

Friday Photos 69: Gems from Derek's album

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This week shows part of a collection of priceless photos taken from an album put together by Vice-President, Derek Tyler. Derek is the second oldest Table Tennis England Vice-President and was awarded the honour in 1976.

Derek emigrated to Belgium after meeting his future wife, Josine, when he was umpiring at the European Youth Championships in Ostend in 1971. He has lived in Belgium for many years but used to call in the Hastings office on his regular visits back to Sussex.

As well as being an ETTA Vice-President, Derek is a Sussex County TTA Vice-President and was a former President of Hastings & District TTA. As an ITTF International Umpire Assessor Derek carried out over 700 assessments for 54 Federations between 1981 and 2000.

An interesting anecdote from Derek, whose father was a very early player of table tennis. Mr Tyler, senior, was a dentist and when he started playing it was with a wooden bat. Using his dentist's drill he drilled some grooves into the wood to get a better grip on the ball.

Back to the photos, which were taken by Dennis George and have been wonderfully annotated throughout by Derek. All are from the 24th World Championships held in Stockholm between 7th and 15th March 1957.

From an English perspective they are possibly best known for Ann Haydon (later Ann Jones, Wimbledon champion) who reached all three individual finals but failed to take home a gold medal. Looking at the results in those matches, she was only a whisker away. Nevertheless, a truly remarkable achievement. Ann did go on to become part of the winning European Championships team the following year.

English Players Results in the Knockout Rounds

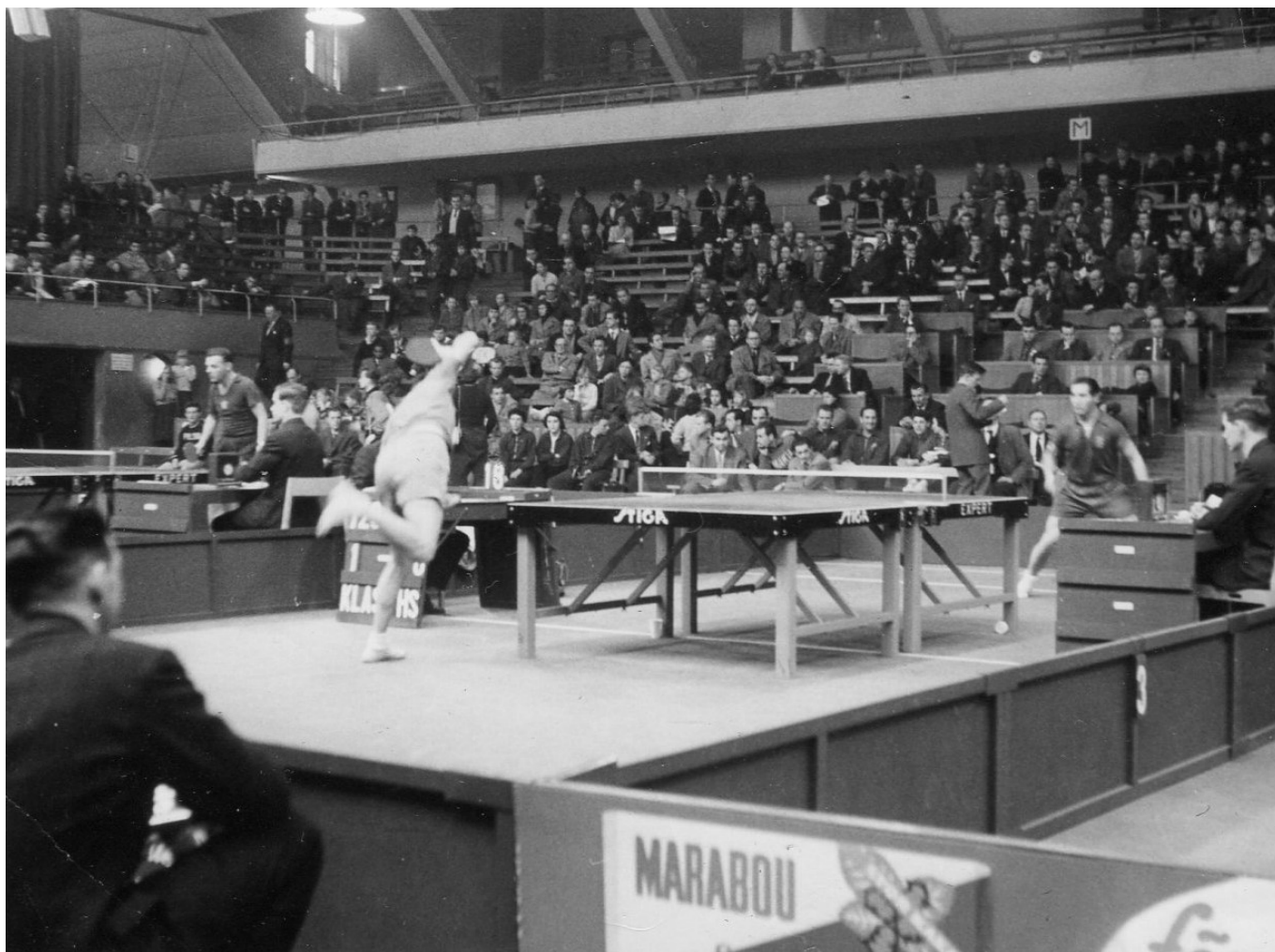
Men's Singles

Rd 16: Brian Kennedy, Michael Thornhill

Rd 64: Johnny Leach

Rd 128: Richard Bergmann, Alan Rhodes, Ian Harrison

Photos 1 and 2

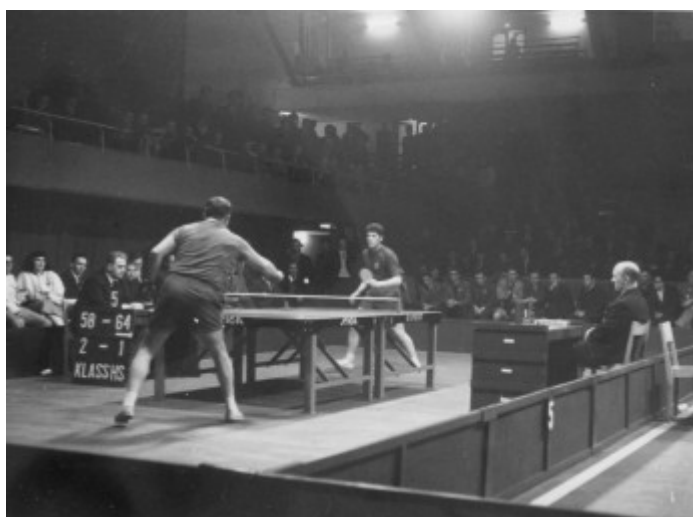


First round – T Reiter (RUM) v Richard Bergmann (ENG). Note the alarm clock at leg of table



The two players after the match

Photo 3



F Sido (HUN) v Brian Kennedy (ENG) in the third round

Women's Singles

Runner-up: Ann Haydon (21/14, 24/22, 19/21, 21/23, 21/19)

Rd 16: Diane Rowe

Rd 64: Jill Rook

Rd 128: Joyce Fielder, Molly Jones, Elsie Carrington

Photo 4



First round – Joyce Fielder (ENG) v C Watel-Matheu (FRA)

Photo 5



Second round: Chiu Chung-Hui (CHN) v Jill Rook (ENG)

Photo 6



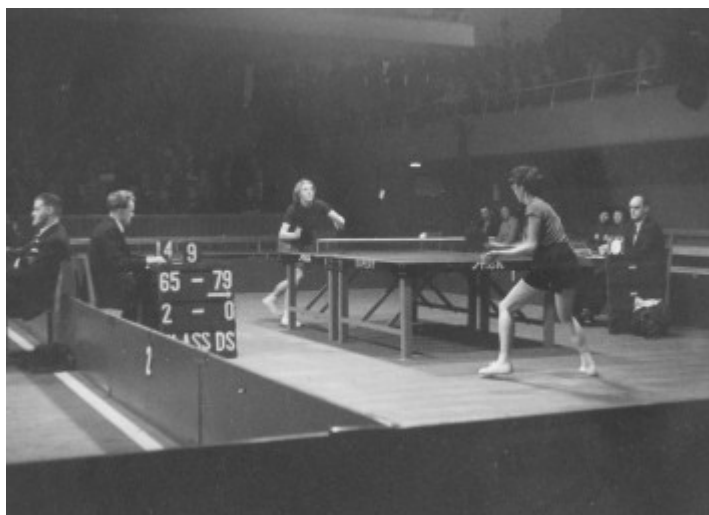
Second round: Helen Elliott (SCO) v Ann Haydon (ENG)

Photo 7



Fourth round: L Rosoczy (HUN) facing Diane Rowe (ENG)

Photo 8



Fourth round: Ann Haydon (ENG) v E Krejcova (CZE)

Photo 9



Semi-finals: Ann Haydon (ENG) v E Zeller (RUM)

Photo 10



Tommy Sears (NPC) and Ann Haydon

Photo 11



Semi-final, third game, final rally Ann Haydon (ENG) v E Zeller (ROM)

Men's Doubles

Rd 16: Richard Bergmann/Johnny Leach, Brian Kennedy/Ian Harrison

Rd 32: Alan Rhodes/Michael Thornhill, J Corser/T Harrison

Women's Doubles

Runners-up: Ann Haydon/Diane Rowe (21/17, 21/23, 18/21, 21/13, 13/21)

Rd 16: Molly Jones/A Lahey (NED)

Rd 32: Joyce Fielder/Jill Rook

Photo 12



Women's Doubles final, second game: L Mosoczy, A Simon (HUN) v Diane Rowe, Ann Haydon (ENG)

Mixed Doubles

Runners-up: Ivan Andreadis (TCH)/Ann Haydon

QF: Johnny Leach/Diane Rowe

Rd 32: Alan Rhodes/Joyce Fielder

Rd 64: Ian Harrison/Molly Jones

Rd 128: Jack Carrington/Elsie Carrington, Brian Kennedy/G Olsson (SWE), A Robinson (AUS)/H Litman, Michael Thornhill/Jill Rook

Photo 13



Third round: Diane Rowe, Johnny Leach (ENG) v G Chergui, C Watel-Mathieu (FRA)

Photo 14



Semi-finals: Ivan Andreadis (CZE), Ann Haydon (ENG) v K Tsunoda, T Namba (JPN)

Photo 15



Final: I Ogimura, F Eguchi (JPN) v Ivan Andreadis (CZE)
and Ann Haydon (ENG)

Men's Consolation

Runner-up: Alan Rhodes

QF: Ian Harrison

Photo 16



Men's Consolation presentations: K Frreundorfer (GER),
Alan Rhodes (ENG), T Holusj (GER), T Larssen (SWE)

Women's Consolation

QF: Jill Rook

Swaythling Cup – 3rd in Group 4

Team: Richard Bergmann, Ian Harrison, Brian Kennedy, Johnny Leach, Alan Rhodes, Npc: Victor Barna.

Photo 17



England v Yugoslavia: V Harangozo v Johnny Leach

Photo 18



England v Yugoslavia: V Harangozo v Brian Kennedy

Photo 19



England v Hungary: Richard Bergmann v F Sido

Corbillon Cup – 2nd in Group 3, only lost to China.

Team: Joyce Fielder, Ann Haydon, Jill Rook, Diane Rowe, Npc: Tommy Sears.

Photo 20



Wales v England: Audrey Bates, Shirley Jones v Diane Rowe, Ann Haydon

Photo 21



England v China: Diane Rowe, Ann Haydon v Chiu Chung-Hui, Mei-Ying Sun

Photo 22



Joyce Fielder, Ann Haydon, Tommy Sears, Diane Rowe, Jill Rook

Photo 23



Derek Tyler, D Spicer, Dennis George

Any photos or reminiscences of a national or international nature would be most welcome for future 'Friday's Photos' articles.

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