



Chelmsford & District: Superb 10-0 win for Maldon A

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Having hit the headlines last week it's Maldon A who take the top billing again in the first division of the Chelmsford & District Table Tennis League.

What a good performance they produced. Alex Abbott, Trevor Lloyd and John Poysden produced a superb display to beat Liberal A 10-0. Liberal weren't at full strength but their team of Andrew Huckson, Gary Cattermole and Sam Hume is still a good one. On this occasion they were "whitewashed". Alex Abbott defeated twice Chelmsford M&G Investments Under 21 Singles Champion Sam Hume 13-11, 8-11, 6-11, 11-9, 11-9 whilst John Poysden beat Hume 6-11, 6-11, 12-10, 11-5, 11-8. Abbott also beat Gary Cattermole, a player he has lost to in the past, convincingly 11-5, 11-5, 11-3. Trevor Lloyd's rich vein of form continues and he has now recorded 15 wins out of 15.

Liberal A fared better against Rawreth A and they ran out 6-4 winners. County Junior stars Sam Hume and Gracie Edwards both won twice although all three Liberal players missed out against an in-form Reece Seddon, the 2017 M&G Investments Chelmsford Mens Doubles winner. Gracie Edwards excelled here. She beat both Babul McLeod 11-8, 11-5, 4-11, 14-12 and Mike Hayes 4-11, 11-6, 11-3, 7-11, 11-7. Babul McLeod in turn made his mark with a fine 11-9, 8-11, 11-7, 12-10 success against Gary Cattermole.

Liberal C scored their third win of the Season in division two. Adrian Pitt, Andrew Huckson and Hannah Pitt defeated OCs 9-1. Steve Northcott was on target for the Old Chelmsfordians side with a 14-16, 11-7, 11-9, 11-9 win over Hannah Pitt.

Danbury C stay third. They beat Hatfield Peverel A 6-4. Gary Ward won his three singles for Hatfield Peverel whilst Chris Buer and Ian Whiteside both bagged two wins for Danbury C.

Maldon B are going to be very hard to beat in division three. They moved into pole position by beating Chelmsford E 7-3. Hamish Innes and Steve Scholz were both undefeated with Scholz really hitting top form in this

match. Steve Scholz beat Keith Martin (11-5, 11-2, 11-9), Richard Baxter (11-8, 11-1, 11-4) and Connor Payne (11-6, 12-10, 13-15, 11-7) – a really impressive hat-trick. With Ciaran Whelan in their squad and playing regularly they must be favourites.

Maldon C were 7-3 winners over Hatfield Peverel C. Twice M&G Investments Ladies Singles Champion Dawn Baldry excelled. She notched up a most impressive hat-trick with wins over Bob Garson (11-5, 11-3, 11-6), Trevor Collin (11-6, 11-5, 11-6) and Dave Carter (11-6, 11-8, 11-5). Very sharp shooting indeed !

Chelmsford F stay top in division five. They notched up a 9-1 success against Highwood B. Ian Austin and Jon Dyson were both undefeated whilst Melanie Bonnett picked up the win for the losers with a four-game victory over Jason Clark.

Chelmsford H beat Anglia Ruskin University 6-4. Anglia Ruskin University Captain Taku Nerutanga won his three singles to give the University side the edge. He beat Harry Buckle 11-6, 7-11, 9-11, 14-12, 11-9 in the closest game of the night.

Galleywood C are the Champions of CLICK division 1A. Rio Tiplizki and Aidan Noguchi won the title in style with a convincing 5-0 win over Danbury Demons.

The match in CLICK division 1B between Danbury Griffins and Chelmsford Tigers was a close one with the Tigers coming out on top 3-2. Ryan Armstrong beat both Will Radcliffe (11-6, 6-11, 11-3, 8-11, 11-8) and Callum Caldwell (11-9, 11-8, 11-9).

In the Handicap Knock-Out Cup the "specialists" Hatfield Peverel A (Gary Ward, John Gagg and John Parodi) were 5-3 winners over Chelmsford H. Gary Ward (handicap of 68) secured their victory by beating Harry Buckle (43) 21-16, 21-17 to seal the success. Jacqui Smith (46) pushed Ward close before succumbing 19-21, 20-22.

Danbury D (Eamon Hall, Conor Hall and Ben Porter) advanced into the next round with a 5-2 victory over Writtle Excalibur B. The result that caught the eye here was the extremely odd-looking scoreline between Conor Hall (37) and Dave Moles (58) with Moles shading it 21-19, 0-21, 22-20. Conor Hall sealed the Danbury victory with a most comprehensive looking 21-11, 21-5 win over Malcolm Storey (57). Chelmsford J (Dusan Doszkoty / Ryan Gooday / Jamie

Dowsett) were quick-fire winners over Buttsbury. Ryan Gooday used his first division pedigree and fine all-round game to good effect beating James Green (39) 21-19, 21-13 and Alex Headley (46) 21-12, 21-18.

All players are reminded that the Closing date for entry to the M&G Investments Chelmsford & District Table Tennis League Closed Championships is Friday 15 December 2017. Entries must be sent to the Tournament Organiser Arthur Clark on line or directly. The event takes place at Hylands School, Chelmsford over the weekend of Friday to Sunday 03 to 05 February 2018. Late entries will not be allowed. An entry form is available in the League Handbook and on line.

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