



Week commencing 22 February 2010

Ian Ferguson led Colebridge Aces to a 9-1 victory of mid-table Division 1 outfit , WCC Bats, to keep the pressure on leaders, Free Church A. Ferguson put in a polished performance to win his three, plus the doubles with Ed Lynn, without the loss of a set. Lynn also grabbed a hat-trick with a hard fought 11-8 in the fifth win over Simon Griew and Mike Browne added a brace. Simon Griew was rewarded for his efforts with a 12-10 deciding set win over Browne despite being 10-8 down in what was the game of the night and saved County Council from the whitewash.

Adrian Pilgrim maintained his unbeaten record for Rugby A with a comfortable hat-trick against WCC Antelopes. Jack Randle added another three, plus the doubles with Adrian, and Ian Randle a brace. Chris Brewer was the lone victor for the Antelopes.

Colebridge Braves enjoyed a rare victory and they did so in convincing style with an 8-2 demolition of fellow strugglers Rugby B. John Taylor's mix of defensive guile and opportunistic attack stole the show for the braves with a maximum, which was added to by braces from Neil Wheatley and Mike Rinnhofer. Rinnhofer and Taylor added the doubles, while Jesse Kendrick-Hill scored the two Rugby points.

Wellesbourne added ten points to their haul as Pete Dunnett, Gary Stewart and Alan Cotton romped past Rugby B.

In Division 2, Rugby C and St Georges C are both in the mix for promotion and Rugby C will hope that their slender 6-4 win over Saints will prove to be crucial come the end of the season. Dave Daniels took three for Rugby, as did David Kao. Jimmy Pittaway, Rob Warnes and Len Coonan all took a single and Coonan and Warnes added the doubles to end a close contest.

Tony Thomas starred for Nomads A in their 8-2 win over Flavels. Ian Beasley and Andy Davies both won two and Tony and Ian added the doubles. Roger Potts and Mick Bennett scored one each for Flavels.

Flavels also fell to Whitnash B, losing out 7-3. Keith Dixon, Roger Potts and Mick Bennett took a single each, but Paul Ryman and Dennis Woodhead won three each plus the doubles to secure a win for `Nash.

Rugby E and Nomads B both had easier than anticipated routes to their 10-0 victories in Division 3. Rugby's Pete Moffatt, Dave Massie and Michael Loizou beat two-man St Georges F, while Nomads' Dick Smith, Ian Stevens and Steve Poole beat two-man Nomads C.

Free Church I continue to look a good bet for promotion from Division B, but they were made to work for their win over Free Church K. Chris Beckett and David Marguerie won one each for K, but Stuart Dalrymple won his two for I, plus the doubles with Anita Whitehouse. Church K also lost 3-2 to Free Church N. Chris Beckett and Jack Leggatt took a single each, but Timmy Cooper and Solomon Hayes hit back with one each plus the doubles.

Ryan Oldham was in top form for Eathorpe E, taking his two singles against Free Church H, which meant George McGowan's single gave 'Thorpe a 3-2 win. Keith Knott won once for Church and took the doubles with Estyn Williams.

Rugby I beat Free Church H 3-2 with one each plus the doubles from Grace Newman and Anahul Satsangi. Neither could beat Church's Tony Williams though, who took his two.

In a return match between Free Church I and K, the Ks got their revenge for the earlier defeat and ran out convincing 4-1 winners. Jack Leggatt and David Marguerie took two, one and the doubles. Jack Hobbins consoled for the I side. Jack and Anita Whitehouse made up for the disappointment of their loss by thrashing Free Church N 5-0, although both had to show good nerve to beat Timmy Cooper in five sets.

Potters Green B beat Free Church M 4-1 in Division C. Harry Ellis won two, Aaron Riley one and the pair took the doubles to cap the evening. Lauren Delday won an excellent five-set consolation for Church.

Free Church Q edged out Free Church M 3-2 thanks to one each from Matthew Flood and Troy Pierce, plus the doubles. Jess Campion and Angela John took one each in reply.

Eathorpe G's partnership of Graham Rose and Keith Jenkins continued to prosper in a well contested match against Church Q. Graham won his two and Keith a single, before the pair combined for the doubles. Matthew Flood took a very good consolation point off Keith for the Free Church point.

Youth came out on top in a keenly contested match between Eathorpe F and Potters Green B. Richard Freeman took one for 'Thorpe, plus the doubles with Dave Hawker, but Potters took the win with two from Richard Houghton and one from Aaron Riley.

Division D's Will Bourner continued his excellent form for Eathorpe D, winning his two against Snitterfield D. He was more than ably supported by Sam Rose, who also took two. The 5-0 win was completed when the Eathorpe pair added the doubles.

Another brace for Sam Rose, in 'Thorpe I's 4-1 win over Free Church O. Sam also took the doubles with Will Bourner, who won one. The Church point was taken by Ben Simpson.

Charlie Snelson and Ben King cleaned up the singles for Free Church P and Callum Guest joined Charlie for the doubles as they completed a 5-0 win over Free Church O.

Eathorpe J and Eathorpe K locked horns in Division E in a match which resulted in a narrow 3-2 win for J. Ben Henderson, the oldest of the young players on view, took his two as expected for K, but Annie McGowan and Millie Bradshaw grabbed one each plus the doubles for J. The K side's Malachy Rose may have found a win beyond him this time, but at just nine years old should improve quickly now he is in league competition.

Eathorpe J could not muster enough against Free Church U as Theo Rutter and Sam Wiggins cruised to a 5-0 win.

Eathorpe K beat Free Church T 3-2 with one each plus the doubles from Nathan Biddle and Ben Henderson. Andrew McIlvaney was the outstanding player on show, outplaying both his opponents to grab the two Free Church points.