

Clacton & District TTL Report

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First blood to the Pumas.

In the first week of the new Clacton and District Table Tennis League season, two of the fancied teams faced each other in **Division Three** and it was Nomads Pumas who came out on top, defeating Brotherhood M 6-4.

Alan Dockerill took his three for the Pumas, a maximum that included an excellent win over Cris Edwards, whilst Lionel Goddard picked up a couple and John Bowers one.

Brotherhood youngster Gracie Edwards recorded a debut League win with a victory over Bowers, and she took Goddard close before going down 5-11, 13-11, 8-11, 16-14, 5-11.

Elsewhere, Windsor Swallows beat Brotherhood H 10-0 but the match was far closer than the score-line suggests with four of the matches going the distance, Tom Wilkin just failing to get past Angela Barratt, losing 11-6, 11-7, 9-11, 9-11, 11-13.

Brotherhood K beat Brotherhood L 7-3, new signings Peter Bloomfield unbeaten and Mark Trayhorn taking a point for the 'K' team, Jonathan Found impressing for the 'L' side by winning twice.

Mike Monschau of Windsor Penguins had a victory over Lucy Burton but otherwise it was plain sailing for Brotherhood J who ran out 9-1 victors, as it was for Nomads Lynx, 10-0 winners against Windsor Kites, Aaron McGurl and Kevin Hume staying unbeaten on debut.

Nomads Leopards fielded a guest player against Nomads Wildcats but three from Tony Rayner and two for Roger McNaughton saw them to a 6-4 victory, whilst it was the full 10-0 for Brotherhood I over a Nomads Bobcats' side also fielding a guest.

In **Division One** champions Windsor Condors, without Gary Young, got off to a shaky start in defence of their title, sharing the points with Walton A, Colin Stallwood staying unbeaten for Windsor, John Rice and Matt Watson taking a couple each for Walton.

James Denyer recorded a maximum as Nomads Panthers set out their stall with a 6-4 success over Brotherhood A, the closest match seeing Greg Green and John Stubbings beat Denyer and Joe Andrews 13-11 in the decider in the doubles.

Andy Holmes took a hat-trick for Windsor Kestrels but two each for Phil Smith and Fred Button gave Windsor Eagles the 6-4 victory.

It was also 6-4 as Windsor Hawks beat Walton B with no-one staying unbeaten but every player taking a point, Felipe Rodriguez and John Barton winning a pair apiece for Windsor, Paul Newbould playing well to take a couple for Walton.

Paul Woolnough was unbeaten in Walton D's 6-4 win against Nomads Jaguars, Colin Beaumont of the Jaguars unlucky to lose his three close in five, and although John Fenton of Nomads Lions beat David Hall, Walton C ran out 9-1 winners.

In **Division Two** Brotherhood D beat Brotherhood E 9-1, Paul Alden and Lee Harvey getting hat-tricks, Tony Edmonds getting the losers' only point with a win over Russell Hillier.

It was also 9-1 as Lawford defeated Brotherhood G, Elliott Attrill getting a consolation win against Lawford skipper Ian Sherwood, whilst there were two each for Kevin Pryor, Laurence Torr and Fred Gallone as Brotherhood C nudged past Nomads Tigers 6-4.

David North took a hat-trick for Brotherhood F but his side still went down 6-4 to Nomads Cougars for whom Paul and Sam Hume each won twice, the crucial match of the evening seeing Sam Hume beat Mark Beckham 12-10 in the fifth.

There were three for Gary Stallwood, two for Adam Jackson and one for Tricia Salter in Windsor Owls' 7-3 success against Windsor Harriers.

Finally, in another all-Windsor clash, the Ravens defeated the Magpies 6-4, John Harvey unbeaten and Isabel Barton taking two for the Ravens, Graham Bunce winning twice for the Magpies.

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RESULTS

Division 1

Walton C 9 Nomads Lions 1;

Windsor Eagles 6 Windsor Kestrels 4;

Nomads Panthers 6 Brotherhood A 4;

Walton A 5 Windsor Condors 5;

Nomads Jaguars 4 Walton D 6;

Windsor Hawks 6 Walton B 4.

Division 2

Brotherhood D 9 Brotherhood E 1;

Windsor Owls 7 Windsor Harriers 3;

Brotherhood C 6 Nomads Tigers 4;

Windsor Ravens 6 Windsor Magpies 4;

Lawford 9 Brotherhood G 1;

Nomads Cougars 6 Brotherhood F 4.

Division 3

Brotherhood M 4 Nomads Pumas 6;

Brotherhood I 10 Nomads Bobcats 0;

Brotherhood J 9 Windsor Penguins 1;

Brotherhood L 3 Brotherhood K 7;

Windsor Swallows 10 Brotherhood H 0;

Nomads Lynx 9 Windsor Kites 1;

Nomads Wildcats 4 Nomads Leopards 6.

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