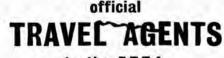
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CONRAD JASCHKE ELECTED E.T.T A. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN

At the meeting of the Management Committee on February 4, the Chairman, Ivor Eyles, announced the result of the national ballot for Deputy Chairman of the E.T.T.A. as follows:

Conrad Jaschke 100 votes. Geoff James Keith Watts 72 votes. 68 votes.

Conrad Jaschke, the Hon. International Secretary, has therefore been elected as the new Deputy Chairman of the Association. He will, however, continue to carry out his other duties as before.

English Closed

'SHOT-IN-THE-ARM' FOR ENGLAND Johnny Leach reports on the Scandinavian Tour

CHESTER BARNES, Denis Neale and Stuart Gibbs gave a shot in tense and close throughout, with both ENGLAND 5. SWEDEN the arm to English table tennis by their 2-1 defeat of Sweden, the reigning European champions, in a three-tier series.

Twenty-year-old Chester Barnes, playing much better than he did in the English Closed championships, was the outstanding player of the whole series. Such was his brilliance in the first two matches that knowledgeable Swedish critics compared his play with that of the invincible Chinese world champions, while Lollo Hammarlund, Sweden's respected captain, rated Chester the best player in Europe today. Believe me, these extravagant claims were not far wrong, as results show.

In the first match at MOLNDAL on January 10, which resulted in a comfortable 5-2 win for England, Chester defeated in turn Christa Johansson, Karl-Johan Bernhardt and Hans Alser.

19-year-old Stuart Gibbs, playing big occasion by beating the experi-s first big senior international enced No. 3 Swede, Karl Bernhardt proad, gave us a good start, show-29-27, 21-19 in the opening game. his first big senior international abroad, gave us a good start, show-ing that he has good nerve for the

Denis Neale, although handicapped by a badly bruised left-foot, fought hard and played exceptionally well to beat Christa Johansson, Sweden's No. by Ken Mathews 4, in straight sets.

Alser, Sweden's No. 2, and former European singles champion, defeated Neale and Gibbs respectively to win Sweden's only victories.

The second match at SKARA on January 12 developed into a close struggle. England nosed home 5-4 against what Sweden rated their strongest side.

At Skara, Chester was again in vincible defeating in grand style Kjell Johansson, the reigning European singles champion, Hans Alser and Bo Persson. Although not in top form, Denis Neale played well enough to beat Persson in straight sets. Stuart Gibbs had the nerve-racking task of point England' facing Persson when the score stood never extended.

players fiercely attacking every ball. The climax came at 17-17 in the third and deciding game when Stuart scored four consecutive winners to give England a well-earned victory.

The final match at HUSKVARNA on January 14 resulted in a 5-2 win for Sweden. England having already won the series this was a bit of an anti-climax, but all credit to the Swedish team who fought hard and played well.

Karl Bernhardt was Sweden's hero. Surprisingly he won all three of his games.

Chester Barnes, after playing bril-liantly to beat Kjell Johansson in straight sets, seemed to get over-confident. As a result he then lost to both Alser and Bernhardt.

Stuart Gibbs, having lost to Bernhardt, made ample amends. He played the game of his life to defeat Kjell Johansson. Denis Neale was well below form, losing to both Alser

and Bernhardt. All in all England's men can be proud of their results. After all, we are the first European country to have won a series against Sweden since they became European cham-pions in 1964

England scored an easy 5-0 victory over Norway, in their first ever inter-national clash, at Oslo on January 15. Although a very sporting match with our opponents fighting for every point England's men were really

ENGLAND 5, SWEDEN 2

C. BARNES bt C. Johansson -8, 16, 17; bt K. Bernhardt 18, -11, 13;

bt H. Alser -18, 20, 19. D. NEALE lost to Alser -13, -19, bt C. Johansson 15, 17. S. GIBBS bt Bernhardt 27, 19; lost

to Alser -21, -21.

January 12, 1967, at Skara ENGLAND 5, SW-DEN 4 BARNES bt Persson 13, 19; bt K. Johansson 13, -19, 15; bt Alser 16,

NEALE lost to Alser -14, -12; bt Persson 13, 17; lost to K. Johansson

-17, -18. GIBBS lost to K. Johansson -16, 15; lost to Alser -16, -11, bt Persson 19, -14, 17.

January 14, 1967, at Huskvana ENGLAND 2, SWEDEN 5 BARNES bt K. Johansson 15, 18; lost to Alser -19, 13, -6; lost to Bern-hardt 14, -17, -16.

NEALE lost to Alser -19, -5; lost to Bernhardt -14, -18. GIBBS lost to Bernhardt -16, -16;

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January 15, 1967, at Oslo BARNES bt K. Havag 19, 18. NEALE bt Schl -12, 19, 10; bt Havag -19, 19, 15. GIBBS bt Stelle 18, 13, bt Sehl 11, 20



E.T.T.A. Treasurer, Tom Blunn, presents the Men's Doubles awards to Ian Harrison and Chester Barnes.

Photo by Michael MacLaren

Harrison: Champion Again

THE very firm grasp that Chester Barnes had on the English men's singles title was dislodged last year by Denis Neale. Many felt that this was probably only a tem-porary setback and that Chester would regain the title this year. He has not fared particularly well at home however and one had the feeling that a determined assault by any of the others in the running any of the others in the running might just result in an upset—and so it happened. Chester did not have the answer to Orville Haslam, who literally hit him off the table in the third round.

This let "Les" through to a semifinal meeting with Ian Harrison and very fine attacking game. In the other half "Connie" Warren dealt out a severe caning to an uninspired Brian Wright and proceeded to do the same to Denis Neale in the other semi-final.

half-way stage in the season, during which the Selectors' highly con-troversial Youth Policy has been operating, the Closed final should be between two veterans of 25 and 27 years! But what a set it was!

Ian Harrison was playing probably better than he has ever played before final meeting with Ian Harrison and a dose of his own medicine against hard Connie Warren hit the ball Ian an opponent who has developed a managed to get it back. For the loss of the first game though, Connie only had himself to blame as he had held a 20-14 lead and lost at deuce. Harrison went on to take the next two games for the title 17 and 15. This match was one of the most exciting men's finals we have seen for a long time and despite the fact that Connie lost, his reputation was greatly enhanced by the sporting and

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The first round saw the exit of Rov Morley, Roger Chandler and Ralph Gunnion, the latter to Malcolm Sugden. One-time holder Bobby Stavens lost to Wright and Mike Johns went out to Neale. In the quarters Neale put paid to our

INTERNATIONAL

Peter F. Cruwys (Chairman of the Cheltenham T.T. Association), 20 Salisbury Avenue, Warden Hill, Cheltenham, is tthe Organising Secretary of an international match ENGLAND V CZECHOSLOVAKIA to be played on Sunday, March 5th, in Cheltenham Town Hall at 4 p.m. Further details can be had Further details can be had from Mr. Cruwys at Chelten-ham 27563 (home) or Gloucester 21511 (business).

BEST WIN OF THE **TOURNAMENT ?**

spirited fight he put up.

In the women's singles perhaps the best win of the tournament was one which happened over in a far corner of the arena when most people were out at tea. The news soon got around however that the No. 2 seed, Lesley Radford, was out to Judy Williams: a win which did much to bring Judy back to the England No. 4 ranking.

This result perhaps made Karenza Smith's path to the final a little easier as she had less trouble with Judy than might have been exnected from Mrs. Radford. Mary Wright came through Continued on page 5

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FANATICISM

S OME administrators there are whose lives are devoted to the furtherance of amateur sport be it in the sphere of table tennis or what have you.

Do not believe that it is for personal glory that such people strive, for there must be less exacting — and certainly more financially rewarding — ways of making a name for one's self other than the sheer slog that a table tennis season entails.

Most clubs and most leagues have such a person and it would not call for any great mental stress for one to think of the name though it might for the glory!

Contrary to the supposed belief held by players, it is not the fairies that bestir themselves from the bottom of the garden to carry out the humdrum tasks that have to be undertaken during a season.

They do not clear arenas, erect tables and lighting, arrange seating and, as likely as not, see to refreshments as well before reversing the proceedings.

No such sprites exist, but our fanatic does, for who else, season after season, would carry on knowing full well, at heart, that human nature being what it is will not change but will continue to step aside without let or hindrance for the provision of services so much taken for granted.

All too often such persons find themselves caught up in the higher echelons of administration so that the burden becomes nigh intolerable.

It is inevitable that a good club secretary makes a good league secretary, but why stop there?

Counties too carry their share of dead wood and so our " Jack of all Trades ", whose enthusiasm knows no bounds takes on more and more.

Why not now, in the approaching twilight of the present season, resolve to lend a hand?

The last few miles of a marathon are reputedly the toughest and assistance can be rendered in many

INTERNATIONAL ROUND-UP

By CONRAD JASCHKE

Hon. International Secretary of the E.T.T.A.

WE in England are well known for our national trait of playing down our achievements, but I think for a change it would do no harm to point to the great improvement in our playing results this season. On our first foreign tour of the season Chester Barnes won the men's singles in the Netherlands Open from a field containing most leading European men, and when the Czechs came here immediately afterwards we lost the series 1-2 which was no disgrace considering we took the opportunity to include several youngsters. Next, in the Austrian Open we drew a blank with the Czechs conquering all, but immediately afterwards came a big success when Mary Wright and Karenza Smith took the women's doubles and the women's team championships in the Yugoslav Open. Then another great triumph when England beat Roumania—just back from an Asian tour—by 6-1 at Edmonton,

followed by a 4-4 draw with Germany (West) against whom we had to start at Crystal Palace without Barnes who was unable to play. This was closely followed by a 7-2 win over Netherlands at Borehamwood in a match in which we fielded our youngest ever team. Then another big surprise: our men's team of Chester Barnes/Denis Neale/Stuart Gibbs, led by Johnny Leach, did what no other European country had done since Sweden became champions in 1964, in winning our series in Sweden by 2-1. In the process Chester beat European champion Kjell Johannson twice, and Stuart did it once, to earn highest praise. Then, on the way back, a 5-0 victory over Norway. A great pity Barnes has had to cry off from the tour of Czechoslovakia and Germany (East) thus greatly reducing our chances of success there, but on the other hand it gave an opportunity to Connie Warren

STOCKHOLM RESULTS VITAL

STOCKHOLM RESULTS VITAL Nobody will deny that these results show a tremendous advance from those achieved by our players last season, and overall we must surely now be rated as one of Europe's top three countries. But what really counts this season are our results in Stockholm in April. They will decide where England stands in ITTF ratings for the next two years. Our players are dedicated to success, and under the direction of their captains and Jack Carrington they are training and practising harder than I have ever known them to do in the past. Their immediate aim is to capture titles in the English Open Championships at Brighton first week in March. Then the next aim is to finish ahead of most, if not all, European countries in the World Championships in April. But the fruition of our short-term plans: could come next season, when England will be making a determined bid for European League and European Championships honours. Long-term, we must lead the way in lessening the gap between European and Asian strength. This could be a long road ahead, but make no mistake about it, unless we can narrow this gap, Europe is in danger of becoming a backwater of international table tennis.

a backwater of international table tennis.

NEW ZEALAND MATCHES ALL FIXED

The demand to stage matches against the New Zealand touring side has been most gratifying, and all dates are now fixed. The Scottish T.T.A. will be looking after the New Zealanders until they enter the North East of England Open and then immediately afterwards Yorkshire will be playing two matches against New Zealand on March 28 (at Barnsley) and 29. On March 30 there is a match against Lancashire, probably at Bolton, and then our New Zealand friends compete in the Cambridge Open on April 1-2. Philip Reid has arranged matches for the New Zealanders in Leicester (April 3), Loughborough (men only, April 4) and Melton Mobrav (women only, April 4), and Ken Mathews has arranged a match in London on April 5. Then New Zealand play Buckinghamshire on April 6, and Kent on April 7, after which they compete in the Stevenage Open on April 8-9 and then depart for Stockholm. May I thank most sincerely all those who have inelped me put together this programme.

SIDO OUT

The Hungarian T.T.A. and Ference Sido have parted company. Sido, a very popular world champion who has paid many visits to this country, had acted at trainer/captain for the Hungarian national team since his retirement from competitive play. It is believed there were differences of opinion about training methods.

NETHERLANDS BEAT BELGIUM

Shortly after their visit to Borehamwood Netherlands scored a con-vincing 5-2 win over Belgium. There were some surprising results in the recent tournament between Netherlands' top players, with Bert van der Helm coming out top, in front of Bert Schoofs and Bert Onnes—the first times Onnes was invited to take part since the disciplinary action taken

As a result of the appeal in last month's issue, Mr. Len Tolvin of the East London League has very kindly offered to donate two very old bats to the table tennis museum which is being started by the Netherlands T.T.A. These bats are hollow, and covered in vellum. There are very few of these in existence now, and we are very grateful for Mr. Tolvin's kind gesture.

against him after Ljubljana. Frans Schoofs could finish no higher than 7. Amongst the girls Ursula Stulemeyer came top, followed by Anne Marie Wijnants and Ellen Kort.

ways—even a wet sponge can be refreshing at times. Many hands make light work and the fanatic, alas, has but two.



FIRST GANEFO GAMES

I mentioned last month the victory of Li Fy Jung over the world champion Chuang Tse Tung in the "Games of the emerging nations" in Cambodia in December. Full results have now been received and it trans-pires that Chinese players monopolised all individual finals, as winners and runners-up. Women's singles was won by Cheng Min Chih, men's doubles Chuang Tse Tung/Li Ching Kuang, women's doubles Lin Hui Ching/Cheng Min Chih, mixed doubles Chang Hsieh Lin/Lin Hui Ching. In both team events China was first and North Korea second.

FIFTH ASIAN GAMES

In the 5th Asian Games in Bangkok later in December, the Japanese won all individual titles except the men's singles which went to South Korea's Kim Chung Yong, with Japan's Nobuhiko Hasegawa runner-up. Noriko Yamanaka won the women's singles and with Naoko Fukatzu the



Nobuhiko Hasegawa, champion of Japan for the last two years, using the orthodox grip and watched by Ogim Ura, former world champion, L. Foldy and Victor Barna.

vomen's doubles. Koji Kimura won the men's doubles with Hasegawa, and the mixed with Fukatzu. Team rankings were : MEN-1 Japan, 2 Taiwan, 3 South Korea, 4 South Vietnam, 5 Iran, 6 Hongkong. WOMEN-1 Japan, 2 South Korea, 3 Taiwan, 4 Thailand, 5 Indonesia, 6 Iran. No country played in both championships, so direct comparison is not possible. But no really serious challenge to the Chinese seems possible this time.

EUROPEAN CLUB CUP

MEN. Round Two:

CSM (Roumania) beat CS Union Paris 5-0 LEKSBERGE (Sweden) beat STK Bosna (Yugoslavia) 5-0 BUDAPESTI VASUTAS SC beat Tusa DJK Dusseldorf 5-3 SLAVIA PRAGUE beat Spartak Pleven (Bulgaria) 5-2 SF. CMS v Leksberge, and Vasutas v Slavia

WOMEN. Round Two:

DTC KAISERBERG (DTTB) beat La Palette Brussels 5-0 SPARTA PRAGUE beat Novi Sad SKT (Yugoslavia) 5-2 TSC BERLIN (DTTV) beat Ferencyarosi Torna (Hungary) 5-4 PROGRESUL BUCHAREST beat Polizei Vienna 5-0 SF. Kaiserberg v Sparta, and Berlin v Progresul

ENGLISH OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Draw for the 40th English Open will be made on Monday, February 13 at Shell Mex house, with the Hon. Referee, John Wright, in charge of 13 at Shell Mex house, with the Hon. Referee, John Wright, in charge of proceedings, and George Yates arranging the accompanying press reception. The Roumanians should now be added to the list of likely participants, but the Swedes are unable to come. Even so, with the Czechs, German, Hungarians, Yugoslavs, etc., in attendance, we shall have one of the strongest entries ever at Brighton. The Czechs, now generally regarded as the strongest European country, are sending Stanek, Miko, Miss Luzova and Miss Pauknerova, the Roumanians will include Giurguica and Miss Alexandru, and Scholer will defend his men's singles title. Immediate application for finals tickets is advisable—a sellout is on the cards. Tickets can be had from the E.T.T.A. office or from Charles Wyles, 48 Eversfield Place, St. Leonards on Sea. Sussex, or from the Briehton Box Office St. Leonards on Sea, Sussex, or from the Brighton Box Office.

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Japanese National Championships

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by Roy Evans

HASEGAWA RETAINS TITLE

NOBUHIKO HASEGAWA, last N year's champion, retained his men's singles title in the Japanese National Championships, played at Aichi Gymnasium in Nagoya City on November 27, when he beat Hiroshi Takahashi in straight games. In the women's singles event Miss

Noriko Yamanaka defeated the 1965 champion, Sachiko Morisawa, over four games.

Results: Men's Singles — semi-finals: N. HASEGAWA (Aichi) bt Man Kono (Tokyo) -17, 21, 12, 19; H. TAKA-HASHI (Tokyo) bt Hazime Kagimoto Takwa 12, 18, 16 (Tokyo) 12, 18, -15, -18, 16. Final : HASEGAWA bt Takahashi

12, 14, 17.

12, 14, 17.
 Women's Singles: Semi-finals: S.
 MORISAWA (Tokyo) bt Kazuko Ito
 (Osaka) 13, 15, -10, 18; N. YAMA NAKA (Tokyo) bt Saeko Hirota
 (Tokyo) 18, 11, 16.
 Final: YAMANAKA bt Morisawa

Final: YAMANAKA bt Morisawa 17, 16, -20, 12. Men's Doubles — Semi-finals: H. TANAKA/I. KATO (Gifu) bt T. Tamura/E. Segawa 19, -15, 17; K. KIMURA/T. SHINKAI (Akita) bt K. Babazono/N. Hasegawa -10, 16, 10. Women's Doubles—semi-finals: S. ISOMURA/T. HASHIMOTO bt S. Shimoyama/S. Morisawa 11, 15; T. ASAIDA/T. NAOE bt N. Yamanaka/ N. Fukazu 16, -6, 7. Final: ASAIDA/NAOE bt Iso-mura/Hashimoto 17, -17, 17.

mura/Hashimoto 17, -17, 17. Mixed Doubles — semi-finals : K. YOSHIMI/J. SATAKE bt M. Yam-auchi/R. Kohama 18, -19, 11; K. MIKI/N. YAMANAKA bt H. Taka-bachi/N. Eukama 15

hashi/N. Fukazu 15, 16. Final: MIKI / YAMANAKA bt Yoshimi/Satake 13, 12.

Lancashire Open



The Japanese Champions, Nobuhiko Hasegawa and Noriko Yamanaka with their trophies.

13th Winton Y M.C.A. Restricted Open by J.J.C. Luther

Winton Reach Century

ONE hundred players took part in the 13th annual tournament held at Winton Y.M.C.A. on January 8 to make it the best supported the Club In the base support of the State of th

has held. The best entry came in the Junior singles which, from 17 last year, rose to 38-27 boys and 11 girls—to provide a girl's singles event for the first time.

Outstanding this year was Stuart Tannahill, aged 14 and the schoolboy champion of Southampton. Young Stuart reached the final of the boy's singles only to be beaten by C Pickard a Bournemouth Town player He also reached the last sixteen in the

by George R. Yates

Another player to impress was R. Bowles of the Failand TTC. Bristol who partnered J. Wise to a men's

doubles success against D. Holman and B. Meisel. Results :

Men's Singles: B. MEISEL (Lon-don) bt D. Holman (Bournemouth) 20, 19.

Women's Singles : MRS. J. COOP (Bournemouth) bt J. Williams (London) 8, 16.

-19, 19

Women's Doubles : MISS E. BRIT-TON/J. WILLIAMS bt Miss B. Brown/Mrs. Coop 15, -18, 19.

Mixed Doubles: T. SMITH/COOP bt P. Leckie/Williams 13, -16, 13.

Tannahill -19, 16, 11.



tionally been the happy hunting ground for English stars and with Morley, Holland and Ogundipe in the Glamorgan draw, the odds against any Welsh player coming through were long indeed.

But nineteen - year - old Graham Davies had other ideas and at the end of the day it was he who went up for the men's singles prize. To have accounted for Roy Morley in the quarters, an on-form Haydn Thomas in the semis, and then accomplished a fine win over Dennis Holland in the Final was a measure of the great form displayed by Davies. For the first time ever, a Welsh Tournament has been won by a Welsh player, with a ranked English player in the draw, and Graham well deserves his No. 1 ranking on this account.

Haydn Thomas, only thirteen, is improving still, and his wins over Graham Gear, Robert Bishop, and a good run against Graham Davies indicate that he has now "arrived." George Evans reached the quarters,

George Evans reached the quarters, but as on previous occasions found Dennis Holland too fast for him, whilst Phil Bevan has only himself to blame for not getting nearer Ogundipe in another quarter. The latter gave Holland a hard battle in the semi, but Holland patiently attacked throughout attacked throughout.

Margaret Phillips won the women's event, but it was the closest thing against Elizabeth Gray, who part-nered Stella Jones to another doubles win, this time against "veteran" Joan Collier and June Golding from Prieted Bristol.

The men's doubles was a triumph for George Evans and Graham Gear against their old rivals Alan Thomas and Phil Bevan, but both must have been grateful to Robert Bishop and Keith Morris who disposed of fav-ourites Morley and Holland in the third round.

The mixed was another nail-biting final, with Morley and Joan Collier who had beaten Ogundipe and Mar-garet Phillips in the semi-final, just edging home against John Spencer and Elizabeth Gray.

Haydn Thomas again beat Robert

WELSH tournaments have tradi-tionally been the happy hunting David and Keith Morris the losing semi-finalists.

> The girls' singles saw an incredible win by the tiny nine-year-old Linda Jones, who beat Sandra Bale in the semi, then Bristol's Lorraine Hillard in the final, after the latter had elim-inated Shan Morgan, the favourite. Linda shows improvement every time she plays, and her approach to the game is already extremely mature.

Results :

Men's Singles-semi-finals: GRAHAM DAVIES bt Haydn Thomas 17, 17; DENNIS HOLLAND bt Ogundipe 17, 16.

Final: DAVIES bt Holland 17, 19. Women's Singles-semi-final: MAR-GARET PHILLIPS bt Dorothy Atten-borough 15, 12; ELIZABETH GRAY bt Janet Evans 15, 12.

Final: PHILLIPS bt Gray -21, 12, 20. Men's Doubles-final: EVANS/GEAR bt Bevan/Thomas 12, -19, 12.

Women's Doubles — final: ELIZA-BETH GRAY/STELLA JONES bt Joan Collier/Joyce Golding 20, 18.

Mixed Doubles-final: ROY MOR-LEY/JOAN COLLIER bt John Spencer/ Elizabeth Gray -19, 10, 20.

Junior Boys Singles-final: HAYDN THOMAS bt Robert Bishop 21, 12. Junior Girls Single-finals: LINDA JONES bt Lorraine Hillard 20, 15.

Bernard Crouch Trophy

DETAILS of this competition, which takes place annually between the second teams of Essex, Middlesex and Surrey, in memory of Bernard who died in a train crash a few years back, are :--

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CARIBBEAN COUNTER 200 plus entry for the men's singles over Brian Keates but little of moment

A 200 plus entry for the men's singles event of the Lancashire Open, played at Hawker Siddeley Dynamics. Bolton on January 14, was spearheaded by "Connie" Warren and O. B. "Les" Haslam but it was the exiled Lancastrian, Mike Symonds-twice a title holder-who vied with winner Haslam for the plaudits of a more than average crowd.

A perplexed Cornelius shook his head in disbelief at his inability to make a game of it against Symonds in a semi-final which saw the England No. 3 perform with that lack of adroitness more in keeping with a rabbit

Again in the final Symonds, by the powers of his own concentration, attempted to induce Haslam into the same hypnotic state that befell Warren.

It appeared to be working when he took the first game, but thereafter the spell was broken by the lethal forearm of the tall West Indian whose superlative play won for him the ungrudging admiration of an audience who, up to that point, had been solidly behind the

that point, had been solidly behind the former Bolton League player. One set that magnetised a gallery was that, in the quarters, between Haslam and Derek Schofield which produced that type of play, between an attacker and a defender, which would have distracted all eyes from the front row at the Folies Bergeres!

the front row at the Folies Bergeres! In the absence of Denis Neale, on tour in Scandinavia, the title was undefended and hopes of a northern retention diminished when Forshaw lost to junior Derek Munt 20, 20, John Clarke dipped to Schofield and George Livesey and Alan Hydes went out in the quarters.

Defended by Cynthia Duncombe, who lost to Lesley Proudlock, the women's title went to Maureen Heppell ter/Leigh 12, 14. Mixed Doubles - semi-finals: but not before the Hexham lass bt K IY DES/HEPPELL walked the tight rope in opposition to Sheffield's brightest star in the final. (Lancs)/Moore 14, 19; P. C. DUN-COMBE (Yorks)/PROUDLOCK bt L. F. Landry (Middx)/Duncombe 11, Surprise semi-finalist was Deirdre Burnett of Blackpool who had her hour of triumph in beating Ireland's No. 1 and fourth seed Joan Fitz-Final: HYDES/HEPPELL bt Duncombe/Proudlock 18, -19, 15 simons. Though slow to come to the table for the men's doubles final Warren, and his fellow-ranked partner Ralph Junior Boy's Singles-quarter-finals: D. Munt (Warwicks) bt A. Fletcher (Yorks) 12, 12; B. L. Keates (Staffs) bt S. Kaufman (Lancs) 11, 18; B. Mitchell (Lancs) bt B. P. Yeadon (Ches) 13, 14; P. Judd (Warwicks) bt D. Newton (Lancs) 13, 17. Gunnion, were not allowed the use of it for long. The resolve of Brian Burn and Hydes saw to that as they rushed the opposition off in the time-honoured manner of chuckers-out at a Saturday Semi-finals: KEATES bt Munt 15, 21; JUDD bt Mitchell 10, 14. night "hop Final: JUDD bt Keates 12, 20. Quite unique was the quartet to come through for the women's doubles final for it comprised three Lancas-Junior Girl's Singles-semi-finals: HEPPELL bt N. Ferguson (Northumb) 9, 10; L. FORKES (Yorks) bt S. M. trians, Connie Moore, Mary Leigh and Judy Crafter together with Di Johnson of Cheshire, the latter partnering Miss Lisle (Lancs) 16, 13. Final: HEPPELL bt Forkes 9, 9. Moore to an easy win. Hydes and Miss Heppell retained their mixed title as did Maureen's Veteran Singles-semi-finals: H. B. (Yorks) -19, 20, 14; L. HEPPELL (Northumb) bt F. Briggs (Yorks) 18, father, Len, in the veteran singles. From an entry of 61 in the boy's singles Paul Judd brought the Mid--20, 13. Final: HEPPELL bt Dignan 15, 17. lands into the picture with a final win

occurred in the counterpart girl's event in which Miss Heppell had not the slightest trouble in retaining her second title to make her haul three-fold. Small wonder the joiners in Hexham are adept at sideboard exten-sions! sions!

Men's Singles-quarter-finals: O. B. Haslam (Middx) bt D. Schofield (Ches) 19, 20; R. E. Gunnion (Warwicks) bt G. Livesey (Lancs) 10, 14; M. Symonds (Yorks) bt D. Munt (Warwicks) 13, 17; C. J. Warren (Surrey) bt A. Hydes (Yorks) -16, 12, 16.

Semi-finals: HASLAM bt Gunnion 20, -19, 10; SYMONDS bt Warren 7, 11.

Final: HASLAM bt Symonds -18, 13, 14.

Women's Singles-semi-finals: M. HEPPELL (Northumb) bt D. Burnett (Lancs) 6, 14; L. S. PROUDLOCK (Yorks) bt C. Duncombe (Yorks) -18, 17, 10.

Final: HEPPELL bt Proudlock -16, 12, 19.

Men's Doubles - semi-finals: BURN (Northumb)/A. HYDES (Yorks) bt Haslam/J. Ingber (Lancs)
 5, GUNNION/WARREN bt Livesey/R. Morris (Warwicks) 18, -20, 16.

Final: BURN/HYDES bt Gunnion/ Warren 11, 12

Women's Doubles-semi-finals: D. JOHNSON (Ches)/C. MOORE (Lancs) bt Duncombe/Proudlock 17, -19, 14; J. CRAFTER/M. LEIGH (Lancs) bt Heppell/D. Schofield (Ches) 22, 18.

Final: JOHNSON/MOORE bt Craf-

Junior Boys': C. PICKARD bt S.

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England v West Germany



THE first match between England and West Germany was played at Northallerton on January 4 where there had never been an international of any sort. The hard work and wonderful arrangements were rewarded with as good a junior international as I have ever seen.

The Germans started off by taking the first two sets. Jansen beat Trevor Taylor, being that bit too fast, and Hendriksen beat Karenza Smith, being that bit too slow. This may Hendriksen beat Karenz being that bit too slow. sound strange but it was this that

With the Juniors BY LAURIE LANDRY

gradually wore Karenza down and

forced her into errors. England came back by taking the next three with first Keith Lawrence blasting through Schnabel and then Derek Munt cutting Reese down to size. It did not appear as if Reese had ever played a purely defensive player. The best set of the evening then followed when Karenza and Maureen Heppell lost the first game in setting used to one another and then played some brilliant doubles catching the German pair from 11-15 down in the third.

Taylor now showed nerves, understandable in a 14-year-old, but Law-rence regained the lead smashing through Jansen to what was to be his

only loss on the trip. Maureen now played better than ever before to push and hit Scharmacher off in straight games. It is difficult to believe that Maureen lost to the same opponent in the Summer just as easily.

The German boys played a good game of doubles and it was left to Derek Munt to give victory in the same manner as in his first win. Law-rence, Munt and Miss Heppell all played exceedingly well. Results :

K. LAWRENCE bt H. R. Schnabel 18, 13; bt B. Jansen 18, 20. T. TAYLOR lost to Jansen -19, -14;

lost to R. D. Reese -18, -13, D. MUNT bt Reese 11, 16; bt Schnabel 12, 14.

M. HEPPELL bt B. Scharmacher 21,

16 K. SMITH lost to W. Hendriksen 16,

-17, -8. Doubles :

LAWRENCE/TAYLOR lost to Jan-sen/Reese -16, -13.

HEPPELL/SMITH bt Scharmacher/ Hendriksen -17, 16, 17.

We then went over to Warrington where Paul Judd was to take the place of Munt, and Judy Heaps and Linda Henwood were to come in for our two top girls who went to the English Closed.

This match did not appear to have the same atmosphere as at Northallerton. I felt that the audience were expecting too much from a weaker England side knowing that we had won on the previous evening.

The Germans, who were no better than the night before, except for Reese, waltzed to a 5-0 lead—the only possible English victory seeming to be destined for Linda Henwood. Our girl was absolutely brilliant in winning the second game but fell away towards the end of the third as her opponent retrieved everything.

At 0-5 Trever Taylor now showed us that he is of real future international material when he was simply too good for Schnabel. The last four sets were all lost but there was a fight from each one.

First Lawrence caught up from 15-20 in the second against Jansen out could not take the game. Judy Heaps played excellently to take the second but completely crashed to a 4-16 deficit in the decider and then, what a fight, to 15-18, only to lose at hat score. The doubles was a much better one than on the previous night and Paul Judd caught up against Reese to 19-all only to lose.

It was nice that Karl Morhard should go away from England, for the last time as Junior Captain, with a victory. He was most touched by the gift presented to him by Walter Mitton on behalf of the E.T.T.A. later in the week at Hull.

Results :

- K. LAWRENCE lost to R. D. Reese -13, -19; lost to B. Jansen -16, -24.
- T. TAYLOR lost to Jansen -15, -19 bt H. R. Schnabel 15, 16.
- P. JUDD lost to Schnabel -19, -19 lost to Reese -11, 19, -19.
- I. HEAPS lost to B. Scharmacher -16, 17, -15.

L. HENWOOD lost to W. Hendriksen -15, 18, -15.

Doubles:

LAWRENCE/TAYLOR lost to Jansen/Reese 19, -16, -16.

HEAPS/HENWOOD lost to Scharmacher/Hendriksen -17, -13.

JUDD EXCELS

national matches against West Germany came the Yorkshire Junior Open at Hull. Bernt Jansen was in terrific form here to win from Paul Judd. Judd excelled himself in beating Keith Lawrence and when taking the middle game from Jansen.

It was pleasing that the other two Germans were prevented from reach-ing the semis. Trevor Taylor repeated his international success over Hans Schnabel and Judd gained his revenge against Rolf Reese.

Earlier Paul Harmer, against Schnabel, and Brian Keates, against Reese, had given their opponents a good run. It was also good to see Linda Henwood play so well to beat Brigitte Scharmacher and win the two doubles with Judy Heaps and Keith Lawrence respectively.

Jill Shirley played better than ever before in the final of the U-15 girls' singles against Scharmacher. Jill showed us all how well she can mix her game with first time hitting. Up at Bolton, in the Lancs Open, Brian Keates caused a surprise by

beating Munt who had defeated Kevin Forshaw in the Men's event. Down at Harlow, Trevor Taylor

had a clear win over Lawrence who had reached the semis of the men's beating Bobby Stevens and, with Harmer, the final of the Men's Doubles.

Three former junior internationals will be coaching at Butlin Camps this summer. Dennis Holland and David Stanley are at Barry and Filey respectively and played for England Juniors up to 1963 whilst Nigel Ive, at Minehead, was in the England Junior side in 1961.

NEW RANKING LIST

A very full programme of junior play has taken place so far with five

FOLLOWING on the two inter-Junior Opens played and three to come.

Keith Lawrence won at Kent, Essex and North Herts, Trevor Taylor at Newbury and Bernt Jansen (West Germany) at Yorkshire.

To follow are the English Open, at Brighton, the Sussex, at Worthing, and the British Legion, at Slough. It is unfortunate that the Cheshire Junior Open has had to be cancelled.

There was a new ranking list released at the beginning of February and amongst the Boys there are one or two changes. Brian Mitchell of Bolton and Brian Keates of Walsall come up from Group "A" into the numbered positions.

Apart from Karenza Smith going over Maureen Heppell, as per the new senior rankings, the girls have kept the same order but the list has been enlarged to make room for some girls who have shown their worth more recently.

Yorkshire Junior Open by Rea Balmford FIVE STAR ATTRACTION

STAR attraction at the Yorkshire January 7, was the appearance of five members of the West German touring side, who not only added an international flavour to the Tournament, but made many friends both by their attractive play and their demeanour at the table.

Only the U-15 Boys' Singles, for which no member of the visiting quintet was eligible, had no German representative in the final, and the tourists returned home with both major singles titles, Bernt Jansen landing the Boys' and Wiebke Hendriksen the Girls'.

In addition Brigitte Scharmacher took the U-15 Girls' and Jansen partnered Dieter Reese to win in the Boys' Doubles.

From the English point of view, Boys' Singles finalist Paul Judd was the success of the tournament, gaining an excellent three-game quarter-final win over Reese, before facing top seed Keith Lawrence. Despite dropping the second game 21-4, Judd fought back to hit his way to a 19, -4, 20 victory.

Lawrence, on his way to the final, had surprisingily dropped games to Nicholas Day (R.2) and P. Glynn (Quarters).

In the other half Judd did not drop a game on his march to the final. accounting for both Derek Munt and Trevor Taylor, whilst Taylor repeated his Warrington win over Hans Schnabel.

As in the Boys' event the four seeded girls took their appointed places, and here too, the final was an international affair. In the first semifinal Linda Henwood always had the edge over Scharmacher, while Judy Heaps, with her steady top-spin game. mushed Miss Hendriksen to 19 and 18.

In the final, however, the Essex girl, although hitting much harder than her international colleague, lacked the accuracy to get through a

top class defence. The U-15 events went, as expected, to top seeds Taylor and Miss Scharmacher, with the likely fireworks in the Taylor/Haydn Thomas semi-final extinguished in a 11, 11 win for Taylor.

Relatively unknown Southerner Junior Open, played at the John Dabin put out second seed Alan Madeley-street Baths, Hull, on Fletcher, and this let R. Clarke into January 7, was the appearance of five the other final spot but he found Taylor too good.

On the Girls' side, Jill Shirley, who had gone down in 2-straight to Miss Scharmacher in the U-17's earlier on the day, adapted her game and took her final to 18 in the third.

Results :

Boys' Singles-semi-finals : B. JAN-SEN (West Germany) bt T. Taylor (Herts) 12, 18; P. JUDD (Warwicks) bt K. Lawrence (Essex) 19, -4, 20.

Final: JANSEN bt Judd 7, -10, 8. Girls' Singles — semi-finals: W, HENDRIKSEN (West Germany) bt I. Heaps (Ches) 19, 18; L. HEN-WOOD (Essex) bt B. Scharmacher (West Germany) -18, 16, 9. Einel, HENDRIKSEN bt Hen-

Final: HENDRIKSEN bt Henwood 15, 16.

wood 15, 16. Boys' Doubles : semi-finals : JAN-SEN/R. D. REESE (West Germany) bt Judd/D. Munt (Warwicks) 18, -19, 14 : TAYLOR/ H. THOMAS (Wales) bt Lawrence /P. Harmer (Herts) 15, 21

Final : JANSEN/REESE bt Taylor/ Thomas 12, 11.

Girls' Doubles - semi-finals : HEAPS/HENWOOD bt S. Howard/ S. Goldsmith (Surrey) 13, 12; HEN-DRIKSEN/SCHARMACHER bt N. 12; HEN-Ferguson/T. Heppell (Northumb) 16,

Final: HENWOOD / HEAPS bt Hendriksen/Scharmacher 16, -14, 19.

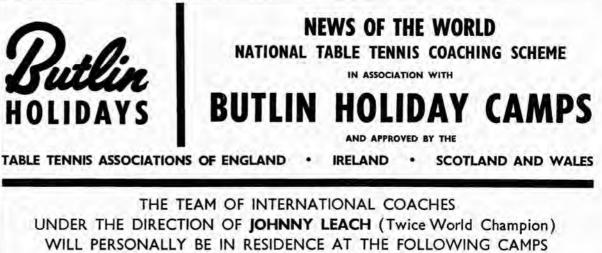
Mixed Doubles — semi-finals: LAWRENCE/HENWOOD by Jan-sen / Scharmacher 19, 15; H. R. SCHNABEL (West Germany)/HEN-DDWCEDI L. L. LAMAN WITH SCHARMER DRIKSEN bt Judd/M. Walker (Middx) 8, 15.

Final: LAWRENCE/HENWOOD bt Schnabel/Hendriksen 18, 20.

U-15 Boys' Singles — semi-finals: TAYLOR bt Thomas 11, 11; R. CLARKE (Warwicks) bt J. Dabin (Kent) 19, -17, 18.

Final: TAYLOR bt Clarke 16, 11. U-15 Girls' Singles semi-finals: SOHARMACHER bt C. Mann (Middx) 7, 13; J. SHIRLEY (Bucks) bt S. Lee (Yorks) 7, 14.

Final: SCHARMACHER bt Shirley 17, -11, 18.



THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER SEASON - MAY-OCTOBER 1967

by Roy	Evans	View Secure	13.3.20	and and a
THE new Afon Sports Centre at Aberavon looks like being the enue for the best ever "Welsh." Ten Barna tables, with full cham- bionship courts, will be provided, and lay will be from 9.30 on Saturday norning, March 11, through to 10 .m., and from 9.30 on Sunday morn-	non-playing captain will be Brian Everson. The Association's Coaching Scheme is proceeding satisfactorily. Following the public sessions at three of the four centres, the best have now been brought together twice. A course was run for North Wales at Lilleshall, and	MOSNEY Ireland TOMMY CAFFREY Ireland's No. 1 Player	AYR Scotland To be appointed	FILEY Yorkshire ALAN HYDES English International
ng, March 12th, with the finals at p.m. on Sunday afternoon. The Sports Centre has its own estaurant, cafeteria and dormitory ecommodation which is available to ntrants. Entry fees: men-7s. 6d. singles, s. 6d. doubles; women-5s. singles, s. 6d. doubles.	the Coaching Committee is holding a further course for North Wales at Rhyl. Half way stage in the Welsh League sees the following. Division 1: Cardiff, played 7, 21 points, Aberdare and Eastern Valleys both with 17 points from 7 matches, Abergavenny 15 from 7, Bridgend "A" 13 from 7, Newport and Swansea 11 from 7, with Bridgend "B" on	MINEHEAD Somerset NIGEL IVE England and Middlesex	PWLLHELI North Wales MALCOLM SUGDEN Scotland's No. 1 Player	BARRY South Wales DENNIS HOLLAND England and Gloucester
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World Championships In the international field, Wales has ecided to send both men's and omen's teams to the World Cham- onships, and has picked the follow- g to play in the Quadrangulars at reston — Graham Davies, Haydn	sea "A" with 25 and Abergavenny 21, both from 9 matches. Then comes Eastern Valleys with 19 from 8, and Newport with 19 from 9, Tredegar with 18 from 8, Cardiff 13 from 9, Swansea "B" with 13 from 7, Ebbw Vale 11 from 9, Bridgend 10 from 8, and Rhymney with 8 from 7. Cardiff lead the Women's Division, with 9 points from 3 matches, Swan- sea 7 from 3, Newport 5 and Trede-	 Adult coaching facilities I 	free holidays. ected purely on potentiality. der 17 years of age by July 1st, 19 for those not eligible for competi- on Sept. 29th and 30th at Butlin's	tion. Holiday Camp Bognor Regis, S

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THE NEW RANKINGS

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	Boys			Girls
2:3:4:5:	K. Lawrence (Essex) T. Taylor (Herts) D. Munt (Warwicks) P. Judd (Warwicks) B. Mitchell (Lancs) P. Harmer (Herts) B. Keates (Staffs) P. Glynn (Warwicks) M. Wald (Bucks) T. Riley (Sussex) Group "A" (retained) J. Charles (Gloucs) A. Fletcher (Yorks) A. Nicholl (Beds)	(1) (2) (3) (4) (*A'') (*A'') (*A'') (*A'')	1.2.3.4.5.6.7.8	K. Smith (Middx) M. Heppell (Northumb) J. Heaps (Ches) L. Henwood (Essex) J. Shirley (Bucks) M. Walker (Middx) J. Youngs (Suffolk) L. Forkes (Yorks) Group "A" (new) D. Gard (Sussex) S. Goldsmith (Surrey) R. V. Wilson (Kent) D. Youngs (Suffolk)

National Team Competitions

ENGLISH OPEN (Continued from page 1)

MARY MISSES TRIPLE WIN

the other half without the loss of a game, beating Maureen Heppell in the semi-final; a game in which Maureen played considerably better than for some time.

The final was a thriller in which Karenza gave a good account of ******

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WARREN FLIES OUT

BEREAVED of his brother D on Saturday, January 28, "Connie Warren" did not depart with the English team for the Czech Open in Prague as replacement for Chester Barnes.

He did, however, fly out from London Airport on Friday, February 3 to take part in the East German Open at Erfurt and in a subsequent international match against East Germany on February 6. ******

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herself taking the second game. At this stage the Press men were nearly hysterical, thinking that a major

hysterical, thinking that a major upset might happen. Throughout, Karenza often had Mary back from the table but her defence was sufficient to deal with the best that Karenza could give. The tactics which Mary was able to employ in the final in order to get the better of the determined fight put the better of the determined fight put up by the very talented Middlesex girl once more demonstrated the supreme standard of Mary's game in this country. Mary and Karenza joined forces to

successfully defend their doubles title but Mary was not able to retain her third title as she and husband Brian lost in the final to Gibbs and Beverley Sayer who had also been responsible for ousting Barnes and Miss Smith in the quarters.

Brian Wright also featured in the final of the men's doubles in which, partnering Neale, he was again on the losing side to Barnes and Harrison. The best performance in this event was the spirited run by the two Northern boys, Brian Burn and Alan Hydes, who reached the semi-final and there took Barnes and Harrison to five games, losing 18-21 in the decider. Results :-

Men's Singles—quarter-finals: O. B. Haslam (Middx) bt A. R. Piddock (Kent) 14, 15, -19, 10; I. O. Harrison (Gloues) bt S. Gibbs (Essex) 16, 16, -14, 10; C. J. Warren (Surrey) bt B. D. Wright (Middx) 11, 16, 17; D. Neale (Yorks) bt M. Sugden (Middx) -20, 10, 15, 15.

Semi-finals : HARRISON bt Haslam -19, 12, 19, -15, 12 ; WARREN bt Neale -13, -17, 14, 15, 18.

Final: HARRISON bt Warren 20, 17, 15.

Women's Singles – semi-finals: M. WRIGHT (Surrey) bt M. Heppell (Northumb) 16, 14, 17; K. SMITH (Middx) bt J. Williams (Sussex) 14, 14, 18. Final : WRIGHT bt Smith 19, -18, 17, 15.

Men's Doubles — semi-finals : C. BARNES (Essex)/HARRISON bt B. Burn (Northumb)/A. Hydes (Yorks) 13, -12, -14, 13, 18 ; NEALE/WRIGHT bt R. Hampson/M. Johns (Ches) 10, 20, 10. bt



Beverley Sayer holds the Mixed Doubles trophy won with her partner Stuart Gibbs.

Photo by Michael MacLare

Women's Doubles—semi-finals : S. HESSION (Essex)/WILLIAMS bt B. Sayer/D. Simpson (Essex) 17, 17, 10; SMITH/WRIGHT bt J. Billington (Berks)/E. Carrington (Essex) 11, 15, 12. Final: SMITH / WRIGHT bt Hession/Williams 14, 15, 13.

Mixed Doubles—semi-finals: GIBBS/ B. SAYER bt R. E. Gunnion (War-wicks)/L. Radford (Essex) 15, -19, 17, -7, 16; WRIGHT/WRIGHT bt Neale/ -7, 16 ; WRIGHT/WRIGHT, P. Hemmings (Herts) 20, 15, 18.

Final: GIBBS/SAYER bt Wright/ Wright -12, 19, 13, 18.

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Down South, Romford meet East London who are never easy to beat. Sutton and Plymouth are still there and who knows? Pam Mortimer may inspire her Devonshire team mates to surpass themselves and reach the final once again.

Carter Cup

East London and Birmingham seem to dominate as they did last season. With players like Lawrence, Derek Munt and Paul Judd playing these junior matches are as entertaining as Senior County matches.

Newcomers, Loughborough, are doing well and face Bolton after having beaten St. Neot's 7-2.

Bromfield Tropby

It was noticeable that of the seven matches played in Round 2, four of them ended with a 5-4 result. The "Giants" are still there but one is pleased to see Taunton still represented. In their match against Bristol Junior, Miss Hilliard, succumbed to Miss Bryant. Third round results and fourth round draws :--

WILMOTT CUP Round 4 (Inter-Zone)

To be played by Feb 19 1967

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Last season's finalists, Doncaster and	E. London 3		=
Romford, have two difficult matches		Willesden 6	
ahead. Stockport, who face Doncaster	Wembley 1		
must have a chance after beating		Woolwich 7	
Manchester 8-1 and Liverpool 5-1	Brighton 6		
in previous rounds. Doncaster, how-		Portsmouth 3	

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ROSI	EE	BOWL
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Northumberland	v	Grimsby
Lowestoft	v	N. Herts
Bedford	v	W. Bromwich
Basildon	v	Sutton
E. London	v	Romford
Staines	v	Plymouth
Southampton	v	Eastbourne
Third Round Res	ult	s

Huddersfield 0
Stockport 5
Grimsby 5
W. Bromwich 8
Lowestoft 7
N. Herts 5
Bedford 6
E. London 5
N. W. Kent 0
Romford 9
Basildon 5
Eastbourne 9
Southampton 6
Slough 1
Bristol 1
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. 3	Southampton 6
. 5	Slough 1
. 8	Bristol 1

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(Boys)

Ouarter-Finals v Loughborough Bolton

THE fourth round draw sheets have been despatched and successful Zone winners should now be fighting to gain entry into the Quarter-finals for the Seniors and Semi-finals for the Juniors. How wrong can one be? I should have taken more notice of the composi-Southampton 0 Plymouth 9 How wrong can one be? I should have taken more nouce of the composi-tion of this seasons London Civil Service Wilmott Cup team before I fore-casted East London to survive the third round. With Tony Piddock, Henry Buist and Stuart Gibbs to contend with no wonder East London's P. Curtis, Keith Lawrence and Bobby Stevens found their hands full! I suppose that Stevens would consider himself almost a veteran but his play belies that devention to environment of the piddock **BROMFIELD TROPHY** (Girls) **Ouarter-Finals** Ipswich Birmingham Slough ٧ v E. London

by Leslie Davis

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Lon. C. Service	v	Acton	Mid-Cheshire		
Slough	V	Gloucester	Birmingham		W. Bromwich
Southampton	v	Brighton	St. Neots	2	Loughborough

WOBLD CHAMPIONSHIP SQUAD

England are to send 4 men and 3 women to Sweden for the World Championships but initially the National Selection sub-committee have named the following ten players from which the final choice will be made :-

MEN

C. Barnes (Essex) D. Neale (Yorks) Warren (Surrey) I. Harrison (Gloucs) S. Gibbs (Essex)

Mrs. M. Wright (Surrey) Miss M. Wright (Surrey) Miss K. Smith (Middx) Miss J. Williams (Sussex) Miss M. Heppell (Northumb) Miss P. Hemmings (Herts)

WOMEN

The individual performances of all these players will be under the closest scrutiny from now on and it is anticipated that results will count.



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NORTHANTS NEWS

Wellingborough's First Win

Haslam's Surprise Defeat

Middlesex.

Kettering 6-4. Kelly James and John Hoddle both played extremely well, winning all four top singles two-straight, 14-years-old Roderick Mar-chant on his debut for the Senier turner. justified his selection by winning one of his singles whilst regular John Davies failed to score.

Mixed fortunes for S.E.M.L. champions Northampton. A fighting 6-4 win at Cambridge was followed by their first defeat in two years losing to North Herts 7-3. Northampton then showed that they were not keen to surrender the title by hammering Peterborough 10-0. They now hold a nine lead over North Herts who have a game in hand, and with North Herts having the tougher programme must have a good chance of retaining it. the County Association which was dis-

EXCITEMENT in Middlesex where everyone thinks we have a great chance of regaining the Premier county championships title that we

used to win so regularly. Wins against

Yorkshire and Essex could clinch it.

Closed Championships where the big surprise was England No. 7, Les

Haslam losing to Tony Robinson in straight games. This paved the way for Malcolm Sugden to reach the final of the men's singles. Karenza

won the women's singles for the first

Men's Singles — semi-finals: B. WRIGHT (Willesden) bt A. Lindsay (Fulham) 19, 18; M. SUGDEN (Wil-

lesden) bt A. Robinson (N. Middx)

Final: WRIGHT bt Sugden 17,

Women's Singles — final: K. SMITH (N. Middx) bt A. Taft (Acton) 15, 12.

Men's Doubles-final : WRIGHT/

Women's Doubles - final : M.

GAFNEY (Staines)/M. WALKER (Willesden) bt Taft / J. Redfearn

Mixed Doubles-final : HASLAM/ GAFFNEY bt Wright/Taft -15, 16,

Boys' Singles-final : R. NAPPER

Girls' Singles-final : WALKER bt C. Mann (Willesden) 25, -12, 17.

(Acton) bt M. Roberts (Acton) 13, 15.

LINDSEY bt L. Landry (Willesden), Haslam 13, 18.

time. Results :--

(Acton) -20, 19, 19.

18. 13.

-19, 3.

Big event this month was the

WELLINGBOROUGH recorded their first ever win in the South Division a battle royal has developed between U.T.C. "A" (who are led team. Although U.T.C. have twice beaten Express 6-4 the Liftmen at present hold a one point lead. John Goodall heads the averages with 100% followed by Colin Hogg (81%). Express's Jock Aspinall is third (75%) and Northants County cricketer Brian Crump who plays for British Timken, fourth (68%).

by David Bliss 🖇

Interest in table tennis is so strong in this county a meeting between representatives of the Wellingborough, Northampton, Kettering and Daventry leagues has been arranged to re-form

MIDDLESEX NOTES

by Laurie Landry

Within the county, championships for the Leagues are now going Willes-den's way. This League have won 5 out of 5 and have only to play Central, who have lost to North Middleser

North Middlesex are most likely to win the Junior Division whilst a

number of leagues can still win the

NORTHUMBERLAND NEWS

NORTHUMBERLAND progressed

N in the Wilmott Cup, ousting Huddersfield 6-3 in a hard-fought match. Brian Burn (2), Stuart Lennie

2nd and 3rd Divisions.

COUNTIES spreading through Staffordshire. A number of youth clubs in the county are all having a crack at the record, but why has this non-stop table tennis become so popular? With the E.T.T.A.

KENT NOTES Piddock Beats Neale

ONCE again the County's Premier March 11. (Price 25s. inclusive of team figured in another 5-4

AROUND

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result, again adverse, but the most exciting witnessed in the county for many years. Yorkshire, who are leading the table, were quickly challenged by the home County, the highlight of the match being the victory of Tony Piddock over Denis Neale, but even this was not enough to hold off the determination of the visitors.

The Juniors now seem all set to retain the Southern Division decision day being on February 4 against Bucks.

Plenty of activity is lined up for the next five weeks, commencing with the Junior Closed at Blackheath and closely followed by the Senior Closed at Crystal Palace on March 19, when 20 tables will again be used. Mr. F. Betts of 14 Julian Road, Folkestone, is the Tournament Secretary.

The fourth Annual Dinner and Dance will be held at the Wig and Gown, Maidstone, on Saturday,

In Div. 2A, Tyne Dock's chances of

promotion have severely diminished with the premature retirement of South

Shields town player Fred Short. Other

by Arnold Warents

by Charles M. Wyles

Marathon Spreads

wine.)

STAFFORDSHIRE NOTES

When the final count is taken in the County Schools' Team Cham-pionships, it is expected that well over 300 schools will have partici-pated. The Championships have been organised in four zones, with the finals scheduled for Ashford on Saturday, February 18. When the final count is taken in

It looks as if the Kent League championships will not be settled until the last match of the season when the two unbeaten teams, N.W. Kent and Beckenham meet on the latter's table. Similarly, the promo-tion battle will not be resolved in Division 2 (South) until Canterbury meet Thanet on the same date. Wool wich seem set fair to retain the Women's Division for the third successive season.

FROM the January issue, it appears holding no records of these long drawn out affairs, can we now accept ing the marathon craze which is now the 54 hours set up by Sussex University as a world record?

by John Pike

A lot has been written about a super league for football but now if Arthur Wall, the West Bromwich secretary, gets enough support there could be one in local table tennis circles next season. I like this idea for it would bring together the top clubs from West Bromwich, Walsall, Wolverhampton and any of the smaller leagues who are interested. Talking of West Bromwich and the Rose Bowl competition quickly comes to mind. Last season they reached the last 8 before going out to Manchester and this season they are hoping to improve on that.

Their summer league at West Bromwich has been running for 12 years and it seems that each year it gets more popular. One club from Wolver-hampton sent in their entry for next summer before the start of this season. It is not often that Stafford appear in the county notes, so it was something of an event when Jack Carrington visited the county town for a coaching session at the end of January.

Most of the local leagues have shown an increase in entries for their closed championships this season.

I have little news from the Potteries, except that Reg Wain is their only representative in the county side and he is having a very good season with the second team.

SURREY NOTES By Jim Forrest "Discretion" Called For

CONGRATULATIONS to "Connie" Warren on his recent rise to third place in the men's English ranking list. Though our still indiscreet ex-wild boy sets problems, international selection must now come his way.

The Inter-League programme, with the emphasis on two women players, still proves the best for judging all-round ability where no one, or two stars, can carry a team to undeserved heights. For those unable to compete in this, the County are, in February, holding the one-day knock-out team events, men's and women's. It will be interesting to see how the "outside leagues fare in straight tourney.

SURREY INTER-LEAGUE COMPETITION FOR THE HARDING CUP

League Table to 21.12.66 PWDLFAPts

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Guildford	4	3	0	1	19	13	6	n
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Sutton	4	0	1	3	10	22	1	l c
Leatherhead	4	0	1	3	- 9	23	1	t

Joe Howsam, with some good wins in the Percy Johnson Cup matches, has shown the typical rise in standard we have been fortunate with over the past few years. Each time we lose our No. 1 junior we fear for the loss yet, each time, the newcomer has risen to the challenge.

Clive Morris, whose only County experience to date has been in the "Bernard Crouch" Series has been rewarded for recent wins over Pid-dock, Radford and Lawrence with selection for the County second team against Hampshire, due to have been played on January 21.

On the same date variable George Muranyi had the chance to regain his spot in the Premier team. With only

Ron Penfold who had a run as third singles player retained his doubles place with Connie. Neither of these would be called pure doubles players but they do "gell" which is essential to get the best out of the latter and make use of our outstanding man.

SUSSEX NOTES

by John Woodford **SEVEN YEAR EFFORT** REWARDED

SEVEN years ago 15-years-old Judy Williams and Mary Shannon represented England juniors in West Germany. Since that time Judy has spent a great deal of time on the tournament circuit and occupied every position on the ranking list from four down, sometimes wondering if all the effort was worthwhile.

All the late-nights, missed parties, patience and determination were rewarded early last month when a fine performance at the English Closed led to Judy being chosen for the 1967 quadrangular series and a No. 4 ranking. Judy is the third Sussex player in recent years to attain national honours the other two being Charlie Seaman and Peter Shead.

The two biggest county junior events of the year, the junior inter-league competition and the Sussex Junior Closed are imminent. In the Closed Terry Riley and Diane Gard are expected to bow out of the junior ranks by taking both singles titles.

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ACCOMMODATION TO LET TABLE TENNIS CLUB ROOM avail-

challengers include Maccabi and North Shields Boys' Club. It's a three-(3) and Alan Ransome (1) were the set gatherers. Hexham, unfortunately, conceded their Rose Bowl match with North and this presents the problem as to Maureen Heppell's position. The England international represents North in the County Championships but was due to lead Hexham in their inaugural Rose Bowl exploits. Does she now join North's bid? The First Division of the North

League is still full of interest. North Shields Y.M.C.A. "A" and Westonians are joint leaders, having dropped two points apiece, followed by Newcastle Y.M.C.A., a further two points behind, and Revac who have lost three and Revac who have lost three matches. At the bottom, with four sides doomed to be relegated, it looks odds on North Shields Y.M.C.A. "C", Dunston Hill Hospital and Tyne Lead falling by the wayside.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE NOTES

Suspensions and Births

his defeat of Chester Barnes and Stuart Gibbs in the County match against Essex should help Gloucestershire in their final two matches. These

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IAN HARRISON'S return to form are against Cheshire at home and in winning the English Closed and Hertfordshire away and both will have to be won for survival.

The Essex game was watched by the largest crowd ever to assemble for a Gloucs. home match, all seats being

taken long before the match started. Our Junior team gained their second win of the season with a narrow 6-4 victory over Somerset. Stars for the winners were Stuart Griffin and Richard Pepperd. Gloucs. ITHE BROADWAY, MILL HILL, LONDON, N.W.7, MILL HILL 3196 month's suspension follows closely on

The latest County rankings are:-Men-

1. B. Burn; 2. S. Lennie; 3. A. Ransome; 4. A. Warents; 5. A. Chil-vers; 6. R. Bhalla; 7. P. Whiteman; 8. J. McLeod; 9. G. Thomas; 10. L. Heppell. Women----

ham's challenge for the Town League title appear bright, particularly since they disposed of Newcastle 7-3, and

Hexham have yet to meet Newcastle.

by L. J. Smith 1. M. Heppell; 2. E. Chape; 3. F. Kauffman; 4. D. Ward; 5. P. Jackson; 6. L. Atkinson; 7. V. Baker; 8. J. Turnbull.

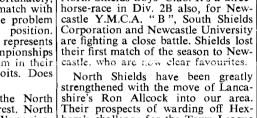
Boys-

1. C. Grassie; 2. B. Thomas; 3. P. Jackson; 4. M. McMaster; 5. J. Barrass; 6. F. Wood.

Girls-

1. M. Heppell; 2. V. Baker; 3. N. Ferguson; 4. T. Heppell; 5. E. Samp-

son. NORTH-EAST MIDLANDS LEAGUE by Leslie Constable



Poser for Maureen



LEICESTERSHIRE NOTES by Philip Reid Vital Date-February 25

Norfolk are to be champions.

The Y.M.C.A. tournament once again attracted a very large entry. Ivor Billson took all three junior events winning the Junior Singles against a much-improved Alan Wain, the Under-15 Singles against Andy Holdsworth and partnered John Oxbrough to beat Alan Wain and Terry Hall in the Junior Doubles.

Ernest McLeish, who has appeared in the last eleven local tournament finals beat John Corrall in the Men's Singles final. Rita Beith-who beat Marjorie Purser in the final of the Ladies' Singles has a record almost as good. Charlie Jacques and Gordon Murray played well to beat the left-handed pair of Colin Truman and Steven White. Colin's cup of woe was overflowing when he reached another final-the Mixed with Rita Beithbut lost to Steven White and Jose Rogers. For good measure Colin also reached the semi-final of the Men's Singles.

The Rose Johnson Bowl has reached the semi-final stage with Grieves, Spinney Hill W.M.C. II and two teams from Barwell Constitutional still in the competition.

In the Melton Mowbray League In the Melton Mowbray League Championships John Brunning proved too strong for all opposition, beating Tony Hopkins for the third time in succession. The Handicap Singles was won by former Durham player Ron Hunter who beat Dennis Smith in the final. The Handicap Doubles went to Rabjohn and Hop-kins whose final opponents were Nelson and Mrs. Scanes.

Congratulations to the Loughborough Junior team on reaching the last 8 of the Carter Cup at their first attempt. Ivor Billson, John Palmer, Terry Hall and Ken Lomas have all turned in some excellent performances.

Saracen Cup surprise team are Leicester Printers who beat Cottons, strongly fancied to win the cup, by six sets to three. Both R. Norman and G. Westhead were undefeated.

Leicester-and Leicestershire-have good reason to be grateful to Bar-well's John Bryant. At short notice he took the town junior team to Wolverhampton, then the county team to Lowestoft and back-a round trip of some 300 miles—and played in the Y.M.C.A. Tournament the next day.

The visit of the new Zealanders is causing interest. They will be received Goodbye to Maurice Ewles, the by the Lord Mayor of Leicester at Norfolk coach, who has left for Buck-

LEICESTERSHIRE improved their chances of the Eastern Division Championship with a 6-4 win over Suffolk. The match on February 25 at Norwich will decide whether we or Norfolk are to be champions. the Town Hall for tea and will be watched by the Mayor of Lough-borough the following day. They will play at Leicester on April 3 and Loughborough the following day. There will also be a ladies' match at Melton Mowbray.

NORFOLK NOTES

Table Tennis world that it is not only at the small green table that he has

When the great day dawns, may we wish the new partnership many seasons of happiness and wedded bliss, and to the Coby family, who have done so much for the game in East Anglia, we offer our sincerest felicita-tions.

Norwich ran out 5-2 in their Zone final Wilmott Cup match against Boston. Then Boston added two more before the close.

This was the introduction to live Table Tennis of Jack Bowie, a former professional footballer, who is now helping to build the new University of East Anglia. Bowie played for the Army v. the West German army, then for Southampton in 1960-61, Aberdeer and Glasgow Celtic. Bowie commented on the first non-TV match he had seen: Not being acquainted with the game I was amazed at speed of foot, and ability to make very speedy and sound decisions. Even though opposed, the players always showed to each other that the game is really a sport.

Indeed, Jack could not have had a better match as a start to watching our game. Lincolnshire's captain, Brian Hill, fully justified his former E.T.T.A. ranking. He gave a masterly demon-stration of deep thrust, short drop and designed backband urbits had Marille decisive backhand which had Neville Graver, for one, struggling hard even to make a game of it. And Neville is no mean performer, as all in Norfolk know, if allowed to play his own way. That backhand of his must be strengthened.

For Boston, David Armstrong despite a touch of 'flu, and Michael East (who demolished an uninterested Phillip Graver after it was all over both performed creditably, and for Norwich, David Skedge showed the greatest ability. Hill won all his three. of course.

XD: Coby/Foch-Gattrell Foch-GATTRELL as a name will be French and Greek to Norfolk Table Tennis players. But I hear from Alan Coby, the East Anglian, Norfolk, Suffolk and Norwich Champion that, in March, he will be showing the Table Tennis world that it is not only at the small green table that he has made his conquests. History and the state of the s ing at Diss and mentions David Leeder, now playing for Norwich Gothic "C", as promising. Dave Simpson is doing good work in the Attleborough district. George Deering continues at Norwich Central Youth Hall coaching our girls. We hear that the Carrington films will shortly be shown once again, and on February 4, there will be a large entry at Aylsham for Norfolk Education Committee's Youth Club tournament. In view of this, the Nor-folk Under-13 junior Championships

have been postponed until February 18.

NOTES FROM THE WEST By Onlooker

Plymouth Juniors Amaze

year has been no exception. The only Devon League match played was the much-anticipated clash between Ex-mouth and Plymouth "B" in Division 2. The game turned out to be more one sided than was expected, and the 8-2 result in Plymouth's favour gives them a commanding lead at the top of the table. With only three teams in Division 1, and four in Division 2, matches are indeed few and far between. It is hoped to remedy this by the formation, next season, of a Devon and Cornwall League, and perhaps by increased affiliation to the E.T.T.A. from the whole area.

Plymouth Women, as expected, are once again zone winners of the Rose Bowl competition after yet another convincing victory over Bristol. In the Carter Cup, Plymouth boys excelled themselves in an amazing 9-0 win over Southampton. All the Plymouth lads were in great form, but can count themselves as rather fortunate in one respect as Stuart Tannahill, the South-ampton No. 1, was unwell and far from his best.

In the zone final of the Wilmott Cup, Plymouth went under to Gloucester 6-2, the two sets both coming from Cleve Judson, who had good victories over Roy Morley and Dennis Holland. In the Western League, Plymouth's hopes of winning both the men's and

WARWICKSHIRE NOTES by Roger Morris Leamington Delighted

FOLLOWING on the successful first class players, in the next few schools league championship in

Birmingham when 386 entrants were received. The Learnington Association were delighted with the response to a tournament organised by their local paper for school players. Peggy Evans tells me that 137 boys ad girls have entered and most of these will now be drawn into the coaching network. Coventry are now producing juniors of high standard. Altogether

The open tournament scene is being dominated by our junior players par-ticularly in the North where almost every final is graced with the presence of Derek Munt, Paul Judd, Pat Glynn and Roger Clarke or their friend and rival from Staffordshire Brian Keates.

juniors of high standard. Altogether the competition between the three towns should provide us with many against the West German team.

THE Christmas season generally women's divisions took a blow when brings with it a lull in activities in this part of the country, and this year has been no exception. The only Wright took two apiece, the match being dependant on the last event with Plymouth's Brian Bridgett just unable to clinch it after holding a convincing lead.

DEVON LEAGUE POSITIONS

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Exeter			2	1	0	1	11
Torbay	1224	100	2	0	0	2	5
Divis	ion 2		P	w	D	L	Pts.
Plymouth	"B"		3	2	1	0	22
Exmouth			3	2	0	1	18
A	8 **		2	0	2	1	12
	B **						

"Clots" Stop Circulation

by Louis Hoffman (O.M.S.)

BLOOD in the human body goes around and around in a steady around and around in a steady flow, reaching out to every part to keep it in a healthy condition. Suddenly, calamity, a CLOT appears on the scene and lo and behold ere long flaws appear in the mechanism. This can't happen to me, says the healthy body and does nothing about it. All the signs of apathy are only too prevalent. One clot becomes two clots and before you can say T.T. clots and before you can say T.T. News, your once thriving healthy body is back to dust. Let us there-fore take warning. Liken the healthy body to the *Table Tennis News*, keep the circulation going smoothly. Let's get rid of those clots who loan their T.T. News to dozens of their friends to read, one after the other. We don't want to see our journal going back to ashes. A good injection of loyalty will do the trick. When asked to loan your journal by a friend or your family, and even though blood is thicker than water, say "I'm not a "CLOT"... get your own."



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CAMBRIDGESHIRE NOTES by Leslie Constable City Improve

N the South-East Midlands League, Cambridge City have acquitted themselves somewhat better since they were beaten by St. Neots early in the season. With victory over Hunts Central and a closely fought match against champions Northamp-ton they have renewed the selectors faith in them.

The Juniors, and Ladies too, have met with success and both are so far met with success and both are so fat unbeaten in the League. Carol Chap-man has a 100% record both in County and League and is playing very well. Her victories over Doreen Youngs (Suffolk) and Betty Cassell (Norfolk) were noteworthy as was her win over Mrs. Beith of Leicester-schire schire.

Coaching proceeds at the new Sea Scouts Club and it is hoped that there will emerge players of high calibre, especially amongst the girls.

BROMLEY & DISTRICT T.T.ASSOCIATION

COMMENDABLE indeed is the G monthly publication of a com-posite set of League tables, including news and views on Bromley table tennis, by Hon. Secretary, Albert Shipley. These are sent out to all Team

Captains with the intention that same are passed round to team members who, in the first issue, were urged to

by J. S. Penny

AROUND

THE

COUNTIES

CAMBS CREDITABLE DRAW

Cambridgeshire's creditable draw against Leicestershire followed their dismal defeat against Norfolk but John Thurston's absence was largely responsible for that.

Brian Jones, who made his County debut against Leicestershire, per-formed well and with Margaret Cornwell won the mixed comfortably. This was an extraordinary victory for a first time partnership. Alan Ponder beat McLeish in this fixture.

University Press I lead Division of the Cambs League and look likely to retain their title being much more consistent than rivals YMCA 1 and Soham Meths. The Press team of Keith Chapman, Ron Nunn and Tony Littlechild is well balanced and only one point has escaped them this season.

Three players have "taken the eye" during recent representative matches and they are Keith Chapman, sister Carol and Keith White. White displayed impressive form against Norfolk Juniors.

As at January 7						
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were :						
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Division	2					
Sedgehill "C" 10	9	1	0	77	23	19
Division						
O. Elthamians "A" 11	8	2	1	74	36	18
Division						
Petts Wood "D" 12	12	0	0	89	31	24
Division	5					
St. Paul's Cray "B" 11	11	0	0	92	18	22
Division						
R.S.A. Staff Assn 11	11	0	0	86	24	22
Division	7					
Bromley Juniors 12	12	0	0	106	14	24
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A FACT TO BE PROUD OF

Out of the 314 Affiliated Leagues in England listed in the E.T.T.A. Handbook, only 22 have a larger declared membership of players than the Bromley. Amongst the 22 are the large London League and such places as Birmingham, Hull, Leeds and Manchester. Incidentally, the Birming-ham League has 170 Clubs, which should keep Maurice Goldstein pretty busy.

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TOURNAMENT DIARY

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D	ale	Title and Venue	Extra Events	Organising Secretary
Feb.	11	Midland Open The Rover Co. Ltd., Social Club, Solihull	JBS, JGS JD, VS	M. Goldstein, 415 Moseley Road, Birmingham 12
	18	Yorkshire Open Railway Institute, York	vs	F. Briggs, 10 Merton Gardens, Farsley, Pudsey, Yorks.
Mar.	2/4	English Open The Dome and Corn Exchange Brighton, Sussex	JBS, JGS JBD, JGD JXD, MVS WVS	Conrad Jaschke, Casa Mia, Church Road, Footscray, Sidcup, Kent
	*5	Yeovil Area "American" Open Houndstone Camp, Yeovil		Mrs. J. F. Coleman, "Greenwood", 7 Priory Close, Nash Lane, Yeovil
		* Re-dated for	rom February 2	5
	11	Northumberland Open No. 1 Canteen, M.O.S.S., Benton Park Road Newcastle-on-Tyne	JBS, JGS VS	T. A. Morpeth, 59 Preston Avenue, North Shields, Northumberland
1	1/12	Welsh Open Afan Lido, Aberavon	JBS, JGS	Mrs. N. Roy Evans, 1 Llwyn-y-Grant Road, Cardiff
1	18/19	Scottish Open Edinburgh		Carum
	19	Sussex Junior Open Assembly Hall, Worthing	U-17 BS, GS BD, GD, XD U-15 BS, GS BD, GD U-13 BS, GS	M. D. Oldham, 25 Offington Gardens, Worthing, Sussex
2	5/27	North-East of England Open Wallis Holiday Camp, Cayton Bay, Scarborough	JBS, JGS VS, YS & Consols	W. Mitton, 16 The Whins, Newby, Scarborough, Yorks
Apr.	1/2	Cambridgeshire Open Corn Exchange, Cambridge	JBS, JGS	Mrs. M. A. Cornwell, 28 Harding Way, Cambridge
	8/9	Stevenage Open Taylor Instrument Co. (Europe) Ltd. Canteen, Gunnels Wood Road,	JBS, JGS VS	B. A. English, 64 Baldock Road, Letchworth, Herts.

Stevenage, Herts

The CHESHIRE JUNIOR OPEN scheduled for February 25 has been cancelled.

UMPIRES CORNER

By Colin Clemett

HAVE received several enquiries about the "Laws" relating to handicap matches so I should like to deal with the subject this month as a little light relief from the continuing problems of the service Law. The system described below cannot be described as an "official" one,

but it does overcome some of the difficulties of handicap competitions.

BASIC PROBLEM

The basic problem is to give all the players in a tournament a handicap figure which will enable them to compete on reasonably equal terms in a game of about normal length. If you make the best player start at "love" and give all the other players a start, it is difficult at the outset to decide

what the start should be as there are only twenty possible steps in ranking that can be used unless a game of more than 21 points is played. To overcome this many people pick an "average" player to start at "love" and give better players a negative score and poorer players a positive score.

CONFUSION

This can lead to confusion in determining the scores at which service should change and at which the players should change ends. What is needed is a combination of the two methods to give a wide range of possible rankings but to allow the game to start with the stronger player at the score "love" and to finish at 21 points. The usual way of achieving this object is to use a fairly wide range

of positive and negative scores to give the best possible representation of the relative strengths of the players. For any match the handicap figures for the two players are taken and the number of points each requires to reach the score 21 is calculated.

STRENGTHS AS TO RATIO

This gives their playing strengths as a ratio, which is used to calculate the number of points that the weaker would score, according to his handicap, while the stronger player scored 21.

Subtracting this number from 21 gives the start which he gets in the match, which ends as normally, when one player scores 21 points.

EXAMPLE

As an example, consider a match between two players who have been given ratings of -7 and +9 on the handicap scale. This means that it is expected that starting from these scores they should both reach 21 points at about the same time, or to put it another way, the stronger player would score 28 points in the same time as his opponent scored 12.

If the stronger player had to score only 21 points, by starting at "love," then in the same time the other player should have to score 21/28 of 12, or 9 points.

To do this he must start at 12, so in this particular match the starting score is "love-12." Service changes then occur at the normal times and score is "love-12." Service changes then occur at the normal times and the change of ends is made when the player who started at "love" reaches 10 points in the deciding game.

Although this appears to give the same result as the first method I mentioned, the greater range of ranking possible makes it much easier to

Syd Frohlick describes the work of the **NATIONAL COACHING & SCHOOLS COMMITTEE**

IN 1964 there existed two separate committees, one the National Coaching Committee and the other the National Schools Committee. Both these Committees had an abundance of planning to do but it was found that the work of the two committees was so inter-dependent that they ware was so inter-dependant that they were joined to become the National Coach-ing and Schools Committee,

Jack Carrington, the secretary, is the instigator of most of the original ideas which are presented for discussion, and together with two excellent administrators, in Conrad Jaschke, the committee's chairman, and Malcolm

SROTLIGHT ON

ALAN HYDES BY PHILIP REID

undefeated.

team

WHEN a person is proficient at Junior Open Championships where, both outdoor and indoor sports, amongst other successes they took the it is usually the latter which falls by Boys' team tille. It seems to follow the wayside when the choice has to be made. Recent cases in question are Ann Haydon (tennis), Geoff Pullar (cricket) and Gordon Bradley (foot-ball) who all gave their outdoor sport preference. Occasionally the reverse happened and a series in visit Verl for Yorkshire in the County Cham-pionships up to standing-in for an indisposed Denis Neale against Glou-cestershire which caused Yorkshire to change a winning team. They were hardly likely to go any further than A lan who recently created a record by happens and a case in point is Yorkshire's Alan Hydes.

At school he played football for Barnsley Juniors as a scheming inside-forward and cricket for Barnsley Under-15s, where he was a hard-hitting batsman. But by this time he had already decided which was to be his sport-table tennis. The first tournament he entered was the South Yorkshire Junior Open when he was 13. In the first round he created probably the greatest surprise the tourney has ever known when he defeated the number one seed, Alan Ransome, in the first round. But this was no "flash in the pan" for he went on to win the tournament, beating Marsden in the final. Alan had arrived.

"BOY OF THE YEAR"

But in my opinion his greatest asset is his quiet determination to succeed The result which really made people with the minimum of fuss. Len Heppell, father of the famous Maureen, said to me recently : "There is no sit up and take notice was at the start of the following season-1963-64of when, in the first tournament (the East player in the country who puts more into table tennis than Alan Hydes. He is a credit to table tennis. An absolute of England) he took Chester Barnes of England) he took Chester Barnes to three games. The next month he was made "Boy of the Year" in a National newspaper competition. The same season found him making his debut in the Yorkshire County Junior side. Alan told me he did "reasonably well". The results show he emerged undefeated from his twelve encounter game is the better for it. undefeated from his twelve encounters -a tremendous performance when one considers he had to cope with players of the calibre of Mike Johns, Brian Burn and Alan Ransome.

It is his ability as a team man which has proved one of his outstanding strengths throughout his career. York-shire Juniors won their division. Alan was given a spell in the second team the same season. His answer to that was to finish in the Divisional averages. In February 1964 Alan made his junior International debut-against West Germany-and emerged un-defeated. Indeed Alan's record as a team man makes amazing reading. In 10 Internationals in this country Alan has never been beaten-a 100% record which is unique and of which he is justly proud. His 21 Junior Inter-national appearances are another record. In between his team appearances he was doing reasonably well on the tournament circuit but it seemed his best results were reserved for team events.

YOUNGEST EVER

leagues feel that coaching in their area is dormant and that something ought to be done in order to entice younger players to their ranks. Where this situation prevails help is on the way because the committee is making a big effort to introduce E.T.T.A, training centres to all areas which at present are in need of a fillip. The first of these areas to benefit will be Devon and Cornwall, which, perhaps because of their geographical location, have long Scott, plus four active coaches in Leo their geographical location, have long Thompson, Gordon Steggall, Phil Reid been neglected. Following a visit by

almost automatically that Alan was

OBVIOUS REPLACEMENT

Alan who recently created a record by winning the Men's Singles, Men's Doubles, Mixed Doubles and Youths'

Singles at the Yorkshire Closed. He

was the youngest player ever to win the Men's Singles and the first player

to win all four events. I think, though,

it is simply a matter of time before he re-claims a permanent place in the

He has several things in his favour. First he is absolutely dedicated to the

game and has a completely unselfish attitude towards it. Secondly there is

so much talent he is bound to improve

This season Alan had not appeared

siasm was shown by coaches, players and education authorities and centres are to be set up to provide venues for

Regarding the future of E.T.T.A. training centres, Bradford, Harlow, and now Nuneaton, are proving them-selves so successful that as financial support becomes available it is hoped to provide a network of centres throughout the country which will be easily accessible to all leagues.

STRONG CHALLENGE

In the face of strong challenge from other sporting bodies, the committee is at present making a big drive to "sell" table tennis as an athletic sport "sell" table tennis as an athletic sport to the schools. Certain education authorities are slow to accept table tennis to their areas and I know of some instances where teachers have been refused permission to attend table tennis holiday courses on the grounds that table tennis is not a sport to be played in schools. However, some measure of success has already been achieved by Jack Carrington and some of the more dedicated E.T.T.A. coaches and it is hoped that the introduction of the National School Team Competition and the Best-Trained School Group Competition will prove increasingly popular events in the schools' calendar and give us an opportunity to recruit players to our ranks at an early age.

A study of the various merits of coaching students always occupies a great deal of the committee's time and a new coaches register has just been compiled listing the names of our active coaches.

WELL-ORGANISED BODY

The nomination of National Coaching Liaison Officers to correspond with the C.C.P.R. regions should help to link up the country into one well-organised body with respect to stream-lining the coaching scheme. Their names and the areas to which they are to be attached will be revealed in the near future.

A useful instructional film is being compiled and a badge which will iden-tify theory coaches with the coaching scheme will soon become available.

The committee are constantly working to improve the coaching scheme and are always willing to listen to pro-gressive ideas from coaches, players model of sportsmanship and dedica-tion." Table tennis will always wel-come the likes of Alan Hydes. The hope, will continue to do so for the good of table tennis.

THE "100" CLUB

E. T.T.A. Fund Raising Secretary Walter Mitton, has just under 50 members on his "100" Club register and makes an appeal for E.T.T.A. members to join now and complete the one hundred.

Membership at the time of the English Closed was insufficient to proceed with the intended first draw which will now take place at a Cocktail/ Dinner Party at Brighton during the period of the English Open.

Application for membership can be effected by filling in, and posting to Walter, the form hereunder provided, the rules of membership being :-

Membership will be limited to 100 people, all of whom must be members of the E.T.T.A.

The annual subscription shall be £12, payable monthly (£1), quarterly (£3), or annually (£12), in advance.

All subscriptions shall be paid by a Bank Standing Order.

Every member shall be entitled to participate in a private lottery (held under Section 44 of the Betting, Gaming and Lotteries Act, 1963) to be held three times each year.

£100
£50
£10

mentioned, the greater range of ranking possible makes it much easier to grade the players at the start. It is, of course, rather tedious to have to calculate the handicap for each match and it is usual to employ a table in which fractional values have been rounded off to the nearest whole point. The starting score for the weaker player is the figure appearing where the row and column against the two handicap figures cross. This table allows for as wide a range of scores as is practical, and it may be adequate to use only a part (as illustrated). I shall be interested to hear of other handicap schemes which have proved effective, or of any special problems that have arisen in such matches. HANDICAP MATCHES	The 1964-65 season opened with Alan becoming the youngest player ever to appear in the Premier Division for Yorkshire. For perhaps the first time in his career Alan was not imme- diately successful but the Yorkshire Selection Committee showed great foresight in persevering with the 15-
(Modified) +8 2 0 +7 3 2 0	As a defender Alan always looked supremely confident with footwork and ability to match his magnificent ENGLISH TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION
+6 4 3 1 0 +5 5 4 3 1 0	temperament. As an attacker he looked much less at ease. There is no doubt at all though, he has an instinctive APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP
$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	ability to pick out the right ball to hit and when attacking the loose ball he rarely makes any sort of error. It was
$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	hardly surprising he moved up the Junior Ranking List from fourth place NAME : to second and the following season
-3 10 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 4 3 2 1 0 -4 11 10 9 8 8 7 6 5 4 3 3 2 1 0	saw him in the exalted first position. Nobody could ever have deserved it
-5 11 10 10 9 8 7 6 6 5 4 3 2 2 1 0	more.
$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	That season saw Alan win a number of tournaments including the Men's Singles at the North of England.
+9+8+7+6+5+4+3+2+1 0-1-2-3-4-5-6-7	England travelled to the West German Signature

by Laurie Landry ESSEX OPEN PIDDOCK RETAINS TITLE

10, 20,

A^T the Essex Open played at Har-low on January 14-15, Tony Pid-

dock came through a tournament of surprises to beat Ian Harrison, two-

First shock came when Derek Basden, now out of the Kent team, defeated a below form Brian Wright

20 and 18, meanwhile Keith Lawrence

was getting through to the semis with wins over Brian Brumwell and Bobby

Stevens. David Brown beat the new

England No. 8, Mike Johns, who has lost form since his new ranking.

comfortable win over Basden. The final was very good with Harrison moving the ball around giving Pid-

dock the opportunity to show his all-

in the third and then only just going down to Mary Wright in the semis. Mary took all three titles beating

Karenza Smith in a good but con-

vincing final and winning the women's doubles, with Karenza

against Elsie Carrington and Jackie

Billington-the pair they lost to last season. Mary won the mixed with husband Brian. Karenza also took the

Girls' Singles. Keith Lawrence was also in two finals. The surprise one was the Men's

Doubles with Paul Harmer. The two

juniors beat Roger Hampson and Johns in the semi but lost to Harrison

and Wright. Keith also lost in the

junior final to Trevor Taylor where he got progressively worse and his opponent better.

Men's Singles-semi-finals : A. R.

Final: PIDDOCK bt Harrison 19,

Harmer/Lawrence 9, 19.

Women's Doubles — Semi-finals: SMITH/WRIGHT bt L. Radford/B. Sayer (Essex) 15, 13; J. BILLING-TON (Berks) / E. CARRINGTON (Essex) bt Hemmings/ D. Simpson (Essex) 18, 7

(Essex) 18, 7. Final: SMITH/WRIGHT bt Bil-lington/Carrington 14, 15.

Mixed Doubles - Semi-finals : WRIGHT/WRIGHT bt O. B. Haslam (Middx)/J. Williams (Sussex) 10, 13;

Results :

13.

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To the semis where Harrison wor handsomely against Lawrence and gained revenge for his loss at the Middlesex. Piddock also gained a

straight, in the final.

SUZY DOMINATES AUSTRALIAN SCENE

RECENTLY a dark-haired woman HARRISON / SMITH bt Piddock /

R won the women's table tennis championship of the Australia State of Victoria—for the tenth year in a row. In the same 10 years, Mrs. Suzy Javor, who came to Australia from Hungary in 1956, has won the Australian women's national title seven times. Hemmings 20, 7. Final: WRIGHT / WRIGHT bt Harrison/Smith 14, -18, 13.

She would have won it for the other three years but she was otherwise occupied; twice she was playing in the Maccabean Games and in the third year she was giving birth to her son, Robert year sh Robert.

Since the arrival of Mrs. Javor and her husband Karoly, table tennis in Australia has risen from a minor sport, played mainly in social clubs, to an important national event.

Although not all the credit for this invitation to go to Australia from the goes to the Javor family, quite a lot of Victorian Table Tennis Association. it does. They arrived in their new homeland

Even now, Australia does not rank among the strong table tennis nations and the sport does not have the spectator following found in other countries. But, according to Mrs. Javor, the standard is steadily rising.

This has been helped by two main events. The influx of migrants from Europe, particularly from Hungary and the Baltic States brought top-class players and gave the game a tremendous boost boost.

Also Asian students, studying in Australia, showed local Australians new skill and techniques.

They arrived in their new homeland late in 1956. From that moment, the name of Suzy Javor became a household word among Australian table tennis enthusiasts.

She won the Australian and Victorian women's championship the first year. Each year since then, she has won both events every time she has entered them.

Other players were given a chance at the Australian title in 1961 and 1965 when Mr. Javor was in Israel competing in the Maccabean Games.

In 1961 she was runner up in the Games to the former Bulgarian player, Angelique Roseanu, now a resident of Israel. In 1965 she won the title.

Since 1956, Mrs. Javor has won 38 different Australian and Victorian titles, including singles, doubles, mixed doubles and seven team events.

CONSTANT PRACTICE

She attributes her success to one thing -practice and more practice

A member of the Hakoah club in Melbourne, she spends at least 10 hours a week at the table, either in competi-tion or in practice games against other high-ranking players, both male and female.

Each Monday she spends at least two hours practising with the State table tennis squad. On Wednesdays, she plays for Hakoah in a pennant competition and this is followed by two hours' practice each Saturday and Sunday.

Among the most interested of her pupils is her son Robert, now aged nine, who is showing promise.

Constant practice has kept her so far on top of the other women players that she has seldom been beaten, only five times since her arrival in Australia.

Suzy Javor is the best woman table tennis player ever to live in Australia. And on her current form, according to officials of the Victorian Table Tennis Association, there is no reason why she She was joined by her husband some cannot continue her reign for at least weeks later and the couple accepted an the next decade.

PHYSICAL FITNESS IN TABLE TENNIS Second Article by David H. Stanley

WHEN physical training is first started, it may lead to stiffness and sluggish reactions on the table after the first few sessions. So with all forms of training you should build up slowly, don't start like a

Boys' Singles : T. TAYLOR (Herts)

Final: TAYLOR bt Lawrence 20,

Girls' Singles-semi-finals : SMITH

bt L. Henwood (Essex) 7, 17; J. HEAPS (Ches) bt J. Shirley (Bucks)

Final: SMITH bt Heaps 15, 5.

bt Harmer 11, -19, 15; LAWRENCE bt M. Wald (Bucks) 10, -21, 14.

The ideal type of training for table tennis is similar to that of a boxer. Roadwork for building up stamina and skipping for improving your speed of footwork and agility.

Correct dress for roadwork is essential if it is to be used to the best advantage; an absorbent vest, thick sweater and tracksuit.

distance up to anything around ten miles. If you build your training up slowly ten miles isn't half as bad as

PROGRESS

ing. This is one of the best types of exercise for increasing stamina and conditioning your inner organs. If you are training with a few friends, you should arrange these periodical fast sprints, short spurts of 20 yards at maximum speed, when one of you gives the word "Go"—this is good for quickening your reaction as well

Men's Doubles — semi-finals: HARRISON / B. D. WRIGHT (Middx) bt D. Bowles/A. Campbell (Essex) 17, 9; P. HARMER (Herts)/ LAWRENCE bt R. Hampson/M. Johns (Ches) -10, 19, 17. Final: HARRISON/WRIGHT bt Harmer/I awrence 9, 19 building up stamina and if you are aiming at winning tournaments, you need all the stamina that is going.

their future opponent.

shadow boxing in their training. When they are doing this, they really do imagine that they are boxing against an opponent. • Swedish. Speed training

From the Editor's Postbag

SUGGESTION APPROVED

With reference to the article "New | hand there are some counties where, County Cup? " which appeared in last month's issue, I think the suggestion put forward by Conrad Jaschke is an excellent one and I hope it will be given favourable consideration by most of the Counties. I think the arrangements detailed would be quite satisfactory although possibly some might consider that four zones would

be better than eight.

unfortunately, there is a dearth of girl players and this suggestion would enable such counties to enter teams of boys only.

don't think the problem of providing suitable trophies should be insuperable but even without trophies I think the events would receive great support

Incidentally, now that the number feel, however, that the idea of Junior Championships is increasing

Chinese players have made great use of this type of training to improve both their footwork and stamina, and so you too can make use of this type

of training in your table tennis. It is no good fooling around with this, you have to take it seriously. You play imaginary rallies, aiming all the time at playing correct strokes, and it can be used to improve stamina by playing from one side of the table to the other. If you practise often enough with

this shadow Table Tennis, you will find that these strokes you have practised so long and so patiently just fit into your game. Chuang Tse Tung was often found alone in the gymnasium, covered in sweat after prac-tising in this way in the early hours of the morning before going to school.

WORD OF WARNING

A word of warning, however, must be given. Lock the door when you are playing this imaginary game, for if someone walks in and sees you playing a magnificent game against nobody, they might get the wrong idea !

Two sessions a week of this type of training might be enough for you. If these methods do not appeal to you, there is no need to despair, for there are many more methods, some of which have much more variety, and I will begin to discuss these next



Suzy Javor

Of the 35,000 registered players 8,000 clubs around Australia, M Javor is the best known. in Mrs.

WORLD CLASS

to Hungary.

9 out of **6** bats used in the finals of the 1967 English Closed Championships were made by **JAQUES**

Mary Shannon-Wright, Denis Neale and Brian Wright have worked with Jaques experts to produce

THE WORLD'S FINEST TABLE TENNIS BATS

THE BEST DESIGN

Chuang Tse Tung and other

round skill. The women's singles had some surprises also. Judy Heaps won at 18 in the third against Lesley Radford, No. 2 seed, but then could not hit through Shelagh Hession. In the other half, mad bull at a gate ! Pauline Hemmings showed a return to form beating Judy Williams at 23

You can start your first night by walking and jogging over a distance of two miles, gradually increasing the it sounds.

As you progress, split your distance into periods of steady jogging and occasional fast short sprints, what athletes call fartlek* training, and this has many variations and degrees of intensity, which can be found in most books concerned with athletic train-

PIDDOCK (Kent) bt D. S. Basden (Kent) 17, 15; I. O. HARRISON (Gloucs.) bt K. Lawrence (Essex) 13, Women's Singles — semi-finals : K. SMITH (Middx) bt S. Hession (Essex) 19, 16; M. WRIGHT (Surrey) bt P. Hemmings (Herts) 19, -17, 16. Final : WRIGHT bt Smith 12, 10.

conditioning your legs. This type of training is mostly for

FOOTWORK

Skipping is the finest method for improving and quickening your footwork. Develop your skipping on the same lines as boxers train. As they skip, they bring in the appropriate footwork as if they are boxing against

You can do the same, bringing in correct footwork moves for all the various shots. Boxers also include

month.

Photo by Australian News and Information Bureau

These overseas influences have inspired local Australians to take more interest in the game which is now on a well organised basis.

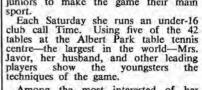
When she arrived in Australia she was when she arrived in Australia she was among the top 15 women players in the world. She was a member of the team which won the Hungarian National Pennant six times, playing in the same team as Eva Koczian and Agnes Simon, both of whom won world titles.

Twice she was runner up in the Hungarian championship to Gizi Farkas who won the world championship several times.

She was playing with a Hungarian team in Vienna in 1956 when the Hungarian Revolution broke out. When it was over she decided not to return

TRAINING JUNIORS

While encouraging juniors to take up table tennis by her example, Mrs. Javor takes more concrete steps to encourage juniors to make the game their main



should be extended to cater for a similar knock-out competition for Junior County teams. Such an event would go a long way towards bolstering up the enthusiasm of young players during the off-season, although in the case of the keener players I doubt if their enthusiasm ever wanes! It would also be of great assistance to the County selectors in building up their junior teams for the next season. There is one proviso which I would like to suggest and that is that full consideration be given to providing more opportunities for younger players and that more girls should be given team places. In order to provide for this, I suggest that there should actually be two separate competitions, which could be either:

One competition for Boys' teams and one for Girls' teams, or one competition for normal junior age and one for under 15.

Personally I favour the first sugges-tion. There are several counties in which the number of girl players is increasing rapidly and this would give more of them a chance. On the other Faversham, Kent

and many more of them include events for lower age groups, could the E.T.T.A. not be "with it" by including similar events in the English Closed and/or the English Open?

JIMMY MANNOOCH

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NO POINT, Until ...

Having read your December issue and the articles appertaining to the "Service Law", I should like to voice the opinion of my fellow clubmates together with my own which could be added to Mr. Carrington's suggestions on "How to Tame or Control" Part C of his "Current Service Situation". The sole object of the "Service" is to put the ball into play therefore, NO point will be awarded to the "Server" until after the ball has been seturned

until after the ball has been returned by his opponent-whereupon the game will continue as normal.

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THE BEST MATERIALS

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Congratulations to Mary Shannon-Wright and Denis Neale on their selection for the squad now training for the World Championships

PUSHED far harder by Kent than expected, Yorkshire retained their lead in the Premier Division although Middlesex now have a better sets average. The clash at Bradford at the end of the month should attract a large audience which should be worth a couple of points a game to the "Tykes." What a match this promises to be! The position at the other end of the table is still un-decided with only two points covering four Counties for one relegation position.

PREMIER DIVISION

Gloucestershire 3, Essex 6

I. Harrison bt C. Barnes -16, 19, 10; bt S. Gibbs 15, 13; D. Holland lost to Barnes -9, 15, -20; lost to R. Stevens -16, -18; R. Morley lost to R. Stevens -20, 13, -14; lost to Gibbs -16, 18, -14; Harrison/Morley bt Barnes/Gibbs 18, 19; Mrs. P. Rowe lost to Mrs. L. Radford -5, -6; Holland/Rowe lost to Stevens/Radford -7, -11.

Kent 4, Yorkshire 5

Kent 4, Yorkshire 5 A Piddock bt D. Neale 19, 16; bt M. Symonds 16, -19, 13; H. Buist lost to Neale -11, -16; lost to P. Duncombe -18, 21, -14; K. Baker lost to Symonds -11, -13; bt Dun-combe 9, 29; Buist/Piddock bt Neale/ Symonds -19, 12, 20; Miss P. Martin lost to Mrs. C. Duncombe -19, -19; Baker/Martin lost to Duncombe/Miss L. Proudlock 15, -17, -20.

Over 250 spectators from all over the county at this vital and exciting match. Kent led 3-2 and 4-3 and had earlier had set point in the 3rd game of the mixed. The highlights : Tony Piddock's win over Neale and the men's doubles the men's doubles.

Middlesex 7, Cheshire 2 B. Wright bt R. Hampson 16, -19, 15; bt M. Johns 7, 13; L. Haslam bt Hampson 25, 18; lost to D. Scho-field 13, -22, -19; A. Lindsay bt Johns 10, -17, 16; bt Schofield 16, 8; Johns 10, -17, 16; bt Scholed 16, 8, Haslam/L. Landry lost to Hampson/ Johns -17, -17; Miss K. Smith bt Miss J. Heaps 20, 5; Wright/Smith bt Schofield/Heaps 19, 15. A useful win for Middlesex but disappointing that Les Haslam could near bast Derek Schofield with every

not beat Derek Schofield with every set counting in the pursuit of York-shire. Judy Heaps, unlucky not to take the first from Karenza Smith, crumpled in the second, and Roger Hampson looked a far more com-plete player than his England ranked colleague.

Surrey 7, Hertfordshire 2

Surrey 7, Hertfordshife 2 C. Warren bt T. Densham 15, 16; bt E. Hall 17, 10; M. Creamer bt Densham 18, 16; bt T. Taylor 10, 14; G. Muranyi lost to Hall -17, 18, -18; lost to Taylor -19, -25; Warren/ R. Penfold bt Hall/Taylor -19, 20, 13; Mrs. M. Wright bt Miss P. Hem-mings 17, 13; M. Creamer/Wright bt

PREMIER DIVISION

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SECOND DIVISION SOUTH

February 25

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SECOND DIVISION WEST

March

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND-UP by John Wright ANOTHER CROWD PULLER

unable to find his old magic, and shortage of good men detracts little twice beaten. Thankfully for Surrey, from this Cornish display — their their stalwarts played up to form to move the team to 4th place on set average. Poor Herts' fate virtually sealed now, with two massive vic-tories required to give them even an outside chance of staying up.

SECOND DIVISION (SOUTH)

Bedfordshire 2, Kent II 8 An improved performance by Beds, with junior Alan Nicholl showing reat promise after a shaky start. Had luck really been with the home side they might have scraped a point.

Hampshire 9, Surrey II 1

The whole Hamoshire team on form at the same time, and helped by Surrey's forfeiture of one set with inregistered player. A fine win for Pauline Edwards over England No. 9 Betty Bird.

ECOND DIVISION (NORTH) Durham 7, Cumberland 3

Cheshire II 2, Lancashire 8 Only Lincolnshire between Lancs and a place in the promotion chalenge matches.

Lincoinshire 7, Durham 3

An excellent win for John Beau-nont over top form Eddie Taylor, he latter then beating Brian Hill who acked his usual bite.

Yorkshire II 2, Northumberland 8 Two fine wins by Roy Hinchliffe over Stuart Lennie (-17, 19, 14) and Alan Ransome (20, 13) were all that Yorkshire could salvage from this. **SECOND DIVISION (MIDLAND)**

Derbyshire 6, Staffordshire 4

An exciting match with the lead fluctuating and Derbyshire winning rom 3-4. A. Hunt unbeaten for the home team and Dorothy Deeley for the visitors, for whom Glen Warwick scored two comfortable singles wins.

Glamorgan 4, Warwickshire 6 Raiph Guanion for the visitors and raser Anderson for Glamorgan each cored two singles wins. The narrow nixed doubles defeat of Anderson and Sandra Morgan by Derek Munt and Ingrid Sykes (-18, -20) proved lecisive.

Oxfordshire 7, Nottinghamshire 3 First win this season for Oxon, who thereby leave the bottem of the the. All men's singles won, and the oubles.

ECOND DIVISION (WEST)

COUNTY DIARY FIXTURES FOR FEBRUARY 1967

 February 4
 Herts II v Sussex, Watford Y.M.C.A., Clarendon Road, Watford

 February 11
 Bedford hire v Hampshire, Vauxhall Canteon, Vauxhall Motors Ltd., off Luton Road, Dunstable

 February 18
 Surrey II v Heris II, Heinemann Book & Press Sports Club, Lower Kingswood

 February 25
 Burks v isussex, Licensed Victuallers School, Mackenzie Street, Slough Kent II v Haris

 Surrey II v Bedfordshire, Heinemann Book & Press Sports Club, Lower Kingswood

 SECOND DIVISION NORTH February 25

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SECOND DIVISION MIDLAND February 25 Derbyshare v Oxfordshire, The Police Station, Chesterfield Nottinghamshire v Warwickshire, Boneham & Turner Canteen, Nott ngham Road, Mansfield Stuffs v Monmouths, Y.M.C.A., Carters Green, West Bromwich

SION Cheshire v Kent, C.C.P.R.O., Grove Lane, Cheadle Hulme, Nr. Stockport Husex v Surrey, Rotary Hoes Sports & Social Club, West Horndon Yorkshire v Middlesex, Mechanics Institute, Bradford Hertfordshire v Gloucestershire, Cheshunt Drill Hall, Turners Hill, Cheshunt ON SOLTHU

Lincolashire v Yorkshire II, Kitwood Boys School, Mill Road, Boston

v Sussex, Watford Y.M.C.A., Clarendon

Somerset 8, Worcestershire 2 Cornwall 9, Dorset 1 mings 17, 13; M. Creamer/Wright bt Densham/Hemmings -20, 19, 9. George Muranyi, recalled in 1 the women's singles, Cornwall Surrey's bid to retain Premier status, 'solutely dominant. Dorset's obvious With the exception of attractive

biggest-ever win Wiltshire 2, Devon 8

SOUTHERN DIVISION Oxforusnire II 2, Hampshire II 8

Worcestershire II 1, Berkshire 9

At the halfway stage, Worcs trailed 0-5 when 2-3 would have been more just. Young Richard Kozlowski, on debut for Berks, successful on all visits to the table and it was left to Barbara Williams to record the only home win.

MIDLAND DIVISION

Denoignatire 0, Warwickshire II 10 Rather one-sided, but Warwicks's girls pushed hard in the doubles, edging home 19, -18, 18.

Lancashire II 6, Staffordshire II 4 A first class match, with Brian Mitchell's victory by 19, 17 over fellow "A" Group junior Brian Keates giving Lancs both points. EASTERN DIVISION

Huatingdonsaure 3, Norfolk 7

Suffolk 4, Leicestershire 6 A big disappointment for Suffolk who could take only one singles. JUNIOR SOUTH

Buckinghamshire 4, Sussex 6

A deserved, although unexpected, win for Sussex. Their gamble of play-ing Diane Gard in the mixed with Terry Riley instead of in the singles paid off with an excellent -12, 18, 18 win. Riley crushed -8, -11 by the outstanding Michael Wald.

Kent 9, Berkshire 1

Kent too strong, particularly in the girls' events. Now all depends on the visit to Bucks with a draw good enough for Kent.

Surrey 10, Hampshire 0 Hampshire players never found their touch while Surrey's improved throughout the match. Joe Howsam particularly impressive. JUNIOR NORTH

Durham 6, Cumberland 4 Cheshire 2, Lancashire 8

Another "Roses" battle looming up here for the championship of this

Yorkshire 10, Northumberland 0 Only one game conceded by Yorkshire, aiming at their 6th consecutive divisional title. An impressive debut by Tony Clayton of Hull.

JUNIOR MIDLAND

Nottinghamshire 3, Staffordshire 7

Far more even than the score suggests with Staffs having that little extra in the tight corner. Jeffrey Watson had a hand in all Notts successes.

Warwicksnire 9. Worcestorshire 1 Even without Jenny Cornock and their three England ranked boys, Warwicks were little extended. JUNIOR EAST

Norfolk 4, Middlesex 6

Essex 10, Camoridgeshire 0

Lasting less than two hours at the excellent Brentwood Youth Club, this was an important result for Essex. With Herts having two easy matches to come, and a likely result in the Herts-Essex clash a draw, every set counts and the March 10 meeting should be explosive.

JUNIOR SOUTH-WEST

Glamorgan 5, Monmouthshire 5

Never more than one set between the two sides in a match which produced the best from all players. Haydn Thomas particularly good. With their programme now complete, Glamorgan must wait for the Monmouth v Gloucs, result and will be regretting some of the silly sets dropped this season.

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	Worcestershire v Devon, Coombs Wood Works, Halesowen, Nr. Birmingham	7.00 p.m.
SOUTHERN DI	VISION	
February 4	Aylesbury	7.00 p.m
	Hants II v Worcestershire II, Coalporters Rowing Club, Northam Road, Southampton	6.30 p.m
February 25	Hants II v Bucks II, Indoor Sports Centre, Wimble- don Fark, Southsea, Portsmouth	7.00 p.m
	Oxfords II v Berkshire, St. Margarets Hall, Polstead Road, Oxford	6.30 p.m
March 11	Berksh re v Hants II, Y.M.C.A., Reading	7.15 p.m.
	Worcestershire II v Bucks II, Cripplegate Pavilion, Tybridge Street, Worcester	7.00 p.m.
MIDLAND DIV.	ISION	
February 25	Staffs II v Derbyshire II, Wednesbury Youth Centre, Woden Road North, Wednesbury	7.30 p.m
	Warwicks II v Lancs II, Saltley Grammar School, Subley, Birmingham 8	7.00 p.m.
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March 11	Berkshire v Surrey	
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February 26	Cheshire v Durham	
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February 11	Suffolk v Herts, Chantrey School, Ipswich	1.11.11.11
February 17	Essex v Middlesex, Leyton Youth Centre, Crawley Road, Leyton, E.10	7.00 p.m
March 10	Herts v Essex, Hillside Hall, School Mead, Abbots Langley	7.30 p.m
JUNIOR DIVISI	ON MIDLAND	
February 5	Leicestershire v Oxfordshire, Cottons Canteen, Lough- borough	3.00 p.m

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