



Week commencing 19th October 2009

Nomads A were the stand-out performers in Division 2 this week, giving Rugby D an 8-2 drubbing. Ian Beasley put in a fine shift, emerging with a hat-trick, which was added to by Dot Macfarlane and Daryl Burgess who both won one each. Don Pritchard saved a couple of points for Rugby, before Ian and Dot finished off the match with the doubles.

Rugby D were strengthened against St Georges E by the inclusion of fast-improving junior, Jesse Kendrick-Hill, who won his three. Don Pritchard and Ryan Lines took a single each to add to that. For Saints, Brian Aston won two, Andy Caine and Richard Grover one each, with Brian and Richard taking the doubles to end the match 5-5.

Saints shuffled their pack and grabbed a 6-4 win against Whitnash. Andy Caine took a hard-fought maximum and was backed up by two from Tracey Fletcher and one from Bill Fletcher. Paul Ryman won twice for Whitnash, Dennis Woodhead once, with the duo adding the doubles.

St Georges C tackled the Enigmas and Jimmy Pittaway set them up for a 6-4 win with a treble. Rob Warnes' two ensured they couldn't be beaten, and his doubles effort with Jimmy secured the win. Dong Wei won two in reply; Steve Proctor and Ian Ambrose one each.

Paul Calloway showed his class against Whitnash B, steering his Phoenix Okimo side to 6-4 success. Roy Joiner added two and Dennis Mockford one. Paul Ryman kept two for 'Nash, Dennis Woodhead one and the pair took another doubles victory.

The Daves of Rugby C enjoyed a 7-3 win over WCC Crocs, thanks to Daves Daniels and Kao who won three each plus the doubles. The Crocs earned their points with singles from Derek Harwood, Doug Lowe and Tony Ford.

FISSC won the Division 3 battle against WCC Doves, with Dave Milton winning his three, plus the doubles with Gareth Conway. Gareth added two of his own, giving FISSC the 6-4 win. Kim Wong won two for the Doves; Reg Warnes and Graham Roberts one each.

It was a different story for FISSC against Free Church D though, the youngsters just a bit too good and agile and comfortably winning an enjoyable evening 8-2. Gareth Conway and Dave Milton took the doubles for FISSC, with Gareth adding a single, but trebles from Phil Blowey and Luke Spencer, plus a brace from Scott Delday saw Church home.

Free Church C were spearheaded by a performance of eagle-eyed precision from Cherry Matthews as she took her three in fluid style. John Taylor and Les Hoggins added a single each, before Les joined Cherry to take the doubles and secure the 6-4 win. Geoff Shepherd was good value for his two for Snitterfield; Ron Shakesheff and Stuart Ayers took a point each.

Eathorpe A also faced Snitterfield and it was a Murray Stevenson hat-trick that stole the show. Stuart Ayers, Tony Remes and Ron Shakesheff all grabbed a single for Snitterfield, but Chris Atkins won two more for Eathorpe, plus the doubles with Murray, with Alastair Nicholson rounding off the 7-3 win with a single.

Nomads B and Free Church E were evenly matched throughout and the end score-line of 5-5 was one that neither side could complain about, even if both could certainly have nicked a win. Ian Stevens and Steve Poole won twice for Nomads, as did Anthony Smith for Church. Dick Smith earned Nomads' fifth point with a single; Church's remaining three came from Tom Hunt and Barry Hobbins, who won one each plus the doubles.

Nomads C eased to a 10-0 win over the inexperienced St Georges F. Steve Kurle, Christian McMorran and Robin Fox-Strangways took the points, but a few close games suggest that it won't be long before the Saint's lads start to realise their potential.

In Division 4, Rugby G beat WCC Eagles 6-4 with Mark Wilson and Liam Victoros unbeaten in singles. Pat Woolvin, Andy Woodfield and Harry Makinson responded with one each and Pat and Andy grabbed the doubles as well. The Eagles also tasted defeat at the hands of Free Church F. Terry Babbage took two for the Eagles and Harry Makinson one, but braces from Ian Rourke, Pete Rourke and Russell Spencer, plus the doubles from Pete and Russell gave Church a 7-3 win.

Church F had a second win, pipping Eathorpe B 6-4. Pete Rourke and Adam Cooper won braces, Russell Spencer a single plus the doubles with Pete. Michael Rossington and Ron Coats both took two for 'Thorpe in reply.

Illness had decimated Eathorpe C, but lone man Lincoln Liburd put up a valiant fight against Snitterfield B, winning two of his three. Ron Shakesheff prevented Lincoln taking his hat-trick, with Snitterfield finishing the night 8-2 winners. Eathorpe D fielded a full strength side against Snitterfield and won 7-3 through Allan Stockham, Holly Thompson and Simon Thompson who won three, two and one respectively. Vince Ford won two for 'Field and John Walker one.

The famed triumvirate of Colebridge Aces may no longer be in place due to the departure of Sasha Grokhotov, but county number one, Ian Ferguson, and number six, Edward Lynn, got their Division 1 campaign off to a flying start with a 10-0 win over WCC Antelopes. Ferguson and Lynn took their hat-tricks without the loss of a set, but it was new signing, Essex star Sara Wang, who stole the show with a debut hat-trick, which included a stunning win over the highly rated Chris Brewer 11-9 in the fifth. 'Bridge have added Birmingham stars Chris Burgess, Mike Browne and Scott Prime to their squad in an effort to secure a hat-trick of title wins.

Colebridge Braves earned themselves a creditable draw against Rugby A. Amann Ubhi underlined his potential with a star performance, taking two plus the doubles with John Chandler. Chandler added one, as did John Taylor. For Rugby, Ian Randle was as dependable as ever, winning his three, with son, Jack, grabbing two.

St Georges A made light work of the Braves, with Earl Sweeney and Mike Bishop taking three each plus the doubles and Jason Adams two. Amann Ubhi was, once again, the star performer for the braves, taking the scalp of Jason Adams and pushing Sweeney all the way to a fifth set.

Mark Jackson, Laurence Sweeney, Keith Fellows and Simon Griew all won braces in the match between WCC Bats and St Georges B. Simon and Keith took the points for the Bats; Mark and Laurence added a doubles for Saints, with Matthew Jordan grabbing their match-winning single.

Wellesbourne duo, Gary Stewart and Alan Cotton, were both maximum men in their 6-4 win against Whitnash. Aiden Walsh, Justin Rai and Andy Lebutt all won a single for 'Nash, with Justin and Andy adding the doubles.

Free Church A faced Wellesbourne too and powered to 8-2 success on the back of a Ryan Stockham hat-trick. Ron Vose and Matt Carter added two each, with Matt also taking the doubles with Ryan. Alan Cotton and Pete Dunnett had 3-2 wins over Carter and Vose respectively.