

CROWBOROUGH TABLE TENNIS CLUB

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EDITOR'S COMMENTS

Well, I thought it was Summer, but it hasn't arrived has it!

This time there's a report on our AGM, from which you will see that the Club has had to take some reluctant decisions to protect our financial position, and we really hope these do not affect members too much.

We are hoping to arrange some friendly matches in September, before the League Season starts, against teams from Nutley and, maybe, Hailsham. If you're a Social Member, this could be an opportunity to give you a taste of competitive play. (See more details below).

Enjoy whatever you're doing during the next couple of months.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This took place on June 6 with a disappointingly small number of members attending but, nevertheless, there was good discussion on a number of topics affecting the Club at the present time.

Over the last several years, the Club has run with a deficit and our income has not matched our normal expenditure

and, at the AGM, a proposal was passed to shut down the Club from mid-July to the beginning of September. This will result in a saving of around £200. As this is the summer holiday period, we hope this will not inconvenience too many members.

Additionally, in a further attempt to stop this trend, another proposition increased subscriptions by £5 per year and the Friday evening fee by £1 to £4 with effect from 1 July. Whilst this is regrettable, it was felt that this still represented good value for money.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

These are now due and payable and Membership Forms have been sent by email with the AGM minutes and are also available from the Notice Board at Jarvis Brook.

It would be appreciated if these could be completed and returned as soon as possible as the Club has to make a return to Table Tennis England, based on Club membership. These can either be left at the Club, by 15 July, sent to Phil Wilmowski, Amberly, Queens Road, Crowborough, TN6 1PY or to myself (details below).

Many thanks for your help with this.

P.T.O

MATCHES v NUTLEY

We have now heard from the Nutley Club and they are suggesting Mondays, 5th, 12th or 26th September at Jarvis Brook with a return match at Nutley on a Wednesday also in September. We are contacting Hailsham to see if they would like to play as well.

This is an ideal opportunity for social members to get a taste of friendly competitive play and, maybe, playing in the League next season.

Please let me know whether you are interested in playing and on which dates you would be available.

CLUB NIGHTS

Please note that these continue every Friday night between 8pm and 10pm UNTIL 15 JULY and will recommence on 2 SEPTEMBER. (See AGM Report).

MEDIA SNIPPET 1 NATIONAL TABLE TENNIS DAY

Table Tennis England has a National Table Tennis Day on Thursday, 14 July and, whilst the Club is not organising anything, it may be worth seeing if anything is going on locally.

The website is:
www.tabletennisengland.co.uk

MEDIA SNIPPET 2 RIO OLYMPICS

Liam Pitchford and Paul Drinkhall have been selected for the 2016 Olympics to be held in Brazil. They are ranked at 60th and 51st in the world and will be aiming for a first Olympic medal for GB.

FROM THE PAST 2001 CLUB TOURNAMENT

Came across the results of the 2001 Club Tournament recently and some of us are still playing!

In those days a Veteran's Singles event was held and, although I played, the final was contested by our Club Chairman Mick Derbyshire and Mike Gorman with Mike coming out on top by 21-18, 21-19.

In the Doubles Final, Mick was again on the losing side, paired with Mike and they were beaten by Chris Reynolds/ Michael Gaughan in a close fought encounter 22-20, 21-18.

It was third time unlucky for Mick who came up against Chris Reynolds in the Open Final going down by two sets to love.

And, of course, we played to 21 in those days.

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