootle YMCA B	21	11	6	4	125
4	Marconi B	21	12	4	5	124
5	M/Side Police B	21	11	1	9	114
6	Arriva Nth West	22	9	2	11	108
7	Maghull A	20	9	2	9	100
8	Maghull	21	9	2	10	99
9	Bath St Marine D	22	8	3	11	96
10	M/Side Police C	21	8	2	11	93
11	Cadwa B	22	6	1	15	82
12	Cadwa C	21	4	2	15	69
13	Bath St Marine E	21	0	3	18	62
14	M/Side Police D	withdrawn				

Division Five		P	W	D	L	Pts
1	Sefton Park A	22	22	0	0	195
2	Marconi D	21	16	2	3	142
3	Maghull D	20	15	3	2	137
4	Bootle YMCA D	21	13	3	5	137
5	Arriva Nth West B	21	11	1	9	111
6	Cadwa E	21	10	3	8	107
7	Maghull F	21	8	4	9	95
8	Bath St Marine G	21	5	5	11	85
9	Wavertree Lab F	21	5	2	14	82
10	Maghull E	21	3	6	12	77
11	Waterloo	20	3	1	16	65
12	M/Side Police E	21	4	3	14	63
13	Sefton Park B	21	3	3	15	62
14	Free	0	0	0	0	0

Division Two		P	W	D	L	Pts
1	Wavertree Lab	19	14	2	3	128
2	Cadwa A	20	9	7	4	116
3	Marconi	19	12	3	4	115
4	Christ The King B	19	10	3	6	114
5	M/Side Police A	20	11	3	6	112
6	Bath St Marine B	18	10	3	5	108
7	Bootle YMCA A	19	10	2	7	105
8	Marconi A	19	5	4	10	81
9	Harold House A	18	6	3	9	79
10	Crosby High C	20	5	3	12	79
11	Wavertree Lab A	19	4	2	13	71
12	Wavertree Lab B	20	1	1	18	42
13	Free	0	0	0	0	0
14	Harold House B	withdrawn				

Division Four		P	W	D	L	Pts
1	Wavertree Lab C	21	20	1	0	171
2	Huntsman Wood	21	11	4	6	130
3	Bath St Marine F	21	14	3	4	126
4	Cadwa D	22	12	4	6	126
5	Sefton Park	21	10	6	5	117
6	Wavertree Lab E	20	12	3	5	113
7	Arriva Nth West A	20	10	3	7	108
8	Linacre	22	6	4	12	98
9	Marconi C	21	7	3	11	92
10	Maghull B	21	4	5	12	84
11	Wavertree Lab D	20	4	3	13	77
12	Maghull C	21	5	2	14	75
13	Bootle YMCA C	21	0	1	20	43
14	Free	0	0	0	0	0

Fines to 17 / 4 / 2011	No	Fine	Total
Walk Overs Vets Cup	1	£6	£6
Player Short	31	£3	£93
Walk Overs League	10	£6	£60
Walk Overs Cup	2	£6	£12
Played Out of Order	5	1.50 PP	£15
Late Score Card	19	£3	£57
Total	68	£243.00	

Fines to 11 / 04 / 2012			
Late Score Card	8	£4	£32
Player Short	23	£3	£69
Walk Overs 3 A-Side	9	£9	£81
Walk Overs 4 A-Side	0	£12	£0
Walk Overs Cup 3 A-Side	4	£9	£36
Walk Overs Cup 4 A-Side	1	£12	£12
Played Out of Order	0	1.50 PP	£0
Ineligible Player	0	£0	£0
Total	45	£230.00	