

Jersey Table Tennis Association

Annual report 2009 / 2010 season

The highlight of the year was the triumphant visit to Guernsey at the end of April, returning with the Horace Mallet trophy won by 60 matches to 50, our first win for 9 years. There was great team spirit and many individual successes with 9 C.I. titles won. The Green trophy for the Men was narrowly lost, but Jersey won at Under 11, Under 13, drew at Under 15 and under 18 boys, won 10-0 in the Over 40's and 8-2 at Over 50's. Our dominance among the younger juniors gives great confidence for the future.

Our team to the World championship in Moscow was Craig Gascoyne, Josh Band, Luke Walker and Scott Cassin, with Geoff Reed as coach. Craig won 6 out of 9 matches and Josh two. Luke and Scott went close in some matches and all enjoyed the experience of seeing world class table tennis.

This year was the second of our three year sponsorship with APPLEBY. All APPLEBY Academy players in the Elite squad are kitted out with National Team Kit including Tracksuit, Match Shirts, Training Shirts, Shorts, Socks and Bag. The APPLEBY logo is prominent on the wall of our Centre. It has supported the excellent work of our development officer, Craig Gascoyne in developing table tennis in our squads and in schools and organising the travels of our juniors to UK ranking and other tournaments. There are now 3 squads. The elite one have one of their sessions before school on a Friday morning!

Appleby Academy players went to three National 4* Competitions:

Grantham 16th/17th Jan

Salisbury 6th/7th Feb.

Derby Open 13/14th March and are making an impact

We were able to see some high class play at the 4th NatWest Jersey Open at Easter with the biggest entry yet. Damien Nicholls and Alice Loveridge won the individual titles. This was followed by some days of the popular John Hilton / Brian Keen Masterclasses and two evening sessions for senior players.

Barclays Wealth sponsored our leagues. The first division, with 7 teams, had a very enjoyable season with increasing number of juniors making an impact on established players. St. Joseph A, Craig Gascoyne, Max Tupper and Scott Cassin were unbeaten over the season and were champions. Craig Gascoyne went through the season without losing a match.

The second division had 8 teams and was won by the St. Mary team of Darren Le Brun, Barry Breuilly and Fred Coote backed up by Ken Le Brun. They were closely followed by Victoria B, with a strong

all-round team of Trevor Motto, Dave Hole and Peter Hinds. Trevor Motto had the best average.

The third division, with 8 teams, were in two-person teams so fixtures consisted of 5 matches rather than 10. Victoria, Chris Morshead and Harry Messervy, needed a 3-2 playoff win against CCC A of Billy Hickling and Carl Duncan to take the title. Chris Morshead had the best average.

The fourth division also had 8 teams and played their matches on Sunday mornings, It was won by the St. Joseph A team of Connor O'Shea and Tom Wallwork, closely followed by Victoria A of Corey Stewart and George Gautier. The best average was Dominic Rebindaine who played most of the season without a second team member..

The Deutsche Bank Top 12 was held in Jersey at the end of January. Craig Gascoyne and Max Tupper both successfully defended their titles after some hard-fought matches. Next year, there will be a Junior Top 12 in Jersey in November and an Open Top 12 in Guernsey in January, which juniors are able to enter

We had the 43rd annual visit of Bat & Ball Club, midweek in November. There was some unhappiness at the selection process this year as more juniors played at the expense of experienced seniors. A small group led by Chris and Gilly Band went to Guilford in March to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Guildford Club, main source of B.& B players.

The Jersey Closed events, sponsored by Deutsche Bank, were held near the end of April with the finals played over two evenings on two tables. Our Patron, the Governor paid a visit to the first finals night on Thursday April 22nd

The divisional championships were held early in February during a one week gap in the league season. This worked well and meant there was less pressure at the time of the Closed championships in April

In May, Hugo Tupper, Oliver Griggs, Jack Mills and Billy Hickling went to the Azores for the French Island Games with Bruce Gallichan as coach. They achieved a commendable 6th place and Hugo Tupper got to the quarter-final of the individual event. It was an educational trip with a high standard of play.

In April, 4 young players, Jordan Wykes, Philip Quinn, Tyler Gosselin and Timmy Boulter went to the Primary Schools championships in Guernsey They beat both the Isle of Man and especially Guernsey, by 8-2. Jordan Wykes got to the knockout stage of the individual event. 9 players are due to go to the Secondary Schools championships in Ireland at the end of June.

The new door entry system, operated by a mobile phone, has worked well. In a March weekend, Russ Corfield and the Hansfords applied

further coats of paint to the whole floor, which has made it very non-slip for the Open. Chris Band has donated a new oven for the canteen players. Stan Perchard has fitted a new oil-fired boiler A. Also a session to powerwash the outside then apply coats of creosote, followed by a BBQ is planned for July.

The website, www.jtta.org.je, run by Tom Quinn, continues to be much appreciated. The JTTA has benefited financially by several hundred pounds from those who go via our website to Amazon. Russ Corfield has provided up to date statistics for league and tournaments and Bobby Vincent has produced interesting press reports to keep us in the public eye.

The annual dinner, attended by over 70 members and friends, was held at the Red Rose in June. The league trophies were presented as well as special awards. We are very grateful to Hugh Morshead who has taken over the important role of treasurer in a very competent manner. We are pleased that Craig has been granted permission to buy in Jersey. He continues to be a great ambassador for table tennis. The fact that 9 different people were nominated for Personality of the Year trophy, this year won by >>>>>>>> reflects the large number of people who contribute to the running of table tennis in Jersey.

Thanks especially to Chris Band, supported by Gilly, for his enthusiastic leadership.

Ed Le Quesne, Secretary
June 2010

Deutsche Bank 2010 Island champions (* = C.I. champions too)

Mens singles	Craig Gascoyne
Womens singles	Kay Lefebvre
Over 70 singles	Jeff Vincent
Over 60 singles	Clive Hansford
Over 50 singles	Eugene Ellis *
Veteran Mens singles	Eugene Ellis*
Veteran womens singles	Kay Lefebvre *
Under 21 singles	Max Tupper
Under 18 boys singles	Josh Band
Under 18 girls singles	Kelsey Le Maistre
Under 15 boys singles	Hugo Tupper *

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Under 13 singles	Ollie Griggs *
Under 11 singles	Jordan Wykes *
Under 9 singles	David Quinn

Mens doubles	Craig Gascoyne/Jacob Wankowicz*
Womens doubles	Kay Lefebvre / Nicola Duke
Mixed doubles	Jacob Wankowicz / Nicola Duke
Veteran doubles	Tom Quinn/ Bruce Gallichan*
Junior doubles	Max Tupper / Hugo Tupper *

Deutsche Bank 2009 divisional champions

1st division	Craig Gascoyne
2nd division	Olly Griggs
3rd division	Billy Hickling
4th division	Dominic Rebindaine

Open doubles	Paul Marshall/ Trevor Lefebvre
Doubles A	Ollie Griggs/ Jack Mills
Doubles B	Michael Fisher/Tyler Gosselin
Doubles C	Dominic Rebindaine / Corey Stewart