Leamington Table-tennis League

2-a-side Autumn competition

The 2-a-side League has finished its Autumn competition and will expand from the present 4 divisions to 5 in the Spring.

Flavels B comfortably won Division A with Mick Bennett and Steve Lyons their top performers. Norton Lindsey A’s Vince Ford, Gareth Hepworth and John Walker were runners-up with Free Church L and Rugby F relegated to B. Bennett finished with a 94% average and Henry Lu of Snitterfield B ran him close with 93%.

The Division B title went to Free Church M in the guise of Keith, Ashley and Jeremy Knott with their N team of Oscar Dalrymple, Charlie Snelson and Daniel Strand in runners-up spot. Both teams will remain in B, however, as two new teams from Free Church and County Council have been slotted into Division A. Eathorpe E and F and Free Church O will drop down to the new C Division. Ashley Knott enjoyed a 75% return with Norbu Sunang-Joret of Eathorpe E on an excellent 60%.

Ashorne B took the Division C trophy through Steve Handsley, Jim Jack and Tony Philpott. The girls of Free Church Q, Emily Beasley, Milly Green and Ciara Hancox, all under 13, secured a wonderful second place but only Ashorne will be promoted. Norton Lindsey B, Eathorpe G and Free Church R will contest the new D Division. Handsley finished on 94%, Dominic Priest of Free Church P nailed 81% in his debut season and Hancox, 78%, and Beasley, 71%, also shone. FISSC B will join the new C division in January.

Eathorpe H impressively won the Division D title with debutants Luca Bloodworth and Tom Booth easily adapting to League play. Free Church T’s Daniel Gunthorpe, Nicholas Ho and Chris Jones claimed runners-up trophies but, like the champions, will play in the new, stronger Division D along with the three relegated teams and a new Free Church side. Free Church S, U and V will form the new Division E alongside Ashorne C and another new Free Church side. Findlay Douglas of Free Church V was unbeaten in this Division whilst Bloodworth returned a 90% average and Booth 83%.