

KENT COUNTY TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

OUR KCTTA AGM IS ON WEDNESDAY 02nd JULY 2014

7.30pm at The Civil Service Club in Recreation Road, Maidstone.

Refreshments available from the Bar

Full details will be circulated as usual to League Secretaries in June

No Rule Changes received this year nor proposal to amend the KCTTA Affiliation Fees

ETTA LESLIE FORREST MEMORIAL AWARD

WE ARE PLEASED to to tell you our nomination received this 2014 award.

It is presented annually to a candidate who has given long service in promoting and being active in County Championship administration in an ETTA Affiliated County.

The 2014 award has been made to Ted Tydeman. It is perhaps of good timing as he is standing this year from his admin and coordination role, which he has fulfilled for around 25 years, being particularly noted for promotion of our veterans TT representation at County level. i am sure you will join us in congratulating Ted and saying a big thank to him you for his efforts, enabling many players to have the opportunity to represent the County.

KENT RANKING LIST - Juniors

We are commencing to produce and then publish a Kent Junior Ranking List. This follows suggestions from a member league to the KC Management Committee.

WE INVITE EACH AFFILIATED LEAGUE AND PREMIER CLUB TO PRODUCE A LIST OF ALL THEIR JUNIOR PLAYERS, RANKED IN ORDER OF PLAYING STANDARD.

Our thanks to Sevenoaks League who have kicked off this process, provided a ranking list for all their Juniors. Our thanks to them. Now we need you all PLEASE to input into this process. Please send your list to secretary@kctta.net.

The process will take a bit of time to compile and ensure accuracy but once completed will be a valuable tool. A full list will be circulated to you all for comment before we publish it on the web site.

When the Junior listing is sorted and its worth is demonstrated then we propose to work on a Seniors Ranking List. Hopefully we can reach this situation in the not too distant future.

KENT SENIOR TEAM TOURNAMENT

THE SENIOR TEAM TOURNAMENT TOOK PLACE FOR TEAMS FROM KENT LEAGUE DIVISION ONE ON 09th FEBRUARY AT THE HOWARD TTC. TEAMS FROM ASHFORD, BROMLEY, CANTERBURY, DOVER, FOLKESTONE, MEDWAY, NORTH WEST KENT, THANET TOOK PART.



This year last years runners up Bromley went a stage further and won the 2014 title.

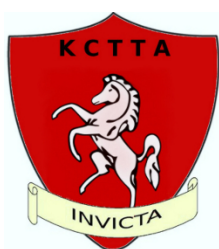
A full report is being circulated by its Organiser David Cue. The semi finalists were Bromley, Medway A, Medway 1, North West Kent.

Photos N.L.Milliere



It might look like Peter Ives is trying to get a medal but he is there presenting the Trophy to the winners and runners up. The Trophy has now been named in memory of Kathy Ives who provided the catering from the inception of the Tournament.

COUNTY TEAMS



COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS

The season we had 2no Senior teams, 1no Junior, 1no Cadet, 6no Veterans and 2no Over 60. The final league positions of our Kent Teams are listed below. Well done to those who gained promotion and those who were demoted look to bounce back next season.

CADETS

KENT 1st in Division 1B and promoted to Premier Division

P 9 W 9 D 0 L 0 GF 65 GA 25 PTS 18

JUNIORS

KENT 8th in Premier Division and demoted to First Division

P 7 W 0 D 0 L 7 GF 12 GA 58 PTS 0

SENIORS

KENT 1 1st in Division 1B and promoted to Premier Division

A nail biting 1 extra Game For decides this division in Kent's favour over Warwickshire.

P 7 W 6 D 1 L 0 GF 51 GA 19 PTS 13

KENT 2 2nd in Division 2D and remain in division 2

P 5 W 4 D 0 L 1 GF 41 GA 9 PTS 8

VETERANS

KENT 1 1st in Division 1B and promoted to Premier Division

P 7 W 7 D 0 L 0 GF 55 GA 15 PTS 14

KENT 2 3rd in Division 1B and remain in division 1

P 7 W 4 D 1 L 2 GF 42 GA 28 PTS 9

KENT 3 6th in Division 3C and demoted to division 4

P 5 W 0 D 0 L 5 GF 16 GA 34 PTS 0

KENT 4 3rd in Division 3C and remain in division 3

P 5 W 3 D 0 L 2 GF 24 GA 26 PTS 6

KENT 5 4th in Division 4B and remain in division 4

P 5 W 2 D 1 L 2 GF 25 GA 25 PTS 5

KENT 6 3rd in Division 4B and remain in division 4

P 5 W 2 D 1 L 2 GF 27 GA 23 PTS 5

OVER 60 VETERANS

KENT 1 7th in Premier Division and demoted to division 1B

P 7 W 1 D 1 L 5 GF 24 GA 46 PTS 3

KENT 2 6th in Division 1B and remain in division 1B

P 7 W 1 D 1 L 5 GF 26 GA 44 PTS 3

COACHING AIMS

We have embarked on adding to our Coaching with Ken Muhr now joining Mark Walsh as Assistant Coaching Officer.

An outline Strategy has been put forward. One of the motivations is to relate to all coaching activity in Kent, coaching resources and players alike and assist in and maintaining the planned Ranking List. We reproduce the Strategy here for your information and indeed any comments you might wish to offer. Ken welcomes any contact you might wish to make with him. coaching@kctta.net.

Again we mention that if we work together the outcomes can be greater than if everyone works in isolation of each other.

Assistant Coaching Officer Role:

Liaise and agree areas of priority and responsibility with the Kent Coaching Officer and KCTTA.

Improve networking between coaches and coaching activities in clubs and leagues in the non-London/Metropolitan areas of Kent.

Make occasional visits to coaches and coaching activities in the non-London areas of Kent to update on and discuss coaching issues, and possibly lead on or contribute to coaching sessions.

Update Kent lists of qualified and/or active coaches and coaching sessions/activities.

Publicise coach lists and coaching activities and update on coaching issues and information to the non-London areas of the county.

Assist with the preparation of Kent junior and cadet ranking lists.

Bring any other/new coaching proposals that may arise to KCTTA for approval.

COMMITTEE CORNER

The third MC meeting was held on 13th March in Maidstone.

The next and final MC meeting for this season is on Wednesday 14th May. If you have any matters to raise send them to secretary@kctta.net.

The main points of interest from the last meeting on 13th March were;

- Kent League Tables - We want to have all teams post their results on the website. We can then produce very up to date league tables. With your help we can help you have better information.
- Kent League Matches - postponements seem to be getting worse and causes considerable problems and additional costs. It is very prevalent in division 1 and affects maintaining interest in and gaining new players to participate in the Kent League. It has disappointed David for some time now and we are receiving complaints from affected clubs. If we can make any sensible change to aid reversing the number

of postponements then tell us, it is though for the Leagues to ensure they meet their fixture commitments without inconvenience to their opponents.

- Kent Ranking List - In response to a suggestion we are commencing to produce a Junior Ranking List. This will help you and us see how the youngsters are progressing and aid team selection and even help identify the number of teams we can sustain.
- Development Officer - The role remains vacant for helping promote TT across the County. A volunteer is sought. Do contact us if you are or know someone who would be interested in doing this worthy role.
- Finances - The Treasurer reports we look to be on course for a balanced budget, breaking about even on income versus outgoings.
- The ETTA - It is noted they have made new appointments. Generally they are non TT specific people but ones with a record of bringing other sports into line with Sport England criteria and raising performance.
- Kent Closed - It was reaffirmed entry into the tournament is for players eligible to play for Kent in the County Championships. This means as one of the important conditions they regularly participate in one of our Affiliated Leagues.

KCTTA DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

The post remains vacant. Do you know an appropriate person who would be prepared to take on the role? Please let any Management Committee member know if you do.

The role is to coordinate anything that Kent County TTA can do to promote TT across the County. It is a worthy part to play.

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Here is hoping everyone has an enjoyable summer break.

All best wishes from the KCTTA Management Committee.

Roger Harris, Secretary

Management Committee.

Chair: Martin Smith

Secretary: Roger Harris

National Councillor: Neil Le Milliere

County Teams Coordinator: Ted Tydeman

Kent Closed Tournament Organiser: Bob Baker

Coaching Officer: Mark Walsh and Ken Muhr

Committee Members:

Claire Moore, Marianne Jorgensson, Jill Shipton, Wayne Matthews, Carol Day.

Disciplinary Sub Committee: Mark Romano, Roger Pingram, David Cue, Peter Armory.

Vice Chair: Bob Baker

Treasurer: Steve Bispham

Deputy National Councillor: Ken Muhr

Kent League Organiser: David Cue

Umpires Secretary: David Cue

Development Officer: Vacant