

Graham Spicer Table Tennis Club Season 2012/13

24/12/13

Annual club tournament

Open singles winner: Marcus Giles, runner-up: David Bangerter. Handicap singles winner: Lewis Keane, runner-up: Joel Bushiri. Fun doubles winners: Dave Bangerter/ Steve Desai, runners-up: Lewis Keane/ Carmen Vajdi.



17/11/13

ETTA rating list Nov 2013

GSTTC member Marcus Giles aged 15, is rated no. 8 in the junior ratings, and no. 60 in the senior ratings.

06/11/13

Veterans County

Congratulations to Ajay Shah on his selection for the Surrey Veterans 4th team.

04/11/13

Veterans British & National League

Our 1st team playing in Div 2A of the Veterans British League narrowly finished 2nd bottom after the first of the two events. Our second team playing in Div 1B of the Veterans National League finished bottom without a team win. Both teams have a lot of work to do in the next and final part of the competitions in order to avoid relegation.

21/07/13

56th European Youth Championships (12-21st July 2013) Ostrava, Czech

Marcus Giles wins Gold in the Cadet Consolation Singles, please click on the ETTA link for the full report on this event.



05/07/13

Veterans international team event

Derek has just returned from Tipton Sports Academy. He competed in an international team event on the lines of 6 nations - but they had 4 teams in the over 65 section. England (Derek) won the gold - beat Turkey 5-1, beat Wales 6-0, drew 3-3 with Germany and Derek & Brian Hill won the deciding Doubles. Overall Derek won 5/6 singles- very valuable contribution!

29/06/13

TVTTL AGM - 21 June 2013

Some of our league players received their trophies from the new league president John Garland. GS1 Captain Patrick Caunt picked up the trophy for division 1 winners GS1. Richard Lau picked up the trophy for division 4 winners GS10 and Aravindhan Arunachalam (GS-10) collected the Jack Bowes



trophy which is presented for the most games won from the most games played across all divisions.



24/06/13

The Tom Adams Hard Bat Tournament 23/06/13

There were a high number of entries for this event, it was played in a friendly yet competitive manner and fun was had by all who entered. Identical sandpaper covered bats were used along with 38mm balls and it was a handicap event, the winner in a closely contested final, was Raphael Gabari and the runner-up was Minica Belemet. The winner received a Plate and the finalists and semi-finalists all received Bribar vouchers as prizes.



03/06/13

VETTS European Championships

Derek Holman reached the last 16 in the over 65's, from field of 332 Entries.

24/05/13

Marcus Giles to train in China

Four of England's most talented youngsters will be heading to China this summer for a month-long training camp where they will benefit from the world's best coaching system.

Cadets Marcus Giles, Tom Jarvis, Tin-Tin Ho and junior Helshan Weerasinghe will head to the annual summer school at the China Table Tennis College from 22nd July to 21st August 2013 – an event that has previously been attended by England's four-time National Champion, Paul Drinkhall.



The youngsters will receive coaching from the top Chinese staff along with other international players from around the world. They will gain valuable technical and tactical advice in a concentrated environment, which will help their development ahead of the new season.

English coach Jia Yi Liu will be present for the duration of the camp while Nick Jarvis will attend the second half of proceedings.

21/05/13

SDTTL final results

Spicer A came 3rd in the Sutton league 1st division and Spicer B were runners-up in the 2nd division, with Daniel Heo second in the averages on 96.60%, Michael Bilton 4th with 73.20% and Ajay Shah with 61.00%.

18/05/13

TVTTL Divisional tournament results

Goran Maric won the 1st Division Title. In Division 4, Aravindhyan Arunachalam won the singles title and Richard Lau was runner-up in the Plate competition.

18/05/13

TVTTL final results

Spicer 1 are Thames Valley League champions, they finished with a 7 point lead over the runners-up Spicer 4. In division 3, Spicer 8 were runners-up with Diogo Freitas on 95.20% and Raphael Gabari on 86.10%. In division 4, Spicer 10 were winners with Aravindhyan Arunachalam on 100% winning 42 from 42 games.

13/04/13

TVTTL handicap cup 2012/13

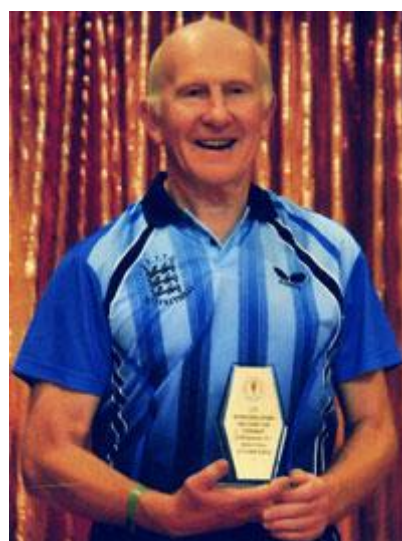
Graham Spicer 5 who play in Division 2, were runners-up in the TVTTL handicap cup final. The final was held at our club venue on 11 April, congratulations go to Michael Bilton, Ajay Shah and Avin Shah.



30/03/13

Tom Adams 1938 ~ 2013

It is with great sadness that I have to inform you of the death of Tom Adams, he passed away peacefully in his sleep in the early hours of this morning, aged 75. Tom joined the club in 1989 and became it's Chairman in the mid 90's and remained so until his death. He was highly ranked at veterans level table tennis, his last UK over 70's ranking was 7, he won many national events in the over 60's and 70's categories. Tom also represented Kent at veterans county level, but his highest accolade was a Bronze medal in the 1998 Veterans World Championships held in Manchester for the over 60's event. Tom was well known and well liked on the table tennis circuit and will be sorely missed by everyone that knew him.



12/03/13

Marcus Giles world ranking

Congratulations to Marcus on obtaining a world ranking of No. 100 in the cadets and No 463 in the U18's), his UK rankings are No. 9 in the junior boys and a senior ranking of 95.

11/03/13

Welsh Veterans Closed

For the 2nd successive year Tony Needham was runner-up in the Welsh Veterans Closed event. He had a couple of good wins on the way, in what was a relatively small entry, and got beaten in the final by Mark Farrell (Eastern Valley A team) - 24 years his junior! Presentation of trophies by Ryan Jenkins, TTAW head coach.



24/02/13

Sutton & District League closed tournament

Some strong performances from Spicer players with Goran Maric winning the doubles with Crusaders player



Steve Carpenter, Goran was also runner-up in the open, Paul Rowley was Div 2 winner and John Fannin was veterans runner-up and Super-vets (over 60's) winner.

28/01/13

Veterans National League (final weekend)

Our 1st team finished 2nd in Div 1A by 1 point which gives them promotion to the British Veterans League, Tony Collins finished with 90%, Tony Needham 65%, Derek Holman 60% & Steve Giles 30%. Our 2nd Team finished 3rd in Div 2A missing 2nd and 1st place by 1 point, but retaining their place in the division for next season. Matts Johansson finished with 75%, Steve Duggan 61.11% & Patrick Caunt 44.44%.



23/12/12

Graham Spicer Club Tournament 18 - 20 December 2012

Fun doubles winners: Robert Sielawa & Jin Luo, Fun doubles runners-up: Raphael Gabari & Ben Chan, open singles runner-up: Robert Sielawa, open singles winner: Chris Bush, handicap runner-up: Robert Sielawa, handicap winner: Chris Bush.



20/12/12

Long Service Coaching Award - Peter Corner

The John Mowat award, this award is presented to an individual whose contribution to sport has been outstanding Presented by the Deputy Mayor of the Royal Borough of Kingston-Upon-Thames, Winner: Peter Corner, Club/Sport: Table Tennis, Graham Spicer TTC. Table tennis has always been in Peter's blood, ironically with him starting to play as a child not far from here in a small club in Chessington. Continuing to play in the RAF, and later on in workplace schemes, Peter joined the Graham Spicer Club in 1963, after moving to New Malden as a newly-wed. In the mid 70's, Mike Kercher set up the Surrey County coaching scheme, in which Peter coached juniors, feeding them through the county set-up. At the age of 36, a serious knee injury stopped Peter playing football, but others around him encouraged him to continue his coaching, extending his knowledge and qualifications under the guidance of Jack Carrington. Peter had great success over the years, taking scores of players, with the help of Mike Kercher, to weekend tournaments all over the country. He took Beverley school (now Coombe Boys) to win the Nationals, and one of his protégés, Martin Shuttle, was Nationals junior and senior champion in the same year, becoming England's Number One. In Kingston, Peter has volunteered over the years to take teams to the London Youth Games, and develop the Junior Table Tennis Initiative in the Kingston schools, and is still very active in the club. John Standing, former coaching chairman for the London region, said that Peter Corner was considered to be one of the best junior table tennis coaches in the country. One of his biggest achievements was winning the Carter Cup, - a national league trophy, - in three consecutive years, with over 200 teams taking part, and attracting two coach loads of supporters from Graham Spicer. A fitting tribute to a person who has devoted so much of his life to promoting the sport of table tennis, developing the talents of our young players and ensuring opportunities are there for all.



07/12/12

Cadet & Junior Nationals

24 & 25 November @ Hatfield, Hertfordshire.

Marcus' win in the singles final is now available to watch on YouTube, the event is also documented on the ETTA website.

26/11/12

Cadet & Junior Nationals

24 & 25 November @ Hatfield, Hertfordshire.

Marcus Giles is the National Cadet (under 15) Champion, winning it in a closely contested final against an on form number 2 seed Tom Jarvis. Marcus was also runner-up in the Doubles



with Hugo Pang and played well in the Junior tournament (ranked 17) as he managed to beat the number 7 seed, thus increasing his Junior ranking points.

04/11/12

Veterans National league 2012/13

First leg results - Our 1st team consisting of Tony Needham, Derek Holman & Steve Giles finished 2nd in Div-1A of this competition with Tony Needham coming 4th in the averages with 70%. Our 2nd team consisting of Patrick Caunt, Steve Duggan and Mats Johansson finished 1st in Div-2A of the competition with Mats Johansson coming top of the averages with 90%. The first of the two weekends was played on the 3rd and 4th November in Blackpool, the second half of the event will be played in early 2013 in Bristol.

09/10/12

Sept 2012 National rankings

GSTTC member Marcus Giles is Cadet Boys (under 15) number 1 and ranked no. 17 in the Junior Boys (under 18)

09/10/12

Under 11-14 Nationals, Wolverhampton - 09/06/12

Marcus Giles was runner up in the u14 singles and winner of the u14 Doubles.