**Table-tennis Report**

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**There was no change at the top as the Leamington League drew to a close for the season. Division 1 Champions Rugby A retained their title in convincing style crushing WCC A 9-1 with hat-tricks for Matthew Outhwaite and Ryan Lines and a brace from Jesse Kendrick-Hill. Colebridge A finished second again, their last match a tight 6-4 result against Rugby B for whom Sam Ricks notched an impressive treble. However, doubles from Sam Henderson and Kate Hughes, a single from Edward Lynn and a Henderson/Lynn doubles success saw them home. Mike Rinnhofer has been the other stalwart of Colebridge this season. Free Church B fell 8-2 to Rugby B (Paul Lilley 3, Sam Ricks 3, Danny Ricks 2) and finished 10th. With two sides having dropped out it will be down to the League Executive to decide whether to relegate them.**

**After being invincible all season the new second division Champions, Rugby C, stuttered to a draw with Whitnash A for whom Mark Woolerton starred with a triple. However, the Rugby threesome of Danny Orr, who finished with a 90% average, Niall Herbert and Anshul Satsangi thoroughly deserve their title. Colebridge B are second and ended their campaign with a 9-1 victory over St Georges E, John Taylor and Neil Wheatley notching maximums and John Chandler a double. Michael Credland has been their other mainstay. Enigmas claims to third remain in the balance after an untimely 7-3 defeat at the hands of Nomads A for whom Sam Weaving was unbeaten in singles and doubles. Tony Thomas added two and Ian Beasley one. Flavels A will be relegated and Snitterfield A require two points in their last match to avoid the drop and commit St Georges E to Division 3.**

 **Free Church D secured the Division 3 crown after taking 8 points from Rugby D. Cherry Matthews starred with 3, Chris Blowey and Anthony Smith added two apiece and took the doubles. Dudley Turner has been the fourth member of this squad. Millennium were the strongest team in the latter half of the season and duly nailed promotion with an 8-2 win over Nomads B, Christian Ward 3, Colin Astbury 2, Bob Clarke 2 and the doubles. Rob Warnes has also featured prominently for the Banbury side this term. Whitnash B need 2 points to condemn Nomads C to relegation.**

**Eathorpe C in the shape of father and son John and Jon Ablett, Charlie Wragg and a few vital wins from Simon Thompson cruised to the Division 4 championship. Free Church I came good in their last three matches to easily take second spot, overcoming nearest challengers Eathorpe B 9-1 and crushing WCC D and Rugby E 10-0. Tom Fletcher, Jack Green, Joe Mills and James Robertson are the successful quartet.**

**In the two a –side League, Topspinners claimed the crown in a very strong Division A, their last win being 4-1 over Eathorpe E. Young Bradley Matthews won both his singles and the doubles with Russell Smith, who won once, and finished the season on 90%. Steve Shaw has been an important member of this team. The Flavels’ trio of Mick Bennett, Steve Lyons and Dot Macfarlane finished second. Free Church N and Eathorpe E are relegated.**

**FISCC will return to the top division after winning Division B. In the match to decide the title they beat nearest rivals Free Church M 4-1, Mark Jones and Brian Marston just losing the doubles. Mark Kingham has helped the team accrue many of their points. FC M could still be pipped by Eathorpe D who need 4 points from their last game.**

**Eathorpe F have secured the Division C title, their one defeat, 2-3 to Free Church O, coming in their last match when they were home and dry. John Gymer, Jamie Sayer and Norbu Sunang-Joret have enjoyed a great season. Free Church P also lost their last match 2-3 to Norton Lindsey but Oscar Dalrymple, Daniel Strand and James Wilson gained promotion by one point. Norton Lindsey and Eathorpe H are relegated.**

**Free Church T’s young trio of Emily Beasley, Milly Green and Ciara Hancox stormed to the top of Division D in an unbeaten campaign which saw them eclipse Free Church R in their last match. Green and Hancox have identical 93% averages. Free Church Q, Sophie Bethell, Elaine Bradley and Carolyn Dorning finished second, Bradley and Dorning taking all 5 points against Free Church U.**