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The Aldershot & District Table Tennis league is up and running with Ash A first out of the blocks in Division 1 following a 10-0 win over Tennis A. Dave Halfpenny, playing up, sauntered to a hat trick the night after doing the same for Ash B who were 7-3 victors over Tennis B. Dave Gilham beat Graham Barson in the game of the night 16-14 in the fifth on his way to winning all three. Top performance of the week goes to a resurgent Clive Banham for toppling Phil Snelson while leading Broadmoor A to a 7-3 win over Central A, Mark Handcock weighing in with two for Broadmoor. What looked a tight contest on paper ended with Bentley A running out comfortable 8-2 winners at Central B, Robin Pretty claiming a good two for the home team, only losing out to Andy Mudie who didn't drop an end all night. Usual suspects Steve French and Micky Lang both secured solid two's for title dark horses Bentley.

Division 2 got under way with Broadmoor B and Tennis C sharing the spoils, Pu Zhang the star man for Broadmoor storming to all three, dropping only one end on the way. Pu was ably supported by Mark Armstrong winning two five setters while Dave Jarvis kept Tennis in it with two of his own. Nigel Tustin's impressive three were the only points for Ash D as they went down to Tennis E, an injured Roy Benfield of Ash having to forfeit his final match, get well soon Roy! Relegated last season, Ash C could only muster two men from their injury ravaged squad but against all odds Martin Gilbey and Mike Levey climbed down from their stools to scrap their way to a 6-4 triumph over Fleet CC A, underlining their favourite status. Frimley B fought their way to a 7-3 win over Tennis D, on a night when half the games went to a decider, the wily Derek Seager leading the way for Frimley with a maximum return.

The Third Division saw Tennis F claim bragging rights over club mates Tennis G, Eliot Tilley (3), Bob Brown (2) and Colin Baggott (2) all weighing in. Ash E however are the early pace setters, Dave Bentall and Les Knight both going three's up in a comfortable 8-2 win over Cody D. Ash F meanwhile could only get two out and subsequently lost 7-3 to Frimley E for whom Dave Mackinnon was unbeatable. It was honours even as Farnham Cohesion A drew five all at Frimley D, every player winning at least one but only Robeen Roopen's win over Nick Green going the distance. Frimley's C team got off to a solid start, Tony Harrison and Johns Ball and Upham all doubling up but it was Tennis H's Gordon Courtney after comfortably winning all three who unluckily saw his side go down 6-4.

Ash G showed no mercy as they got their Division 4 campaign underway with an ominous 10-0 over Farnham Cohesion B, Bill Abbott, Ray Mears and Terry Kavanagh the destroyers in chief. Hot on their heels are Cody F, James Hodges (3) winning the game of the night 11-9 in the decider against John Hutchinson (2) in leading his team to an 8-2 win over Ash K. Ron Bartlett (3), Marge Massey (2) and Chris Carter (2) saw Fleet CC B to a 7-3 success over Ash H, the latter coming from two down to beat Ron Davies in a thriller. It was too tight to call as Fleet CC C drew five all at Frimley F, Fleet's Bob Brook claimed two but couldn't overcome Kevin Bissell who battled hard to three wins for the home side. A topsy turvy 6-4 win for Cody

E over Tennis J was ultimately decided by a close encounter between Norrie Short and John Davis, Norrie shading the final two legs 11-9 to claim a vital point for Cody.
Until next week...I'm off to get a bacon sandwich, don't worry Dave I won't send this bit to the paper...!
Chris H

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