

Chairmans Report 2022

Welcome all to an actual meeting, great to be able to get back to functioning normally and thank you for coming. The last couple of years have been a little more than difficult for all of us and the Burnham League is no different in that respect it is tribute to all of our committee that we managed to keep up with the rules and regulations to at least get some table Tennis in 2020 and then get back to a full season of competition in 2021 albeit in a changed format from pre-pandemic. None of this would have been possible without the effort and energy of our committee who thanks to our secretary, Colin Napper, were able to have regular zoom meetings which most managed to attend although it did prove a challenge for Dave Goody's Amstrad. Seriously we kept up to date with developments and tried to get some sort of competition running as soon as we could so a really big thank you to the whole committee for that. I would also like to mention (for those of you not at our presentation evening, why not?) that the presidents cup recipient this year was Eamonn Hall who not only produced tremendous press reports but also did a lot of the day to day work around ensuring that fixtures got fulfilled and thoroughly deserved the award.

We hope to see more teams entering the league this year to begin an upward trend in numbers but to do that we need clubs to host practice evenings and promote table tennis within their community there is a demand from young and old, we regularly get enquiries from people asking where they can play so if any club is running any sort of practice/coaching please ask us if you need help with anything. We have a coaching officer who can help with advice and a press officer who can help you promote your sessions and even a fund for some financial support if that is what you need.

Thank you for your support, please remember that your committee is there to help and support you as clubs and players to enjoy our great sport and they give their time freely and with a desire to represent the majority view. Personally I would like to see us get the position of having at least one member of each club on the committee but that has long been a desire.