

# CROWBOROUGH TABLE TENNIS CLUB

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### EDITOR'S COMMENTS

Welcome to the December Newsletter and to the festive season. Many of the usual topics again this time and you may be interested in a trip to Ireland (see article below).

I take this opportunity to wish all members and friends of the Club a 'Very Happy Christmas' and 'Best Wishes' for the coming year.

### WEALDEN LEAGUE

The 2015/16 season began in the first week of October and both teams have started where they left off - you'll remember that they were 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> in the League last time.

The 'A' team has won 4 matches out of 5, the only defeat when they had to field a two-man team, and the 'B' team is undefeated also after 5 matches. And our 'B' side is currently top of the League with 130 points, level with Broad Oak 'A' who have played one game more!

Notable results include the 'A's wins over Herstmonceux 27-11 and by 30-4 over Ridgewood 'A' whilst the 'B's successes have been over Broad Oak 'A' by 25-12 and by 24-14 against Herstmonceux. Well done to both sides and long may it continue!

### MEDIA SNIPPET 1

Will Bayley, from Groombridge, has won a silver medal in the men's singles class 7 event, at the European Para Table Tennis Championships at Vejle in Denmark.

He was beaten in the final by Jean-Paul Montanus, in four sets. This was the fifth consecutive major final that Will has reached and he now looks forward to the Paralympic Games in Rio in 2016.

### SUBSCRIPTIONS

Just a gentle reminder to any regular Friday players, who have not yet paid, that their Social Membership subscription of £30 is due.

Membership Forms are on the Club's Notice Board and subs can be paid on any Friday Club Night.

Many thanks to all League and Social members who have already paid - it really does help with our cash flow.



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## CLUB NIGHTS

These continue every Friday night between 8pm and 10pm and it would be good to see a bigger attendance. Why not pop down again for a bit of exercise! We are advertising again for new members in the Courier and Crowbrough Directory.

Just turn up to play at the Guide HQ in the Jarvis Brook car park.

## MEDIA SNIPPET 2

Dan Lawrence, from Tonbridge, a member of the Byng Hall Club in Tunbridge Wells has recently won the Band 1 Singles title at the Bristol Grand Prix.

Lawrence defeated the Welsh player, Callum Evans, by 11-9, 11-9, 11-7 in the final at the University of West of England Sports Centre.

## VISIT TO IRELAND 2016

We were approached some time ago by Mike Garland, who is an ex-member/former coach to the Club and who now lives in Ireland, with regard to the possibility of sending a couple of teams to play his local Club in Greystones, which is situated 30 minutes south of Dublin.

At this stage, we are just sounding out any interest amongst you all. If this does appeal, or you want to know more when further details are known, please let the Editor know (details at end of the Newsletter).

## FROM THE PAST

The 2010 Club Tournament:



In the 1999/2000 Wealden League there were 14 teams, playing in 2 Divisions of seven. Crowborough 'A' won Division One, undefeated from 12 matches. The scoring system was different then, just one point for every win, so a 10-0 was the most you could get. And each set was played to 21!

Ten years on in 2009/2010, there was only one Division with ten teams, but the same result! The 'A' side was top again, also undefeated. The points system had changed to what we have now - one point for every game won, and we had switched to sets of 11 points.

## STOP PRESS

Latest Wealden News; Broad Oak 'A' go top of the Division with a 29-6 win over Ridgewood 'A' on 9 December. But both our teams have matches in hand, so hopefully we'll be able to reclaim top spot.

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