

Haddenham A Retain Title

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In a much more competitive competition and a smaller division compared with last season, Haddenham A retained their title with two more emphatic 10 – 0 wins in the last two weeks of the season, this time Quainton A and Bucks CC A were the victims. Sports A once again finished runners up. Haddenham B topped the second half of the Division with their Oxford imports providing crucial strength to them staying in the Premier Division. Sports C propped up the rest with Bucks CC A second from bottom. Top player this season was Mark Scott with 94%, closely followed by compatriot, Andy Misseldine from Haddenham A on 90%. Lee Rogerson (Bellingdon) secured third place with 86% followed by Alan Cherry (Bierton) on 85%.

Tring A secured Division One top spot despite losing 7 – 3 to Ridgeway in their rearranged fixture. Two 9 – 1 wins at the end of season gave them the title by 11 points. Both these teams had moved away from the rest of the pack and will hope to enjoy Premier Division Table Tennis next season. Brian Redrup, showing strong end of season form took a fine maximum, supported by a double from Kevin Doyle, who nonetheless saw Graham Smith dent his 100% record. Kevin still retained top spot in the averages. Brian tied on second spot with Iain Willcocks (Bucks CC C) on 85%. Nick Tyler from Bucks CC B was fourth on 84%.

Tring D won Division Two courtesy of Mark Luscombe remaining unbeaten all season. Rising star Rose Luscombe had a creditable 55% return with Bill Chapman gaining a 58% success rate. Fourth player Fred Luscombe supported well with 26%. They led their club teams, Tring B and Tring C in respective second and third spots. Individually Roger Shelton from Tring B won 90% with Matt Axford (Risborough A) third on 89%. John Richardson from Tring C won 86% of his games to take fourth place. Unluckily for the Aylesbury Sports Club, their E and F Teams propped up the Division.

Brill are Div Three Champions with Tring E edging Bucks CC G for the runner up place. Four teams battled to avoid the bottom place with Tring F finally finishing bottom. Individually John Fittell knocked David Stevens off the top spot in the averages that he held most of the season and as a result put himself in that coveted position. Sankar Balan beat Vic Davies for third spot on 90% and 89% respectively. Both also feature in the top ten of the Division Two averages for their successful reserve outings.

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