

Randwick Table Tennis Club 2005-6 review

Stroud and District Table Tennis League

100% for Harry as 'A' team take Div1 title

After only their second season in the top flight, **Randwick 'A'** fought off regular contenders Forest Green 'A' and Woochester 'A' to win the Division 1 title with **Harry Shahlei** unbeaten, the only Div 1 player to do so. Current Junior Champion Sam White and 1986 Junior Champion Howard Williams were not far behind with 86% success. Completing this talented and youthful line-up were last year's top league player Laurence Shahlei and Marianne Willsher

Randwick 'B' had a very satisfactory season finishing 4th in Division 2. **Nick Watts** was their most successful player with an excellent 77%, an improvement of 11% on the previous season, followed by Alan Wheeler 63% and Wayne Hopkins 61% **Randwick 'C'** struggled to get a result all season but with a late rally just managed to avoid relegation. The experience of a not fully fit **Matt Watts** (another member of the Watts Dynasty) was crucial in this 'survival' and he was well supported by Tony Poole, Ade Jones and Fim Fryk

'E' pip 'D' for promotion to Div2

The Div 3 title was sewn up by Sheepscombe well before the end of the season and so interest was focussed on the contest for runners-up spot between **Randwick 'D'** and **'E'**.

The 'D' team were favourites for a long time after leading the division for a while but it went right to the final match as the 'E' team put in a string of good results. After a 5-5 draw between the two sides in the penultimate match, the 'D' team needed to win their final match 10-0 to go up but lost 7-3 instead.

The mainstays for **Randwick 'E'** were ?year old **Jim Hurford** winning 90% and the fast improving, 13 year old **Declan Fardon** with an excellent 70% success. Two other youngsters Peter Mallorie and Leo Brabbins completed the squad with Peter contributing a valuable 38%

For **Randwick 'D'**, 17 year old **Tom Sme**e was outstanding winning 72% of his matches for which he recieved the 'Michael Holbrow' trophy for the Junior with the highest average. Ralph Perry, David Perry and John Sme all enjoyed good seasons but will each be disappointed about losing games they should have won as the pressure mounted during those last few matches

Our strongest team in the league was **Randwick 'F'** as they ended the season holding everybody up at the bottom of division 3. **Richard White**, benefitting from practising in the garage with Sam, had a excellent season winning 38% of his matches including the prized scalp of Sheepscombe's Martin Partridge. Martin Rendell, Mark Wheeler and Matt Reason provided stoic support (particularly in the pub afterwards) and will surely turn close defeats into victories next season

Stroud & District closed Senior knockout tournament 2005-6

Sam and Harry contest Men's singles final

Sam White (18) and **Harry Shahlei** (17) from **Randwick's successful 'A'** team created a bit of history in February when the Men' Singles was contested by two teenagers for the first time.

Harry was pre-season favourite for the title and after being unbeaten in the league it was no surprise that he became champion in his first season in the Stroud League. Sam played exceptionally well to overcome two higher seeded players on his way to the final and needed to raise his game again if he was going to cause an up-set. Sam won the first game in convincing style and it looked as if a shock result might be on but Harry stepped up a gear winning the next three games to take the title.

The **Mixed-doubles** final was a repeat of last year's final but this time the result was reversed. Last year's champions **Laurence Shahlei** and **Marianne Willsher** from **Randwick TTC** reached the final again but this time lost to Dave Adamson and Suzy Robinson from Forest Green TTC

The **Division 3 knockout** competition was won by **Jim Hurford** beating Simon Philp of Frampton in the final

Stroud & District closed Junior knockout tournament 2005-6

A full report follows with Randwick players highlighted

Girls U-13

Stroud High School provided all four girls who, despite playing regularly against each other, all played with great determination and showed what good progress they have made since the High School Club started last year. Florence Butler topped the group winning all 3 matches with Fay Allen not far behind as runner-up. To prove that it wasn't luck, Florence then beat Fay in the final but not before a 15-13 nail biter in the second game. The group also included Rosemary Davis and Jane Beynon who played their part in an enjoyable contest and will no doubt continue to improve.

Boys U-13

Thirteen boys from Thornbury, Randwick and Frampton contested this competition. George Hart (Thornbury) won group one without dropping a game to book his place in the semi-final. Group two was very closely contested with all three matches going to four games. Bradley Jenkins (Thornbury) came out on top narrowly beating **Tom Watts (Randwick)** in the decider. Thornbury completed their domination of the group stage with Will Plenty and Stephen Daly coming first and second respectively in group three.

With **Declan Fardon (Randwick)** and Max Brorderman (Frampton) having been given byes. the last semi-final place went to Bradley Jenkins after winning a decider against Will plenty.

Declan Fardon comfortably beat Bradley Jenkins to reach the final for the third year in a row.

The other semi-final between Max Brorderman and George Hart was however a very close contest with Max winning in the fifth and deciding game. The final fittingly brought together the top seeds, **Declan** and Max and they gave the large crowd plenty to cheer about with some great attacking play and excellent rallies. In the end it was **Declan's** superior all-round game that gave him the title for the third year in a row.

Boys U-15

With five boys not able to make it, the under 15 competition was reduced to two groups.

Declan Fardon and Max Broderman were again seeded 1st and second – would it be repeat of the U13 final?

Declan comfortably won group one with Nick Butler (SHS) second and Isaac Mcmorrow (Thomas Keeble) third.

Group two was a much closer contest which saw good performances from Sam Whitwam (Thomas Keeble), Will Sadlier (Thomas Keeble) and Matt Butterworth (SHS). Max Broderman won the group as expected but only after only just getting the better of Will, 9-11, 11-6, 15-17, 10-12.

The semi-final line up matched **Declan** against Will and Nick against Max.

Declan was too strong for Will and reached his second final fairly easily with a 3-0 win

The other semi-final was however a much closer affair with Nick Butler taking a 2-1 lead before Max levelled to take it to a decider. Both boys played some excellent table tennis as the score reached 13-13 in this very exciting last game. It could have gone either way but surprise package Nick Butler held his nerve to take it 15-13 and deny Max a second final.

The final started well for **Declan** as he took the first game 11-7 but Nick came back well in the second using his strong forehand to win the second 11-9 and now we had a contest.

At 8-8 in the third game an upset was on the cards but **Declan** found an extra gear from somewhere to win 11-8 and then 11-5 in the fifth to take his second title of the evening.

Girls U-18 Singles

Disappointingly, only two girls entered this competition; Stella Davis (Whiteshill) and Annabel Sidwell (SHS) With only the one match to play and the big difference in ability it was a credit to both girls that they agreed to take part. As expected, Stella won relatively easily 3-0 but after a nervous start Annabel contributed to some very good rallies and showed what progress she has made in a short time.

Congratulations to Stella for winning this championship for an amazing 8 years in a row and also for her recent selection for the England U-19's!!

Boys U-18 Singles

There was a good turn out for the boy's competition with ten out of the initial entry of 12 taking part including two U-11's and three U-15s. Three groups of 'round robin' matches were played to determine the semi-finalists giving everyone a minimum of two games. A preliminary group of three, Sam Whitwam (Keeble), Will Sadlier (Keeble) and Max Broderman (Frampton) fought it out for the spare 4th slot in Group 2. There were no surprises here with favourite Max coming out on top but both Sam and Will continue to improve thanks to the after-school coaching at Keeble.

Group 1 had a very competitive look about it bringing together **Tom Smee** and **David Perry (Randwick)** with Joe Tarran (Sheepscombe) and Nick Butler (SHS)

Nick Butler again showed his potential by coming very close to winning all his matches but was understandably unable repeat his U-15 performances. A determined and improving Joe Tarran took the scalp of favourite **Tom Smee** and went onto beat **David Perry** and Nick Butler to finish top of the group thus avoiding meeting Sam White in the semi's. Second spot went to **Tom Smee** after overcoming Randwick team mate and doubles partner **David Perry with** great winners coming from both players in a close and highly contested match.

Previous winner and hot favourite **Sam White (Randwick)** headed Group 2 with **Peter Mallorie (Randwick)**, Max Broderman (Frampton) and **Declan Fardon (Randwick)** lining up for a crack at the champ but realistically vying for the runner up position.

Peter came from 0-2 down against Max to 2 games all and lead 8-2 in the 5th game only for Max to fight back to win 11-8. **Sam** comfortably won all of his matches as expected, to win the group for a semi-final against **Tom Smee** and **Declan** beat Max and **Peter** to clinch the group runner-up spot to set up a semi-final against the winner of group 1, Joe Tarran

With nothing to lose, **Tom** pulled out some cracking shots against **Sam** but he couldn't cope with the clever serves and vicious top spin drives of his more experienced opponent.

The other semi-final promised to be a much closer contest with **Declan** just favourite after his wins over Joe in the league. It proved to be just that, an exciting match with attacking play and great skill from both players with **Declan** emerging the winner by three games to one.

Not surprisingly, Sam went on to beat Declan in three straight games to take the trophy for the second year in a row. **Congratulations to Sam for another very successful season and his last as a junior. Declan, on the other hand is only 13 and has five more seasons as a junior. What a season he has had winning the U-13s, U-15s, runner up in the U-18's and playing a big part in Randwick E's promotion to Div 2. Congratulations Declan!**

Junior Doubles

The six pairs taking part were split into two groups with the winners playing for the trophy

In a closely contested group one, **Sam White/Sam Whitwam** beat **Tom Smee/David Perry** but lost to Joe Tarran/Will Sadler. **Tom/David** then beat Joe/Will to make it a three way tie. After a count up of sets won against sets lost Tom and David were declared group one winners.

In group two, **Declan Fardon** and Max Broderman beat Nick Butler and **Peter Mallorie** but lost a very close and entertaining match to Stella Davis and Annabel Sidwell. The girls then beat Nick and **Peter** to win the group.

The final was another close match with lots of attacking play from both sides. **Tom** and **David** made a great start winning the first game 11-7 but the Davis/Sidwell combination proved too strong as they took the next three games to win 3-1.

Stella has now won this competition four years in a row and with three different partners!

County news

Gloucestershire Juniors win promotion to National league Division 1

Sam White and **Harry Shahlei** were part of the county junior team that were runners-up in the National League Division 2

In the county Schools championships at Cheltenham **Declan Fardon** won the boys U-13 competition

Other News

Sam White was selected for the West of England junior trials

Stroud and District Table Tennis League 2005- 6 Winners/Runners up

- *Mens singles: Winner: **Harry Shahlaei**. Runner-up: **Sam White**
- *Ladies singles: Winner: Suzy Robinson: Runner-up: Stella Davis
- *Open doubles: Winner Dave Adamson/Rob Willsher. Runners-up: Andy Maybee/Gordon Shaw
- *Mixed doubles: Winners: Dave Adamson/Suzy Robinson. Runners-up: **Laurence Shahlaei/Marianne Willsher**
- *Veterans singles: Winner: Dave Adamson. Runner-up: Andy Maybee
- *Boys U-13: Winner: **Declan Fardon**. Runner-up: Max Brorderman
- *Boys U-15: Winner: **Declan Fardon**. Runner-up: Nick Butler
- *Boys U-18: Winner: **Sam White**. Runner-up: **Declan Fard*on**
- *Girls U-13: Winner: Florence Butler. Runner-up: Fay Allen
- *Girls U-15: No contest
- *Girls U-18: Winner: Stella Davis: Runner-up: Annabel Sidwell
- *Junior Doubles: Winners: Stella Davis/Annabel Sidwell. Runners up: **Tom Smee/David Perry**
- *Division 1 Winners: **Randwick A**. Runners-up: Forest Green A
- *Division 2 Winners: Woodchester C. Runners-up: Forest Green C
- *Division 3 Winners: Sheepscombe A. Runners-up: **Randwick E**
- *Division 2 knockout: Winner: Don Sweeney. Runner-up: Colin Bruton
- *Division 3 knockout: Winner: **Jim Hurford**. Runner-up: Simon Philp
- *'Albert Mann' Cup: Winners: Whiteshill A. Runners-up: Woodchester B
- *'Michael Holbrow' trophy for the Junior with the highest average: **Tom Smee**
- *'Andrew Golding' trophy for the most promising Junior: Joe Tarran
- *'Paul Bowcott' award for sportsmanship etc: Glanville Watkins
- *'Committee Award': Thornbury TT Club
- *'Pat Toomer Shield for player with highest average: Don Sweeney

Stroud & District Table Tennis League 2005-6 - Final Tables

Division 1

	P	W	D	L	PTS
RANDWICK A	21	19	1	1	178
FOREST GREEN A	21	19	0	2	164
WOODCHESTER A	20	18	0	2	163
WOODCHESTER B	22	9	6	7	111
THORNBURY A	22	9	3	10	106
CIRENCESTER A	21	8	4	9	101
WHITESHILL A	22	8	6	8	105
THORNBURY B	21	7	6	8	92
CAM A	22	7	2	13	91
WHITESHILL B	22	5	2	15	79
CIRENCESTER B	22	4	2	16	69
FRAMPTON A	22	0	0	22	31

Division 2

	P	W	D	L	PTS

WOODCHESTER C	22	19	1	2	178
FOREST GREEN C	22	17	2	3	153
FOREST GREEN B	22	17	3	2	142
WOODCHESTER D	21	10	3	8	131
PESSIMISTS	21	12	4	5	125
RANDWICK B	20	15	0	5	129
CAM B	22	8	1	13	97
WHITESHILL C	22	8	3	11	98
NAILSWORTH A	22	5	1	16	74
LIBERAL A	22	5	1	16	60
RANDWICK C	22	1	2	19	67
FRAMPTON B	22	2	1	19	46

Division 3

	P	W	D	L	PTS
SHEEPSCOMBE A	20	20	0	0	159
RANDWICK E	20	13	3	4	125
RANDWICK D	20	12	5	3	118
THORNBURY C	20	10	4	6	110
CAM C	20	10	3	7	108
FRAMPTON C	20	7	4	9	100
THORNBURY D	20	8	3	9	93
SHEEPSCOMBE B	20	4	8	8	91
NAILSWORTH B	20	2	3	15	70
FOREST GREEN E	20	5	3	12	86
RANDWICK F	20	1	0	19	39

Stroud & District Table Tennis League 2005-6 - Final Averages

Division 1

PLAYER	TEAM	P	W	%
H SHAHLAEI	RANDWICK A	35	35	100.00
N COLLINS	WOODCHESTER A	28	27	96.43
D LLOYD	WOODCHESTER A	40	37	92.50
A SMITH	FOREST GREEN A	18	16	88.89
D ADAMSON	FOREST GREEN A	35	31	88.57
S WHITE	RANDWICK A	39	34	87.18
H WILLIAMS	RANDWICK A	38	33	86.84
D.KOLSNIK	FOREST GREEN A	44	38	86.36
D HOPE	WOODCHESTER C	53	45	84.91
SEB GROH	THORNBURY B	33	28	84.85
L SHAHLAEI	RANDWICK A	51	42	82.35
K HOWSE	CIRENCESTER A	39	31	79.49
A MAYBEE	FOREST GREEN A	33	26	78.79
T CLARKSON	WOODCHESTER A	50	39	78.00
A COX	CAM A	62	48	77.42
S ROBINSON	FOREST GREEN A	18	12	66.67
J DAVIS	WHITESHILL B	40	26	65.00
K ARMSTRONG	WOODCHESTER A	31	20	64.52
LUKE DAVIS	WHITESHILL B	11	7	63.64
M KIFF	WHITESHILL A	62	39	62.90

I MAGGS	THORNBURY A	63	39	61.90
S DAVIS	WHITESHILL A	53	32	60.38
P BIRD	CIRENCESTER A	63	35	55.56
J MORLEY	FOREST GREEN A	15	8	53.33
C JEFFERIES	CIRENCESTER A	48	24	50.00
R WILLSSHER	WOODCHESTER A	6	3	50.00
M WILLSSHER	RANDWICK A	23	11	47.83

Division 2

PLAYER	TEAM	P	W	%
R POOLE	FOREST GREEN C	12	12	100.00
D SWEENEY	WOODCHESTER C	58	56	96.55
K FOORDE	FOREST GREEN B	53	50	94.34
S WARD	FOREST GREEN C	59	55	93.22
T CHANCELLOR	PESSIMISTS	38	31	81.58
B CULLIS	WOODCHESTER C	36	29	80.56
N WATTS	RANDWICK B	54	42	77.78
B MORGAN	PESSIMISTS	56	43	76.79
C BRUTON	WOODCHESTER D	34	26	76.47
R EVANS	PESSIMISTS	41	30	73.17
K BRIDLE	WOODCHESTER D	44	32	72.73
J POBJOY	FOREST GREEN B	54	39	72.22
N MATTHEWS	WOODCHESTER C	31	22	70.97
T JORDAN	WHITESHILL C	54	38	70.37
P PUMPHREY	WOODCHESTER C	61	42	68.85
B TUCKFIELD	CAM B	48	33	68.75
A WHEELER	RANDWICK B	60	38	63.33
W HOPKINS	RANDWICK B	57	35	61.40
M HANKS	WOODCHESTER D	43	25	58.14
C SMART	FOREST GREEN C	65	37	56.92
J SMITH	WOODCHESTER D	18	10	55.56
D PUGH	NAILSWORTH A	24	13	54.17
C JENKINS	WOODCHESTER D	39	21	53.85
M WATTS	RANDWICK C	54	29	53.70
M HOLBROW	NAILSWORTH A	56	30	53.57
N ORMSTON	CAM B	38	20	52.63
A LARDNER	WHITESHILL C	33	17	51.52
JOHN CROWTHER	FOREST GREEN C	59	29	49.15
J HAYCRAFT	FOREST GREEN B	50	24	48.00
B JORDAN	WHITESHILL C	28	12	42.86
N KABIR	LIBERAL A	51	21	41.18
R SMART	CAM B	53	19	35.85
P DODD	FOREST GREEN B	20	7	35.00
S ELLIS	LIBERAL A	57	17	29.82
A WELSH	NAILSWORTH A	56	16	28.57
L CALLARD	CAM B	50	13	26.00
A POOLE	RANDWICK C	57	14	24.56
J HITCHINS	LIBERAL A	54	12	22.22
L GALLAGE	WHITESHILL C	33	7	21.21
L AGG	FRAMTON B	54	11	20.37
C STURGESS	FRAMPTON B	54	11	20.37
FIM KRYT	RANDWICK C	30	6	20.00
S NICHOLS	WHITESHILL C	27	5	18.52
M LONG	LIBERAL A	33	5	15.15

A JONES	RANDWICK C	39	5	12.82
M LIS	NAILSWORTH A	53	6	11.32

Division 3

PLAYER	TEAM	P	W	%
D SHILL	SHEEPSCOMBE A	27	27	100.00
S PHILP	FRAMPTON C	15	14	93.33
J HURFORD	RANDWICK E	55	50	90.91
R ROSS	SHEEPSCOMBE B	18	16	88.89
N ROSS	SHEEPSCOMBE A	24	21	87.50
W.TARRAN	SHEEPSCOMBE A	57	48	84.21
H TARRAN	SHEEPSCOMBE A	6	5	83.33
G WATKINS	FRAMPTON C	49	36	73.47
G HARPER	THORNBURY C	51	37	72.55
J KETTLE	THORNBURY C	51	37	72.55
T SMEE	RANDWICK D	50	36	72.00
S PARTRIDGE	CAM C	55	39	70.91
D FARDON	RANDWICK E	58	41	70.69
J TARRAN	SHEEPSCOMBE A	54	38	70.37
M MAY	NAILSWORTH B	24	16	66.67
I YEMM	FOREST GREEN E	46	30	65.22
M PARTRIDGE	SHEEPSCOMBE B	60	39	65.00
G EDEN	THORNBURY D	47	29	61.70
N NELDER	FOREST GREEN E	35	21	60.00
T STONE	THORNBURY D	30	18	60.00
R PERRY	RANDWICK D	50	27	54.00
J WELSH	NAILSWORTH B	17	9	52.94
J SMEE	RANDWICK D	44	23	52.27
T BARRETT	NAILSWORTH B	36	18	50.00
R HILL	CAM C	32	15	46.88
J ORMSTON	CAM C	52	22	42.31
G WORSFOLD	THORNBURY D	49	19	38.78
P MALLORIE	RANDWICK E	26	10	38.46
R WHITE	RANDWICK F	48	18	37.50
K COOPER	RANDWICK D	8	3	37.50
P SEVILLE	FRAMPTON C	27	10	37.04
DAVID PERRY	RANDWICK D	22	8	36.36
J ALLEN	NAILSWORTH B	6	2	33.33
CHRIS PHILP	FRAMPTON C	46	15	32.61
N MARSHALL	NAILSWORTH B	36	11	30.56
P LENNARD	FOREST GREEN E	23	6	26.09
M BRODERMAN	FRAMPTON C	31	8	25.81
D DICKINSON	SHEEPSCOMBE B	21	5	23.81
Julien CROWTHER	FOREST GREEN E	41	8	19.51
M WHEELER	RANDWICK F	42	8	19.05
D WATSON	NAILSWORTH B	48	9	18.75
R MCCABE	SHEEPSCOMBE A	6	1	16.67
A WEIR	THORNBURY D	20	3	15.00
P BEER	SHEEPSCOMBE B	12	1	8.33
M REASON	RANDWICK F	12	1	8.33
M RENDELL	RANDWICK F	40	3	7.50

Teams for 2006-7

Randwick 'A' (Division 1)

Howard Williams, Sam White, Harry Shahlaei,

Randwick 'B' (Division 2)

Alan Wheeler, Nick Watts, Wayne Hopkins

Randwick 'C' (Division 2)

Jim Hurford, Matt Watts, Tom Watts, Declan Fardon, Fim Kryt

Randwick 'D' (Division 2)

Ralph Perry, John Smee, Tony Poole, Adrian Jones, David Perry

Randwick 'E' (Division 3)

Richard White, Martin Rendell, Mark Wheeler, Jessica Hurford

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