

CROWBOROUGH TABLE TENNIS CLUB

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EDITOR'S COMMENTS

Doesn't seem like the weather for table tennis at the moment, but don't forget that Friday Club Nights continue throughout the summer.

We have been advertising in the Courier for new members and also have an article coming up in the September/October issue of the Crowborough Directory. It would be good if this produced a few new faces.

Whatever you're doing over the summer period, have a good time!

CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This was held on Monday, June 16 at the Jarvis Brook HQ at 8pm.

There was a disappointing low attendance and members will have seen the recent email from our Chairman, Mick Derbyshire. I can only endorse his comments and hope that some of you will consider standing on the Committee. Thanks.

WEALDEN LEAGUE AGM 2014

The Wealden League AGM was held at Broad Oak Village Hall on Wednesday 28 May and there were encouraging signs that there may be one or two extra teams when the season starts again in October.

It seems likely that we will have two teams again, but if you are interested in playing League Table Tennis in the 2014/15 season please get in touch (details below) or speak to Steve on Fridays. Thanks again.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

A reminder that these are now due from both those playing in the League and Friday social players.

The Membership Form was sent with the minutes of the AGM on 26 June and subs can be paid directly to Phil Wilmowski or on Friday nights.

Prompt payment helps with our cash flow as the rent of the playing venue has to be paid in advance. Thanks for your help with this.

MEDIA SNIPPET (1)

Did anyone see six-year old Connor Green on the BBC Breakfast Show recently?

He's just won a competition in Nottingham beating teenage players in the process.

Makes me feel old!

MATCH v HAILSHAM

This friendly match did take place on Wednesday, June 11 at Hailsham.

We fielded five players; Mick Derbyshire, Greg Savva, Steve Hickey, myself and guest Mike Gadd from Broad Oak.

There were some good matches and, whilst Hailsham ran out the eventual winners, with the exception of myself, everyone else had some good wins.

(ED. Must try better!)

MEDIA SNIPPET (2) (from the ETTA)

The ITTF has introduced a new plastic ball, with effect from July 1, for use at Table Tennis England events next season.

This appears to be a decision made by the ITTF without discussion and the ETTA are trying to clarify the position and ascertain whether plastic balls are available.

Watch this space.

INTERESTING BOOK

Worth a read is a new book, published in 2014, called 'Ping-Pong Diplomacy' by Nicholas Griffin.

It tells the amazing drama of how ping-pong changed the world and goes behind the scenes of the historic trip by the American team to China in 1971. It tells what really happened and why.

Hard to believe but it turns table tennis into a spy thriller!

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