**League Report**

**Courier 13th October, 2017**

**Division 1 newcomers Whitash A wasted no time obtaining a victory and accounted for Free Church B 8-2. Former Men’s champions Jon Williams and Mark Woolerton won triples and won the doubles with Paul Riman winning once. Jeff Harris and Charlotte Spencer won consolations. The other promoted side, Free Church C, opened their account with a 7-3 win over Wellesbourne. Dave Ramsey’s hat-trick was crucial but he was ably supported by Mark Bolshaw and Nikit Sajiv who both won braces. Gary Stewart pipped Bolshaw and John Price saw off the challenge of Sajiv with Stewart joining Alan Cotton to take the doubles. Colebridge A had the narrowest of 6-4 wins over St Georges B with 7 matches going to 5 and 5 of these decided by just two points. Ian Ferguson, Kate Hughes and Ben Willson all scored twice for the victors whilst Mark Jackson (2) and Laurence Sweeney (1) combined for a Georges’ doubles success. Rugby A hammered County Council A 9-1 with Sam Cafearo and Ryan Lines securing 7 of the points and Danny Ricks supplying the other two, losing to Pat McCabe. County Council B edged St Georges A 6-4. Nilton Green and Simon Griew grabbed twos and the doubles and Martin Hunter chipped in with one.**

**In Division 2 Millennium A’s 9-1 win over County Council C caught the eye with Jack Garner and Christian Ward romping to trebles and the doubles. Rob Warnes added two, falling to Cliff Jackson. Free Church D took 7 points when visiting St Georges C through Livvy Fletcher and James Robertson. Brian Aston, Kevin Finn and Tracey Fletcher all won once in reply. St Georges C then fell 2-8 to Rugby B whose Jack Evans and Ben Holvey acquired 7 and Hugh Crosfield the other point. Aston and Len Coonan each notched a single. Free Church F also won 8-2 at home against Rugby C with Roald Myers, returning from university,undefeated in singles and the doubles, with Lewis Singleton, who won two. Anthony Smith emulated him whilst Dan Burgess and Jo Outhwaite scored for the visitors.**

**Whitnash B made it two wins from two after beating Free Church I 8-2. Richard Smith could not be beaten in singles nor doubles with Dennis Woodhead. Greg Swan and Woodhead won twice but both had to accept defeat at the hands of Ben Hall. Young Josh Yarrow was in fine form for Free Church H leading them to a 7-3 win at Rugby D with a treble. He also partnered Milly Green, who won once, to the doubles and Eduardo Bolanos weighed in with two. Callum Ball, Dave Cox and Stuart Mills all enjoyed single wins for the home side. St Georges D have made a good start after relegation and accounted for Free Church G 7-3. Andy Caine, Richard Grover and Jerry Simmons all won braces and the two latter claimed the doubles 11-7in the 5th. Tom Fletcher (2) and Eve Briscoe (1) kept it competitive. Millennium B and County Council D fought out a draw, Lewis Cox (3), Colin Astbury (1) and Richard Pickering (1) for the Banbury side , Ian Stevens (2), Derek Harwood (1) and Steve Poole (1) plus a Poole/ Stevens doubles win levelling the scores.**

**Eathorpe D have chalked up two 7-3 wins in Division 4. Michael Rossington (3), Shaun Martin (2) and Sophie Cooper (1) plus a Martin/Rossington doubles success made County Council E their first victims. William Hung (2) and Jason Grey (1) responded. They then defeated newcomers Warwick University B despite a hat-trick from Adam Green. Paul Deavall (2), Martin (2) and Rossington (2) won twosomes and Deavall and Martin secured the doubles. Free Church K visited Eathorpe C and emerged as 7-3 victors thanks to Darren Laffey’s treble, a double from Nick Darwen and a single from Keith Knott, with Darwen and Laffey taking the doubles. Luca Bloodworth (2) and Marcel Bloodworth (1) replied. Free Church M drew with their J team. Jay Virdi won his three and guided Mark Singleton (1) to the doubles. Jill and Mike Weaving won two apiece and Janice Rowan contributed one.**

**Snitterfield B posted their second 4-1 win in Division A, this week against Free Church O. Michael Klein won his two and Vince Ford won once, the pair winning the doubles. There was a creditable win for young Tom Yarrow in reply.**

**Free Church P pipped Eathorpe E 3-2 in Division B. Seb Priest won his singles and steered his brother Dominic to the doubles. Richard Freeman and Dave Hawker kept the result in doubt.**

**Eathorpe G edged Free Church Q 3-2 in C with John Gymer taking both singles to add to one from Paul Holtby. Sarah Costa won once and guided Emma Briscoe to the doubles. Free Church R exacted club revenge when taking the spoils 3-2 against Eathorpe H. Joe Shrimpton won twice and found a strong partner in Harvey Wilson for the doubles. Josh Cope and James Rome took singles. Ashorne C took all the points against Free Church S through Steve Handsley and Tony Philpott.**

**In D, County Council F trounced Free Church T 4-1, Ricahrd Haigh (2), Jeff Millward (1) plus the doubles with Alex O’Driscoll avoiding the whitewash.**

**Rugby G look a strong Division E outfit and Alex Bowe and Josh Tyagi won 5-0 when facing Free Church V. Eathorpe K beat their L team 4-1, Aaron Heel (2), Alexander Kopter (1) and the doubles. Declan Jay responded.**

**Senior British League**

**Lillington Free Church TTC sent two sides to the Senior British League at the weekend, a second side being added this year thanks to the sponsorship of Event Exchange.**

**Lillington 1 were in Division C2 based at the Bromley TTC in Stourbridge. They won their opening encounter against Phoenix, Coventry, 7-2 with two wins apiece from Sam Weaving and Sam Wiggins, and singles from Tom Brocklehurst and Chris Mulligan with Mulligan and Wiggins snapping up the doubles.**

**A 3-7 reverse followed at the hands of Nottingham Sycamore 3. Mulligan and Weaving won singles and Weaving joined Wiggins for the doubles.**

**The next match resulted in a 7-2 win over North Ayrshire 3. Weaving and Wiggins each won their two singles, Lee Dorning and Mulligan supplied a win apiece and Dorning and Wiggins took the doubles.**

**The final match was a 3-6 loss to Woodfield 2 of Wolverhampton. Dorning posted two and Brocklehurst one.**

**Lillington 2 were in Division C1 based at Westfield club in Wellingborough. They suffered an 8-1 caning at the hands of Corby Smash 1 with Dave Ramsey avoiding an eclipse.**

**However, three wins followed. Cliffedale Chambers 3 of Grantham were disposed of 6-3. Ramsey won 2 as did James Robertson, Tom Hunt won once and Ramsey and Robertson combined for the doubles.**

**Lillington’s match against Blitz of Gainsborough could not have been closer. Two wins for Harry Purewal and singles from Ramsey and Robertson saw the score reach 4-4. Purewal and Ramsey then stepped up to win the doubles 17-15 in the 5th.**

**Lillington’s last match was a 7-2 victory over Archway Peterborough 3. Robertson and Charlotte Spencer both enjoyed two wins, Purewal and Ramsey took singles and Ramsey and Robertson paired for the doubles.**

**County Cadet Report**

**Five local youngsters represented Warwickshire Under 15s in Division 1B of the County Cadet League at Lawrence Sheriff School in Rugby on Saturday. Ricardo Bolanos, Milly Green and Nikit Sajiv of Lillington Free Church TTC were joined by Sophie Rinnhofer and Nathaniel Saunders of Colebridge TTC and covered themselves in glory.**

**Cambridgeshire were defeated 6-4 despite the inclusion of England number 6 Sophie Chiang and Daniel Hearne-Potton, ranked 23, who won the Cambridge matches. Saunders beat Mark Balon and Matthew Pryke, Bolanos accounted for Pryke and Sajiv nailed Balon. The girls defeated Chloe Pryke.**

**Suffolk were the next opponents and were sent on their way by a 9-1 scoreline. Bolanos beat Alex Attew and Luke Davies-Stokes, Sajiv beat Davies-Stokes and McKenzie Lowe and Saunders overcame Lowe. Green and Rinnhofer had each won twice against Isobel McGerty, England number 47, and Lucy Curtis.**

**Leicestershire were also beaten 9-1. Bolanos got bthe better of Edward Brown and OIscar Bentley, Sajiv beat Bentley and Oliver Wynne and Saunders Brown and Wynne. With Green winning both singles against Frankie Hallam and Roma Morjaria and Rinnhofer also defeating Morjaria the victory was comprehensive.**

**A great day for the youngsters ended with an 8-2 win over Staffordshire. Bolanos was too good for Alex Lee and Harry Fletcher, Sajiv beat Lee and Joshua Webb and Saunders scalped Fletcher and Webb. The girls had single wins over Bethany Wootton.**