



Chelmsford & District: Kamma pick of juniors

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Junior players made their mark this week in no uncertain fashion in the Chelmsford & District Table Tennis League.

Thomas Page (aged 15), 14-year-old Harry Buckle, 15-year old Nyree Marsh and perhaps most notable of all brothers Vineeth Kamma (15) and Sudheep Kamma (11) all played exceptionally well.

In division 1(A) the two leading sides both won 7-3. Alex Abbott and Trevor Lloyd were both undefeated for Maldon A against Danbury A. Eric Green and Dave Richardson both beat John Poysden for the losers. Defender Green fought back strongly to triumph 3-1 (4-11, 11-8, 11-8, 13-11).

Chelmsford A defeated Writtle A. Casey Cross won his three singles for Chelmsford whilst Writtle reserve Peter Layzell scored a fine 3-1 win over 2019 M&G Investments Chelmsford Championships Ladies' Singles champion Tulay Dundar (6-11, 11-8, 11-3, 11-5).

In division 1 (B) second placed Liberal fell back after drawing against Chelmsford B who were bolstered considerably by the inclusion of the highly-rated James Denyer. In a battle of the two best players in this division Denyer defeated Paul Davison 3-1 (11-8, 5-11, 11-6, 11-7).

Leaders Galleywood A beat Danbury B 7-3. Bryn Thomas played his part for Galleywood by defeating Steve Buer in three (11-7, 11-8, 11-7).

Maldon B are the new leaders in division two. They beat long-time leaders OCs B 6-4. Kevin Worthington was the best of the OCs players with wins over Ciaran Whelan and Colin Napper but he missed out 3-2 (7-11, 11-6, 11-7, 8-11, 7-11) to Thomas Page – a tremendous win for the Junior. Worthington did show his class with a 3-0 (11-8, 11-4, 13-11) win over Whelan.

Danbury D drop back to second even though they beat Writtle C 7-3. Sam Lowman can't put a foot wrong at present and he beat Gary Ward, Writtle's best player, 3-1 (6-11, 11-6, 11-9, 11-5).

Chelmsford C stay third and they beat a two-man Danbury C 9-1. Cristian Barnardo, Mike Johnston and Wiktor

Delimat won all their singles. Newcomer Barnardo closed proceedings with a 3-0 (16-14, 11-7, 11-2) victory over Neil Want.

Teamwork saw OCs F home in division three. Tanishq Kotwal, Russell Hall and Farooq Ahmed all won twice as they beat Writtle E 7-3. Ahmed had to pull out all the stops to get the better of Dave Moles 3-2 (9-11, 11-5, 8-11, 11-4, 12-10).

Danbury J's magnificent run of 15 wins out of 15 has come to an end in division four. And in perhaps the performance of the week it was brothers Vineeth and Sudheep Kamma who led the way as Chelmsford F beat the leaders 6-4. Vineeth was undefeated and Sudheep won twice.

Vineeth excelled by beating Robert Kneale in five ends (6-11, 11-3, 7-11, 11-4, 11-4) whilst Sudheep showed terrific composure to defeat Richard Allen 3-2 (14-16, 11-6, 5-11, 13-11, 13-11). The improvement of these two players in recent weeks has been enormous. They both receive coaching from Lee McHugh and clearly his energy and enthusiasm is rubbing off on his charges.

Chelmsford E ran out 8-2 winners over Highwood B. Jon Dyson and Dusan Doszko were both undefeated whilst another Junior player Harry Buckle notched up fine wins over Francis Whitbread (11-6, 11-9, 11-7) and Martin Goddard (11-6, 12-10, 11-8).

Writtle F ran out 8-2 winners over OCs G. David Meah and Colin Griffiths both won their three singles. However, Writtle F didn't fare so well against Hatfield Peverel C and they lost 6-4. Nick Duce won his three singles for the Hatfield Peverel C team. Ian Hockley was the best of the Writtle players with two wins, although he struggled to beat Alastair Brown before he pulled clear in the fifth end (12-10, 9-11, 11-9, 4-11, 11-3).

Division five leaders Galleywood C scored their 13th win of the season, beating Maldon E 7-3. Mark Glenister was undefeated for Galleywood but there was a first defeat of the season for Gary Copsey who lost 3-2 to Denis Crapnell (6-11, 14-16, 11-4, 11-9, 8-11). Glenister beat Crapnell 3-1 (11-13, 11-7, 11-6, 11-2).

Chelmsford G (Andy Swales, Sarah Austin and Revox Matthews) won all nine singles as they beat Hatfield Peverel D 9-1. However, Swales and Austin conspired to lose a very hard-fought doubles 3-2 (11-8, 11-9, 10-12, 9-11, 11-13) to Andy Simmonds and Richard Drozd.

Chelmsford H were 7-3 winners against Hatfield Peverel E and there was a first "full-house" for 15-year-old Nyree Marsh – the 2019 M&G Investments Chelmsford Championships Junior Girls' Singles champion. She beat Phil West 3-1 (11-5, 7-11, 11-7, 11-8), John Kuhl 3-1 (11-4, 16-14, 9-11, 11-7) and Davina Brazier also in four (8-11, 11-7, 11-6, 11-8).

Chelmsford J ran out 8-2 winners against OCs H. Revox Matthews and Takunda Nerutanga both won their three singles whilst Jacqui Smith won twice.

Leaders Danbury Dragons scored their fourth win out of five in division 2A of the CLICK League. Ewan Hynd and Sam Mortimer-Ford were both undefeated although Hynd was stretched to beat Cameron Waite 3-2 (9-11, 4-11, 11-7, 11-4, 12-10).

West Maldon top the table in division 2B of the CLICK League. Noah Sage (two wins) and Oliver Wylie (one win) ran out 4-1 winners against Danbury Demons. Wylie battled hard to beat Elliot Gardiner 3-1 (11-8, 9-11, 13-11, 12-10).

Buttsbury Badgers beat Buttsbury Bulldogs 4-1. Ben Brown was unbeaten for the Badgers but his match against George Standish could have gone either way. Brown finally sealed victory 3-2 (11-9, 9-11, 11-6, 9-11, 12-10). Buttsbury Bears (Oscar Hutt and Harry Hutt) defeated Chelmsford Leopards 3-2. However, Cleon Fernandes was unbeaten for the Leopards. He beat Harry Hutt 11-2, 9-11, 11-7, 7-11, 12-10 after another pulsating five-ender.

Chelmsford Panthers were 5-0 winners in CLICK division 2C. Malachi O'Leary and Theo Griffiths were both unbeaten against Chelmsford Eagles. However, it was far from plain sailing for O'Leary who required five ends to beat both Jixuan Li (9-11, 11-8, 7-11, 11-9, 11-5) and Charlie Donald (7-11, 10-12, 11-5, 11-9, 11-9).

Chelmsford Eagles also lost 5-0 to Danbury Griffins. Jenson Davis and Finley Bailey were both undefeated. Bailey

set the ball rolling for Griffins by beating Charles Donald 3-2 (8-11, 11-7, 6-11, 11-8, 11-7) in the first game.

Buttsbury Beavers ran out narrow 3-2 winners over Buttsbury Bees. Ryan Beresford-Cole picked up two wins for the Beavers. He beat Ollie Barrett 3-0 (11-4, 11-2, 11-8) and George Hagland 3-2 (6-11, 11-4, 6-11, 11-5, 11-8).

Chelmsford Falcons, led by an undefeated Oliver Cheung, won 4-1 against Buttsbury Bats. Cheung found Leo Comer a tough nut to crack and he finally secured victory 3-2 (11-7, 8-11, 3-11, 11-4, 11-7).

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