

Apologies to Council members. I was going to send out my October report to you after the meeting but decided to wait for the Mencap results in October. Unfortunately, at the beginning of December, I had a bad case of "flu" and hadn't really recovered until recently. I have therefore combined the October report into this one.

The European championships were a great success with 2 gold medals and 4 Silver medals. Will Bayley became European Champion – what a way to get your first major championships medal- and Ross Wilson reached the final of the Class 8 Singles. This was an incredible achievement for the 16 year old who only started playing international disability table tennis in March 2011. In the new ratings system, Ross is now ranked 6th in the world.

Para ITTF have now introduced a new ranking system based on ratings rather than just results. A player's rating represents his/her playing ability relative to other rated players. A ranking list based on the previous system has still been produced for January 2012 as this will be used to decide qualification for London 2012. The rating system however will be used to determine seeding in future events. Both sets of rankings are given later in this report, as are the results of the international events.

British Open English Institute of Sport, Sheffield 14 – 17 September 2011

The British Open Factor 40 Para Table Tennis Championships held at the English Institute of Sport, Sheffield was a resounding success for the Great Britain Para Table Tennis team with nine medals and many good performances in a highly competitive field of 312 players from 44 countries playing on 25 tables.

The squad gained nine medals - results later in this report. This medal haul brings the season's tally to over 40 for GB players in international events this year and it is hoped that more will be won in the European Championships in Croatia in October

The event was refereed by Steve Welch and was organised by the BTTAD working with its partners UK Sport, Sheffield City Council, ITTF Para TT and ETTA as well as its contracted event management company – MLS Contracts Ltd- and its trade partners notably Butterfly, Sheffield International Venues and HR Media

There was considerable media interest with Channel 4 coming for the day on Saturday to record for That Paralympic Show. Presenters Ade Adepitan, Rick Edwards and Iwan Thomas all had a go under the benevolent eye of GB Performance Manager Gorazd Vecko. Many GB matches were recorded for the show on Saturday October 29th at 1.25pm Farrel Anthony was interviewed for regional TV and there were articles and photographs in the local press

Many ETTA members were involved as players, referees, umpires and staff. The BTTAD were very grateful for the support given to it by the ETTA in staging this event. More information and photographs available on the **website address** www.britishopenparatabletennis.com

Learning Disability

Adam Thompson was officially classified internationally in September. His inclusion into the elite WCP is now official although both he and Victoria Bromley have been attending regular training sessions since early summer.

Their first international appearance on the ITTF circuit was the European Championships in Croatia. Although neither got to the final stages, the coaching staff were pleased with their performances and believe they have a lot of potential at this level.

BTTAD New Logo

Another positive effect of the British Open was the offer to design a new logo for the BTTAD. The BTTAD Committee were given some designs to consider and after slight adaptation, the logo below was adopted



Coaching Newsletter and DVD

The BTTAD have produced their first coaching dvd and newsletter. This will be circulated to interested parties. Please contact Peter Taylor for more information.

The Mencap Open Crewe 15 – 16 October 2011

Results

Mens Class 1 – 5 Open Singles Final

Shaun Newcomb b Roger Hales 10, 7, 8

Mens Class 1 – 5 Open Band B and C Singles

Final

Ashley Davis b Nico Anderson 8, -10, -3, 10, 6

Mens Class 6 – 11 Open Singles

Final

Farrel Anthony b Paul Waumsley 8, 6, 8

Mens Class 6 – 11 Band B Open Singles Final

Gareth Joes b Conor Gordon 8, 11, 5

Mens Class 6 – 11 Band C Open Singles Final

Ewan McLaughlin b Martin Perry 4, 5, -12, 8

Ladies Class 1 – 5 Open Singles

Final

Hannah Coulthurst b Rebekah Evans 5, 4, 4

Ladies Class 6 - 11 Open Singles

Final

Ella Booker b Jacqui Smith 6, 5, 5

Mixed Class 1 – 5 Doubles

Final

Shaun Newcomb / Lee Hamill b Cathy Mitton /

Hannah Coulthurst 9, 8, 8

Class 6 – 11 Doubles

Final

Sam Bell / Farrel Anthony b Paul Waumsley /

Shaun Alvey 10, -4, -7, 10, 4

Junior Mixed Class 1-5 Singles

Final

Nicko Anderson b Daniel Bullen 2, 5, 4

Junior Mixed Class 6-11 Singles

Final

Conor Gordon b Alex Bland 5, 7, 8

Mixed Class 1 – 3 Singles

Final

Cathy Mitton b Roger Hales 6, -9, 9, 13

Mixed Class 4-5 Singles

Final

Shaun Newcomb b Mike Prendergast 6, 9, 10

Mens Class 6-7 Singles

Final

Farrel Anthony b Peter Cameron 9, 9, 9

Mens Class 8 Singles

Final

Shaun Alvey b Paul Waumsley 9, 6, -11, 12

Mens Class 11 Singles

Final

Adam Thompson b Peter Millar 3, 1, 2

Ladies Class 6-10 Singles

Final

Ella Booker b Felicity Pickard 4, -9, -9, 10, 8

Ladies Class 11 Singles

Final

Jacqueline Smith b Jessica Bromley 5, 8, 7

Current World Ranking List

World ranking system is now based on a rating system. I have also given the January list based on the old system as that will be used for qualification to London 2012.

Last six columns are rankings on Oct 2011, July 2011 and April 2011. Group ranking is rank for classes 1-5 or 6-10 combined

Name	Class	Rating		Class	Group	Class Rank	Group Rank	Class Rank	Group Rank	Class Rank	Group Rank
		Rating	Class Rank	Rank	Rank						
				Jan11	Jan11						
Catherine Mitton	2	1004	9	12	86	12	78	8	70	6	52
Dzaier Neil	2	936	12	14	93	14	96	13	100	13	93
Jane Campbell	3	1216	10	6	23	7	23	6	21	6	18
Sara Head	3	1263	6	5	22	8	24	8	24	7	21
Sue Gilroy	4	1227	6	7	19	5	17	5	15	3	10
Claire Robertson	4	1054	20	21	74	18	72	16	59	12	41
Ella Booker	7	1045	17								
Robert Davies	1	891	6	4	98	4	106	4	108	5	120
Paul Davies	1	844	11	9	130	10	145	10	146	15	159
James Rawson	3	1116	24	65	234	46	163	42	158	31	102
Arnie Chan	3			82	303	65	231	64	225	44	150
Mark Palmer	4					58	216	58	214	52	199
Scott Robertson	5	1172	18	14	41	15	43	14	44	10	27
Jack Hunter Spivey	5	1039	33	35	163	34	165	39	187		
David Wetherill	6	1309	7	7	90	10	94	12	107	15	114
William Bayley	7	1573	1	2	35	2	36	3	35	4	34
Paul Karabardak	7	1429	10	9	71	9	69	10	72	12	71
Joseph Stotesbury	7	1285	19	30	153	29	156	31	160	27	153
Farrel Anthony	7	1222	28	27	121	25	142	49	271	34	183
Ross Wilson	8	1604	6	9	44	14	60	22	104	53	303
Aaron Mckibbin	8	1495	15	16	69	21	92	32	152	40	227
Ashley Facey Thompson	9	1421	27	31	128	28	131	41	187	40	166
Kim Daybell	10	1724	8	7	10	9	15	9	14	13	43
Adam Thompson	11	50		22							

International Results

china Rica Open		FACTOR 20	21 - 27 July 2011	
Medal Tally				
Gold	0		1	4th Place
Silver	0		1	Quarter-Final
Bronze	0		0	last 16
Medal / Position	Athlete			Event
4th Place	Dzaier Neil			Ladies Class 1-2
Quarter-final	Dzaier Neil / Pushpasheva Rus			Ladies Team class 1-2

Brazil Open		Factor 20	21-26 August 2011	
Medal Tally				
Gold	2		0	4th Place
Silver	1		0	Quarter-Final
Bronze	0		0	last 16
Medal / Position	Athlete			Event
gold	Aaron McKibbin / Ross Wilson			Team mens Class 8
Gold	Aaron McKibbin			Singles Mens Class 8
Silver	Ross Wilson			Singles Mens Class 8

Costa Rica Open 2011		21-27 August 2011		
Medal Tally				
Gold	1		0	4th Place
Silver	0		0	Quarter-Final
Bronze	1		0	last 16
Medal / Position	Athlete			Event
Gold	Farrel Anthony Ferro Pablo ARG			Mens team class 7
Bronze	Farrel Anthony			Mens Class 7

Czeck Open		Factor 20	7 - 11 September 2011	
Medal Tally				
Gold	0		1	4th Place
Silver	2		3	Quarter-Final
Bronze	2		0	last 16
Medal / Position	Athlete			Event
Silver	Ross Wilson / Aaron McKibbin			Mens Team Class 8
Silver	David Wetherill / Isreal			Mens team class 6
Bronze	David Wetherill			Mens class 6
Bronze	Ross Wilson			Mens Class 8
4th Place	Farrel Anthony			Mens Class 7
Quarter-Final	Jack Hunter-Spivey			Mens Class 5
Quarter-Final	Aaron McKibbin			Mens Class 8
Quarter-Final	Jack Hunter-Spivey / Andre Scott USA			Mens Team Class 5

British Open		Factor 40	14 -17 September 2011	
Medal Tally				
Gold	2		3	4th Place
Silver	2		6	Quarter-Final
Bronze	5		3	last 16
Medal / Position	Athlete			Event
Gold	Rob Davies			Mens class 1
Gold	Sara Head And Jane Campbell			Ladies Team class 3
Silver	Paul Davies			Mens class 1
Silver	Sue Gilroy / Jung (Kor)			Ladies Team class 4
Bronze	Sue Gilroy			Ladies Class 4
Bronze	Will Bayley			Mens Class 7
Bronze	Scott Robertson andTurhaung (Nor)			Mens Team class 5
Bronze	Will Bayley and Paul Karabardak			Mens Team class 7
Bronze	Ross wilson and Aaron Mckibbin			Mens Team class 8
4th Place	Sara Head			Ladies class 3
4th Place	Rob Davies / Paul Davies			Mens Team class 1
4th Place	David Wetherill / Gregorivic (Cro)			Mens Team class 6
Quarter-Final	Cathy Mitton			Ladies class 1-2
Quarter-Final	Jane Campbell			Ladies Class 3
Quarter-Final	David Wetherill			Mens Class 6
Quarter-Final	Ross Wilson			Mens Class 8
Quarter-Final	Ashley Facey-Thompson			Mens Class 9
Quarter-Final	Kim Daybell			Mens Class 10
Last 16	Scott Robertson			Mens Class 5
Last 16	Paul Karabardak			Mens Class 7
Last 16	Aaron McKibbin			Mens Class 8

European Championships		Factor 50	22 – 28 October 2011	
Medal Tally				
Gold	2		6	4th Place
Silver	4		3	Quarter-Final
Bronze	0		4	last 16
Medal / Position	Athlete			Event
Gold	Will Bayley			Mens class 7
Gold	Sara Head And Jane Campbell			Ladies Team class 3
Silver	Will Bayley/ Paul Karabardak			Mens class 7
Silver	Ross Wilson			Mens Class 8
Silver	Rob Davies			Mens Class 1
Silver	Rob Davies / Paul Davies			Mens Team Class 1
4 th Place	Aaron McKibbin			Mens Class 8
4th Place	Kim Daybell			Mens class 10
4th Place	Kim Daybell / Ashley Facey Thompson			Mens Team class 10
4th Place	Sue Gilroy			Ladies class 4
4th Place	David Wetherill			Mens class 7

4th Place	Cathy Mitton / Dzaier Neil	Ladies Team class 1-2
Quarter-Final	Paul Davies	Mens Class 1
Quarter-Final	Sara Head	Ladies Class 3
Quarter-Final	Jane Campbell	Ladies Class 3
Last 16	Paul Karabardak	Mens Class 7
Last 16	Scott Robertson	Mens Class 5
Last 16	Adam Thompson	Mens class 11
Last 16	Victoria Bromley	Ladies class 11

Copa Tango 2011	Factor 20	6 – 11 December 2011		
Medal Tally				
Gold	6		1	4th Place
Silver	3		2	Quarter-Final
Bronze	1		0	last 16
Medal / Position	Athlete			Event
Gold	Sue Gilroy			Ladies Class 4-5
Gold	Paul Davies			Mens class 1
Gold	Scott Robertson			Mens class 4
Silver	Cathy Mitton			Ladies Class 1-2
Silver	Aaron McKibbin			Mens Class 8
Bronze	Dzaier Neil			Ladies class 1-2
Silver	Aaron Mckibbin./ Rignell (Sweden)			Men's Team Class 8
Gold	Sue Gilroy / Ahmed (Egypt)			Women Team Class 4-5
Gold	Scott Robertson/Andre Scott (USA)			Men team class 4-5
Gold	Paul Davies/ Hans Ruep (AUT)			Men's Team Class 1-2
4th Place	Cathy Mitton / Dzair Neil			Women team Class 2-3
Quarter-Final	Anthony Farrel/ Sterling (USA)			Men's team Class 7
Quarter-Final	Anthony Farrel			Men's singles Class 7

Ray Jones

Sadly , Ray Jones, Yorkshire, died just before Xmas. He had been diagnosed with cancer some years before and had just returned to playing. He was due to play in the British Open but had to be taken into hospital before the event started. Ray was one of the better wheelchair players on the circuit , - a class 3 - and was always willing to give advice, encouragement and support to those new to disability table tennis – both young and old. He will be missed and our sympathies go to his family.

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