

# Graham Spicer Table Tennis Club

## Season 2010/11

### Thames Valley League

Eight Graham Spicer teams were entered with three teams in D1, two teams in D2, one team in D3 and two teams in D4.

#### Division 1

There were 9 teams in D1. Congratulations are due to GS 1 for coming top of the league, beating Rosehill 1 by 2 points. GS 2 finished in 7th place and GS3 finished in 5th place. The leading averages (at least 8 matches played) showed good individual performances from Ian Girdler (GS1) on 100%, Tony Needham (GS1) on 88% and Geoff Grange (GS1) on 85%.

#### Division 2

There were 10 teams in D2. GS 4 finished in 7th place and GS 5 finished in 5th place. The leading averages (at least 9 matches played) showed good individual performances from Clive Green (GS5) on 80%, Carmen Vajdi (GS4) on 77%, Joseph Yoon (GS5) on 69% and Michael Bilton (GS4) on 68%.

#### Division 3

There were 8 teams in D3. GS 6 finished in 6th place.

#### Division 4

There were 10 teams in D4. GS 7 finished in 6th place and GS8 finished in 8th place. The leading averages (at least 9 matches played) showed good individual performances from Delores Boase (GS7) on 76% and Kumiko Williams (GS7) on 75%.

### TVTTL Handicap Cup Plate

Runners up - Frank Middleton(Captain), David Robinson, Indrit Bajraktari.

### TVTTL Divisional Closed Tournaments

GSTTC achieved success in all 4 divisions: The Div 1 tournament was won by our Treasurer Tony Needham who beat our Chairman Tom Adams in a closely contested match. Clive Green was runner up in the Div 2 tournament. Div 3 Plate winner was Indrit Bajraktari and in Div 4, Kumiko Williams won the open singles and doubles titles.

### Sutton & District League

Graham Spicer finished runners-up in it's 1st Division, with strong performances from Geoff Grange 88.5%, Richard Parke 80% and John Fannin 76.9%, they finished 2nd, 4th and 6th respectively in the averages.

### Sutton & District TTL Closed

Strong performances by GSTTC players: Geoff Grange won the Vetts Singles, John Fannin was runner-up. Geoff and John were also runners-up in the Doubles. John Fannin was winner of the Super Vetts Title and Joel Clancy was runner-up.

### VETTS League (Veteran English Table Tennis Society)

#### North Eastern Masters, Sunderland, 4-5/9/11:

Runner Up, Over 40's Men's singles – Ian Girdler

Winner, Over 60's men's doubles - Derek Holman (with Steve Kosmowski)

Winner, Over 70's men's singles – Tom Adams

Winner, Over 50's men' singles Plate – Tony Needham

#### Western Masters, Hereford, 8-9/01/11:

Runner Up Over 60's mens doubles - Derek Holman (with Steve Kosmowski)

#### Northern Masters, Blackpool 12-13/03/11:

Winner Over 50's men - Ian Girdler

Winner Over 50's mens doubles - Ian Girdler (with Joe Kennedy)

Runner Up Over 60's mens doubles - Derek Holman (with Steve Kosmowski)

#### Southern Masters, Crawley 9-10/04/11:

Winner Over 50's men - Ian Girdler

Winner Over 70's doubles - Tom Adams (with Mike Meredith)

Runner Up Over 40's mens PLATE event - Tony Morris

### ETTA - Veterans British League

A team consisting of Tom Adams, Derek Holman, Geoff Grange, John Fannin, & Steve Giles participated in Division 1 of this national competition. The team had a poor first weekend, and could not quite make up the necessary ground on the second weekend and were relegated to Division 2.

## Veterans 6 Nations Competition

Derek Holman and Tony Needham were selected to play for England & Wales respectively.

## Juniors

Marcus Giles won the National Under 13 Championships and has been crowned National UK Champion for the second year running. As a result of his achievement, he has been invited to play for England under 14's in Germany, along with 7 others (4 boys, 4 girls teams), all expenses paid in June 2011.

## Club business

This year the club has purchased eight new Cornilleau table tennis tables.

The eight old Joola tables were all sold to the Hinchley Wood Secondary School

The club still has the five Tibhar tables.

## Attendances (excluding coaching sessions)

Attendances at the club for the period 1 April 2010 – 31 March 2011 are shown below:

Month		Apr-June	July-Sept	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar		TOTAL
Members		662	791	806	879		3138
Visitors		78	67	120	137		412
Days used		47	50	50	47		196

## Membership

The total number of members (senior & student or junior) is shown below:

1/4/07 to 31/3/08          61

1/4/08 to 31/3/09          71

1/4/09 to 31/3/10          83

1/4/10 to 31/3/11          83

As can be seen from the above table, the number of members has increased substantially over the last 4 years. This can be directly attributed to the development of a website providing information about the GSTTC, together with the large sign which was erected by the Institute at the front of the building.

Over the last 4 years the Club has attracted many new members from a variety of ethnic groups, the majority of whom are below 30 years of age.

Over the last 12 months the number of members using the Club has grown, making full use of the facility on numerous occasions.