**Annual Report - Season 2019 – 2020**

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**Chairmans Introduction**  
Dear members,

The 2019 - 2020 season was running extremely well, as usual, until February 2020 when the Coronavirus became a major issue, this necessitating the halting of playing of TT in March. This left league and cup competition incomplete and due to subsequent lockdown, they could not be concluded. The Bristol Closed Tournament did take place at WISE in February with the majority of events being completed on the day. The outstanding events were completed at Failand just prior to lockdown coming into force in March.

I would like to thank the League Executive Management Committee for their continued commitment to ensuring the effective running of the league, special thanks to:-

Mike Withyman for all his work with the juniors

Aylwyn Powell for his role as League Secretary

Mervyn George for his role as League Treasurer

Shaun Fitzpatrick for his role as Development Officer

John Ruderham for Organising and running the Hard Bat Tournament

Last and by no means least I would like to thank Brian Ellison for his continued work as registration and fixture secretary, a role essential to the effective running of the league.

The TT Leagues platform was successfully introduced at the start of the season, mainly due to the incredible work undertaken by Brian and Clive Ellison, outstanding issues with this platform have continued to be addressed and resolved with TTE and platform programmers.

The Executive Committee have, and will continue to, communicate relevant information to you as necessary, either via email or on TT Leagues and TT365 websites.

Andy Elliott Chairman BDTTA

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**Financial Report- 2018/19 season compared to 2019/20**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | 2018/19 | | 2019/20 | |
| Transaction Details | Income | Expenditure | Income | Expenditure |
|  | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Team Registration | 1,040.00 |  | 1,070.00 |  |
| Player Registration | 3,982.00 | 198.00 | 3,909.00 | 167.50 |
| Table Tennis England Fees | 2,327.00 | 2,351.00 | 812.00 | 726.00 |
| Avon County Affiliation |  | 803.40 |  | 826.80 |
| Junior League | 788.00 | 505.00 | 258.00 | 400.00 |
| Summer League | 376.00 | 181.13 | 420.00 | 150.00 |
| Veterans Tournament | 3,023.96 | 1,504.20 | 2,040.00 | 1,982.90 |
| Hard Bat Competition | 247.50 | 606.00 | 275.00 | 183.86 |
| Bristol Closed | 1,167.00 | 492.21 | 883.00 | 416.24 |
| Junior Closed | 95.00 |  |  |  |
| Deposit Account Interest | 6.91 |  | 5.31 |  |
| Printing of Handbooks |  | 319.20 |  | 550.00 |
| Score Books | 165.00 | 590.00 | 227.50 |  |
| Table Tennis Balls | 620.00 | 674.95 | 732.00 | 724.95 |
| Bristol Affiliates | 634.00 | 1,002.00 | 337.00 | 1,066.00 |
| Trophies | 7.00 | 1,440.66 | 94.10 | 1,350.90 |
| AGM /Exec Meeting Expenses |  | 282.50 |  | 387.47 |
| Development Expenses |  |  |  |  |
| Travel Expenses |  | 205.20 |  | 98.55 |
| Coaching |  | 135.00 |  |  |
| Centenary Tournament | 100.00 | 1,912.50 | 4,429.94 | 10,548.22 |
| Fines |  |  | 40.00 |  |
| Donations |  |  |  |  |
| Mordecai/ Belston expenses |  | 110.00 |  |  |
| Internet Expenses |  | 195.12 |  | 79.00 |
| Treasurers Expenses |  | 11.57 |  | 15.61 |
| Civil Service Reduction in Bal |  | 87.50 | 8.00 |  |
| Totals | 14,579.37 | 13,607.14 | 15,540.85 | 19,674.00 |
| Net profit |  | 972.23 |  | 4,133.15 |

This can be reconciled as follows:

***2018/19***

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| Balance at start of season | £ | Balance at close of season | £ |
| Deposit Account | 12,500.00 | Deposit Account | 13,000.00 |
| Current Account | 847.11 | Current Account | 1,319.34 |
| Petty Cash | 0.00 | Petty Cash | 0.00 |
| Excess of income over exp (PROFIT) | 972.23 |  |  |
|  | 14,319.34 |  | 14,319.34 |

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***2019/20***

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| Balance at start of season | £ | Balance at close of season | £ |
| Deposit Account | 13,000.00 | Deposit Account | 10,000.00 |
| Current Account | 1,319.34 | Current Account | 186.19 |
| Petty Cash | 0.00 | Petty Cash |  |
| Excess of income over exp (PROFIT) |  | Excess of Exp over Income (Loss) | 4,133.15 |
|  | 14,319.34 |  | 14,319.34 |

These accounts represent the income/ expenditure at the end of each year, which means that some transactions do not relate to the year of account, when payments are made or income received after the period to which they relate.

Player registration refunds relate to payments received which should have been made by players to their respective clubs.

Civil Service operate a float with the League to pay additional fees during the season, the balance of which was £8.00 at the end of the season.

The loss incurred during the season was attributable to the 4\* Centenary Tournament as previously advised and members were advised of at the very start of the arrangements to organise the tournament that a substantial loss was expected.

Mervyn George

League Treasurer

3rd June 2020

I have audited the accounts of the Bristol & District Table Tennis Association and in my opinion these accounts present a true and fair view of the Association’s affairs shown by the records of accounts presented to me for the period 1st June 2019-31st May 2020.

Signed: Terry Toghill Date: 21st January 2021

Terry Toghill----Honorary Auditor)

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Signed: Chris Webster Date: 29th October 2020

(Chris Webster----Honorary Auditor)

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**Registration Secretaries Report**

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| This is the report for Season 2019 to 2020. This was the season that the  covid pandemic established its self in the united Kingdom. As you will see  on the Bristol League layout below there where eight divisions with fourteen  teams in each | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| The league played normally until the government put the country into lockdown.  Our season then ended with 300 matches unplayed. | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | |  | | |  | | |  | | |  | | |  | | |  | | |  | | |  | | |
| The league decided to work on averages for the 300 matches outstanding  to assist with the following seasons league makeup. | | | | | | | | | | | | | |  | | |  | | |  | | |  | | |  | | |  | | |  | | |  | | |
| It was decided not to run the Mordecai cup this season.  **Statistics 520 players in 106 teams from 22 Clubs** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |  | | |  | | |  | | |  | | |  | | |  | | |  | | |
| Congratulations to the winners in each of the leagues. | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | |  | | |  | | |  | | |  | | |  | | |  | | |  | | |  | | |
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The promotions and relegations according to the hand book rules but taking into account the shortfall as above are as follows: -

**Premier Division** **Winners: - Thorbury “A”**

Runners up: - Civil Service Warriors

Relegated :- Filton Brigands & Thornbury B

**Division 1 Winners: - HCC A**

Runners up: - Cleeve and Claverham Mambas

Relegated :- University A & Filton Hercules

**Division 2 Winners: - Portishead Stingrays** Runners up: - Civil Service Spartans

Relegated :- St George Legends & Civil Service Vikings

**Division 3 Winners: - Bitton Puffers**

Runners up: - Nailsea Tigers

Relegated :- Southmead Merlins & Fromeside B

**Division 4 Winners: - Civil Service Fusilers**

Runners up: - Failand E

Relegated :- Portishead Clippers & Westbury Jackals

**Division 5 Winners: - Filton Brittanias**

Runners up: - HCC G

Relegated :- Almonds E & Bitton Locos

**Division 6 Winners:- Winterbourne**

Runners up:- Civil Service Vigilanties

Relegated :- Nailsea Lions & Portishead Ahoy

**Division 7 Winners: - St Pauls A**

Runners up: - St Pauls B

Many thanks to Brian Ellison for all his hard work in keeping the results up to date this year.

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**Annual Hard Bat Competition**

The annual Hard Bat Competition took place on Saturday 18 January 2020 - but this time with brand new bats, courtesy of our Executive Committee. All were once again identical, which therefore made for a very fair and fun event as always. Players began proceedings in groups of five on six tables, with the top ones progressing to the Main half of the competition and the remainder entering the Plate competition.

In the competition for the James Hamilton Plate, there were the usual shocks in the initial rounds, but eventually the two three-way semi-finals lined up as follows: Simon Monks, Stephen Knight and Kevin Hinett on one table, and Nathan Proud, Ian Maggs and Paul Redman on the other. At the conclusion, the two finalists were Paul Redman of division one and Simon Monks from division two, with the eventual winner being Simon who was the runner-up in this event last year. Congratulations, Simon.

The path to lifting the John Mycroft Boucher Trophy involved some really good group stage matches, with the defending champion, Dave Reeves, losing an epic second-round group match against Rob Chandler, but nevertheless progressing. The two three-way semi-finals separated those two players, and on Table One Rob was joined by Michele Reeves and Jon Thorn, the latter of whom was to make it to his first HB final. On Table two, Dave Reeves defeated Nick Branch and Gary Baldwin, to earn the chance to retain his title against Jon, which he did, and in so doing, he had claimed a record fifth Hard Bat title. Congratulations, Dave.

**John Ruderham - Tournament Organiser**

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**Report of the 2020 Bristol Senior Closed Championships**

The Bristol Senior Closed took place on Sunday March 8th at Wise, 90 of our league players competed in the various events. The Ladies singles only had 3 entries and was run as a group event and no mixed doubles event ran due to lack of entries.

Most events were completed on the day, the over 60’s, over 70’s and VETTs singles events were completed at Failand on Monday March 16th.

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| **Event** | **Winner** | **Runner-up** | **Match Score** |
| **Open Singles** | **Dan Moses** | Joe Ratajczak | 3, -7, 8, 8 |
| **Ladies Singles** | **Michelle Reeves** | Rebecca Burton | N/A (group) |
| **Division 1-2 Singles** | **Jack Vaughan** | Ronan Elder | 9, 8, 10 |
| **Division 3-5 Singles** | **Tom West** | Milan Gal | 7, -8, 9, 5 |
| **Division 6-7 Singles** | **Kevin Gordon** | Ash Saman | 6, 6, 7 |
| **Over 60 Singles** | **Gary Baldwin** | Brian Reeves | 8, 11, 4 |
| **Over 70 Singles** | **Brian Reeves** | Dave Harvey | 10, 6, 8 |
| **Veteran Singles** | **Dave Reeves** | Dave Harvey | 8, 8, 8 |
| **Open Doubles** | **Dave Reeves**  **Joe Ratajczak** | Dan Moses  Lee Phillips | -2, 4, 10, 6 |
| **Mixed Doubles** | **DID NOT TAKE PLACE** |  |  |
| **Veteran Doubles** | **Emma Rose**  **Michelle Reeves** | Dave Hadley  Abu Salehbhai | 9, 9, 9 |
| **Division 1-2 Doubles** | **Dave Hope**  **Jack Vaughan** | Nick Branch  Martyn Millard | 8, 10, -8, -3, 9 |
| **Division 3-5 Doubles** | **Tom West**  **Andy Wakefield** | Muz Brittain  Glyn Weeks | 4, 1, -7, 6 |
| **Division 6-7 Doubles** | **Ben Grant**  **Austin Gane** | James Russell  Stewart Simpson | -8, 5, 9, 8 |

**Thank you to all present for ensuring matches were not delayed due to waiting for umpires and also keeping the venue tidy throughout the day.**

**Special thanks to - Nick Davidson for use of Wise & PA system, Shaun Fitzpatrick for assistance on control table, Aylwyn Powell for arranging of trophies and balls and all individuals who assisted with setting up on Saturday and packing away at end of event.**

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**SUMMER LEAGUE 2019**

**Summer League Semi-Finals September 21st 2019**

The Summer League finals were played at Almondsbury Table Tennis Club on Saturday 21st September 2019

As there were 3 divisions, the top two teams from the 3 divisions qualified to play in the Semi- finals during the morning session of the Saturday and the finals were played with the winners of the the 3 semi finals playing against each other at the same time in the afternoon session..

The 6 teams to qualify for the Semi-Finals were St George Ades Assassins, St George Marks Magicians, Portishead Sharks. Portishead Congers Civil Service A and Page B.

Matches played were St George Ades Assassins vs Portishead Sharks, Portishead Congers vs Civil Service A, St George Magicians vs Page B

The matches were played on the same format as the summer league with a point being awarded for a game win and 2 points for a match win on points.

The outcome was that Portishead Sharks beat St George Ades Assassins 367– 355 ( 6 – 5),Portishead Congers beat Civil Service Am 406 – 288 (10½ - . ½ ) and Page A beat St George Magicians 426 – 331 (9 – 2

**Summer League Finals September 21st 2019 – Afternoon Session**

The afternoon session was played on a league basis with the 3 matches being played simultaneously thus meaning that each player was either playing or scoring for the 3 hours. The matches in this part of the day were played on total points scored by the team to determine the winner. Teams playing Portishead Congers, Portishead Sharks and Page B.

After the first 3 games had been played in each match Congers led Sharks, Sharks Led Page and Page led Congers. All awfully Close

By the end of the next 3 matches Congers led both Sharks by 14 points and Page B by 12 points and Sharks led Page by 16 Pts. Still all to play for.

We now come to the tense and last 3 matches which were to determine which team was to be the Summer League Champions 2019.

Portishead Congers took the last 3 games against Page B but stuttered a bit against Portishead Sharks only winning 1 of the 3 games. However Congers held onto their points advantage to beat Sharks 375 – 348 and Page B 372 – 353.

Page B rallied against Sharks in their last 3 games to turn a 16 pts. deficit into 23 points winning margin and therefore are the runners up in the tournament.

**Congratulations therefore go to Portishead Congers for becoming**

**The 2019 Summer League Champions**

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B&DTTA LEAGUE DEVELOPMENT AND COACHING OBJECTIVES 2017 – 2020

2019/2020 UPDATE

Principles:

To encourage the formation of Table Tennis Clubs in the Bristol District;

To actively promote participation in Table Tennis activity.

The Executive wish to encourage Clubs to take opportunities on a voluntary basis in order to secure the future vibrancy of the league rather than doing it for them, but will help and support those who do. Given the events occurring in the reporting period most of the work happened in the early part and was hampered by the departure of the TTE Regional Development Officer and subsequent restructure leaving Bristol without real support, not to mention a voice to help influence our sport.

**Specific actions are**:

The Association, it’s Leagues and affiliated Clubs offer safer, effective and child friendly opportunities for people to play and more people are playing regularly in those clubs:

**Progress:** Club and player numbers retained and more open practice sessions established through clubs.

* Encourage more high quality and active coaches and officials who are accredited and/or licensed:
* **Progress:**

1. Level One coaching course with TTE completed.
2. Established a list of coaches and discussed coach coordination and pathway development with TTE.

2. Additional County Umpires trained and qualified.

3. Liaised with TTE to promote BE TT programme - 3 successful clubs.

* Help establish new League and Junior Clubs where interest found:

**Progress**: Junior League maintained, although several established clubs unable to maintain teams.

* Develop and maintain partnerships with SGC College (W.I.S.E.), Wesport, TTE and local Councils:

**Progress**:

1. Regular liaison meetings held, plus contribution to BCC Sports meetings.

* Promote a structured competitive and safe programme for interested young people across the whole player pathway, including more schools to be introduced to our sport:
* Support Ping, Workplace and Linkage venues and Battle of the Paddle events:

**Progress:**

1. Supported new and existing Commercial Firms to take part.

* Look for funding opportunities to have a single building venue with appropriate facilities for BDTTA HQ:

**Progress:**

1. Raised possibilities with TTE and BCC as issue along with venues for TT.

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**Avon County Report for Season 2019/20 - County Championships**

**Seniors - Div 1B**

Due to injury or unavailability some of the regular players were missing from the Avon team for this season’s matches which were all played on the week-end of 16/17 November 2019.

The team finished eighth with just one point.

Players representing the county were Joe Ratajczak, Anthony Kent, Tom Lewis, Patrick MacFarlane, Jessica Orlik and Hannah Stock.

Results:

Lost to Middlesex II 3 – 7; Lost to Kent 2 – 8; Lost to Essex 3 – 7; Lost to Devon 1 – 9;

Drew with Hampshire 5 – 5; Lost to Gloucestershire 1 – 9; Lost to Dorset 0 – 10.

**Veterans – Division 1A**

The Veterans matches were played at Draycott TTC, Derbyshire on 7/8 December 2019 and 29 February 2020.

The team finished sixth with 4 points - level with South Yorkshire but behind on set difference by just one set.

The players representing Avon Veterans were Dave Reeves, Martin Gunn, Gary Baldwin, Clive Ellison, Ricky Jemmott , Steve Bettison and Michele Reeves.

Results:

Lost to Derbyshire 1 – 9; Drew with South Yorkshire 5 – 5; Drew with Warwickshire 5 - 5; Lost to Yorkshire II 4 - 6; Beat Gloucestershire 6 – 4; Lost to Northumberland 3 – 7.

**Juniors – Div 2B**

The Avon Juniors played their matches at Matravers School, Westbury, Wiltshire on the week-end of 15/16 February 2020.

The team finished third with 7 points.

The players representing Avon Juniors were:

Leon Kashdan-Brown, David Boozari, Olly Newton, Amir Radwan,

Emily Thorn, Helene Albert and Lilian Ihekwoaba.

Results:

Beat Dorset II 6 - 4; Beat Cornwall 6 - 4; Lost to Gloucestershire II 2 - 8;

Lost to Hampshire 4 - 6; Drew with Somerset 5 - 5; Beat Wiltshire 9 - 1.

**AVON CLOSED CHAMPIONSHIPS – NOT HELD**

The original date for the tournament was changed due to a clash with the County Championships. Subsequent arrangements were prevented by restrictions introduced due to the Covid pandemic.

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**Veteran British League Teams – Season 2019-2020**

Our two teams this season were very optimistic in doing well and competing for promotion again, even though the overall standard throughout the VBL, really continues to get stronger and stronger, yeaw on year.

**Bristol Associates 1:** Having eventually been promoted into division 3A/3B this season, we were very much expecting to find it very tough to push on any further. However, with many fantastic performances from the team, even though we were placed in third position by a single end, we were then offered promotion to Division 2A/2B for the following season. The promoted team consisted of Paul Laverty, Lee Thomas, Mike Bishop, and Mark Farrow with Ray Goulding now helping out in our second team. Real congratulations to the team for their positive attitude, enthusiasm and dedication towards success again.

**Bristol Associates 2:** With the team having gained re-entry to division 4A/4B, the players were extremely keen to do well. The squad of Andy Cox, Ray Goulding, Scott Cooper and Abubaker Salehbhai, were competing against a number of high end teams in this VBL entry level division, so the competition proved really tough in deed. Although all the players played very well individually, unfortunately the team scores presented differently, resulting in a disappointing final league position at the base of the table.

The following season 2020/2021, unfortunately never got off the ground, as a direct result of the Covid Pandemic. Although we had our first team accepted into division 2A/2B, both our remaining teams are currently on the waiting list for re-entry, when we can eventually return to something close to normal, in the table tennis fraternity.

The Bristol Associates Squad are really looking forward to playing again, whenever the coming season presents and are greatly enthusiastic towards future successes.

Again, as with most years, the organising committee, have received plenty of requests from Bristol & District TTA players, for selection consideration and as a result, we remain very well placed to fill-up our three potential teams under consideration for re-entry by Table Tennis England.

Finally as always, many, many, thanks are offered to Bristol & District Table Tennis Association, who really support and promote this growing Veterans British League opportunity.

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**Bristol Junior League 2019/20**

Regrettably due the Covid 19 pandemic we were unable to complete a full season of fixtures. Only 3 of the planned 5 sessions were completed. Just 10 teams were entered so it was decided to form just one division. This trend of fewer teams continues the experiences of the last couple of seasons although it was pleasing to see the re-introduction of 2 junior girls. Once again just 3 senior league clubs entered junior players.

Also, as last season we have run a National Junior League. This competition had 8 teams and included teams from Stroud, Cheltenham, Cirencester, and Evesham and included 4 Bristol based team.

I would like to thank all the parents and coaches for providing taxi services for the players and for helping put out and take down tables on each of the sessions. In addition, I thank the SG&S Academy for accommodating us and Duncan Jones for his support in helping run the sessions.

The results based on the 3 completed sessions are detailed below.

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| Bristol Junior League | Div 1 |
| 1st position | Bath Boys |
| 2nd position | Cleeve & Claverham “A” |
| Best Boy | Joseph Hadley (C & C) |
| Best Girl | Lily Inekwoaba (Portishead) |

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