

LONDON BANKS AND CIVIL SERVICE TABLE TENNIS LEAGUE BULLETIN 5

AS AT 29 OCTOBER 2016

CREDEX	4	4	0	35	5	12	47
MORPETH	5	3	0	31	19	15	46
CASTAWAYS	4	3	0	33	7	12	45
NAT WEST	4	3	1	29	11	12	41
PRO	5	2	1	26	24	15	41
EMPLOYMENT	5	2	0	23	27	15	38
TREASURY A	4	3	0	25	15	12	37
COMETS	4	2	0	19	21	12	31
BTB	5	0	0	8	42	15	23
SEDCOPIANS	4	1	0	7	33	12	19
TREASURY B	4	0	0	4	36	12	16

Bonus points shown in penultimate column. Ultimate column shows total points from sets won and bonuses

THINGS TO NOTE

- ☑ None

COMMENTARY

Week 5

First match of the week and Treasury B face Nat West. This hasn't been the easiest start for Treasury and this match continued in that vein. There were some high points for Treasury however. In set two, David Shore beat Gareth Jones comfortably. In set five, Tony Dight was four match points down to Chris Herbert in the fourth end and saved them all to win 12-10!! But it wasn't to be and Tony finally lost 11-6 in the fifth. In set seven, Gareth Jones and Tony Dight had a real tussle that went to five. This time Tony was five match points down, saved them all, but lost the next two points so Gareth squeaked home by 11-9. To continue the comeback theme, David Shore was 10-5 down to Les Samuels in the first game, but eventually won the end 14-12. David then went on to lose the next three ends. Otherwise it was all Nat West who won the match 9-1. Second match of the week and Comets visit BTB. As might have been expected, for Comets the two Steves, Fagan and Codrington, won their singles in straight sets although Ross Roberts was leading Fagan 10-2 in the first set only to succumb 12-14 before losing the next two ends. The close contests all involved Richi Sinarian, who proved to be the great escapologist beating both Xavier and Roberts from losing positions, Flavinda having been 9-5 up in the fourth when leading two ends to one. The result: a 9-1 win for Comets. Employment turned out with two players against Credex. You really can't expect much when that happens but Richard Mak covered himself in glory scoring an excellent win over Anton Wu at 11-9 in the fifth, having lost the first two ends. Anita Jermyn lost in five ends to Wu but not much else of note to report. Having enjoyed a fairly easy start to the season things now get tough for PRO and this week they faced Morpeth. Samson Bekele opened with a defeat of the in-form John Crawford in four ends. Perhaps the next set was a sign of things to come. Ronnie Turner was against Oleg Blyuss and took the first two ends. Oleg came storming back to level the score but in the fifth end Ronnie just could not catch a break and lost narrowly 12-10. Those are the sets you'd really like to win. Two sets later and Crawford and Blyuss found themselves in exactly the same situation with the set locked up at two ends each. Going into the fifth end and a marathon ensues that saw John emerge victorious at 14-12! 106 points in that contest! John did it again in set eight, pushed all the way by Rob Chambers before winning 11-9 in the fifth. Fighting performance from John in what was a good competitive match. Last match of the week and I'm scraping around trying to find something to say about Castaways whitewash of Old Seds. The match was played in good spirit but exposed the gap between the top and bottom of this Division. Eight sets finished three straight and two ends was all Seds could muster on the night.

The League table begins to take shape and it's close at the top. Are Morpeth flattered by their current position?

Are Nat West going to challenge the leaders again? Can Treasury B make up lost ground in the relegation positions? Week six will begin to answer those questions with some interesting matches in prospect.

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AVERAGES (Qualification: ≥ 5 sets played)

Player	Team	Sets Won	Sets Played	Average (%)
Fagan	COMETS	9	9	100.0
Herbert	NAT WEST	9	9	100.0
P Fung	CREDEX	7	7	100.0
Adewale	CREDEX	6	6	100.0
Jaksland	CASTAWAYS	6	6	100.0
LeMilliere	CASTAWAYS	8	9	88.9
Nelson	CREDEX	6	7	85.7
Guimichev	TREASURY A	5	6	83.3
Nash	CASTAWAYS	5	6	83.3
Crawford	PRO	12	15	80.0
Harris	CASTAWAYS	7	9	77.8
McKee	EMPLOYMENT	7	9	77.8
Bekele	MORPETH	10	13	76.9
Samuels	NAT WEST	9	12	75.0
Codrington	COMETS	6	9	66.7
Baylis	EMPLOYMENT	4	6	66.7
Brown	MORPETH	3	5	60.0
Jones	TREASURY A	7	12	58.3
Blyuss	MORPETH	4	7	57.1
Jermyn	EMPLOYMENT	5	9	55.6
Jones	NAT WEST	5	9	55.6
Persaud	PRO	5	9	55.6
Giuffrida	TREASURY A	3	6	50.0
Turner	PRO	4	9	44.4
Wu	CREDEX	3	7	42.9
Mak	EMPLOYMENT	5	12	41.7
Waterhouse	BTB	5	15	33.3
Fitzgerald	SEDCOPIANS	3	9	33.3
Dight	TREASURY B	2	6	33.3
Loveder	TREASURY A	2	6	33.3
Mason	SEDCOPIANS	2	6	33.3
Sinarain	COMETS	2	6	33.3