



ANNUAL REPORT 2008/09 AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2009



ETTA Mission Statement

Our Vision

To provide an environment that promotes and supports active, lifelong participation in Table Tennis at all levels whilst striving to identify and develop Commonwealth, European, World and Olympic/Paralympic champions.

Our Mission

Working in partnership to create opportunities for all to enjoy the sport of Table Tennis, to stay in the sport and achieve their full potential.

Our Objectives

- **Grow** - increase participation in Table Tennis with a focus on priority groups in the school, club, league and community sectors.
- **Sustain** - to provide a positive experience and retain people in Table Tennis through an effective network of accredited clubs, facilities, coaches, officials, volunteers, leagues and other competitive opportunities.
- **Excel** - to achieve medal success at European, Commonwealth, World and Olympic/Paralympic level.
- **Corporate Governance and Modernisation** - to ensure we operate and deploy our resources with maximum efficiency, effectiveness and probity.

Our Role

- To be the strategic lead for the development of Table Tennis in England.
- To improve the quality of experience in Table Tennis of our members, customers and partners.
- To inform, influence and persuade public opinion and key decision makers in sport of the benefits to society from participation and investment in Table Tennis.

Our Values

- Honesty and integrity – promoting and encouraging fair play.
- Leadership – providing effective, focused and inspirational leadership.
- Community spirit – providing an inclusive community for elite, developing, social players and families.
- Equal opportunity – providing for diverse needs of age, culture and disability.

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Chairman's foreword

Chairman's Statement

I have just completed my sixth year in office as your Chairman, which has seen significant changes in the way ETTA is funded by Sport England, UK Sport, Youth Sport Trust and other partners.

This has given the national governing bodies additional empowerment and will result in further requirements in terms of additional monitoring and reporting of our whole operation, with specific outcomes to be met. Also changes in governance with additional staffing and resources to support our membership.

The build up to London 2012 continues and our sport is involved at all levels to ensure that our teams are competitive and a legacy is forthcoming.

From my perspective during 2008/9 a number of key things have happened:-

- Our Junior and Cadet Boys continue on their winning ways with significant performances at World and European events.
- Our Women and Girls continue to make progress and additional resources are being provided to ensure this momentum continues.
- The Great Britain National Training Centre, at the English Institute of Sport (EIS) in Sheffield, is greatly benefiting the English and other British players.
- The new coaching plan will have ten coaches in our regional structure.
- The Ezine (e-mail newsletter) enables us to communicate directly to many

more of our members, currently over 6,000, on a regular basis.

- The England versus India test series has brought international matches into the arena.
- The English Open, part of the ITTF Pro Tour, with significant prize money has been supported by UK Sport and Yorkshire Forward. It is part of a four year plan submitted to our partners as a build up to 2012.
- Our events programme continues to expand with an increase in competitors.
- Our involvement in the UK Schools Games with additional events to include disabilities and young people with learning difficulties.
- Table tennis is part of a number of new initiatives including Playground to Podium, Premier Football League Scheme and the PE & School Sport for Young People (PESSYP) programme.

The additional income we were awarded followed a detailed Whole Sport four year plan covering a number of interventions and a transformational programme, which Sport England endorsed and supported.

The Individual Membership (IM) Programme has been approved by National Council and will be put before the membership at the AGM. I hope that, with all the work that has taken place and the real need for IM to help move our sport forward, the membership will approve the proposals, which are for the benefit of our sport now and in the future.

Closer links have been established with the British Table Tennis Association for People with Disabilities (BTTAD) in line with the ITTF initiative of a sport for all.

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In 2008/9 we suffered the loss of many long serving volunteers and members. Their contribution is still being felt within the table tennis fraternity and they are sadly missed by us all.

Directors of the Association



Chairman
Alex Murdoch



Deputy Chairman
Peter Bradley



Treasurer
Martin Clark

Vice-Chairmen



Administration
John Dignum



Marketing
Mike Holt



Public Relations
Jim Beckley



Competitions
Keith Ponting



Development
Eileen Shaler



Selection
Peter Charters



National Coaching
Keith Childs

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I continue to be encouraged and proud of the work our volunteers are doing locally and regionally in support of our great sport, giving opportunities to everyone irrespective of gender, race, age and ability.

We have been very fortunate to receive from our funding partners, UK Sport, Youth Sport Trust and Sport England significant and increasing funding. I am sure on behalf of ETTA you will agree that our thanks go to them for their commitment and confidence in our sport.

However, I reiterate my statement of last year that we must continue to increase our own income streams with the ultimate goal of being 'self-sufficiency'. Information technology, communications and how we affiliate our players, coupled with increased sponsorship from outside of our trade partners, will contribute to this goal.

I thank the Management Team, National Council, volunteers across the country, the table tennis fraternity and ETTA staff for all the work they have done in the last 12 months and for their support and

assistance. I wish you all a successful 2009/10 season.

Alex Murdoch
ETTA Chairman



Chief Executive's Statement

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In this, our 82nd year, it gives me great pleasure to welcome you to our 2009 Annual Report which records and showcases an impressive body of work carried out by a dedicated and talented group of volunteers and professional staff.

2009 was a pivotal year for the Association reflected in the achievements, witness the unprecedented levels of success at

support wider government agendas like health, crime reduction and social inclusion by helping to build stronger safer communities through involvement in our coaching, competition and club development programmes.

I am grateful therefore to all volunteers and staff who contributed during the past year to our new Whole Sport Funding Application to Sport England which resulted in a new funding award

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the European Youth and World Junior Championships, and DHS London Progress winning the prestigious “Sports Club of the Year” title, but also the challenges facing the Association’s high performance programme as we race ever faster towards the 2012 Olympic Games in London.

Our funding from Sport England increased for the sixth year in succession and reflects the government’s belief that table tennis is a sport which reaches all sections of the community and helps to create a fitter and healthier nation. Table tennis is recognised as being able to

of over £10 million for the 2009/13 cycle. Our clear and immediate priority is to work with all partners to ensure the good practice documented in this Report is turned into mainstream practice, and to help our club and league infrastructure to be ready, willing and able to attract and retain a new generation of participants.

I would also like to record formally our thanks to our colleagues



Staff Based Remotely

Administration

Database Development Manager Malcolm Macfarlane
(till 31.01.09)

Development

UK School Games, Young People
& Volunteer Programmes Manager Martin Ireland

Regional Development Officers

London	Brian Spicer
South & South East	Wesley Bush-Harris (till 01.07.08)
	Lisa Bosley (from 12.09.08)
South West	Chris Brown
East Midlands	Carolynn Ryan
West Midlands	Chris Newton
East	John Andrews
Yorkshire	Mark Willerton
North West	Andrea Holt
North East	Tony Taylor

National Coaching

National Coaching Manager Jill Parker MBE

Regional Coaches (from 01.06.08)

London	Aaron Fennell
South East	Alex Green (till 24.04.09)
East Midlands	Andrew Rushton
West Midlands	Helen Lower
East	Natalie Green
North West	Katy Parker
North East	Matthew Stanforth
Yorkshire	Sally Shutt

Staff Based in Sheffield

English Institute of Sport
Coleridge Road, Sheffield, S9 5DA

Performance

Performance Manager	Steen Hansen
National Coach	Jia Yi Liu
Performance Coach	Alan Cooke
Performance Coach	Alex Perry (till 31.08.08)
Performance Coach	Linus Mernsten (from 01.09.08)
Performance Coach	Nikola Vukelja (from 13.10.08)
Performance Co-ordinator	Louise Larcombe

in the English Schools Table Tennis Association and the British Table Tennis Association for the Disabled for their excellent contributions, and most of all to our key funding partner Sport England for continuing to express confidence in the work of the Association and its members.

As lead nation for the British Table Tennis Federation's Olympic programme we experienced the contrasting highs and lows of international sport. Despite

achieving medal success at European and World junior level we had to accept a bitter pill in the shape of swingeing cuts to our Olympic programme. In simple terms, the funding panel at UK Sport did not believe we were capable of challenging China's dominance and securing a medal in London. The BTTF Board has, in tune with seven other Olympic sports, elected to accept a two year front loaded funding package with the aim of persuading UK Sport by 2011 that we are serious medal contenders.

Staff Based in Hastings Headquarters

Queensbury House (Third Floor),
Havelock Road, Hastings, East Sussex, TN34 1HF

Chief Executive Richard Yule

Administration

General Secretary	Rob Sinclair
Clerical Assistant	Jackie Sands
Administrative Officer	Jennifer Sherwin
Ranking Assistant	Sharon Eldridge* (from 03.06.08)
Administration	Doreen Nightingale*

Communications

National Communications Manager	Richard Pettit
Design & Communications Officer	Adam Collins
Press & Communications Officer	James Cornford

Development

National Development Manager	Diccon Gray
National Equality/ Child Protection Officer	Judy Rogers
Development Secretary	Sheila King
Development Assistant	Gina Rogers* (till 15.05.09)

Events

National Events Manager	Harvey Webb
National Events Officer	Matthew Porter
National Events Administrator	Vanda Jones*

Finance

Finance Officer	Brian Skinner
Finance Assistant	Olga Maxwell (from 05.05.09)
Finance Assistant	Collette Sargent*

National Coaching

National Coaching Officer	Dave Berriman
National Coaching Administrator	Pauline Adams (till 01.05.09)
National Coaching Assistant	Alison Adams* (from 01.09.08)

(* Part-Time)

Despite this major disappointment, as an Olympic host nation we have a unique moment in time to set a new level of ambition for the sport and change permanently its place in society. This once in a lifetime opportunity challenges all levels of our sport to unite in a new spirit of change, partnership and common endeavour.

In conclusion, I hope you enjoy reading this report and I look forward to meeting and working with many of you in the coming year.



Richard Yule
Chief Executive



National Council

National Council Explained

Each County elects a representative to serve on the Council who decide the policy for the administration of ETTA. They meet four times a year to receive reports, minutes of committees and recommendations from the Association's Management Committee.

The County representatives, the National Councillors, listed below have the challenging task of determining policy with reference to all ETTA's activities. They then have the opportunity, via their own county meetings, to explain proposed policy to the member leagues. Valuable feedback is then obtained to reflect members' interests.



National Councillors and Deputy National Councillors

No	Table Tennis County	National Councillor	Deputy National Councillor
1	Avon	MWJ Lewis	DL Hockney
2	Bedfordshire	Mrs VJ Murdoch	PD Clarke
3	Berkshire	BR Halliday	A Bruton
4	Buckinghamshire	RR Washington	RJ Hedley
5	Cambridgeshire	BR Freer	Mrs V Parkes
6	Cheshire	R Jackson	No appointment
7	Cleveland	AE Ransome OBE	C Davison
8	Cornwall	TR Vardon	R House
9	Cumbria	Miss CE Rose	No appointment
10	Derbyshire	LA Chatwin	Mrs S Deaton
11	Devonshire	CP Goulding	No appointment
12	Dorset	LT Whittaker	S Joslin
13	Durham	GM Wilson	D Bissett
14	Essex	BR Granger	NS Brierley
15	Gloucestershire	LJ Smith	Mrs EJ Kirby
16	Hampshire	DB Turner	H Albery (died 10.02.09)
17	Herefordshire	R Dawson	G Stables
18	Hertfordshire	DJ Edwards	JM Barnes
19	Isle of Wight	No appointment	No appointment
20	Kent	EK Muhr	LH Pifold
21	Lancashire	S Clarke	DD Goulden
22	Leicestershire	MGR Smith	AB Lillcraap
23	Lincolnshire	GE Tyler	WV Moran
24	Middlesex	Mrs DM Stannard	M Close
25	Norfolk	RR Drew	No appointment
26	Northamptonshire	KJ Marchant	No appointment
27	Northumberland	NR Coe	A Drapkin
28	Nottinghamshire	M Allsop	M Tunningley
29	Oxfordshire	AR Hughes	J Birkin
30	Shropshire	TG Felton	No appointment
31	Somerset	TM Farr	JM Burtenshaw
32	South Yorkshire	JF Whidborne	JF Galloway
33	Staffordshire	D Sherratt	R Habgood
34	Suffolk	PF Fordham	G Brook
35	Surrey	Miss M Fraser	HA Laws
36	Sussex	Mrs DM Kirkwood	B Pettitt
37	Warwickshire	EJ Williams	Mrs D Macfarlane
38	Wiltshire	AL Seward	CN Sewell
39	Worcestershire	DA Young	Mrs LA Reid
40	Yorkshire	RB Hudson	B Snowden

Committee Chairmen

Administration

Vice-Chairman	John Dignum
Committee Chairmen:	
Board of Appeal	John Freeman
Disciplinary	June Watts
Honours	Alex Murdoch
Rules	Colin Clemett
Returning/Nominations Officer	Ron Washington
Membership	Mike Smith
Ranking Policy	Malcolm Macfarlane

Finance

Vice-Chairman/Treasurer	Martin Clark
Committee Chairman:	
Trade	Stan Clarke

Marketing

Vice-Chairman	Mike Holt
Committee Chairmen:	
Marketing & Sponsorship	Mike Holt
National Championships	Doreen Stannard

Public Relations

Vice-Chairman	Jim Beckley
Committee Chairmen:	
Public Relations	Jim Beckley
Archives and Museums	Jim Beckley

Competitions

Vice-Chairman	Keith Ponting
Committee Chairmen:	
Calendar Working Party	Keith Ponting
British League	Keith Ponting
County Championships	Barry Granger
Grand Prix	Dave Evans
Tournaments	Steve Welch
National Umpires/Referees	Stuart Sherlock
Tournament Organisers	Dave Evans
English Leagues Cup Competition	Mike Smith

Development

Vice-Chairman	Eileen Shaler
Committee Chairmen:	
National Development	Eileen Shaler
Facilities Panel	Eileen Shaler
Equality/Child Protection	Eileen Shaler
Regional Chairmen:	
East	Brian Davison
East Midlands	Sandra Deaton
London	Michael Close
North East	Colin Davison
North West	Karen Tonge
South/South East	Brian Lamerton
South West	John Burtenshaw
West Midlands	vacant
Yorkshire	Alan Dunn

National Coaching

Vice-Chairman	Keith Childs (from 01.09.08)
Committee Chairmen:	
National Coaching	Keith Childs
Regional Coaching Chairmen:	
East	Steve Rate
East Midlands	Suzanne Airey
London	John Standing
North East	Jane Durham
North West	Brian Kean (from 01.09.08)
South	Ken Macleod (from 01.09.08)
South East	Ken Muhr
South West	Val Clack
West Midlands	Mike Prior
Yorkshire	Cliff Edens (from 01.09.08)

Selection

Vice-Chairman	Peter Charters
Committee Chairmen:	
Performance Coaches	Peter Charters
Performance Management Group	Peter Charters
Junior Selection	Peter Charters

Honorary Life Members & Vice-Presidents

Honorary Life Members

LA Chatwin, CJ Clemett, PHM Hillier, MR Holt, LF Landry, MWJ Lewis, KTO Ponting, AE Ransome OBE, NK Reeve, RC Scruton, LJ Smith, Mrs DM Stannard, JM Wright, DA Young

Deceased Honorary Life Members

The Dowager Lady G Swaythling, AF Carris, GW Decker, LE Forrest, IGS Montagu, AK Vint OBE, PE Warden, CG Woodcock, M Goldstein OBE, WE Stamp, IC Eyles, FGJ Mannooch, E Reay, LS Woollard, T Blunn, N Cook, G James, C Jaschke, PW Hyde, F Milligan, ME Scott, GR Harrower, CM Wyles OBE, K Watts, GR Yates, LLE Thompson, H Walker, AJH Wickens, AE Upton, EG White, J Jermyn, RJ Crayden

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Vice-Presidents

Miss JM Adams, M Allsop, Mrs AP Archdale, J Arnold, Mrs S Barna, J Beckley, J Blackband, PR Bradley, J Burtenshaw, Mrs EM Carrington, PA Charters, MG Clark, M Close, A Cooke, Mrs W Cunningham, C Davison, P Day, Mrs S Deaton, D Douglas MBE, A Drapkin, K Eliot, J Freeman JP, WG Goldfinch, BR Granger, G Gurney, BR Halliday, TM Honey, A Hydes, CT Hyland, TF Inge, C Jacques, Mrs G Johns, Mrs A Jones MBE, BP Lamerton, Mrs C Lewis, P Lewis MBE,

MC Macfarlane, KJ Marchant, AI Marshall, Miss DL Moors, WV Moran, Miss I Moss, J Neslen, Mrs DM Nightingale, Mrs J Parker MBE, LC Pilditch, LH Pilfold, DD Plowes, Dr D Ryde, A Sandford, D Schofield, AL Seward, SE Sherlock, AWC Simons, RH Sinclair, MGR Smith, RJ Stevens, MD Strode, GA Taylor, Mrs KM Tonge MBE, DR Tremayne, G Trimming, DN Tyler, C Villiers, RR Washington, Mrs JL Watts, BRJ Webb, HJ Webb, M Wolman, R Yates, R Yule



facts & figures



Tournaments England have played at this season

Date	Tournament
04 - 08/06/08	French Youth Open, Rennes
05 - 08/06/08	Singapore Open
13 - 16/06/08	Luxembourg Youth Open
20 - 22/06/08	6 Nations, Lilleshall, England
11 - 20/07/08	European Youth Championships, Terni, Italy
27/08 - 01/09/08	Euro Minis, Strasburg, France
12 - 14/09/08	Flanders Open, Belgium
19 - 21/09/08	6 Nations, Scotland
03 - 12/10/08	European Championships, St Petersburg, Russia
12 - 18/10/08	Commonwealth Youth Games, Pune, India
16 - 19/10/08	National Match and Norges Open, Bergen, Norway
20/10 - 03/11/08	ITTF World Cadet Challenge, Copenhagen, Denmark
28/10 - 01/11/08	Austrian Open, Salzburg (previously Erke French Open)
07 - 09/11/08	Slovak Cadet Open, Bratislava
19 - 23/11/08	German Open, Berlin
26 - 30/11/08	Polish Open, Warsaw
03 - 07/12/08	Finland Open, Helsinki
06 - 14/12/08	World Junior Championships, Madrid, Spain
19 - 21/12/08	Portugal Youth Open, Tavira
21 - 25/01/09	Danish Open Pro Tour, Frederikshavn
22 - 24/01/09	4 Nations, Cardiff, Wales
30/01 - 01/02/09	Euro Youth Top 10, Rotterdam, Netherlands
06 - 08/02/09	Czech Open, Hodonin
18 - 22/02/09	Safir Junior Open, Örebro, Sweden
12 - 15/03/09	ITTF Junior Circuit, Cospicua, Malta
13 - 15/03/09	Junior and Cadet 6 Nations, Cardiff, Wales
18 - 22/03/09	German Open, Bremen
16 - 19/04/09	Luxembourg Open Seniors, Kirchberg
28/04 - 05/05/09	World Table Tennis Championships, Yokohama, Japan
06 - 10/05/09	Spanish Youth Open, Platja d'Aro
10,12,16/05/09	India Test Matches, London, Stoke and Preston, England
21 - 24/05/09	Slovak Junior Open, Bratislava
22 - 24/05/09	Stiga Cadet 6 Nations, Stockholm, Sweden
27 - 31/05/09	Polish Youth Open, Wladyslawowo

Players who have represented England segregated into levels

Senior

Andrew Rushton	Hannah Hicks
Daniel Reed	Joanna Parker
Darius Knight	Karina Le Fevre
Gavin Evans	Kelly Sibley
Liam Pitchford	Lindsey Reynolds
Paul Drinkhall	Martha Travis
Tim Yarnall	Mary Fuller

Junior

Chris Doran	Emily Bates
Damien Nicholls	Emma Vickers
Darius Knight	Karina Le Fevre
Gavin Evans	Martha Travis
Liam Pitchford	Mary Fuller
Mathew Ware	Natalie Slater
Paul Drinkhall	
Sean Cullen	

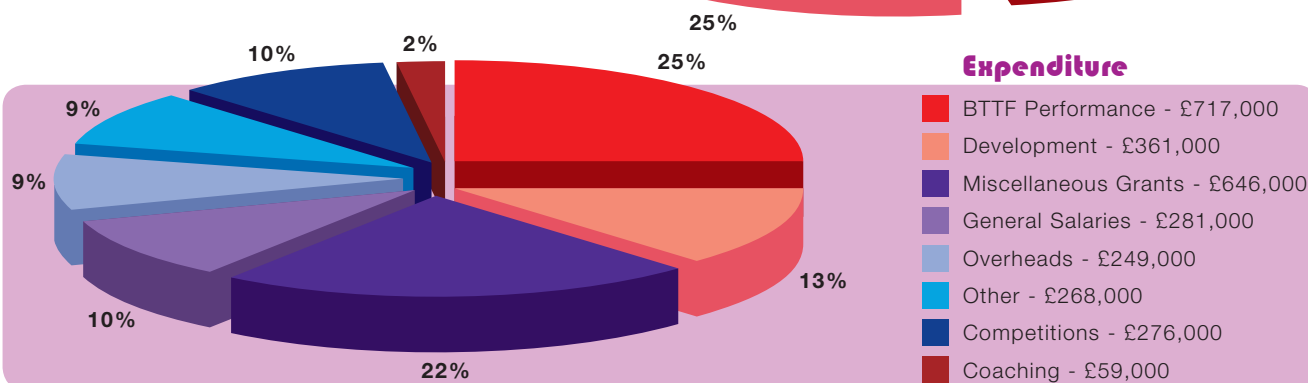
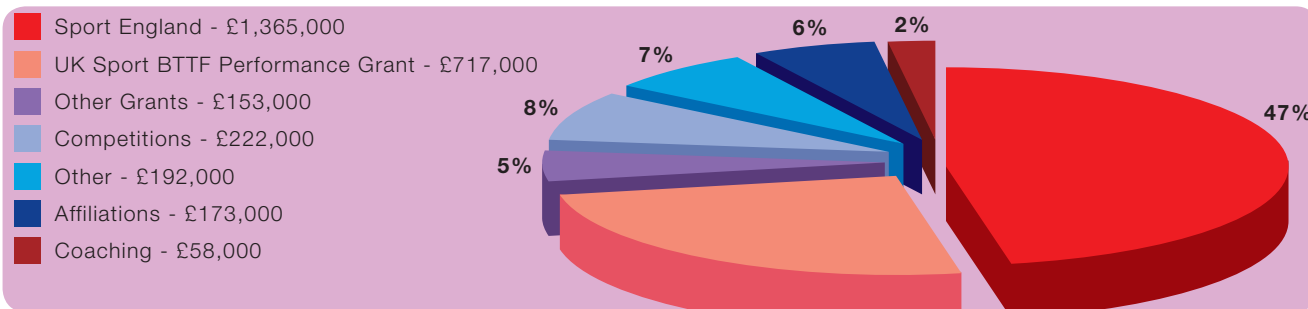
Cadet

Daniel Lowe	Emily Bates
Gavin Evans	Karina Le Fevre
Lewis Gray	Lucy Davidson
Liam Pitchford	Martha Travis
Ping Ho	Natalie Slater
Sam Walker	Tin-Tin Ho
Sean Cullen	Yolanda King
Zak Zilesnick	

Mini (U12)

Igor Morais	Emma Torkington
Jared Patel	Esther Hoskin
John Bousfield	Tin-Tin Ho
Miles Dak Hay Chan	
Sam Mabey	

Income



Membership Figures

County Associations	40	40	39
Affiliated Leagues	244	239	234
Affiliated Teams	7230	7070	6896
British League Teams	267	261	280
National Junior League Teams	166	209	210
National Cadet League Teams	170	193	222
County Championships Teams	245	251	258
Licensed Players	2446	2515	2615
PremierClub – new registrations*	8	10	15
PremierClub – re-registrations*	112	106	108
PremierClub - total*	120	116	123

* figures are based on 9 months only

Coaching Registrations

Registrations	433	201	363
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Awards

Qualified Introduction to Coaching	34	31	35
Qualified Introduction to Table Tennis**	37		
Qualified Teachers Award	40	22	61
UKCC Level 1**	65		76
UKCC Level 2**	10		12

** figures are only available from start date of new courses

Key:	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09
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Annual Snapshot

June

Joanna Parker broke into the top 200 in the world ranking list for the first time in her career, rocketing 42 places from 217th to get up to 175th. Also performing well and achieving career best rankings, Paul Drinkhall has moved from 170th to 158th and Kelly Sibley 191st to 167th.

Emily Bates and Lucy Davidson took an unexpected but most welcome bronze medal in the Cadet Girls Doubles in the French Youth Open in Rennes.

Chris Doran had a great showing in the Luxembourg International Youth Championships bringing home second place overall thanks to some top performances, winning six of his seven matches to come joint top of his group.

The English Schools' Table Tennis Association announced the launch of its new website www.estta.org.uk.

The England squad came back with two bronze medals from the Cadet 6 Nations at Lilleshall, one in the Cadet Girls' Team event and the other in the Cadet Boys' Singles courtesy of Daniel Lowe.

The DHS London Progress club for the second year in succession has clinched both the Senior British League and Women's British League titles.



Joanna Parker

England's trip to Terni in Italy for the European Youth Championships was their most successful to date resulting in 4 golds, 2 silvers and 4 bronze medals.



Boris Johnson

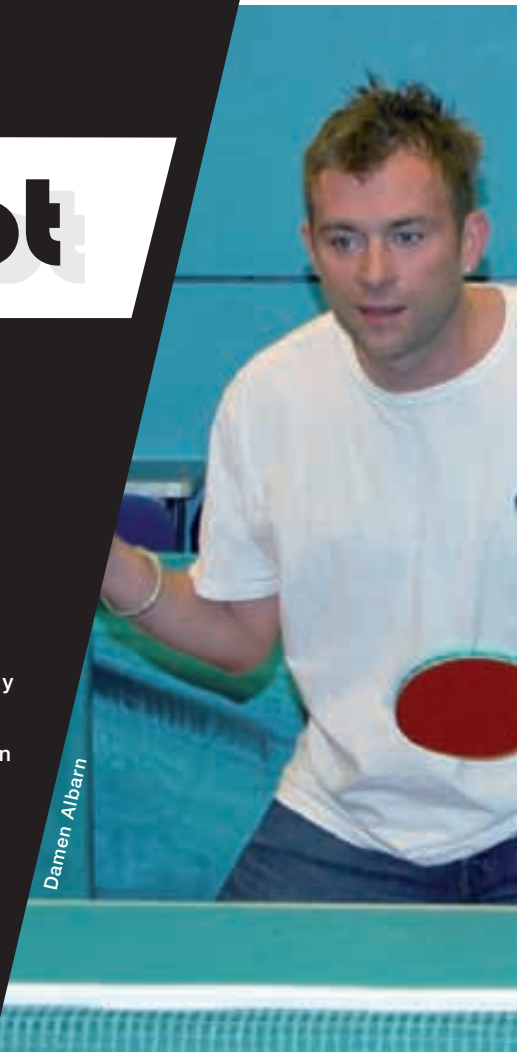
July

Halton TT Club member Jade Carr has added to her impressive gold medal tally after winning last year's UK Transplant Games and World Transplant Games by winning the European Heart Lung Event in France.

The Great Britain Paralympic Squad came home with 2 golds, 3 silvers and 4 bronze medals from the German Disabled Open.

For the men Scott Robertson of Deeside won gold in the Class 5 Men's Singles, Will Bayley and Paul Karabardak won gold in the Class 7 Team event, with Will Bayley then getting the better of his team mate in the Class 7 singles, beating Paul Karabardak in an all GB bronze medal match. Farrell Anthony and Joe Stotesbury claimed bronze in the GB second team. For the women Sue Gilroy got the silver medal in the Class 4 Women's Singles and bronze in the Women's Singles Open, whilst Jane Campbell partnering her Russian team mate achieved silver. Sara Head continued her good form, claiming the silver in the Women's Class 3 Singles, and Cathy Mitton rounded off the medals claiming bronze in the Women's Class 2 Singles.

Damen Albarn



August

Damon Albarn says he only agreed to play a longer set at the recent Lyon Festival because organisers gave him a table tennis table.

Albarn's revelation came in an interview with the Radio Times, in which he admitted to being obsessed with the sport.

"Yeah, everywhere I go I have to have a table tennis table. I love it; it's a brilliant way to relax when you're working," he said. "I'm playing at the Lyon Festival and they wanted a slightly longer set, so I said, 'If you give us a table tennis table then you'll get a longer set'."

In true dominant style China cleaned up at the 2008 Olympic Games taking gold, silver and bronze in both the men's and women's singles events and gold in both the men's and women's team event.

During the Olympic hand over Boris Johnson states to the world that table tennis, or Whiff Whaff as he likes to call it, is coming home.

National Events Administrator Vanda Jones reached 20 years of service at the ETTA after starting back in August 1988 working with the late Mike Watts. She has worked with 6 Event Managers, 4 Chief Executives and 3 Chairmen.

September

Happy Birthday to Woolwell Table Tennis Club, who celebrated their 10th birthday.

Table Tennis has been skipped thanks to greengaged. As part of the ecological and social design festival skips are being converted into more useful spaces, one of these being a coin operated table tennis table designed by Jonathan Attenborough.

England clean up claiming four medals in the Senior 6 Nations.

In an all England final Andrew Rushton took the gold by beating silver medallist Tim Yarnall 3-0, the two then combined to gain a silver medal in the team event, whilst the women's team took home a bronze.



Daniel Lowe

October

The ETTA PremierClub Competition Ladder Board arrived in the office, the custom designed white board encourages competition between players. It comes with a dry marker pen and operating rules to display next to it. The aim is for players to get as far up the ladder or pyramid as possible, don't stop 'til you reach the top! The boards were given out free to registered PremierClubs and linked schools. It is also available from us directly at a cost of £10 each.

In the first ever Cadet World Rankings List we had three players in the top 100, Gavin Evans was our highest at number 4 behind three Chinese players, with Liam Pitchford 20th and Daniel Lowe 93rd.

October saw the launch of the regional club development workshops, the aim of these free workshops was to support clubs and bring ETTA national officers into the regions to offer advice and ideas for local use.

November

Liam Pitchford became the 2008 University of Derby Junior Sports Person of the Year beating triathlete Tom Bishop.

Paul Drinkhall reached the last 16 in the Erke Austrian Pro Tour, this is his best performance to date in a Pro Tour event.

In the World Cadet Challenge, Gavin Evans helped Europe towards a gold medal whilst partnering Simon Gauzy of France. In the final they beat Taimu Arinobu and Masahiro Otsuka of Japan 3-1.



Liam Pitchford (centre)

December

The boys' team had a successful World Junior Champs to become the cream of Europe and claim bronze behind last year's finalists China (gold) and Korea (silver). Paul Drinkhall narrowly failed to become only the second European in history to win the World Junior Championship singles title, losing out to the talented Chien-an Chen from TPE 11-8, 3-11, 14-12, 11-8, 11-5 in the final.

In the second Active Peoples survey which tracks the percentage of the population aged 16 and over that has participated in sport at least once in a four week period, there has been an increase in those taking part in Table Tennis by just over 20%. In the 2005/6 survey the figures were 163,000 for regular participants, as opposed to 195,700 in the 2007/8 survey, which means an increase of over 32,700.

Thanks to her amazing performances in her age group and up against much older competitors since she took up the game, Tin-Tin Ho was announced as one of the winners of the 2008 BBC London Sport Rising Star Award.

The Fred Perry Urban Cup returned but at York Hall in Bethnal Green this time, and achieved mass coverage which included Channel 4. The two sides from Wales came out on top, with Cardiff walking away with the spoils after defeating the Welsh Valleys 4-2.

The ETTA was awarded £9,301,404 for the period April 2009 to March 2013. This with the addition of other awards negotiated to cover this period for the Club/Coach, Playground to Podium and a Football Premier League Club Programme, will provide the ETTA with just over £10.8 million.



Luka Modric

January

As a result of her services to table tennis, in particularly the voluntary aspect, Karen Tonge has received an MBE in the New Year Honours list. This is the third time that Karen has visited Buckingham Palace, having received the President's Certificate of the National Playing Fields Association and for her involvement with the Central Council for Physical Recreation (CCPR).

The Premier League 4 Sport initiative was launched at Tottenham Hotspur with Prime Minister Gordon Brown, the secretary of State for the Department for Culture, Media & Sport, Andy Burnham, along with Premier League Chief Executive, Richard Scudamore, Tottenham Manager Harry Redknapp and a squad of players. Table tennis, badminton, judo and volleyball will link a 'hub club' with a Premier League football club and then set up four satellite sessions in four schools for each sport in an aim to get 25,000 new young people involved in sport.

UK Sport announce 1.2m funding for the British Table Tennis Federation, plus additional funding to support staging of the prestigious 65th English Open at Sheffield from 28th October - 1st November 2009.

February

Gavin Evans moved up into the junior ranks for this year's Europe Youth Top 10, having taken part as a cadet in Sheffield only a year ago where he finished third. Facing older, more experienced opposition proved to be a bigger challenge for Gavin who eventually came out with seventh place.

LOCOG has appointed Richard Scruton as the London 2012 Organising Committee's Table Tennis Manager at the London 2012 Olympic Games and Paralympic Games. The competition takes place at ExCeL in east London, close to the Olympic Park.



Richard Scruton



Cardiff Team



Gordon Brown and Andy Burnham

March

Following an 83% turn out for the 2009/10 and 2010/11 administrative year election, Alex Murdoch was voted back in as Chairman for a fourth term, winning with 56% of the votes. Peter Bradley retained his position as Deputy Chairman with 57%.

Paul Drinkhall walked away with four titles from the 08/09 National Championships which must be a record, the only other competitor to take home more than one title was Joanna Parker who won the women's singles and mixed doubles. Another notable achievement was the crowning of the youngest ever women's doubles champions, Emily Bates and Mary Fuller.

The UK School Games was launched at the historic venue of Cardiff Castle by UK School Games ambassador Darren Campbell. Daniel O'Connell from Wales represented Table Tennis at the launch.



Mayor of Preston

April

Gavin Evans in his first year as a junior swept the board at the Junior National Championships at Loughborough University, something he has got used to doing at every age group over the years. He was seeded number one for all the events, but to live up to that seeding was no mean feat. He picked up three titles: Boys' Singles, Boys' Doubles with Liam Pitchford and Mixed Doubles with Emily Bates.

Through development funding made available due to involvement with the UK School Games, a major competition review has taken place to challenge competition structures and pathways, highlight gaps in provision, identify duplication of events, ask whether competition structures allow for talent ID, and provide clear pathways for young people to engage fully at all levels within sport. The full results will be circulated over the coming months.

May

Over the last year the official opening of the following clubs has taken place which goes to show the continuing growth of our sport: Generation 2 TTC (Fareham), Waterside TTC (Southampton), Kidlington Forum TTC (Oxfordshire) and Burton Uxbridge TTC (Staffordshire).

England played host to India in a three match test series in London, Stoke and Preston, the first two events produced 5-5 draws with the England women winning 4-1 and the men losing by the same score. Going into the last event tied at 10-10 the men turned things around to win 3-2 with the women taking their third consecutive 4-1 win, to take the series win 17-13.

The Commonwealth Games in Scotland saw the addition of more silverware for England as they achieved four bronze medals. In the team event the boys lost out to India after a close confrontation, two of the other three bronze medals were courtesy of the boys with Paul and Darius achieving theirs in the doubles and Paul similarly in the singles. The last bronze medal came from Joanna Parker and Kelly Sibley in the women's doubles who lost out to the Canadians seeded at number 2.



Paul Drinkhall and Esther Nicholls



Gavin Evans



Departmental Reports

I. Administration

1.1 Staff

1.1.1 The following changes took place during the year:

- 8 Regional Coaches joined on the dates listed –
 - London
Aaron Fennell (15.07.08)
 - South East
Alex Green (24.07.08-24.04.09)
 - East Midlands
Andrew Rushton (01.07.08)
 - West Midlands
Helen Lower (01.07.08)
 - East
Natalie Green (15.07.08)
 - North West
Katy Parker (01.06.08)
 - North East
Matthew Stanforth (01.06.08)
 - Yorkshire
Sally Shutt (01.06.08)
 - Sharon Eldridge joined as part-time Ranking Assistant on 03.06.08
 - Alison Adams joined as part-time National Coaching Assistant on 01.09.08
 - Lisa Bosley joined on 12.09.08 as Regional Development Officer for the South and South East
 - Linus Mernsten joined as Men's Performance Coach on 01.09.08
 - Nikola Vukelja joined as Women's Performance Coach on 13.10.08
 - Pauline Adams left her role as National Coaching Administrator on 01.05.09

1.2 Honours

1.2.1 As adopted at the 1990/1 Annual General Meeting, the list of honours to be bestowed on members will be announced at the Annual General Meeting.

1.3 Maurice Goldstein Merit Award

1.3.1 This award was formerly known as the ETTA Merit Award and it was decided in 1994 to rename the award to perpetuate the memory of former ETTA President, Maurice Goldstein OBE. A list of awards issued during the 2008/9 Administrative Year is listed elsewhere on pages 38-39 in this report.

1.4 Board of Appeal

1.4.1 There have been no valid appeals since the last report.

1.4.2 There were two half attempts at an appeal. In one case a player wanted to "take the matter further" after his county did not select him for a county team, and in the other case a player wanted "documentation to start an appeal" against the refusal to allow him to continue as a coach. After Appendix O was sent to them, neither submitted a valid appeal.

1.4.3 We still have vacancies for members of the Board which could be filled. If anyone is interested or knows of anyone who might be interested please contact the Chairman of the Board through the ETTA office for

further information.

1.5 Disciplinary Committee

1.5.1 The problem of inappropriate behaviour with young people by coaches and others in contact with the young has been a matter of grave concern this season. There have been a number of reported cases. The advent of mobile phones and easy access to the internet make it easier for contact to be made. It avoids the use of inappropriate physical contact and is, therefore, less easily able to be detected. It is hoped that forthcoming changes to the disciplinary rules will make it easier to deal with offenders.

1.5.2 In addition to the foregoing, the Committee heard one case of inappropriate sexual behaviour by a table tennis league player. However, this did not occur in any table tennis environment.

1.5.3 There is one case of verbal abuse of an umpire pending.

1.6 Membership Committee

1.6.1 The Committee's primary goal this year was to produce and pursue a plan for the introduction of Individual Membership. The plan was created and agreed in July and significant time was spent by the designated sub-group and the full Committee over the following three months to prepare policies and procedures which were then turned into 16 recommendations for October National Council where they were approved.

1.6.2 Following receipt of feedback from various sources, including end users, further refinement occurred along with the preparation of a Rule Change Proposition for submission to January National Council where it was approved. A further recommendation from Membership Committee to introduce Membership Cards was also approved then.

1.6.3 The spring months were taken up by the creation of a document stating the procedures which would be required for Leagues, Counties, Directly Affiliated Clubs and Individuals under Individual Membership. The Rule Change Proposition was amended in two areas at April National Council at the request of the Committee and was then ready for submission to the Annual General Meeting.

1.6.4 The main features of the work have been:

- to create a structure for increasing membership across a much wider base of table tennis people, e.g. the new Associate Member category for non-players and others
- reassessment of the forms and information required from individual members, e.g. the replacement of individual forms by a multiple-entry club form.



1.6.5 In addition proposed fee arrangements would rationalise outcomes in line with an individual rather than an organisational approach, e.g. abolition of multiple ETTA fees for individuals. Also the proposed fee determination method would bring together affiliation and insurance fees to go through National Council for approval, as occurs in many other governing bodies and as happens for ETTA with regard to Player Licence and PremierClub fees.

1.6.6 The amount of work undertaken

by the sub-group of John Dignum, Malcolm Macfarlane, Mike Smith and Ron Washington, with the support especially on financial matters of Martin Clark and on rules matters of Colin Clemett, has been very considerable and much appreciated. The input of the full Committee to monitor and further develop the policies and procedures has been of great benefit.

1.6.7 Analysis of team statistics has revealed some interesting facets within the overall downward trend of recorded league teams.

1.7 Player Licence Scheme

1.7.1 The Player Licence Scheme continues to operate successfully with the new online renewal service having a good initial take-up.

1.7.2 The figures for 2008/9 are as follows:

	Cadet	Junior	Senior	Total
Player	1058	408	851	2317
Silver	37	34	112	183
Gold	18	21	76	115
Grand Total				2615

“The Player Licence Scheme continues to operate successfully with the online renewal service having a good initial take-up.”

1.8 Rules Committee

1.8.1 One of our main tasks this season was to draft Rule Change Propositions (RCPs) to enable the introduction of the individual membership scheme developed by the Membership Committee; these RCPs were approved by the National Council and will be submitted to the 2009 AGM.

1.8.2 New rules were drafted for dealing with cases of alleged or actual child abuse, based on advice from the national child protection authorities and, following the earlier adoption of the revised Appendix P (anti-doping regulations), the consequential rule changes were drafted.

1.8.3 As a result of our continuing review of the rules, ways of simplifying those rules covering players' commercial and television activities were proposed to the National Council, and these were accepted for submission to the 2009 AGM.

1.8.4 In collaboration with the relevant committees a number of other

appendices to the rules were updated, including those concerning tournaments, grand prix tournaments and racket testing. Advice was given on questions of rule interpretation to ETTA committees and officials, as well as to member organisations and individuals.

1.9 Ranking Committee

1.9.1 The ranking processes continued to function very efficiently under the control of Jennifer Sherwin. The part-time assistant, Pauline Terry departed to take up a coaching post and Sharon Eldridge, was added to the ranking team. The rate of error continues to be very low considering the volume of data to be processed.

1.9.2 The process has continued and expanded in relieving the office of manually handling all British League results (Senior, Junior, Veterans and Women's plus the VNL) and all National Championships results. In the full year with expansion of the feed this year to handle all three National Championships as

well, we expect to process in excess of 10,000 results per year electronically. Some problems are encountered from time to time but these are fixed in the computer systems involved, immediately they occur and therefore should not occur again.

1.9.3 No changes were made to the ranking process at the 2008 meeting for the 2008/9 season, however certain policy decisions were confirmed and a Ranking Policy document was approved and published on the website.

1.9.4 A policy was also introduced which will be an ongoing action; to aid competitiveness within the ranking list all ranking points will be decreased by 10% every year. This does not change anybody's position but it does bring all players' ratings closer together, thus increasing the possibility of a change of position in the list.

1.10 Organisations in Good Standing

1.10.1 The following organisations have been in Good Standing for this past year:

- Army Table Tennis Association

- British Table Tennis Association for People with Disabilities
- British Universities and Colleges Sport
- Clubs for Young People
- English Schools' Table Tennis Association

ETTA Tournaments Committee; life member of the Yorkshire County TTA and co-organiser of Yorkshire 2 Star Junior Select, Selby Junior 1 Star and English Junior Opens at Bridlington



- Lancashire & Cheshire Table Tennis League
- London Junior Table Tennis Scheme
- Maccabi GB Table Tennis
- National FSSAA Table Tennis Section
- Police Sport UK
- Royal Air Force Table Tennis Association
- Royal Navy Table Tennis Association
- UK Chinese Table Tennis Association
- UK Deaf Table Tennis Association
- Veterans English Table Tennis Society

- Dennis Holland
Former player and coach who won the Wilmott Cup competition together with Bryan Merrett and Ian Harrison for a number of years
- Barbara Kiss
Player in Grand Prix and national tournaments
- Tony Pacitto
ETTA coach and former coach to European Champion, Jill Parker MBE
- John Pilkington
General Secretary of Southport and District TTL
- Alan Porter
Qualified County Umpire, National Umpire and International Umpire; former member of NURC
- David Poultney
Qualified County Umpire, National Umpire and International Umpire
- John Reed
Member of Cumbria County TTA; qualified coach and organiser
- Nancy Scruton
Qualified County Umpire and Tournament Umpire
- Stefan Trofan
ETTA coach and winner of medals at the European, World and Paralympic Games
- Edna Blunn
Wife of former ETTA Chairman Tom Blunn

1.11 Obituaries

- 1.11.1 The following friends and colleagues have died during the past year:
- Harold Albery
ETTA Vice-President and General Secretary of Hampshire County TTA for 35 years
 - Alan Beames
Former General Secretary of Sussex County TTA
 - Len Browning
Vice-President of Yorkshire County TTA
 - Ron Clack
Wiltshire County Umpire
 - Peter Hancock
ETTA Vice-President and a founder member of the Launceston & District TTL; former member of the Trade Committee
 - Mike Hanley
Long serving club secretary, Selby Local League General Secretary and Chairman; former Yorkshire Regional Chairman; past member of the

1.12 General

- 1.12.1 Individual Membership - thanks largely to the significant efforts of Mike Smith, Malcolm Macfarlane, Ron Washington and, more recently, Colin Clemett on rules matters, we have achieved our

target of taking the proposition to the 2009 AGM. It is an important, major and essential step in the modernisation of the ETTA.

- 1.12.2 Rules - another year of significant progress led by Colin Clemett and his committee, where many updates, amendments and new rules have been drafted. It is an ongoing process and a big vote of thanks goes to Colin and his team.
- 1.12.3 Procedures and Training - as is the case in an ever-changing world, during the year new situations have occurred which require procedures to be further updated and training will be arranged for staff and volunteers as required.
- 1.12.4 The Administration Team - has continued providing a high standard of service to members throughout the year. Grateful thanks are extended to them and all the volunteer committee personnel for their commitment and support throughout the year.

2. Finance

2.1 General

- 2.1.1 I can report a surplus for 2008/09 of £22,468 against a budget of £9,367 resulting in an increase in our net assets, putting the new total at £467,970 including testimonial funds. Total turnover (excluding bank interest received) increased by £294,058 (11.5%) to £2,849,315 of which affiliation fees amounted to £172,629 being 6%, whilst income from Sport England core funding and other grants amounted to £2,234,984 being 78% of turnover.
- 2.1.2 The detailed analyses can be found on pages 1 to 15 of the Statement of Accounts contained at the back of this Annual Report.
- 2.1.3 With the acceptance of our Whole Sport Plan 2009/13 Funding Application by Sport England they are investing a total of £9,301,404 in the ETTA that will enable us to fulfil the interventions incorporated in the plan, subject to certain performance levels and other criteria. I cannot emphasise enough the importance of this award that will help the development of our sport. Our grateful thanks must go not only to Sport England but also the Chairman and CE Richard Yule for their highly significant



influence and input in securing such a valuable level of funding far beyond anything previously achieved.

- 2.1.4 It would be remiss of me not to acknowledge the efforts and expertise of Brian Skinner, my Finance Officer, who together with Collette Sargent provide constant untiring input to ensure that the department functions efficiently throughout the year, applying the financial protocols and controls necessary.

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2.2 Trade Committee

- 2.2.1 Elected annually by National Council the current members are: Stan Clarke, Chairman, Tony Chatwin, Colin Hyland, Ron Washington and Doug Young, supported by staff members Doreen Nightingale and Richard Yule.
- 2.2.2 Although most trade contracts were in place for a two year period the Committee met several times to discuss current contract relationships, other trade related matters and to prepare the new equipment supply tenders for 2009/11.
- 2.2.3 In these difficult financial times the Association is grateful to our partners in the trade for their continuing support of our programme of events and

activities during 2008/9: Butterfly (Ransome Sporting Goods) - Grand Prix Series, Senior, Junior, Cadet National Championships, Junior/ Cadet Ranking trials, Official Ball Supplier to County Championships and British League, Skills Award programme. Joola (Bribar Table Tennis) England Team Clothing Supplier, National Under 11,12,13,14 Championships, British League weekend events for Juniors,

- 2.2.4 We are also grateful to the following traders for their support across a range of ETTA publications: Butterfly, Tees Sport, Joola, Bribar Table Tennis, Lion Sport, Stiga, Gerflor (Taraflex Flooring), Cornilleau, Thornton’s Sport and Leisure and TT Links.

3. Marketing

3.1 National Events

- 3.1.1 The Marketing Department continued to be responsible for all our National Championships, international matches and other major events staged or planned during the current season. This year that has included organising

and staging the Joola European Nations League and a three match tour by India in early May. As always this season has been very busy.

- 3.1.2 The Association is proud to have been awarded one of the ITTF Major Pro-Tour events for season 2009-10. Only four Major Pro-Tour events are staged each year out of approximately 20 Pro-Tour events worldwide, so it is a real honour to be invited to stage one next season. These events take a great deal of planning and require significant funding in order to stage them properly. This has taken up a significant amount of time both from the Events staff, members of Management Committee and Richard Scruton, the appointed Tournament Manager for the event. A steering group has been appointed to oversee the work namely: Mike Holt - Chairman, Richard Scruton - Tournament Manager, Harvey Webb - Secretary, Alex Murdoch, Martin Clark and Richard Yule, all ETTA, and Esther Nicholls - UK Sport, Gary Clifton - Sheffield events, and Jasper Perry from Yorkshire Regional Development Agency.
- 3.1.3 In February we staged our first two home international matches for some years. This was as part of the Joola European Nations League. Both men’s and women’s matches were staged simultaneously at EIS Sheffield. A crowd of approximately 250 attended the event, but it proved a disappointing evening in terms of England team results. The



women suffered a 3-0 defeat at the hands of a very strong team from Belarus, and the men were beaten 3-1 by the team from Turkey which, like many European countries nowadays, included three Chinese players in their squad of four.

3.1.4 The Department also has responsibility for negotiating contracts for venues, sponsorship and other funding opportunities. Size and cost of venues continues to be an issue as we strive to improve the playing experience at our National Championships. In the current economic climate commercial sponsorship is even more difficult. Currently our efforts are looking more towards working in partnership with some of the development agencies to secure longer term projects within particular regions.

3.2 National Championships Committee

3.2.1 The Committee has responsibility for the whole of the National Championships programme. The Association wishes to express its sincere thanks to the Chairperson Doreen Stannard, new Secretary Stuart Sherlock and all members of the committee, as well as all the referees, umpires and volunteers who regularly give up their weekends to work on the Championship programme.

3.3 English Senior National Championships

3.3.1 These were once again held at Ponds Forge International Sports Centre in Sheffield. We have recently concluded a new three year deal with Sheffield and we are indebted to the City Council for their continued valued support for table tennis.

3.3.2 Horizon provided live web-streaming via the ETTA website for most of the weekend, and we are grateful to them for their contribution to another successful championships. Over 2,000 watched the streaming. We were also fortunate to have Channel 4 sport television on site for the finals session on the Sunday, and their edited programme went out on 22nd March around 8am. They captured a thrilling finals session which included the Men's Disabled Standing final, the Women's Singles final and the excellent Men's Singles final.

3.3.3 Despite the current financial

climate the entry was up by around 8% and a large crowd of 450 watched the finals. Ticket sales were up approximately 35%.

3.3.4 Paul Drinkhall won all four titles open to him, Men's Singles, Men's Doubles with Darius Knight, Mixed Doubles with Joanna Parker and the Under 21 Men's Singles. Joanna Parker also had a memorable weekend adding her name to the Women's Singles trophy as well as winning the Mixed Doubles with Paul. The Women's Doubles went to two rising stars, Emily Bates (13) and Mary Fuller (16), a remarkable achievement for such a young pair.

3.4 English Cadet & Junior National Championships

3.4.1 The event was moved to Loughborough University Sports Hall in order to provide a larger hall, improved playing facilities and easier access from the M1 motorway.

3.4.2 The event was played on 24 tables and provided a showcase in which our younger players could shine.

3.4.3 Full results can be found in the results section of the Report.

3.5 English Under 11/12/13/14s National Championships

3.5.1 These were held in Norwich at the University of East Anglia on 30th/31st May 2009.

3.5.2 As it took place after the time of going to print no results were available.

3.6 National Regional Squad Championships

3.6.1 These were held at Grantham Sunday 26th April 2009, for the first time ever the London Region were crowned champions.

3.7 India Tour

3.7.1 A three-match tour was arranged to coincide with the Commonwealth Table Tennis Federation Championships in Glasgow. This is a reciprocal tour with an English team travelling to India next season just prior to the Commonwealth Games.

3.7.2 Matches included both men's and women's teams and all matches were played to a conclusion.

3.7.3 The first match was staged on 10th May at the Dormer Wells Leisure Centre and it was supported by Ealing Council.

3.7.4 The England women's team had a 4-1 victory, whilst our men were defeated by the same scoreline.

- 3.7.5 The second match was played at Fenton Manor Sports complex at Stoke on 12th May.
- 3.7.6 The result of the second match was exactly the same as the first, a 4-1 win for our women and a 4-1 defeat for our men, putting the overall score at 10-10 as we headed for the final match.
- 3.7.7 The third and final match was staged at the prestigious Preston Guild Hall on 16th May, and was organised by the Preston Table Tennis League with support from Preston City Council and the Preston Guild Hall. The event was masterminded by Jim Clegg and a crowd of nearly 900 enjoyed the evening's table tennis.
- 3.7.8 Once again our women were victorious with a 4-1 win and this time the men won their match 3-2, and swung an extremely close series in England's favour, winning 17-13.
- 3.7.9 The team from India were a delight to work with over the week and participated in several activities to promote table tennis to schools in the London and Preston areas.
- 3.8 Television and Online Web-streaming**
- 3.8.1 Horizon provided live web-streaming for the Senior National Championships from Sheffield.
- 3.8.2 Channel 4 Sport produced as part of their 'Looking to 2012' series a half-hour programme from the Sheffield Senior Nationals.
- 3.9 Sponsorship and Funding for Events**
- 3.9.1 We continue to receive significant support from the sports traders via tender for each event. We are grateful to all of the traders who regularly support table tennis.
- 3.9.2 We are grateful to Sheffield City Council & Sheffield International venues for their continued support.
- 3.9.3 Our appreciation also goes to UK Sport, Sheffield City Council and Yorkshire Regional Development Agency for the financial support for the 65th English Open to be staged at the English Institute for Sport in Sheffield from 28th October -1st November 2009.
- 3.9.4 Sponsorship is not always from commercial organisations and increasingly funding partners such as the regional development agencies can be more attractive to a sport such as ours.

3.10 Other Events

- 3.10.1 In December 2008 we again ran the finals for the Fred Perry Urban Cup. This year the venue was the York Hall in London, which is world renowned as a boxing venue and proved ideal for this event. The event was another success for the team from Cardiff boosted by some players who had benefited from the TTK coaching now available in Wales. Channel 4 was in attendance making a documentary, and the event was also graced by the presence of Jamie Murray and Gail Emms who took part in a doubles challenge partnered by Matthew Syed and Darius Knight.
- 3.10.2 In November the Events Department set up a 'come and try it' session for MPs in the House of Commons. This event was in support of a CCPR initiative - another great advertisement for our sport.
- 3.10.3 In May 2009 the Events Department was again responsible for the field-of-play at the TTK organised Dunlop Masters event at the Royal Albert Hall. Once again this event was televised live on Sky and brought our sport into the living rooms of many who have never seen top class table tennis before.

4. Public Relations

4.1 Television and the Media

- 4.1.1 Coverage of table tennis has increased dramatically in the last 12 months, especially in the national media. The nationals will always favour sports like soccer, rugby, cricket, horse racing, etc for obvious reasons, so to see our sport making headway at this level is pleasing to say the least.
- 4.1.2 Where we continued to make real progress is in the local and regional media. We got an immense amount of publicity from local newspapers (now approaching 1,000 articles a month) and from radio and long may it continue, thanks to the army of press officers to whom we are eternally grateful.

- 4.1.3 The National Championships received good coverage mainly thanks to an arrangement we have with the Press Association. The result was a greater depth of coverage than for many a year, with results and editorial appearing not only in the national press but on the Teletext services as well. Channel 4 spent finals day in Sheffield filming all the action which was shown a week later.
- 4.1.4 The Lord Mayor of London, Boris Johnson, gave table tennis a real fillip by mentioning it, albeit by its old name of Whiff Whaff, in his speech at the closing ceremony of the Olympic Games. It was completely out-of-the-blue, but nevertheless very welcome. The coverage his comments received in the national press and around the world was priceless.
- 4.1.5 What is less known is the amount of ground work and progress made making contact with the media. This has proved very useful and the number of press people who have approached us for quotes and advice continues to rise.

4.2 Archives and Museums

- 4.2.1 Work continues in bringing together all the Association's archives. Several visits to Liverpool University, where the majority of the archives are kept, took place with Colin Clemett and Mike Smith again proving an extremely effective team





in their bid to bring all the sports archives under one roof. Archives that had lain idle for years in Hastings have also been sorted. During the year we were also contacted by the ITTF Museum in Switzerland who have offered us a mass of information regarding England's international programme going back many, many years and which will undoubtedly help fill in gaps.

4.3 Table Tennis News (TTN)

4.3.1 TTN continues to provide excellent features and pictures. What other magazine can call on writers like Matthew Syed, Richard Eaton, Paul Rainford and Steve Kerns? Increased advertising and a change of printers also helped balance the books. Also, for the first time, subscribers new and old, were able to take out a subscription via the ETTA website which proved a positive move by helping to improve subscription numbers. A request from readers to resurrect a letters column was successfully put into practice and has since been a regular feature.

4.4 Press Officer of the Year

4.4.1 Graham Trimming was this year's Press Officer of the Year, an award thoroughly deserved. Besides servicing his local newspapers he is also responsible for keeping his league website up to date and also produces a regular newsletter. Graham is typical of the men and women who work extremely hard, week in and week out, for table tennis.

4.5 Website

4.5.1 The website has been exceptionally successful and received praise from all quarters. Result service, reports, updates and event publicity have continued to increase as this medium becomes ever more

integral to all ETTA activity. There have also been a number of new enhancements to this service with online payment for entry forms, event tickets and more becoming available; plus, a county and league finder, approved coaches list and various new social media initiatives using Facebook, Twitter and Flickr.

This has led to an increase in unique visitors to the main platform reaching a peak of 167,189 resulting in over 2.3 million hits. In addition there has been a 100% increase in the number of news articles with up to 30 items posted per week. The

4.7 Thanks

4.7.1 Finally, thanks must go to Richard Pettit, Adam Collins and James Cornford for successfully negotiating an increasing workload. Besides the department's core work, there has been a marked increase in demands from within the Association which they have carried out in a professional and dedicated manner. I would also like to thank the following for their direct input into the website and magazine; Geoff Ware, Steve Kerns, Les Smith, Barry Snowdon, Mick Strode and Malcolm Macfarlane.

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average visit length and number of pages viewed per session has also increased, demonstrating that the clear navigation and intriguing content is compelling viewers to stay longer and read more.

4.6 E-zine

4.6.1 The ETTA E-zine (electronic magazine) has been one of the most significant communications developments this year: its first full year. Distributed for free to over 6,000 people (205% increase since its introduction in 2007), the fast, effective, interactive and direct format has proved exceptionally popular. Recent editions have provided feedback forms attached to each article which has generated an excellent response with an average article rating of 4.1 out of 5. The open rate of 44% is also considerably higher than the

5. Competitions

5.1 County Championships

5.1.1 There was a record total of 258 teams taking part in the County Championships this past season, which continues to be one of the most popular ETTA competitions. There are teams representing almost every county in England and some also from our Welsh neighbours.

5.1.2 Although the administration involved is significant, and despite health problems with a number of the committee, the committee continues to do its best to ensure all divisions run smoothly.

5.1.3 The Senior Premier Division saw Derbyshire going one better than last season by taking the championship. Essex were runners-up, while defending champions Devonshire and Durham were relegated.

- 5.1.4 Derbyshire made it a double by also winning the Junior Premier title, with Middlesex in second place; Lincolnshire, last season's runners-up, and South Yorkshire being relegated.
- 5.1.5 Yorkshire retained the Veteran Premier Division, with Kent in second place, Middlesex and Wiltshire losing their places in the top flight.
- 5.1.6 Middlesex retained the Cadet Premier Division, again without dropping a point, with Sussex as runners-up. Yorkshire and Buckinghamshire were relegated.
- 5.1.7 Yorkshire won the Over 60s Division 1A and Kent Division 1B.
- 5.1.8 Ken Eliot, who has been organiser of the Junior and Senior Premier weekends for over 10 years, was recognised by a presentation at the final Senior/Junior Premier weekend at Wednesbury at the end of March.

5.2 Sanctions

- 5.2.1 The sanction system is working well and has been recognised by all as an efficient method of recording warnings received by players. Indications for this season show that there should be a slight reduction in the number of warnings given over last season.
- 5.2.2 The effectiveness of restricting the "Player Licence" when a player goes into sanction has been questioned and discussions on other penalties that could be applied are taking place.

5.3 Calendar Working Party (CWP)

- 5.3.1 The ever-increasing competitions programme continues to occupy the minds of the Calendar Working Party (CWP) and there is very little to report that has not been done previously. The committee now work on a three-year calendar which makes it possible for organisers to book venues well in advance.
- 5.3.2 Every effort is made to accommodate the wishes of organisers but it is not always possible to give events the priority they deserve. Agreement is often reached by negotiation and the CWP will continue to do their best to accommodate the various requests they receive.
- 5.3.3 A revised order of events priorities list was agreed by the committee and accepted by National Council. This will be kept under constant review in light of changing circumstances.

5.4 Tournaments Committee

- 5.4.1 This season has seen an increase in the number of Junior and Senior 1* tournaments being run throughout the country from Blackpool in the North West to Horsham near the South Coast. It is pleasing to see several new volunteers involved in tournament organisation.
- 5.4.2 With the assistance of the Rules Committee the Tournament Regulations have been reviewed and updated this season.
- 5.4.3 In recent years we have recognised that it has become impossible for organisers of 4* tournaments to recruit sufficient umpires to comply with tournament regulations. The regulation for umpires at 4* events has been relaxed so that there is no longer a requirement for group matches to be umpired by a qualified umpire.
- 5.4.4 Junior 4* tournaments in previous seasons had become overloaded with inexperienced players. To elevate this situation a new regulation, restricting entry to higher ranked players, has been introduced. This would appear to have been effective but it will need another season before the full effect can be determined.
- 5.4.5 The Committee's aim for next season is to become more proactive and to encourage more volunteers and organisations to become involved in running tournaments.

5.5 British League (BL)

- 5.5.1 30 seasons have now been completed and it was pleasing to receive sufficient entries to retain 13 divisions, with some on a waiting list. This competition goes from strength to strength, with well over 700 players being registered.
- 5.5.2 Unfortunately not all teams fulfilled their obligations as they should, and during the season two clubs withdrew from the league and the final Premier weekend saw one team with only three players. There were a number of occasions in other divisions with incomplete teams, and whilst these offences incur penalties in accordance with regulations, it does spoil the enjoyment of other teams, which are entitled to feel

aggrieved having paid fees for a full programme of matches.

- 5.5.3 The introduction of play-offs between the top two teams from each of the three first divisions for promotion into the Premier was well received and will continue.
- 5.5.4 The British League Committee wishes to thank the referees, umpires and organisers who did an excellent job at the various venues. It is becoming more and more difficult to find suitable venues at acceptable costs, and the committee is most grateful to the various clubs which allow matches at their headquarters. We are especially grateful to Michael Davies, of Grantham, whose printing company sponsored the printing of the programmes for matches in the Northern divisions. Again a major problem was the lack of umpires at some of the venues.
- 5.5.5 The DHS Greenhouse Progress club's 10 years' domination of the Premier Division came to an end when Drumchapel Glasgow was successful for the first time. Other divisions were keenly contested with some close finishes and congratulations go to all the winners.



5.5.6 Up-to-date reports and results were displayed on the website during each Premier weekend and pre-weekend reviews were also given. In the other divisions, previews were posted before each weekend followed by post match reports with the full results being available shortly afterwards.



5.5.7 British League Referee, Stuart Sherlock, had a quiet season and fully supported the various decisions taken by the committee. However, the Chairman found it necessary to refer one matter to the Disciplinary Committee.

5.5.8 The committee met just once during the season following the completion of all the fixtures. However, the work of the committee was efficiently undertaken by contact via e-mail.

5.6 Briar Junior British League (JBL)

5.6.1 Once again the success of this event was made possible by the dedicated team of volunteers who make up the Organising Committee. As in past years, the team has excelled in working together to make this competition one that is greatly appreciated by players, coaches and parents; proven by the continuing increase in interest for entry to the event.

5.6.2 Grateful thanks therefore go to Steve (Referee) and Margaret Welch (on-site admin.), Mike Payne (Deputy), Jim Kenny (Organiser), Malcolm Macfarlane (IT & results), Joyce Stephenson (on-site admin.), Andrew Joyce (Arena Manager), as well as Chris Newton and Helen McCreary (Arena). In addition, this season we were indebted to the services of Simon Price, who looked after hospitality.

5.6.3 Due to even greater interest, there were nearly 150 sets of

entry forms distributed, with 96 entries received by the closing date. These were separated out to leave a total of 30 teams invited to the play-offs at Grantham in July last year.

5.6.4 Once again the referee for this phase of the competition was Peter May, who did an excellent job of keeping the event on

schedule. The move from August into July of the play-offs proved to be very popular with the clubs, as more players were available to compete, especially with the school holidays being avoided. Five teams progressed from the play-offs into the main event, which once again comprised 72 teams.

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5.6.5 The main event this season was held at Aldersley Leisure Village for both weekends, but the conditions at this centre are not as good as they were some two or three years ago. The interest in the competition is as strong as ever, but unfortunately each season gets harder to ensure that the right facilities are available and that there is the manpower to make it all happen.

5.6.6 This event needs to be rationalised for positive reasons; to ensure a better link between the NJL and the JBL is established; also that the overall standard of the JBL is not diminished due to too many lower divisions. Some of the proposals being considered will benefit this event.

5.6.7 The second weekend of the competition in February was hampered by inclement weather, although the decision made

to continue with the weekend was the right one. Of the 72 teams involved, only four failed to complete their fixtures, although it came to light after the competition that two of those teams failed to arrive for other reasons.

5.6.8 In conclusion, it is pleasing to report that this competition has retained its high status and remains as one to be savoured by all the home nations, i.e. it is truly British.

Results - the champions of the JBL for 2008/9 are as follows: -

- Boys Premier - Urban Progress TTC (Not so easy this time around. It was decided on games)
- Girls Premier - Ballina (Back-to-back champions, and worthy ones at that)
- Boys Div 1 - Burton Uxbridge “1” (A comfortable win in the end)
- Girls Div 1 - Burton Uxbridge “1”(Not bad, having just won Div. 3 last season)
- Boys Div 2A – Dumfries TTC (Back to winning ways after returning to the event)
- Boys Div 2B - Horsham “1” (Following on from the success of last season)

- Girls Div 2 - St Andrews (A return to form for this established club)
- Boys Div 3A - Westfield (A season to get established seemed to be enough)
- Boys Div 3B - Rotherham Scorpions (This proved to be the hardest of all the leagues to win)
- Girls Div 3 - Morpeth School “A” (A valued win, but with six teams it might have been closer)
- Boys Div 4A - Kingfisher (And this proved to be the most decisive margin of victory)
- Boys Div 4B - York Gardens “B” (Another success for a new team)
- Boy Player of the Weekend (1) - Matthew Weatherby (Halton TTC)
- Boy Player of the Weekend (2) - Chris Doran (Urban Progress TTC)

- Girl Player of the Weekend (1) - Lucy Davidson (Draycott & Long Eaton)
- Girl Player of the Weekend (2) - Helen Rutherford (St Andrews TTC)
- Boy Team of the Weekend (1) - Westfield TTC
- Boy Team of the Weekend (2) - Burton Uxbridge "1"
- Girl Team of the Weekend (1) - Spicer/York Gardens
- Girl Team of the Weekend (2) - Irish Girls

5.7 Bribar Women's British League (WBL)

- 5.7.1 The first weekend was staged at Hinckley in the Leisure Centre and the second weekend at Bristol in the University West of England Sports Centre.
- 5.7.2 This season the league consisted of four divisions of six teams and one of eight, which made 32 teams in total including some 140 players.
- 5.7.3 Awards:
 - Teams of the Weekend were Oldham TTC and Poole Ladies.
 - Players of the Weekend were Marketa Myskova and Helen Shields.
 - The Solihull Trophy was awarded to Denis Butcher.
- 5.7.4 The champions were Astor Ladies and the runners-up were Draycott and Long Eaton.
- 5.7.5 The new organiser was John Hardcastle and he ran the event well. He did have one major problem in Bristol with an unreliable photocopier which finally broke down. A photocopier is being sourced and will be purchased for use by the Women's British League and as necessary by the Veterans' British League.
- 5.7.6 The referee compiled the results after each round.
- 5.7.7 The sponsors were Bribar Table Tennis and thanks are due to them for their continued support.

5.8 Bribar Veterans' British League (VBL)

- 5.8.1 This season there were, in total, 48 teams which included 212 players. The accelerated promotion scheme is working well and has provoked even more competition.

5.8.2 The first weekend was staged at Hereford in the Leisure Centre and the second weekend at Doncaster in the Leisure Park, both are excellent venues.

5.8.3 Teams of the Weekend at Hereford were Bribar Nomads (men) and Halton TTC (women); and Man and Woman of the Weekend respectively were Dave Harvey and Helen Shields.

5.8.4 At both weekends the teams also had input into the Team and Player of the Weekend awards.

The Teams of the Weekend at Doncaster were Market Rasen/ Ellenborough (men) and Evesham Ladies; Man and Woman of the Weekend respectively were Martin Smith and Muriel Hooker.

5.8.5 Men's champions were Thompsons Insurance A, the runners-up being Potters Leisure Resort. The ladies' champions were Colebridge B.C. and the runners-up were Market Rasen/ Ellenborough.

5.8.6 Umpires for both weekends were a problem in that it was difficult to obtain enough. The referees again compiled the results both weekends and this was again very successful. Jim Beckley (PR) made reports which were filed with the press.

5.8.7 The Organiser was Gill Smith who wishes to thank the Referee Alan Duke, Deputy Referee Brenda Baldwin, Ken and Margaret Bridle (admin) and all the umpires who worked so very hard to make this event a success.

5.8.8 The sponsors were Bribar Table Tennis and thanks are due to them for their continued support.

5.9 Bribar Veterans' National League

5.9.1 The VNL, which is a feeder league for the Veterans' British League, comprised four divisions of six teams.

The league was played over two weekends during the season with each team playing the other teams in their division twice.

5.9.2 The first weekend was held at Grantham Meres Sports Centre and the second at Swindon Sports Centre. Assistance in setting up and breaking down the venues was given by Local League players on both occasions and was a great help.

5.9.3 After the two weekends' play, Bribar Nomads 2, Batts Racquet Sports, Draycott and Long Eaton and Wolves Vets topped their respective divisions and were promoted to the Veterans' British League.

5.9.4 Thanks are due to the long suffering team secretaries and their players, to new Referee David Cochrane and his assistant Wendy Clarke and event organiser Stan Clarke, not forgetting our sponsors, Bribar Table Tennis, who provide us with excellent equipment and service, to enable the event to take place.

5.10 Butterfly Grand Prix

5.10.1 The GP series continues to be highly successful and provides a higher level of competition for many that would otherwise not have that opportunity.

5.10.2 In the later part of the season we did notice a slight reduction in entry levels, no doubt as a result of the national financial crisis, but it is too early to decide if we are going to react in any way, and even more difficult to decide what we should do.



- 5.10.3 Liverpool and Newcastle continued to run their own events in the main GP calendar, which also saw events in Bristol, London, Medway, Blackpool, Wolverhampton and Hereford. This season also saw two new towns on the GP map, Salisbury and Barnsley.
- 5.10.4 Satellite GPs also took place in Cardiff, Paignton, North Herts and Jersey.
- 5.10.5 Once again the Grand Prix Committee would like to thank all the referees, organisers and umpires who have supported the series this season, as well as thanking Butterfly and Tees Sport for their continued sponsorship.

5.11 English Leagues Cup Competition

- 5.11.1 The finals were once again held at Draycott and Long Eaton Table Tennis Centre and were a success, with many teams giving compliments on the venue and the event.
- 5.11.2 This year's winners were: Wilmott Cup (Guildford), JM Rose Bowl (Leicester), Carter Cup (Plymouth) and the Bromfield Trophy was won by local team, Derby.

5.12 National Umpires and Referees Committee (NURC)

- 5.12.1 There was a welcome increase in umpire recruitment this season, with

31 County Umpires (CU) and 22 Local Umpires (LU) being registered. This was largely the result of training courses for County Umpires held at Cippenham, Brighton and Barnet, and for Local Umpires at two schools in Lincolnshire, and we are grateful to the local organisers who initiated and hosted these courses. John Hardcastle (Yorkshire) qualified as a National Umpire at an examination held in Sheffield in March and another examination is to be held in April.

- 5.12.2 No Tournament Referees (TR) were registered this season and the shortage of qualified referees is a growing problem, but it is hoped that a planned referee training course will be as successful as those for umpires. We hope to hold a National Referee (NR) examination before the end of the season.

- 5.12.3 New written test papers for the CU and TR qualifications were drafted and the memorandum on the ETTA umpire and referee organisation was

revised to take account of recent changes, such as the requirement for match officials to hold a current CRB

clearance. The ETTA Handbook for Umpires also was updated, but publication was deferred pending the outcome of the 2009 ITTF AGM, at which several possible law changes will be considered.

- 5.12.4 It was another busy season for English officials overseas, with our umpires being selected for international competitions in Austria, Denmark, France, Germany, Netherlands, Portugal, Scotland and Spain. English referees officiated at tournaments in Ireland, Scotland and Wales, while Steve Welch was a Deputy Referee at the 2008 Olympics in Beijing. Stuart Sherlock will be the Referee of the 2009 Commonwealth Championships in Glasgow and Mick Strode has been appointed a Deputy Referee at the 2009 European Championships in Stuttgart.

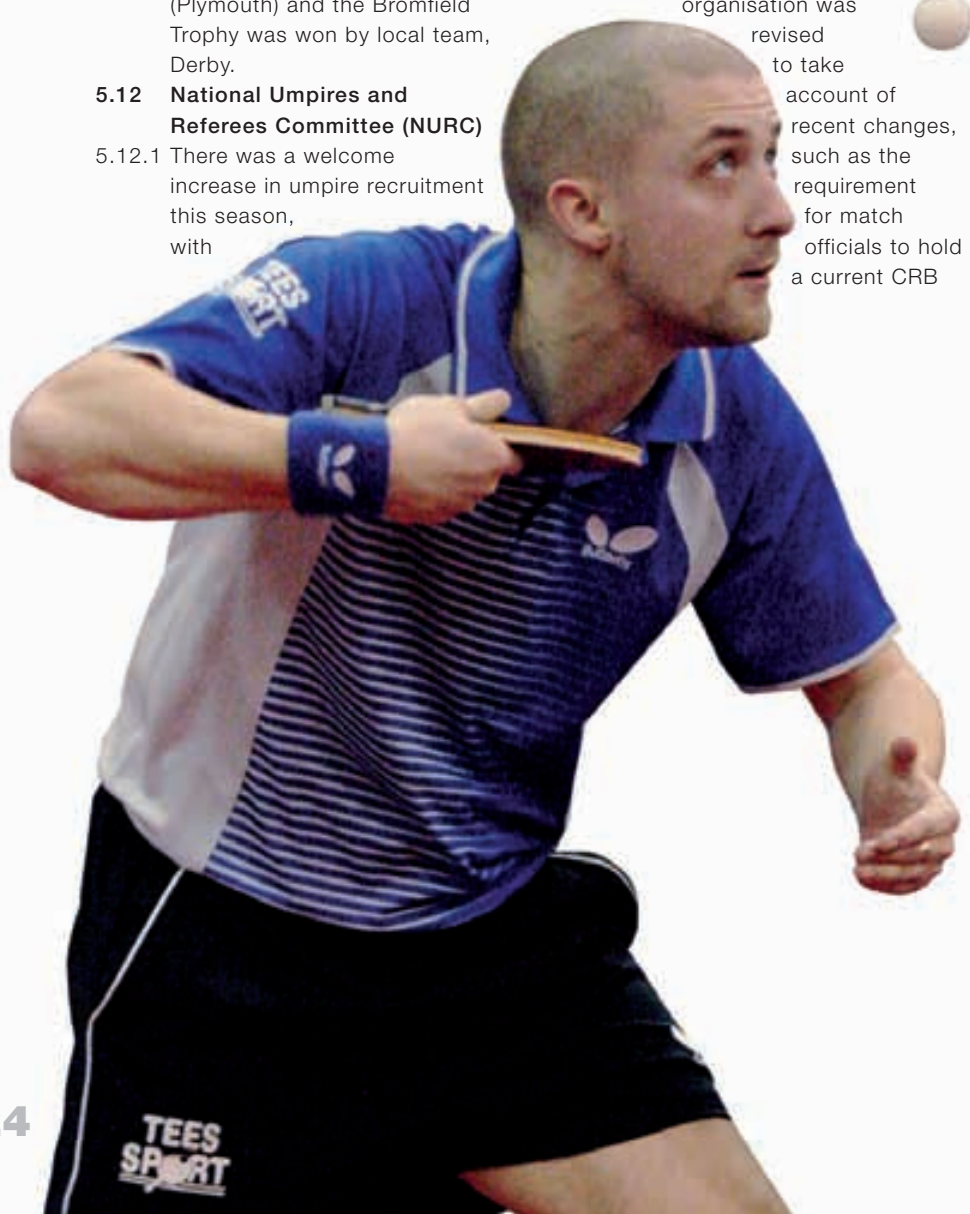
- 5.12.5 Once again we were sorry to learn of the deaths of several members of the umpiring and refereeing community - Nancy Scruton (TU), David Poultney (IU) and Alan Porter (IU), a former member of the NURC. They will all be greatly missed by their families and colleagues.

5.13 Tournament Organisers (TO) Qualification Committee

- 5.13.1 This season we have had an upsurge of interest and we have run courses in Leeds, Northfield, Blackpool, Lancing and Okehampton, which have resulted in many more of our members becoming qualified and, hopefully, empowered to run their own tournaments. The total number of successful candidates this season was 47, which takes the overall number of qualified TOs to 138.
- 5.13.2 One of the original ideas behind the scheme was to reach a point where we could introduce a tournament regulation that would require organisers to be qualified, and we have now taken the first steps to make this possible.

5.14 Personal Note of Thanks

- 5.14.1 The Vice-Chairman Competitions, on behalf of the Management Committee, wishes to thank staff in the Events Office for their continued help and support. Vanda Jones, Harvey Webb and Matthew Porter do sterling work, often under rushed and difficult circumstances.





6. Development

6.1 General

6.1.1 The work of the Development Department is driven by the vision to make 'Table Tennis the most popular and successful indoor sport in England' and to take full advantage of new funding opportunities to develop and sustain all current initiatives alongside developing new programmes.

6.2 Whole Sport Plan

6.2.1 The department at national level was heavily involved in devising the 2009/13 plan and subsequently following the grant award 'setting the contract' with Sport England. With the expanded range and volume of initiatives and funding opportunities currently becoming available it is anticipated that we will be able to offer more targeted support to dedicated areas.

6.3 Local Leagues and County Associations

6.3.1 As is now customary, each Regional Development Officer (RDO) sends letters and communications to Local Leagues asking for an opportunity to attend a meeting so as to provide an overview of their role, areas of work that they are involved in, and to discuss possible opportunities for development and, where relevant, funding opportunities. However, there has been very little support in the 'take up' of their offers so Local Leagues are encouraged to make use of their RDO's expertise.

6.3.2 In the spirit of improving communication each League also receives copies of all

PremierClub mailings and resources that are periodically sent to clubs from head office.

6.4 PremierClub - ETTA's National Programme for Club Development

6.4.1 The number of clubs registered on the programme as at April 2009 is 123. It should be noted that this is not a complete administrative year.

6.4.2 Recruitment material - six A4 colour recruitment/publicity posters have been produced and widely circulated. Attractively designed 'in

modified and adapted formats of simple, attractive intra-school competitive games. A set of student resource cards, teacher notes and DVD animations were designed and produced solely for intra-school use.

6.4.5 Club of the Year Awards - these clubs aim to recognise and reward good practice in club development across a broad range of areas such as growth of membership, volunteers and club playing programmes. Winners and citations are detailed below:

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house' in conjunction with the Communications Department, the posters can be used in schools, clubs and any public place to promote local activities.

6.4.3 Competition material - a new competition ladder board has been produced and comes with operation rules and a dry marker pen. This new 'white' board replaces the T-card competition ladder board (produced in 2001) and normally costs £10. It is a well known, easy to use competition format for any occasion with class size groups and has been widely circulated to clubs, schools and competition managers.

6.4.4 The department has worked closely with the English Schools' Table Tennis Association (ESTTA) in collaboration with the Youth Sport Trust to devise a competition matrix of traditional,

6.4.6 PremierClubmark level Runner-up: Crawley Community TTC

Winner: BATTs Harlow, Essex.

6.4.7 Supported by ETTA, BATTs (Burnt Mill Academy of Table Tennis Skills) has developed from a small church hall to a lottery funded school site and now a skilfully achieved, long lease, conversion of a redundant recreation centre in Harlow, Essex.

6.4.8 As is often the case, club development needs a small band of dedicated volunteers and in this instance Eric Todd, Neil Brierley, Sharon Head and Dave Wright have all played a key part in their success.

6.4.9 Over the years key ingredients have come together – coaching at all levels, school links, different age teams in local, county, national and British Leagues –



and this has created a recipe for success and achievement. The icing on the cake will come in the New Year following the completion of the refurbishment of the 'Norman Booth Recreation Centre'. ETTA looks forward to continuing to support the club and seeing it going from strength to strength.

6.4.10 Participation level

Runner-up: St Neots TTC
Winner: Woolwell TTC, Plymouth.

6.4.11 Woolwell TTC is currently the largest club in Plymouth and the South West of England with players regularly attending from all over Devon and Cornwall. The club currently has around a dozen ETTA qualified (and CRB checked) coaches, including former international players and current England coaches.

6.4.12 The club has 16 teams playing in the Plymouth & District League as well as many others in national competitions, and its teams have won the Women's and Veterans' British Leagues, and whilst representing the Plymouth League, the National Junior Inter-League team title.

6.4.13 Other notable aspects are:

- 1 Sunday evening club café staffed by club volunteers with proceeds going to club funds.
- 2 Club championships held every spring with an awards evening part of a 24-hour marathon fun event as well as other all-day and social events.
- 3 Website, regular e-mails and printed newsletters.
- 4 Recently celebrated its 10th birthday with a club championship and alongside a fund-raising event.

John Smith and his committed band of volunteers work tirelessly to create a friendly, social atmosphere at the club which continues to produce excellent results.

In conjunction with the ETTA and other partners the club is currently nearing the recruitment of a Community Table Tennis Coach, and there is also a long awaited new facility project in the pipeline.

6.4.14 Advanced level

Runner-up: Blackpool TTC
Winner: Fastbats TTC, Bradford

6.4.15 Bradford Fastbats TTC was formed from the nucleus of Clayton Heights TTC originally founded back in 1927. In

2001 the club elected to find a suitable venue to enable the club to join the ETTA PremierClub programme. The club took its first steps to outreach coaching at Allerton Primary School, and from these humble beginnings the club has continued to grow, relocating to Bradford Girls Grammar School. It operates every day of the week with coaching, open play, schools outreach or competitions. The current venue offers a minimum of 16 tables in coaching sessions, and the club membership exceeds 150 from all ages and genders.

6.4.16 The key to the club success is strong leadership, planning and partnership working. New Chairman David Adams has been a major driving force to the club committee proactively seeking funding for coaching and equipment and the implementation of the club action plan. Clubmark accreditation has helped with the club's vision and future planning.

6.4.17 Last season the club ran over 10 teams in the Bradford League, including running summer tournaments, NCL, NJL and British League teams. Partnership working has developed with ETTA and local authority culminating in the appointment of Noel Chipman (part-time community coach).

6.4.18 Strong school to club links have matured through relationship building by head coach, Sally Shutt, with school sport partnerships in Bradford. Regular meetings with partnership development managers have become a key element to the club's outreach schools coaching and a link for prospective new club venues, new junior members and especially new club volunteers.

6.4.19 Excellence level

Third place: Halton TTC
Runner-up: London Progress TTC
Winner: Ormesby TTC, Cleveland

6.4.20 A leading English club for over 40 years, Ormesby is fast re-approaching the heyday of the seventies and early eighties when a large team of voluntary coaches, facility availability (albeit a converted chicken hut) and insatiable drive from Alan Ransome OBE produced international players of the calibre of Denis Neale, Nicky

Jarvis, Carole Knight and others. Ormesby TTC won the European Club Championship in 1972 – the only ever British success.

6.4.21 Following an enormous amount of hard work to get their specialist club centre up and running, extensive school and community links (including a disability programme) and a large scale coaching and competition programme have developed, resulting in a growth of membership and emerging talented players - particularly from the girls squad. This is on top of established England players Paul Drinkhall, Danny Reed and Karina Le Fevre. The club was a founder member of the British League and continues to support all sections with eight teams in the different categories.

6.4.22 Always at the front of the queue to take advantage of partnership and funding opportunities, the club has recently appointed a full-time coach/manager whose role not only includes coaching at all levels but also to develop a volunteer infrastructure capable of taking the club further to reach greater heights. An article in Table Tennis News further documents the revival and re-emergence of this powerful force - watch this space for the club to go on to greater things.

6.5 Clubmark

6.5.1 We are pleased to report that the four year target of 95 accredited clubs has been achieved and although this is a most challenging work area, CLUBMARK remains high on the government agenda and the new ETTA Whole Sport Plan 2009/13 features further stretching targets. To achieve these we anticipate putting a number of strategies and incentives in place to encourage more clubs to become accredited.

6.5.2 Accredited clubs are viewed by all partners as 'high quality' and the sign of a quality club. ETTA feels that its PremierClub programme provides a framework for development and is the route for clubs to achieve CLUBMARK and receive the benefits that go with accreditation.

6.6 Regional Club Development Workshops

6.6.1 The roll out of national coverage of regional 'hot topic' club development workshops achieved moderate success in

terms of attendance but a good response by those did attend (evidenced through positive course evaluation forms).

6.6.2 Held on weekends, the aim of these free workshops was to support clubs and bring ETTA national officers into the regions to offer advice and ideas for local use. Workshops covered the following topics: volunteer co-ordinator 'runningsports' workshop, safeguarding and protecting children 'sports coach UK' workshop, session on CLUBMARK re-accreditation, school competitions and the competition managers' programme and a regional update.

6.6.3 In addition attendees had the chance to swap ideas and network with people from other clubs, and also include the opportunity to become acquainted with and take a variety of resources to help deliver table tennis locally. Workshop leaflets were circulated to clubs and all dates and venues featured prominently on the ETTA website.

6.7 PE & Sports Strategy for Young People (PESSYP)

6.7.1 ETTA contributed to 18 community table tennis coach posts via the PESSYP club links funding over the last year. The funding was directly linked to the key performance indicators detailed in the KPI box below:

PESSYP Club Links Key Performance Indicators	March 2009 Target	March 2009 Actual
Accredited (Clubmark) clubs	95	98
School Sport partnership links	250	237
Participants (x 12 sessions) linked to accredited clubs	6,200	6,258
Participants (x 12 sessions) linked to non-accredited clubs	No target	4,732

6.7.2 From the declared figures to the ETTA, of the 6,258 participants, 1,170 young people actually joined a club. Of the 6,258 participants (male and female),

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Regional Club Development Workshops		
Region	Date	Attendees
Yorkshire	05/10/08	14
South West	12/10/08	10
East	04/01/09	20
East Midlands	11/01/09	20
London	07/02/09	8
North East	21/03/09	10
North West	22/01/09	Cancelled (lack of take up)
South East	28/03/09	9
West Midlands	18/04/09	Cancelled (lack of take up)

892 were from black and minority ethnic groups (BME) and 133 were disabled. Directly related to this programme there were 164 school-club links.

PESSYP participant profile	
Total participants in accredited clubs	6,258
male	4,276
female	1,982
BME	892
disabled	133

6.7.3 A review of posts and funding will take place in relation to the Whole Sport Plan 2009/13. It is intended to expand the traditional community coach role to encompass a volunteer support/club organisational element, and some posts are likely to include disability

development via the Playground to Podium programme.

6.8 Premier League 4 Sport

- 6.8.1 This new initiative involves table tennis, badminton, judo and volleyball linking with Premier League football clubs. The aim of the project is to use the magic 'star dust' of the Premier League brand to get 25,000 new young people involved in sport thereby contributing to the '5 hour offer' of PE & Sport per week for all young people.
- 6.8.2 Broadly, it is intended to link a 'hub club' from each sport with a football club and then set up four satellite sessions in four schools for each sport. Funding is available to support national project/developmental costs and local table tennis delivery. ETTA has stated its preference to use funds to support delivery, i.e. coaching, competitions and volunteer development rather than equipment and venue hire.
- 6.8.3 A high level launch took place in January at Tottenham Hotspur FC training ground by the Prime Minister, Gordon Brown, and the Department of Culture, Media & Sport's Secretary of State, Andy Burnham. Also present was Premier League Chief Executive, Rick Parry, and Tottenham Manager, Harry Redknapp, plus squad players. Whilst the PM



was photographed trying his hand with the bat and ball it emerged that Rick Parry used to play table tennis in the Bristol League and that Harry Redknapp went to school with former England champion, Chester Barnes – such is the reach of our sport.

- 6.8.4 The project has 'kicked off' with a vengeance with a first round of initial meetings between Premier League football clubs, the four sports and Partnership Development Managers of

School Sports Partnerships selected by the football clubs. At the time of going to press it is expected that we will have met all 20 football clubs. We have carried out some extensive mapping and discussions to identify (accredited) PremierClubs within a sensible distance from locations nominated by Premier League football clubs. ETTA then wrote to a number of PremierClubs inviting them to express an interest in the project.

- 6.8.5 Although there are challenges in some areas for table tennis to nominate suitable (accredited) clubs in the right locations, there is scope for very new and exciting opportunities that come with working with such high profile partners. The logistics of implementation mean that the likely start date will be in September although there may be some summer activity.
- ## 6.9 Facilities
- 6.9.1 As part of the Whole Sport Planning process, the Department is working towards creating a comprehensive club & facility register that will document current PremierClubs, CLUBMARKED clubs and specialist facilities. Crucially it will also identify potential areas for development within each local authority.

- 6.9.2 The document will be used as a strategic tool to prioritise future resources and inform partners about table tennis. Nine regional documents have been produced listing each local authority area.

- 6.9.3 It is pleasing to report the official openings of the following Community Club Development Programme funded dedicated table tennis facilities that took place over the last year: Generation 2 TTC (Fareham), Waterside TTC (Southampton), Kidlington Forum

TTC (Oxfordshire) and Burton Uxbridge TTC (Staffordshire).

- 6.9.4 In the absence of a Facilities Officer, Nicky Standen has continued to act in a consultative role to advise and support a number of projects. It is anticipated that the Facilities Officer function will return within a new staffing structure and strong support by Sport England, as part of the Whole Sport Plan 2009/13.

6.10 Funding for Community Sport

- 6.10.1 Sport England has announced new funding opportunities available for community sport linked to the 'Grow and Sustain' elements of their 2008/11 strategy. The most significant change and opportunity for local table tennis groups is the creation of a small grants scheme that replaces Awards for All on 1st April. Grants from £300 to £10,000 are available with a six-week decision and matched funding, although encouraged, is not compulsory.
- 6.10.2 Other funding opportunities include sustainable facilities, Sportsmatch, themed rounds (rural communities) and an innovation pot. It has been made clear to governing bodies of sport that if they can evidence significant contributions to the 'Grow & Sustain' agenda then the door is open to receive further investment, and ETTA will be pursuing all these avenues to lever further funding into the sport.
- 6.10.3 Details of 'Funding for community sport' can be found on the Sport England website as follows: <http://www.tinyurl.com/ctwyzv>

6.11 Sainsbury's

- 6.11.1 Through a business partnership arrangement organised via the British Olympic Association, the department has been involved in building a relationship with J Sainsbury's with a view to British table tennis benefiting from the company's expertise in a number of areas including marketing, human resources, membership data collection, operating models and transformation process.
- 6.11.2 The partnership was initiated in November by the Chairman and Chief Executive with a high level visit to Paris to learn about the 'French system'. The trip included a visit to a large purpose built club and discussions with the French



Table Tennis Federation and Government Ministry of Sport. Accompanying ETTA personnel were the Chief Executive of Sport England and four senior Sainsbury's managers.

- 6.11.3 Further engagement has included attendance at the Sainsbury's national conference, assistance with a Sainsbury's television advert and a number of table tennis site visits to enable Sainsbury's to get a better understanding of the sport. It is anticipated that the relationship will develop and begin to flourish during the coming months and following years.

6.12 Volunteer Support Strategy

- 6.12.1 Funding for the ETTA Volunteer Support Strategy, part of the DCMS wider 'Step into sport' programme, has been extended for a seventh year. This programme is led by Martin Ireland in his role of National Volunteer Manager, and is focussed on recruiting more (young) volunteers and leaders into sport.

- 6.12.2 The ETTA mission statement is 'to help build a brighter future for table tennis through the co-ordination of a well-trained and effective volunteer workforce'. An executive summary of the strategy outlining a focus on Recruitment, Retention and Recognition through creating partnerships and improving communication is available from the ETTA.

6.13 Volunteer Co-ordinators

- 6.13.1 The number of registered club/league volunteer co-ordinators has increased to 134 (130 club, 4 Local League). They received copies of a new quarterly

e-mail bulletin promoting items such as ETTA Club Development Workshops being held throughout the country and regional runningsports conferences.

6.14 ETTA National Volunteer Awards

- 6.14.1 The ETTA National Volunteer Awards were held at the ETTA National Coaches Conference on 1/2 November and included the following young people categories: Young Volunteer of the Year (U25), Young Coach of the Year (U25) and Volunteer Co-ordinator of the Year. The winners were promoted via the website, TT News and e-zine.

6.15 ETTA Website – Volunteering

- 6.15.1 The volunteering section on the ETTA website has been updated and it currently contains: 15 role outlines as templates to support clubs and leagues, details of the TT Networker Table Tennis Leadership Award, details of a volunteer recruitment poster that can be personalised for clubs, and updated details of runningsports and sports coach UK courses by date and region.

6.16 TT Networker - Table Tennis Leadership Award

- 6.16.1 The TT Networker - Table Tennis Leadership Award is aimed at 15-18 year olds, and gives candidates an opportunity to experience and learn about the variety of volunteering opportunities in table tennis clubs, leagues and schools. Course numbers have increased by 30% this year: 30 courses have been held with 500 young people in attendance compared with 21 courses and 320 attendees in March 2008.

6.17 Young Officials Award and Junior Umpire Award

- 6.17.1 The new Young Officials Award course developed in partnership with the Youth Sport Trust and funded by V (the volunteering organisation established following the Russell Commission's report into volunteering), has had pilot courses held in six out of the nine regions. Coaches and existing tutors have been trained to deliver the courses nationally. Nine courses have been held with 139 young people attending the courses. The Young Officials Award is being used to encourage new Junior Umpires to umpire at local competitions such as school tournaments, 1 star open tournaments and at higher level competitions such as the UK School Games. The Junior Umpire Award has again seen a large increase in take up this year, increasing by 30% to 633 from 440 awards.

6.18 Competition Review

- 6.18.1 Through involvement with the UK School Games, development funding has been made available for national governing bodies to: challenge their competition structures and pathways, highlight gaps in provision, identify duplication of events, ask whether their competition structures allow for talent ID, and provide clear pathways for young people to engage fully at all levels within the sport.
- 6.18.2 Over the last 12 months this has progressed into a major competition review looking at all levels of competition within table tennis in England. The initial findings and recommendations have been placed in a review

template, which will be circulated widely over the coming months.

6.19 Competition Managers

6.19.1 Table tennis was one of the first sports involved with the role-out of the government funded competition manager network. A minimum of 130 out of 225 competition managers are helping to deliver table tennis activity and competitions in School Sport Partnerships, establishing our target age group of U13 boys and girls team competitions, which feed into existing ESTTA County Schools competitions and coaching/competition opportunities in local accredited clubs. The RDO network, support from local clubs and ESTTA are key to the success of table tennis in this programme.

6.20 UK School Games (UKSG)

6.20.1 The event organized by the Youth Sport Trust in Bristol and Bath at the end of August 2008 was a great success, with five teams entered from England competing with teams from Northern Ireland, Wales and Scotland. England made a clean sweep of the team and individual events including the three disability categories. All the results and details of this year's event in Wales can be seen at the UK School Games website www.ukschoolgames.com

6.20.2 Table Tennis again included disabled players increasing the number of participants from 9 to 18 and for the first time included players with a learning disability - the only sport to do so.

6.20.3 Development funding has been awarded to all the home countries to help develop disabled coaching and competition for young people leading to future UKSG.

6.21 Butterfly Table Tennis Skills Circuit Programme

6.21.1 A reprint of the Butterfly TT skills circuit cards to bring the product in line with the Butterfly 'family' was completed. The circuit is part of the competition manager programme and our young leaders awards and demand for the cards has been exceptionally high, particularly from schools.

6.22 National Junior League (NJJL)

6.22.1 The loss of an NJL in Plymouth this season (hopefully back next year) has been partly offset by the "last minute" re-start with the minimum number of teams at Northfield, Billingham. The combination of a small number of both NJL and NCL teams playing on the same day(s) at Byng Hall and Ilfracombe was also "a new innovation" this past season.

6.22.2 All other centres continued from the previous report, thus the number of teams entered has increased from 209 to 210, but Northfield apart, there are still "no NJL leagues north of a line from Suffolk/Northamptonshire up the eastern side of the country to the Scottish border" as indicated in the last report.

6.22.3 We still have issues regarding the number of matches provided per day at a couple of venues, but on a positive note, as it has been a year when steady progress has been made, at two venues this past season (Cippenham and Wood Green) each of the three members of the team(s) were provided with 47 matches for ranking points over the season by their local organisers.

6.23 National Cadet League (NCL)

6.23.1 This has been another very successful season for the NCL with two new organisers/venues (Graham Coupe at Garstang

and Sylvia Tyler at Market Rasen), plus the re-appearance of Ellenborough, largely thanks to new organiser Terry Wilson, added to all the previous season's venues operating.

6.23.2 Thus nationally there has been an increase from 193 teams last season to 222 this. All but one of the centres had two or more divisions for days three and four (more meaningful matches), and the two venues with the largest entries (Southall & Chesham High) having four divisions right from the start of day one. The players at Bournemouth were provided with 48 matches each during the season.

6.24 Fred Perry Urban Cup

6.24.1 Teams from eight British cities took part in these finals, which were held in Bethnal Green, London, on Sunday 13th December and ably refereed by Karen Tonge MBE. Run in conjunction with Clubs for Young People, the event received a large amount of national publicity and media as it coincided with the UK Sport announcement to cut funding for eight sports, including table tennis, for the run-up to the 2012 Olympic Games. We have plans to significantly expand activity in the youth sector and link with this initiative.

6.25 Child Protection

6.25.1 CRB checks - Tigerbrook, the registered body which had been processing checks on behalf of the ETTA, ceased trading at the end of October 2008 so the Association has chosen to work with TMG CRB who are fully endorsed by Central Council for Physical Recreation (CCPR) and who are currently giving the same service to several other sports.

6.25.2 ETTA's Child Protection Officer became an approved tutor for sports coach UK's Safeguarding and Protecting Children Workshop. This workshop has been included in the Regional Development 'hot topic' Workshops and has also been delivered to all the Regional Club Coaches and other coaches involved with British Table Tennis Federation (BTTF).

6.25.3 During the course of the year one coach has been banned from coaching for life, and two players and one coach remain suspended pending the outcomes of court cases.



- 6.25.4 ETTA's Child Protection Committee met twice during the year as has the Equality Committee.
- 6.25.5 ETTA's lead officer acted as the Welfare Co-ordinator for table tennis at the UK School Games in Bristol and Bath whilst the Vice-Chairman (Development) was the Welfare Officer.

6.26 Equality

- 6.26.1 ETTA were one of six sports selected to take part in

ETTA competition review, UK School Games, and promotion & publicity of resources to schools at events such as the School Sport Partnership conferences organised by Youth Sport Trust.

- 6.27.2 There is reciprocal representation at the ESTTA executive and National Development meetings and it is hoped that the links, through PESSYP, will strengthen alongside more funding becoming available.

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the Playground to Podium programme for which funding of £569,000 has been awarded over a four year period to roll out the plan. It is hoped by the AGM that ETTA will have in place regional co-ordinators to support and develop this initiative within the Regions.

- 6.26.2 Once again an event was included for disabled players in ETTA's National Championships with the two winners being Mark Palmer (Wheelchair Event) and Kim Daybell (Standing Event).
- 6.26.3 Disabled table tennis had to say goodbye to two good friends: Stefan Trofan - National Coach and ex Paralympic, World and European medallist, and Rebecca Wright.
- 6.26.4 The following clubs have joined the PremierClub Ability programme during the year: Ormesby TTC, Sunderland TTA, Fusion TTC, Colin Deaton TT Academy/Meadows, New Ferry TTC, St Austell TTC and Camborne TTC with Okehampton TTC holding a refresher course for their new coaches.
- 6.26.5 ETTA's disability forum has met three times during the year with representatives from ETTA, BTTAD, Mencap Sports, Special Olympics, UK Deaf Sport, Disability Sports Events, Wheelpower, Cerebral Palsy (CP) Sport and English Federation of Disability Sports attending regularly.
- ## 6.27 English Schools' Table Tennis Association (ESTTA)
- 6.27.1 The close working relationship with ESTTA continues to strengthen, with both ESTTA and ETTA working in areas such as: competition manager support,

6.28 British Universities & Colleges Sport (BUCS)

- 6.28.1 Whilst there has been ongoing liaison there is still work needed to be done on developing closer links and initiatives to promote play in universities.

6.29 British Table Tennis Association for People with Disabilities (BTTAD)

- 6.29.1 ETTA and BTTAD have strengthened their relationship through their Chairman, Peter Taylor, and we are also working closely together on the Playground to Podium programme. Both partners play an active role in the 'disability forum' and in the development of opportunities for disabled athletes at all ability levels. ETTA's Equality Officer has also sat on the Appeals Panel for BTTAD.

6.30 School & Sports Partnerships (SSP) Conference

- 6.30.1 This was held at Telford in October where the department co-hosted an information stand with ESTTA to promote table tennis to the school sport infrastructure. Amongst the 1,500 delegates were most of the 225 newly appointed competition managers who showed a huge interest in table tennis. In excess of 350 competition ladder boards and 250 Butterfly TT skills circuit cards were distributed and ESTTA had an enormous interest in their Butterfly 'More Schools' initiative.

6.31 Disability Conference

- 6.31.1 Youth Sport Trust held a conference (Nottingham) in December for specialist sports colleges with links to special schools. ETTA attended with

a development stand and provided information, resources and advice to many of the 500 delegates.

6.32 Sports Colleges Conference

- 6.32.1 The 11th annual Sports College conference took place on Wednesday 11th & Thursday 12th February at the international centre, Telford. Approximately 2,000 delegates and guests attended, and ETTA arranged and paid for a joint ETTA/ESTTA table tennis information and resources stand as part of the large exhibition that runs alongside conference workshops, keynote speeches and topical updates. The audience was predominantly made up of the 475 sports colleges head teachers and directors of specialism (directors of PE & community sport). In addition, heads of PE, partnership development managers, Youth Sport Trust and Sport England staff, government civil servants and various others including ETTA Chief Executive attended.

- 6.32.2 Our stand was once again extremely popular and we were able to distribute over 400 ladder boards, 200 skills circuits, RDO contacts, information on coach education for teachers, schools table tennis, equipment advice (outdoor tables) and other miscellaneous subjects.

- 6.32.3 On day two of the conference we conducted a crude straw poll of 58 delegates we spoke to who declared that they had 416 tables in schools between them. We had many very positive anecdotes about how popular the sport is with pupils and how it contributes to behaviour, concentration, attendance, etc., not to mention fun and enjoyment!! On the downside we received feedback that confirms what we already know that there are not enough clubs to provide 'exit routes' into the community, and that our equipment is not durable enough for school use. We also had a large interest in outdoor tables and several examples that outdoor tables are featuring in school plans.

6.33 Staff

- 6.33.1 At the time of writing, a full complement of RDOs is in place following the September appointment of Lisa Bosley in the South East Region. This followed the resignation of Wesley

Bush-Harris after 12 years loyal service initially as National Youth Development Officer and latterly as RDO. Wesley's experience, knowledge and personality will be missed, and we wish him every success in his new employment within the commercial sector of a table tennis equipment supplier.



7.3 UK Coaching Framework

7.3.1 This was launched by UK Sport in April 2008 at the Ricoh Stadium in Coventry. The framework details the requirements for all sports to produce a world class coaching system by 2016. ETТА along with the other home countries have

6.33.2 Following the completion of her TV production course, Gina Rogers is also due to finish her part-time employment with us as Development Assistant in May. Gina was an outstanding support and brought a number of new IT skills to the Department. She managed the administration of a number of projects including the PE, School Sport & Club Links (PESSCL) – coach appointments, TT Networker, club development workshops and CLUBMARK file assessment. Her short-term plans include foreign travel before seeking full-time work.

7. National Coaching

7.1 Staff

7.1.1 The recruitment of 8 Regional Coaches has taken place during the year and all are actively working in the Club & Coach project which is described later in this report.

7.1.2 At the time of writing Pauline Adams has submitted her resignation as National Coaching Administrator. A part-time administrative assistant has also been employed to help with the heavy workload in the department.

7.2 Coaching Conference

7.2.1 A very successful and very practical conference was held at Lilleshall over the weekend of 1st/2nd November 2008. The new team of Regional Coaches and HQ staff worked extremely hard to provide an interesting and instructional series of coaching aspects.

7.4 United Kingdom Coaching Certificate (UKCC)

7.4.1 The programme of bridging courses for existing ETТА coaches to transfer to the UKCC system has commenced. A total of 79 coaches are currently in the process of transferring.

7.4.2 The following 1st4sport Certificate in Coaching Table Tennis courses were delivered in the year April 2008 to March 2009:

- Level 1 x 16
- Level 2 bridging x 4

In addition, a further 4 x Level 1, 1 x Level 2, and 4 x Level 2 bridging courses are organised through to July.

7.4.3 The Level 1 technical resources have been revised, including replacing photographs of foreign players with those of British players.

7.4.4 Additional resources have been produced to support candidates and coach educators as follows:

- Candidate pre-course induction packs for Level 1, 2 and Level 2 bridging.
- Coach Educator checklist for Level 1.
- Coach educator newsletters – the aim is to produce a new edition at least twice a year, covering issues that have come to light, and amendments etc.
- USB memory sticks for coach educators, containing all relevant UKCC documentation (apart from technical resources

and 1st4sport Candidate Pack).

7.4.5 The Level 1 and 2 course programme for the period September 2009 to July 2010 is currently being planned. The aim is to deliver a programme of at least 2 x Level 1, 1 x Level 2, and 1 x Level 2 Bridging courses in each region, and to have this annual programme in place by mid-June, so that courses can be advertised and promoted well in advance.

7.4.6 The first Level 3 course is organised for the week starting 13th July. Attendance at the first course will be by invitation only, and will include the Regional Coaches.

7.4.7 Five sports including table tennis are working together (basketball, squash, hockey and rugby league) to deliver the UKCC level 4. This group will be called the Pentagon Group and will work very closely with the University of Central Lancashire (UCLAN). It is hoped that the UKCC Level 4 two year degree course will start in September 2009, if all the generic modules are completed. The sports specific modules have been identified by the Technical Working Group (TWG). The TWG consists of representatives from the home countries and sports coach UK, and we are currently compiling the sport specific resources for Level 4.

7.4.8 A partner review meeting was held in October with 1st4sport, where various issues were discussed, including administration, amendments to resources and Level 1 exam questions, and a revised financial schedule. 1st4sport expressed their satisfaction with ETТА administration of courses. A further meeting is arranged for 8th May 2009.

7.4.9 A tutor review meeting was held on 29th March, attended by 11 ETТА tutors and assessors. Ian Pyper delivered a session on the Level 2 physiology module, and other items discussed were the assessment criteria for Level 1 and 2, and the examination questions at Level 1.

7.4.10 A course for the training of 12 more tutors for the Certificate for Tutoring in Sport (CTS) has been organised at Lilleshall National Sports Centre to take place on 22nd-24th May. A further 12 tutors will be trained in the

future, and all will then go onto assessor training.

7.4.11 The ETTA no longer organises the 'Safeguarding and Protecting Children' and 'Emergency Life Support' workshops to run alongside each coach education course. Most of the County Sports Partnerships are running these courses at a subsidised rate, also it was proving too problematic to achieve the necessary numbers on each course.

7.5 ETTA Courses

7.5.1 The revised ETTA award courses were launched at the Coaching Conference in November 2008. The new awards are:

- Introduction to Table Tennis - three hours
- Introduction to Coaching - six hours
- Teacher Award – 6 hours

7.5.2 The Introduction to Coaching and Teacher Award courses may be run in parallel, as there is only one module difference. Candidate handbooks have been developed for each award.

7.5.3 We are currently in the pilot phase of delivery, with individual tutors being supported to deliver courses. So far the following have taken place:

- Introduction to Table Tennis x 3
- Introduction to Coaching x 4
- Teacher x 3

7.5.4 'Orientation' training is currently being organised for tutors to deliver this programme. Expressions of interest have been received from 21 coaches.

7.5 Criminal Records Bureau (CRB) Checks and Coach Licence Scheme

7.5.1 There are currently 935 active coaches with a valid CRB check. This figure

is constantly changing as it is now in the period where the bulk of CRBs are due for renewal.

7.5.2 A Coach Licence scheme was introduced in November 2008 at a cost of £12.50 per coach. This is a requirement within both the UKCC project and the UK Coaching Framework. The criteria for a coach to hold a licence is that they must be qualified to a minimum of either ETTA Level 2, or UKCC Level 1, and have a current and valid CRB certificate. A benefit of the licence is that the individual civil liability cover for coaches is included.

7.5.3 Of those coaches with valid CRB checks, currently 566 have an ETTA Coach Licence.

7.6 Butterfly Skills Table Tennis Programme

7.6.1 Sales of resources for the year 1st April 2008 to 31st March 2009 were:

- Manuals (includes posters and awards booklet) = 274
- Awards = 1,637

7.6.2 After feedback from coaches and teachers, the certificates are being redesigned into an A4 format.

7.7 Junior Umpire Awards

7.7.1 There were a total of 632 Junior Umpire Awards for the year April 2008 to the end of March 2009. This is almost a 44% increase on the previous year.

7.8 National Coaching Committee

7.8.1 A meeting was held on 5th July 2008 at the Novotel Hotel, Coventry, which was chaired by the Vice-Chairman (National Coaching), attended by the Vice-Chairman (Selection), National Coaching Officer, National Coaching Manager and the Regional Coaching Co-ordinators.

7.8.2 Jill Parker reported on the appointment of full-time coaches under the Club and Coach project and also progress on the UK Coaching Framework.

7.8.3 Dave Berriman reported on progress of the UKCC project, the proposed Coach Licence Scheme to be introduced in the autumn of 2008, and the proposals for revised ETTA awards produced by Jenny Heaton.

7.8.4 Peter Charters gave an update on performance issues and the Youth Development Squad.

7.9 Club and Coach Project

7.9.1 After successful interviews, the following coaches were appointed and the clubs that they will work with in the project:

- North East - Matthew Stanforth (1st June)
Northfield, Sunderland, Hartlepool, Ormesby
- North West - Katy Parker (1st June)
Blackpool, Lancaster & Morecambe, Garstang
- Yorkshire - Sally Shutt (1st June)
Fastbats, Pudsey, Sheffield
- East Midlands - Andrew Rushton (1st July)
Colin Deaton Memorial, Clifdale Chandlers, Draycott and Long Eaton
- West Midlands - Helen Lower (1st July)
Colebridge, Smithswood, Wood Green, Great Wyrley
- East - Natalie Green (14th July)
Batts, Bury St. Edmunds, Wensum, Netts
- London - Aaron Fennell (14th July)
Kemnal, 3E's, Wembley and Harrow, Ellenborough





- South East - Alex Green (24th July)
Hollingbury, Crawley and Horsham
- 7.9.2 Alex Green has resigned his position as the South East Regional Coach as he is relocating to another region. His last day in the post was 24th April.
- 7.9.3 Six month reporting for KPIs and finances for all regions were submitted to Sport England in October and the beginning of April, and all regions have succeeded with their targets by a large percentage.
- 7.9.4 Additional funding was available from the London region, and Alison Broe has been appointed as a part-time coach working in the London Region at the Graham Spicer Institute for 20 weeks.

8. Selection

8.1 England Performances

- 8.1.1 The year started well with the best ever medal haul for England at the European Youth Championships which were held in Terni, Italy. With ten medals, four of them gold in Terni, England were acclaimed as the best youth nation in Europe. The results of Paul Drinkhall and Gavin Evans, Junior and Cadet Champions of Europe respectively, would be the highlights of the Championships. Two doubles golds, Cadet Boys' team silver, individual bronze for Darius Knight and Liam Pitchford, Gavin's silver in the Cadet Boys' Doubles and two more Mixed Doubles bronze medals for Darius and Gavin added the gloss to the whole occasion. All doubles medals, apart from Paul and Darius in the Junior Boys were won with foreign players. The only disappointment in Terni was missing out on a Junior

- Boys' team medal after Paul had remained undefeated. These Championships produced a remarkable statistic in that Paul never tasted defeat in any event, winning two more doubles' golds.
- 8.1.2 At the European Senior Championships in October, good individual results for Paul, Joanna Parker and Kelly Sibley showed that they are getting closer to European senior level.
- 8.1.3 At the World Junior Championships in Madrid in December, England won bronze in the Junior Boys' team and Paul won silver in the Junior Boys' singles.
- 8.1.4 At the Commonwealth Youth Games in Pune, India, both Gavin Evans and Karina Le Fevre were quarter-finalists.
- 8.1.5 Gavin, being the European Cadet Champion, was invited to play in the Euro Junior Top Ten in Sweden where he finished a creditable seventh, considering

- 8.1.6 In the Senior Home Nations event England won only one gold medal and that through Andrew Rushton in the men's individual, beating Tim Yarnall in the final.
- 8.1.7 England again dominated the Junior and Cadet version of the Home Nations winning all the gold medals available. Sean Cullen (JB), Hannah Hicks (JG), Lewis Gray (CB) and Tin-Tin Ho (CG) were the individual winners.
- 8.1.8 Results so far in the European Nations League have been disappointing. An injury to Kelly Sibley highlighted the thinness of strength in the English women after Joanna and Kelly. Juniors, Karina Le Fevre and Hannah

- Hicks, fought bravely in support of Jo. The women lost 0-3 to Belarus and 0-3 to France.
- 8.1.9 The men fared little better, losing 1-3 to Turkey and 2-3 to Portugal, Paul Drinkhall winning one in each match and Andrew Rushton adding one in Portugal.
- 8.2 **BTF**
- 8.2.1 With the severe cut in the UK Sport funding for the BTF 2012 Programme some major changes were needed. The National Training Centre (NTC) at Sheffield has been retained albeit in a smaller hall.
- 8.2.2 Only eleven players have kept their place in the BTF Development Group, seven of them English:
 - Paul Drinkhall
 - Darius Knight
 - Danny Reed
 - Gavin Evans
 - Liam Pitchford
 - Joanna Parker
 - Kelly Sibley

“With ten medals, four of them gold in Terni, England were acclaimed as the best youth nation in Europe.”

- 8.2.3 Justin Ma has been de-selected from the BTF Group but would be eligible to play for England in April 2010 if he now remains in this country.
- 8.2.4 The BTF Talent Identification Group has been disbanded due to the financial cuts.
- 8.2.5 Steen Kyst Hansen remains the BTF Performance Director with Jia Yi Liu as Men's Coach and Alan Cooke as Women's Coach for BTF. Two new assistant coaches had been appointed to the BTF not long before the financial cuts were announced. At the moment, with some financial help from ETTA, these two assistant coaches, Linus Mernsten (men) and Nikola

(Niki) Vukelja (women) have been retained. Louise Larcombe continues as BTTF Performance Co-ordinator working at the NTC in Sheffield.

8.3 Performance Staff

8.3.1 Under a Service Level Agreement, ETТА employ these BTTF Performance staff members for a percentage of their working time.

8.4 Junior Selection Panel

8.4.1 The ETТА Junior Selection Panel has been in full operation again this year. Alan Cooke found the commitment to the time needed difficult, so relinquished his position on the Panel, but Desmond Douglas joined the panel to add his vast international experience to the decision making process. Other members of the Panel are Carole Moore, Alex Perry and ETТА Performance Manager, Steen Kyst Hansen. Peter Charters chairs the Panel but only votes in the case of equality.

8.4.2 All junior, cadet and mini-cadet selections are made by this Panel with the exception of Gavin Evans and Liam Pitchford who, whilst members of the BTTF Development Group, are solely selected by the BTTF Performance Director who is responsible for their programme.

8.4.3 The Junior Selection Panel have been looking at a way to provide top players with an incentive to compete more often than they do now, in major home events. Overplay must be avoided for these players but so is the tendency to hide from domestic pressures and challenges.

8.4.4 The need to provide junior and cadet girls with opportunities in order to find a small number capable of closing the gap on our two senior women has been addressed by the Panel. To this end, girls have received some positive discrimination to increase their opportunities in selection terms during the latter stages of this year.

8.5 International Youth Squads

8.5.1 The ETТА International Youth Squads at junior and cadet level is a new initiative to provide group-training opportunities and to give the Junior Selection Panel greater focus on players' performances in competition. These groups figure above the Youth Development Squads in the ETТА Player Pathway with

between eight and ten players in each age and gender squad.

8.5.2 Players in the squads at the end of this season are:-

Junior Boys:

- Gavin Evans
- Liam Pitchford
- Chris Doran
- Mathew Ware
- William Maybanks
- Daniel Lowe
- David McBeath
- Sean Cullen
- Richard Andrews

Junior Girls:

- Karina Le Fevre
- Emma Vickers
- Hannah Hicks
- Melissa Wright
- Mary Fuller
- Martha Travis
- Natalie Slater

Cadet Boys:

- Zak Zilesnick
- Lewis Gray
- Sam Walker
- Reece Tan
- Ping Ho
- Jared Patel
- Igor Morais

Cadet Girls:

- Emily Bates
- Lucy Davidson
- Yolanda King
- Tin-Tin Ho
- Chloe Whyte
- Jessica Dawson
- Victoria Smith
- Charleigh Kirby
- Tressa Armitage

8.5.3 Mini-cadet squads are in the process of being formed, most Under 12s being difficult to assess at this early stage.

8.5.4 The Junior Selection Panel can make changes to the membership of these squads at any time throughout the season.

Youth squad selection criteria and guidelines have been published so that players, parents, coaches and Panel members themselves are aware of expectations.

8.6 Youth Development Squads (YDS)

8.6.1 These monthly training weekends continue to provide young players with experience of England style training camps. This is the first opportunity to train with players representing

the whole of England and it figures above Regional Squad training and Performance Centres in the player pathway.

8.6.2 The YDS under 12s have been under the direction of Carole Moore whilst Peter Charters has organised the YDS under 15 group.

8.7 Talent Identification

8.7.1 The Trials, Regional Qualification and National Finals were held again this year. The staging of the finals in Grantham seems to have been the best yet whilst the Regional Qualifiers varied in their degree of success. Through these trials there have been important lessons learned in terms of a national talent identification programme for the future.

8.8 The Masters

8.8.1 The Junior and Cadet Masters have been held again this year using the same two venues as last year; Cippenham (cadets) and Westfield, Wellingborough (juniors).

8.8.2 These two events, along with the National Junior & Cadet Championships, are used as the most significant domestic guide by the Junior Selection Panel.

8.8.3 Fourteen players will compete in a round-robin event over a weekend. Twelve qualify via the ranking list (providing they have played in the stated number of tournaments) whilst two wild card places are given by the Junior Selection Panel.





International Matters

9. International Matters

9.1 British Table Tennis Federation Limited (BTTF)

9.1.1 The British Table Tennis Federation is responsible for the Elite Programme for Great Britain teams. It operates as a Limited Company with a Board and a Performance Selection Panel. The day-to-day administration is done via the English Table Tennis Association Ltd through a Service Level Agreement signed by the four home countries and a Performance Management Group responsible to the BTTF Board.

9.1.2 The corporate governance changes have been approved at an AGM and by the Board in

line with the requirements of UK Sport, our funding partners.

9.1.3 UK Sport operates a Mission 2012 policy and strategy for all the Olympic national governing bodies. Table tennis has been very much involved in the process and our sport's submissions have been approved by the Mission 2012 Panel during the past year.

9.1.4 The Chairman is a member of the British Olympic Committee elected by the BTTF Board and is involved with the London 2012 Olympic Games. Regular updates are given to the national governing bodies and significant progress is being made towards a fantastic Olympic Games on 'home turf'.

9.1.5 The BTTF has, at the English Institute of Sport in Sheffield, a dedicated facility for training including sports science and medicine (SSSM); this has been extremely positive for the players and coaches. A number of the over 16s are now in residence in Sheffield and training programmes have been set up for the BTTF Development Squad. The staffing structure for the programme has increased with two additional coaches.

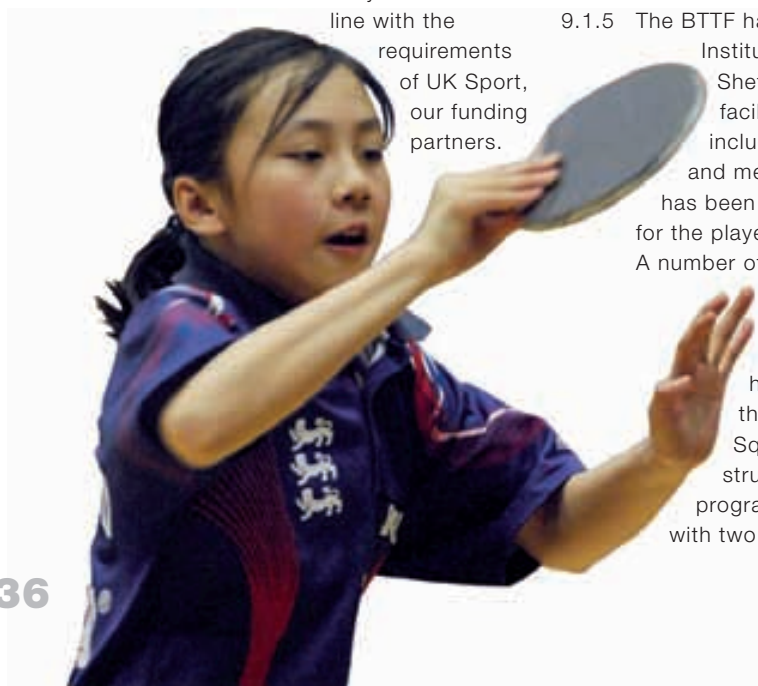
9.1.6 The funding for the programme has been reduced due to a shortfall in the Government's backing for London 2012 via UK Sport, which has meant that a decision was made to front load the £1.2m over the first two years. Additional support and funding is being put into place and being negotiated from a number of sources, which will assist the whole programme in its build up to 2012 and a legacy for the future.

9.1.7 Closer links have been established with the British Table Tennis Association for People with Disabilities (BTTAD) in line with the ITTF initiative. This has involved a Service Level Agreement between the BTTAD and the ETTA. Shared facilities and SSSM specialists in Sheffield have been agreed between the BTTAD and the BTTF.

9.2 International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF)

9.2.1 The Chairman attended the AGM, Board of Directors and a number of other meetings in Japan during the World Individual Championships, which was once again dominated by China.

9.2.2 Delegates from England attended meetings involving the Equipment, Nominations and Women's Committees as well as informative seminars.



9.2.3 A number of propositions and resolutions were passed by the AGM and Board, details were circulated to the membership.

9.2.4 A new ITTF Executive Board was elected at the AGM and the President was re-elected for a further four year term.

9.2.5 The Chairman was re-elected to the ITTF Board of Directors, Peter Bradley was re-elected to the Equipment Committee, Stuart Sherlock elected to the Technical Committee and Val Murdoch re-elected to the Nominations Committee.

9.2.6 The next World Team Championships will take place from 23rd to 30th May 2010 in Moscow, Russia.

9.3 European Table Tennis Union (ETTU)

9.3.1 The Chairman attended the ETTU EGM and Board meetings in Japan, discussions took place in regard to several of the ITTF propositions and resolutions. The European Women's Group had a meeting in Japan, which was attended by Val Murdoch.

9.3.2 The ETTU AGM took place in St. Petersburg and the Chairman was elected as a nominee for the ITTF Board of Directors, which was approved at the ITTF AGM for a further four year term. Nominations by England for the following committees were approved by the ETTU Executive Board.
 Martin Clark - Financial Expert Officer, Malcolm Macfarlane - Ranking Committee, Peter Charters - Youth Committee, Mick Strobe - Referees and Umpires Committee, Tony Chatwin - Technical Committee and Val Murdoch - Women's Working Group.

9.3.3 The next European Championships will take place in Stuttgart, Germany, from 13th to 20th September 2009.

9.4 Commonwealth Games Council England (CGE)

9.4.1 A number of meetings were attended and Team England, including table tennis, participated in the Commonwealth Youth Games in India during 2008, which were a great success.

9.4.2 The next Commonwealth Games will be in New Delhi, India, in 2010 from October 3rd to 14th, table tennis is included.

9.4.3 The Chairman attended a presentation meeting about the Commonwealth Games 2010 by the Commonwealth Games Council CEO Mike Hooper, in regard to an update on the preparations and potential security risk. All of those representing the sports in Delhi were very happy with the progress made and considered that all steps had and will take place to ensure a safe and secure environment for the athletes, officials and spectators.

9.4.4 A new Chairman of CGE, Sir Andrew Foster, was appointed and he has undertaken a review of the governance and other areas relating to the Council's work, which has been approved by the members.

9.5 Commonwealth Table Tennis Federation (CTTF)

9.5.1 A General Meeting and Management Meeting took place in Japan, during the World Team Championships, which the Chairman and Peter Bradley attended.

9.5.2 The CTTF Championships were held in Glasgow during May as part of the City's build up for the Commonwealth Games in 2014. These Championships were

excellent from an organisational and competition perspective and our thanks go to the CTTF, Table Tennis Scotland and Glasgow City Council. The CTTF AGM took place during these Championships and was attended by delegates from England, and also a BTTF Board Meeting was held during the event.

9.5.3 Negotiations are underway for the 2011 Championships with an excellent bid from Pakistan. It was agreed to leave this pending at this time in view of the internal unrest in the country and to be reviewed again at the next AGM when other bids may be forthcoming.

“The BTTF has, at the English Institute of Sport in Sheffield, a dedicated facility for training including sports science and medicine which has been extremely positive for the players and coaches.”





Awards & Thanks

Chairman's special thanks go to...

Each of the Departmental Vice-Chairmen who have included reports in this document together with their committee chairmen and all committee members, for their significant contribution to the ongoing and often demanding workload that helps to keep the ETTA's wheels turning. This involves many extra requirements that national governing bodies face in meeting the demands of Government legislation in today's environment.

Richard Yule, our Chief Executive, in particular for his efforts with our funding partners Sport England, UK Sport and Youth Sport Trust. Also the support and commitment shown by him and his team of professional staff who continue to be fundamental to the successful growth and development of table tennis.

Trade suppliers and local councils, especially Joola, Butterfly, Sheffield, Preston and Ealing Councils and Yorkshire Forward for their continued outstanding financial and general support.

"The ETTA would like to say a big thank you to the wide range of supporters and partners who help fund our work. Every penny counts and goes towards building a brighter future for the nation's table tennis. We would also like to extend these thanks to the exceptional efforts of our volunteers whose continued commitment and expertise help us make table tennis a sport for everyone, everywhere."

Thanks also to our many volunteers who work daily at local club, league, county, regional and national level. Most are unsung heroes who make sure our sport continues to function at every level. Thanks go also to the referees, umpires and organisers who ensure our significant events programme runs efficiently.

Ormesby TTC. Cleveland
PremierClub of the Year Excellence
Alan Ransome being presented with the award by Alex Murdoch



Awards

- **Male Coach of the Year**
Melvyn Buxton
- **Female Coach of the Year**
Sue Hayes
- **Community Coach of the Year**
Maggie Edwards
- **Young Coach of the Year**
Stephanie Mitchell
- **Contribution to Coaching**
Alan Dines
- **Equality Award**
Shaun Newcomb
- **Development Officer of the Year**
Colin French
- **PremierClub Volunteer of the Year**
Brenda Stephenson
- **Young Volunteer of the Year**
Sarah Holden
- **Press Officer of the Year**
Graham Trimming
- **Volunteer Co-ordinator of the Year**
Aubrey Hughes
- **B.O.A. Award**
Kelly Sibley

PremierClub of the Year

- **Club Mark Level**
BATTs Harlow, Essex
- **Participation Level**
Woolwell TTC, Plymouth, Devon
- **Advanced Level**
Fastbats TTC, Bradford, Yorkshire
- **Excellence Level**
Ormesby TTC, Cleveland

Ivor Montagu Junior Fund

The following players received grants

- George Downing
- Ross Wilson
- Jack Collings
- Christopher Doran
- Katie Wilson
- Kirsty Wilson
- Michael Hahan
- Mary Fuller
- Nathan Bingham

Maurice Goldstein Merit Awards

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|----------------|------------------|
| • P Canning | Walsall |
| • J Andrews | Colchester |
| • R Hudson | Hull |
| • D Cross | Northampton |
| • G Powell | Northampton |
| • M Edwards | Northampton |
| • B Bailey | Macclesfield |
| • O Hatter | Hastings |
| • P O'Bryne | Cambridge |
| • R Neal | Lytham St Annes |
| • D Marsh | Northamptonshire |
| • W Cymbler | Middlesex |
| • P Smith | North Herts |
| • R Adlington | Nottinghamshire |
| • J Loader | Crawley/Horsham |
| • O Rumbold | Nottinghamshire |
| • C Corlett | Leeds |
| • J Pilkington | Southport |
| • R Silverton | Willesden |
| • A N Murdoch | North Herts |
| • D George | North Herts |
| • D Waples | Wellingborough |

Tom Blunn Fund

The following officials received grants

- Steve Welch
- Stan Clarke
- David Brown
- Bill Moran
- Lynda Reid
- Derek Sherratt
- Eric Pentland
- Russell Sutcliffe
- John Mackey
- Bob Williamson

Liam Pitchford

Johnny Leach Most Improved Player of the Year Award
with Peter Charters and Sandra Deaton



Swaythling Club fair Play Award

- Daniel Reed

Honours bestowed on Members at AGM

- **Vice-Presidents**
Graham Trimming
Ron Washington
- **Victor Barna Award**
Kelly Sibley
- **Johnny Leach Most Improved Player of the Year Award**
Liam Pitchford
- **Ivor Montagu Award**
Stan Clarke
- **Malcolm Scott Award**
Peter Charters
- **Leslie Forrest Memorial Trophy**
Ron Hedley
- **A K Vint O.B.E. Staff Award**
Brian Skinner
- **Mike Watts Achievement Award**
Tin-Tin Ho
Chris Doran



Kelly Sibley

British Olympic Association
Award winner with Alex Murdoch



Results

International Events

European Youth Championships

Italy - July 2008

Junior Boys

England v Germany	win	3-2
England v Portugal	win	3-1
England v Norway	win	3-1
England v Ukraine	win	3-1
England v Sweden	loss	2-3
England v Czech Rep.	win	3-1
England v Belgium	loss	2-3

Junior Girls

England v Netherlands	loss	0-3
England v Sweden	loss	0-3
England v Armenia	win	3-2
England v Iceland	win	3-0
England v Latvia	win	3-1
England v Finland	win	3-0
England v Armenia	win	3-0
England v Denmark	win	3-0

Cadet Boys

England v Spain	win	3-0
England v Germany	win	3-0
England v Italy	win	3-0
England v Romania	win	3-0
England v Belgium	win	3-2
England v Sweden	win	3-2
England v France	loss	1-3

Cadet Girls

England v Sweden	win	3-1
England v Czech Rep.	loss	1-3
England v Greece	win	3-0
England v Belarus	win	3-2
England v Turkey	win	3-2
England v Bosnia & Herzegovina	loss	1-3

Senior 6 Nations

Largs, Ayrshire - September 2008

Men

England v Wales	loss	0-3
England v Guernsey	win	3-0
England v Isle of Man	win	3-0
England v Scotland	win	3-0
England v Ireland	win	3-0

Women

England v Wales	win	3-2
England v Guernsey	win	3-2
England v Isle of Man	win	3-0
England v Scotland	win	3-1
England v Ireland	loss	1-3

European Championships

Russia - October 2008

Men

England v San Marino	win	3-0
England v Czech Rep.	loss	0-3
England v Latvia	win	3-2
England v Slovenia	loss	1-3
England v Bulgaria	win	3-1
England v Turkey	win	3-1

Women

England v Denmark	loss	1-3
England v Portugal	win	3-1
England v Israel	win	3-1
England v Lithuania	win	3-1
England v Slovenia	win	3-2
England v Slovakia	win	3-1

World Cadet Challenge**Sweden - November 2008**

Cadet Boys		
Europe v Oceania	win	4-1
Europe v Latin America	win	3-2
Europe v Japan	win	5-0
Europe v Sweden	win	3-0
Europe v Asia	win	3-0

Slovakia Cadet Open**Bratislava - November 2008**

Cadet Boys		
England A v Belarus A	loss	1-3
England B v Germany A	loss	0-3
England B v Netherlands A	loss	1-3
England A v Germany B	loss	2-3

Austrian Open**November 2008**

Men		
England v Slovakia	loss	2-3

World Junior Championships**Madrid - December 2008**

Junior Boys		
England v Canada	win	3-0
England v Sweden	win	3-1
England v Australia	win	3-0
England v Poland	win	3-1
England v Korea	loss	0-3

Portuguese Youth Open**December 2008**

Junior Boys		
England v Slovenia	loss	1-3
England v France B	win	3-2
England v Luxembourg	win	3-1
England v Croatia	loss	1-3

Junior Girls

England v Luxembourg	loss	2-3
England v France	loss	2-3
England v Spain	win	3-2
England v Croatia	loss	0-3

Cadet Boys

England v Wales	win	3-0
England v Israel	loss	0-3
England v Sweden B	loss	2-3
England v Portugal	win	3-2

European Nations League**February 2009**

Men		
England v Turkey	loss	1-3

Women

England v Belarus	loss	0-3
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April 2009

Men		
England v Portugal	loss	2-3

Women

England v France	loss	0-3
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Junior & Cadet 6 Nations**Wales - March 2009**

Junior Boys		
England v Guernsey	win	5-0
England v Wales	win	5-0
England v Isle of Man	win	5-0
England v Scotland	win	5-0
England v Ireland	win	5-0

Junior Girls

England v Guernsey	win	5-0
England v Scotland	win	5-0
England v Wales	win	5-0
England v Ireland	win	5-0

Cadet Boys

England v Scotland	win	5-0
England v Guernsey	win	5-0
England v Wales	win	5-0
England v Ireland	win	4-1
England v Isle of Man	win	5-0

Cadet Girls

England v Scotland	win	5-0
England v Guernsey	win	5-0
England v Wales	win	4-1
England v Ireland	win	4-1

Malta Junior Open**March 2009**

Cadet Boys		
England v Malta C	win	3-0
England v Italy	loss	1-3
England v Slovakia A	loss	2-3

Luxembourg Open**April 2009**

England 2 v Belarus 1	win	3-2
England 2 v France/Mexico	win	3-2
England 2 v Denmark	win	3-0
England 2 v Russia 1	win	3-1
England 1 v France/Romania	loss	0-3
England 2 v Belarus 3	win	3-0
England 1 v Luxembourg 1	win	3-2

Spanish Youth Open**Girona, Spain - May 2009**

Boys		
England v Slovakia	win	3-0
England v Portugal	loss	2-3

Girls

England v Spain	win	3-2
England v Hungary	loss	0-3

National Championships

English Senior National Championships

Sheffield - 06/07/08 March 2009

Men's Singles	Paul Drinkhall (Cv)
Women's Singles	Joanna Parker (Sy)
Men's Doubles	Paul Drinkhall (Cv) Darius Knight (Sy)
Women's Doubles	Emily Bates (Li) Mary Fuller (Y)
Mixed Doubles	Paul Drinkhall (Cv) Joanna Parker (Sy)
Under 21 Men	Paul Drinkhall (Cv)
Under 21 Women	Emma Vickers (Dy)
Veteran Men	Keith Williams (La)
Veteran Men's Doubles	Eddie Smith (Nd) Darren McVitie (Cv)

English Cadet & Junior National Championships

Loughborough - 11/12 April 2009

Junior Boys' Singles	Gavin Evans (Bu)
Junior Girls' Singles	Emily Bates (Li)
Junior Boys' Doubles	Gavin Evans (Bu) Liam Pitchford (Dy)
Junior Girls' Doubles	Karina Le Fevre (Cv) Emma Vickers (Dy)
Junior Mixed Doubles	Gavin Evans (Bu) Emily Bates (Li)
Cadet Boys' Singles	Zak Zilesnick (Mi)
Cadet Girls' Singles	Lucy Davidson (Dy)
Cadet Boys' Doubles	Lewis Gray (K) Ping Ho (Mi)
Cadet Girls' Doubles	Emily Bates (Li) Lucy Davidson (Dy)

English Under 11/12/13/14 National Championships

Norwich - 30/31 May 2009

At time of going to press this event had not taken place. Results will be on the website as soon they are known.

Junior Masters

Wellingborough - 16/17 May 2009

Junior Boys	Chris Doran (Np)
Junior Girls	Hannah Hicks (Ha)

Cadet Masters

Cippenham - 09/10 May 2009

Cadet Boys	Lewis Gray (K)
Cadet Girls	Emily Bates (Li)

Senior British League

Premier Division	Drumchapel Glasgow 1
Division 1 North	Derwent 1
Division 1 South	Urban Progress 1
Division 1 South & Midlands	Sycamore
Division 2 North	Northfield 1
Division 2 South	Sportingbet Guernsey
Division 2 South & Midlands	Brighton City
Division 3 North	Drumchapel Glasgow 111
Division 3 South	Ashford 11
Division 3 South & Midlands	Woodfield 1
Division 4 North	Northfield 11
Division 4 South	Inspire Bognor Regis
Division South & Midlands	Keyworth

Paul Drinkhall swept up at this year's National Championships, winning all four categories that he competed in, Singles, Doubles, Mixed Doubles and Under 21s





Junior British league Divisional Champions

Premier Boys	Urban Progress
Premier Girls	Ballina
Division 1 Boys	Burton Uxbridge 1
Division 1 Girls	Burton Uxbridge 1
Division 2a Boys	Dumfries
Division 2b Boys	Horsham 1
Division 2 Girls	St. Andrews
Division 3a Boys	Westfield
Division 3b Boys	Rotherham Scorpions
Division 3 Girls	Morpeth School A
Division 4a Boys	Kingfisher
Division 4b Boys	York Gardens B

Women's British league Divisional Champions

Premier Division	Astor Ladies
Division 1	Knighton Park
Division 2	Sportingbet Guernsey A
Division 3	Drumchapel Glasgow
Division 4	Oldham

In his first year as a junior, Gavin Evans claimed the National Junior Singles, Doubles and Mixed Doubles titles

Veterans British league Divisional Champions

Premier Men	Thompson Insurance A
Premier Women	Colebridge BC
Division 1A Men	Unity Northampton
Division 1B Men	Kidlington Stars
Division 1 Women	Ashford Ladies 1
Division 2A Men	Bribar Fusion Vets
Division 2B Men	Market Rasen/Ellenborough
Division 2 Women	MK Girls

Veterans National league Division Champions

Division 1A Men	Batts Racketsports 11
Division 1B Men	Wolves Vets
Division 2A Men	Redlands Bats 1
Division 2B Men	Pitlane

County Championships – Champions

	Cadets	Junior	Senior	Veteran	Over 60s
Premier	Middlesex	Derbyshire 1	Derbyshire 1	Yorkshire 1	
Division 1A	Cheshire	Essex 1	Cleveland	Yorkshire 2	Yorkshire 1
Division 1B	Glamorgan 1	Kent 1	Berkshire 1	Gloucestershire 1	Kent 1
Division 2A		Cleveland	Lincolnshire	Northants 1	
Division 2B		Glamorgan 1	Devonshire 2	Avon	
Division 2C		Warwickshire	Cambridgeshire		
Division 2D		Dorset 1	Sussex 2		
Division 3A				Cleveland	
Division 3B				Middlesex 2	
Division 3C				Middlesex 3	
Division 3D				Sussex 3	
Division 4A				Cheshire 3	
Division 4B				Norfolk 4	
Division 4C				Isle of Wight	
Division 4D				Gloucestershire 2	



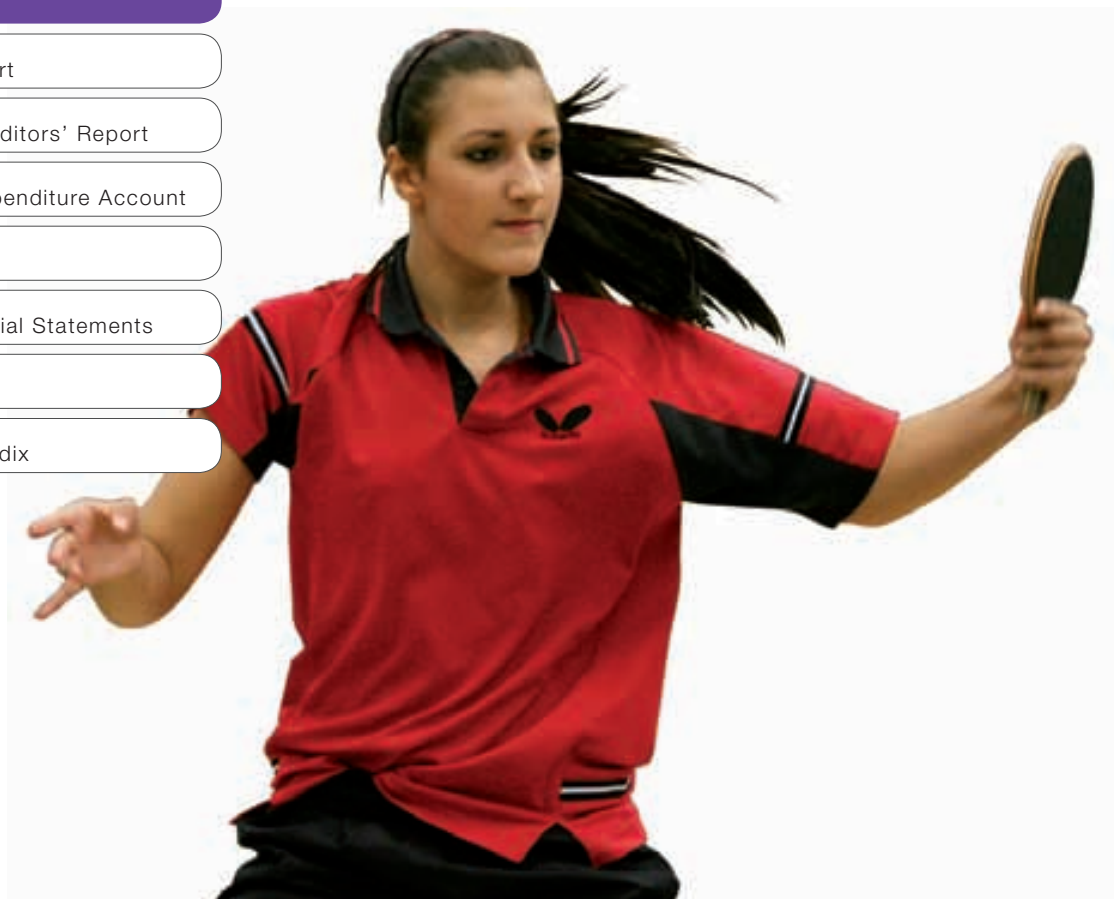
Statement of Accounts

For The Year Ended 31 March 2009
English Table Tennis Association Limited

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English Table Tennis Association Limited

Directors' Report

For The Year Ended 31 March 2009

The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2009.

Principal activities

The principal activity of the company continued to be that of acting as the governing body for the sport of table tennis.

Directors

The following directors have held office since 1 April 2008

A. N. MURDOCH
P. R. BRADLEY
M. G. CLARK, FCCA

Directors' interests

The company has no share capital and no directors have any interest in the company.

Auditors

Manningtons were re-appointed as auditors during the year in accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985. A resolution proposing that Manningtons be reappointed as auditors of the company will be put to the Annual General Meeting.

Directors' Report

For The Year Ended 31 March 2009

Directors' Responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the company and of the surplus or deficit of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The directors of a company must, in determining how amounts are presented within items in the income and expenditure account and balance sheet, have regard to the substance of the reported transaction or arrangement, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and practice.

In so far as the directors are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information (information needed by the company's auditors in connection with preparing their report) of which the company's auditors are unaware, and
- the directors have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor's are aware of that information.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

On behalf of the board



R. Yule
Secretary

Date: 2nd June 2009

English Table Tennis Association Limited

Independent Auditors' Report

To the Members of English Table Tennis Association Limited

We have audited the financial statements of ENGLISH TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION LIMITED for the year ended 31 March 2009 on pages 4 to 11. These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007), under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed. We acknowledge that our report is being relied on by Sport England.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities on page 2 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland).

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements, if the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and transactions with the company is not disclosed.

We read the Directors' Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the financial statements. Our responsibilities do not extend to any other information.

Basis of opinion


We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurances that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to Smaller Entities, of the state of the company's affairs as at 31st March 2009 and of its surplus for the year then ended;

the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985 and the information given in the directors' report is consistent with the financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2009.

Manningtons


Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditor
Hastings
3rd June 2009

Income and Expenditure Account

For The Year Ended 31 March 2009

	Notes	2009 £	2008 £
Turnover	2	2,849,315	2,555,257
Administrative expenses		(2,850,718)	(2,579,838)
Operating(deficit)/surplus	3	(1,403)	(24,581)
Other interest receivable and similar income	4	30,217	42,604
Surplus on ordinary activities before taxation		28,814	18,023
Taxation	5	6,346	8,520
Surplus on ordinary activities after taxation	10	22,468	9,503



Balance Sheet


As at 31st March 2009

	Notes	2009		2008	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets	6		58,573		46,641
Current Assets					
Stocks	7	17,063		24,643	
Debtors	8	144,085		82,828	
Cash at bank and in hand		1,054,012		1,175,681	
		<u>1,215,160</u>		<u>1,283,152</u>	
Current Liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>805,763</u>		<u>887,119</u>	
Net Current Assets					
			409,397		396,033
Net Assets					
			<u>467,970</u>		<u>442,674</u>
Represented by:					
Reserves					
Income and expenditure account	10		420,350		397,882
Testimonial Funds	11		47,620		44,792
			<u>467,970</u>		<u>442,674</u>

This report is prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007) relating to small companies. The financial statements on pages 4 to 11 were approved by the board on 26th May 2009 and were signed on their behalf by:



Director M. G. Clark, FCCA



Director A. N. Murdoch

Notes to the financial statements

For The Year Ended 31 March 2009

1. Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007). The directors have adopted a format for the income and expenditure account that is considered more suitable than the format laid down in the Companies Act 1985.

1.2 Limited Liability Status

The company is limited by guarantee and is a non-profit making body. In the event that the company is wound up and funds are insufficient to pay creditors, members each guarantee to pay such amount as may be required not exceeding £10.

1.3 Turnover

Turnover represents amounts receivable for goods and services net of VAT, grants receivable from Sport England (including Lottery Grants) and income associated with events and competitions and sundry other activities.

1.4 Grants Received (see Note 13)

The Sport England Core Funding and Building Capacity Grants are shown in full as they are a contribution towards ETTA expenditure. The same principle applies to the Sport England UKCC Implementation Grant. However, the amount received last year for this grant of £45,000 covers a three year period and therefore only £15,000 has been shown as expenditure with £15,000 carried forward to the next year. Other Grants are matched against related expenditure as a surplus should not occur from these grants. The exception to this is where the English Table Tennis Association Limited makes a contribution to a specific programme and then the expenditure will exceed the income by the value of the contribution made.

1.5 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Fixtures and fittings, equipment, and vehicles	25% - straight line on cost
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1.6 Leasing

Any rentals payable under operating leases are charged against income on a straight line basis over the lease term.

1.7 Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

1.8 Foreign currency transaction

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of transaction. All differences are taken to income and expenditure account.

1.9 Regions

Ten regional committees operate around the country under the auspices of English Table Tennis Association Limited. All income and expenditure of Regions is included in the income and expenditure account. The net funds of Regions are included in the Balance Sheet.

2. Turnover

The total turnover of the company for the year has been derived from its principal activity wholly undertaken in the United Kingdom.

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	2009 £	2008 £
3. Operating Surplus		
Operating surplus is stated after charging:		
Depreciation of tangible assets	29,878	41,041
Operating lease rentals	18,037	17,760
Auditors' remuneration	2,800	2,800
Directors' remuneration (Honorarium)	5,000	4,800
	29,715	76,401
4. Other interest receivable and similar income		
Bank interest: core funding	26,129	33,321
: BTTF Performance Programme	4,088	7,212
: Sportsmatch Grants	0	2,071
	30,217	42,604
5. Taxation		
U.K. taxation		
U.K. corporation tax at current rates: core funding	5,487	6,664
: BTTF Performance Programme	859	1,442
: Sportsmatch Grants	0	414
	6,346	8,520

Due to the company's non-profit making status, corporation tax is only chargeable on investment income received.

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	Vehicles £	Fixtures, fittings & equipment £	Total £
6. Tangible fixed assets			
Cost			
At 1 April 2008	74,207	111,827	186,034
Additions	30,359	11,451	41,810
Disposals	(6,200)	(10,992)	(17,192)
At 31 March 2009	98,366	112,286	210,652
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2008	46,890	92,503	139,393
Prior Year Adjustment	10,113	(10,113)	0
Charge for the year	14,477	15,401	29,878
Disposals	(6,200)	(10,992)	(17,192)
At 31 March 2009	65,280	86,799	152,079
Net book value			
At 31 March 2009	33,086	25,487	58,573
Net book value			
At 31 March 2008	27,317	19,324	46,641
7. Stocks			
Goods for resale and stationery		2009 £	2008 £
		17,063	24,643
8. Debtors			
Trade debtors		32,873	20,855
Other debtors		111,212	61,973
		144,085	82,828

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	Notes	2009 £	2008 £
9. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			
Taxation and social security		38,778	29,242
Grants	13	514,065	588,312
Other creditors		252,920	269,565
		<u>805,763</u>	<u>887,119</u>

	2009 £	2008 £
10. Statement of movements on income and expenditure account		
Balance at 1 April 2008	397,882	388,379
Retained surplus for the year	22,468	9,503
Balance at 31 March 2009	<u>420,350</u>	<u>397,882</u>

	2009 £	2008 £
11. Testimonial Funds		
Balance at 1 April 2008	44,792	42,109
Net Movements in the year	2,828	2,683
Balance at 31 March 2009	<u>47,620</u>	<u>44,792</u>

12. Financial commitments

At 31 March 2009 the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	2009 £	2008 £
Expiry date within two to five years: Property Lease	<u>20,034</u>	<u>18,037</u>

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	01/04/08 b/fwd £	Received in year £	Expenditure £	Prior Year Adjustment £	31/03/09 c/fwd £
13. Grants and Expenditure					
Sport England: Core Funding	0	820,000	820,000	0	0
Sport England: Building Capacity	0	36,667	36,667	0	0
Sport England: UKCC Implementation	30,000	0	15,000	0	15,000
	<u>30,000</u>	<u>856,667</u>	<u>871,667</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>15,000</u>
Other Grants:					
Sport England: Club Links (PESSYP)	138,909	103,625	112,007	0	130,527
Sport England: Step into Sport	14,936	31,832	29,684	0	17,084
Sport England: UK Coaching Certificate	37,559	0	20,384	0	17,175
Sport England: UK Coaching Support 1	31,860	3,939	31,680	0	4,119
Sport England: UK Coaching Support 2	0	32,515	447	0	32,068
Sport England: Club & Coach	189,874	239,618	299,178	0	130,314
Sport England: Premier League	0	33,000	0	0	33,000
Youth Sport Trust: School Games	0	45,000	45,000	0	0
Youth Sport Trust: School Games (Disability)	0	12,000	0	0	12,000
Youth Sport Trust: Young Officials Project	14,629	21,833	14,233	0	22,229
UK Sport: BTTF World Class Programme (A)	10,260	698,962	716,711	7,500	11
UK Sport: English Open	0	60,000	3,270	0	56,730
Sport Coach UK: Teacher Training	25,000	0	14,922	0	10,078
Sportsmatch Fred Perry Award	66,088	0	66,088	0	0
Regions	2,250	6,829	4,442	0	4,637
Miscellaneous (A)	26,947	14,917	5,271	(7,500)	29,093
	<u>558,312</u>	<u>1,304,070</u>	<u>1,363,317</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>499,065</u>
Total	<u>588,312</u>	<u>2,160,737</u>	<u>2,234,984</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>514,065</u>

(A) £7,500 of b/fwd figure 01/04/08 moved from Miscellaneous Grants to BTTF Programme being Elite Coach Grant.

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Note to 13:

Grants received in year figure include the following:

	Club & Coach	UK Sport: BTTF	UK Coaching Support 1	Step into Sport	Youth Sport Trust - Young Officials
Grant	211,933	690,795	0	25,000	20,020
Bank Interest	0	4,088	0	0	0
Other Income	27,685	4,079	3,939	6,832	1,813
	<u>239,618</u>	<u>698,962</u>	<u>3,939</u>	<u>31,832</u>	<u>21,833</u>

14. Related party transactions

The directors are of the opinion that Sport England is a related party as it has significant influence over the financial and operating policies of the Company. During the year the Company received Grants from Sport England in the sum of £1,301,196 (2008: £1,375,588).



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Income	Notes	2009 £	2008 £
Affiliation Fees	1	172,629	166,218
Sponsorship		5,945	6,380
Sport England Core Funding Grants		871,667	871,666
Other Grants		1,363,317	1,090,025
Bank Interest		26,129	33,321
Tournament Levies		3,963	3,418
Ranking Levies		31,658	29,843
Magazine		30,440	30,416
Coaching		57,973	61,032
Competitions	3	222,453	203,365
Miscellaneous Sales		5,856	4,712
International Programme	10	16,090	19,943
Youth Development		12,345	17,645
Group Insurance		20,958	24,702
Regions		38,109	35,175
		2,879,532	2,597,861
Less Expenditure:			
Overheads	2	530,364	513,756
Development	9	361,085	357,213
Other Grants		1,363,317	1,112,438
Competition Costs	3	276,040	243,425
Magazine		30,136	27,384
Coaching	4	59,349	95,209
International Programme	10	30,332	52,255
Youth Development		29,157	42,138
High Performance Centres		1,151	3,846
Sundry Costs	5	8,913	7,470
Group Insurance		20,755	24,702
Regions		36,830	30,606
Modernisation		24,351	11,496
England Performance	11	79,797	59,756
Corporation Tax		5,487	6,664
		2,857,064	2,588,358
Net Surplus		22,468	9,503

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			2009 £	2008 £		
1. Affiliation Fees						
Leagues			121,857	117,785		
Licences			45,651	43,525		
PremierClubs			3,869	4,070		
Other			1,252	838		
			<u>172,629</u>	<u>166,218</u>		
2. Overheads						
		Notes	2009 £	2008 £		
Salaries			281,480	249,755		
Committee Costs		6	34,451	34,368		
Staff/Officers' Expenses			40,372	35,323		
Rent and Rates			30,795	33,776		
Sundry Office Expenses			16,694	19,501		
Telephone			10,420	8,558		
Postage			16,840	17,835		
Printing and Stationery			21,454	22,232		
Insurance			10,434	10,132		
Audit Fees			2,800	2,800		
Legal & Professional Fees			3,534	8,569		
Depreciation			29,878	41,041		
Charge to Step into Sport Grant re Car			(3,792)	(1,860)		
Irrecoverable VAT - Partial Exemption			32,929	42,412		
Profit on Sale of Vehicles & Equipment			(800)	(400)		
Costs re Player's Licence Affiliation Scheme			13,024	15,063		
Marketing Costs			21,703	18,473		
Contribution from PESSYP/UKCC & Global Insurance			(6,500)	(20,364)		
Contribution from BTTF Programme			(30,000)	(27,503)		
Other			4,648	4,045		
			<u>530,364</u>	<u>513,756</u>		
3. Competitions						
	Income £	Expenses £	2009 Net Costs £	Income £	Expenses £	2008 Net Costs £
Events Staff						
Salaries	0	63,124	63,124	0	60,757	60,757
Expenses	0	9,303	9,303	0	8,291	8,291
	<u>0</u>	<u>72,427</u>	<u>72,427</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>69,048</u>	<u>69,048</u>
English Championships						
English Nationals	11,771	14,783	3,012	11,771	13,210	1,439
English Junior Nationals	5,992	8,713	2,721	7,103	8,058	955
Under 11-14 Champs	3,703	8,137	4,434	5,486	7,490	2,004
	<u>21,466</u>	<u>31,633</u>	<u>10,167</u>	<u>24,360</u>	<u>28,758</u>	<u>4,398</u>
National Competitions						
County Championships	11,391	8,174	(3,217)	9,595	7,077	(2,518)
British Leagues	82,101	68,928	(13,173)	79,202	67,220	(11,982)
Grand Prix	73,252	63,698	(9,554)	63,118	51,734	(11,384)
Other Competitions	34,243	31,180	(3,063)	27,090	19,588	(7,502)
	<u>200,987</u>	<u>171,980</u>	<u>(29,007)</u>	<u>179,005</u>	<u>145,619</u>	<u>(33,386)</u>
	<u>222,453</u>	<u>276,040</u>	<u>53,587</u>	<u>203,365</u>	<u>243,425</u>	<u>40,060</u>

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	Notes	£	2009 £	£	2008 £
4. Coaching					
Salaries			18,704		44,964
Other Coaching Costs			40,645		50,245
			<u>59,349</u>		<u>95,209</u>
5. Sundry Costs					
Bank Charges			2,952		1,749
Transfer to Ivor Montagu Fund	7		2,437		2,356
Transfer to Tom Blunn Fund	8		2,437		2,355
Costs of Miscellaneous Sales			1,087		1,010
			<u>8,913</u>		<u>7,470</u>
6. Committee Costs					
National Council			16,666		15,335
Management			4,397		4,595
Other			13,388		14,438
			<u>34,451</u>		<u>34,368</u>
7. Ivor Montagu Fund					
Balance at 1st April 2008			23,566		22,275
Income - 2% of league affiliation fees			2,437		2,356
			<u>26,003</u>		<u>24,631</u>
Less awards to juniors			415		1,065
Balance at 31st March 2009			<u>25,588</u>		<u>23,566</u>
8. Tom Blunn Fund					
Balance at 1st April 2008			21,226		19,834
Income - 2% of league affiliation fees			2,437		2,355
Donation			0		5,000
			<u>23,663</u>		<u>27,189</u>
Less Awards and CRB checks for Umpires		1,631		1,473	
Less Contribution to cost of Annual Conference		0	1,631	4,490	5,963
Balance at 31st March 2009			<u>22,032</u>		<u>21,226</u>
9. Development					
Salaries			279,834		284,930
Other development costs			81,251		72,283
			<u>361,085</u>		<u>357,213</u>

	Income £	Expenses £	2009 Net Costs £	Income £	Expenses £	2008 Net Costs £
10. International Programme						
European Nations League	848	12,089	(11,241)	0	0	0
Cadet & Junior Six Nations	15,242	18,243	(3,001)	0	0	0
Europe Youth Top 10	0	0	0	19,943	52,152	(32,209)
Other	0	0	0	0	103	(103)
	<u>16,090</u>	<u>30,332</u>	<u>(14,242)</u>	<u>19,943</u>	<u>52,255</u>	<u>(32,312)</u>

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11. Performance	2009 (BTTF) (1) £	2009 (ETTA) £	2008 (BTTF) (1) £	2008 (ETTA) £
Income				
UK Sport (2)	708,544	-	694,528	-
Bank Interest	4,088	-	7,212	-
Other Income	4,079	-	-	-
Total Income	716,711	-	701,740	-
Expenditure				
Staff Costs	276,537	16,379	226,377	5,845
Training Programme	220,058	14,570	167,134	20,350
International Competition	154,854	48,848	152,097	33,561
Sports Science (3)	348	-	84,111	-
Miscellaneous	64,914	-	72,021	-
Total Expenditure	716,711	79,797	701,740	59,756

Notes:

(1) The British Table Tennis Federation Limited (BTTF) is the governing body for performance of UK table tennis funded by UK Sport. As the Lead Nation, the ETTA has been authorised through a service level agreement, approved by UK Sport to administer the funds and reports directly to UK Sport and the BTTF Performance Management Group.

(2) Actual UK Sport Funding in the year 2008/9 was £690,795. This figure has been increased by £17,749 including an underspend brought forward from 2007/8 and a prior year adjustment.

Actual UK Sport Funding in the year 2007/8 was £639,430. This figure has been increased by £55,098 relating to an underspend brought forward from 2006/7.

(3) The majority of Sports Science has been paid by UK Sport direct in 2008/9.



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BME	Black and Minority Ethnic persons/groups
BOA	British Olympic Association
BTTAD	British Table Tennis Association for the Disabled
BTTF	British Table Tennis Federation
BUSA	British Universities Sports Association
CCDP	Community Club Development Programme
CCPR	Central Council for Physical Recreation
CRB	Criminal Records Bureau
CSP	County Sports Partnership
CTS	Certificate for Tutoring in Sport
CU	County Umpire
DCMS	Department for Culture, Media & Sport
EIS	English Institute of Sport
ETTA	English Table Tennis Association
ESTTA	English Schools' Table Tennis Association
ETTU	European Table Tennis Union
IAPS	Introduction to Assessment Practice in Sport
IOC	International Olympic Committee
IR	International Referee
ITTF	International Table Tennis Federation
IU	International Umpire
JBL	Junior British League
JUA	Junior Umpire Award
LOCOG	London Organising Committee of the Olympic Games and Paralympic Games
NCL	National Cadet League
NJL	National Junior League
NR	National Referee
NU	National Umpire
NURC	National Umpires and Referees Committee
PESSYP	Physical Education, School Sport & Young Persons
RDO	Regional Development Officer
RFL	Rugby Football League
SIS	Step Into Sport
SSP	School Sport Partnership
TO	Tournament Organiser
TR	Tournament Referee
TTDO	Table Tennis Development Officer
TTC	Table Tennis Club
TTN	Table Tennis News
TTK	Table Tennis for Kids
TU	Tournament Umpire
UKCC	United Kingdom Coaching Certificate
VBL	Veterans' British League
VCIS	Volunteer Co-ordinator Incentive Scheme
VNL	Veterans' National League
WBL	Women's British League
YDS	Youth Development Squad

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