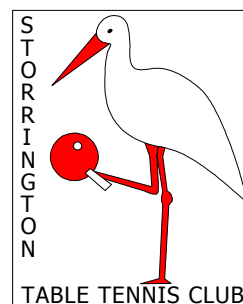


Storrington Table Tennis Club

News Letter Spring Term 2011



Spring Term Session Times/Dates/Fees

For the Spring Term we will be running our normal sessions.

Playing fees will be as follows:

- £3.00 **Junior** club sessions
- £31.00 For **Junior** Sessions for the whole of the Spring Term (approximately 13 weeks at £3.00 would be £39). To take advantage of this offer the money would have to be paid by the 13th January
- £4.00 **Adult** club sessions (Adult sessions do not stop for school holidays only bank holidays when the leisure centre is closed)
- £50.00 For **Adults** Sessions for the whole of the Spring Term (approximately 15 weeks at £4.00 would be £60). To take advantage of this offer the money would have to be paid by the 17th January
- £4:00 Match fee for those playing in the league payable both home and away.
- £2.50 This season everybody is required to become a member of the English Table Tennis Association. This is a one off annual fee to be paid to the club which we have to pass on to the ETTA (if you are playing in the league this year the league fee already covers this).

Cheques should be made payable to 'Storrington Table Tennis Club'

Note in addition to the club fees there will be the entrance fee to the leisure centre for non leisure centre members.

Session	Day	Session Time	Start Date	End Date
Junior Beginners & Improvers	Thursday	5:00-5:55	6 th January	17 th February
Junior Intermediate & Advanced	Thursday	6:00-6:55	6 th January	17 th February
HALF TERM				
Junior Beginners & Improvers	Thursday	5:00-5:55	3 rd March	7 th April
Junior Intermediate & Advanced	Thursday	6:00-6:55	3 rd March	7 th April
Adult	Monday	8:30 – 10:00	10 th January	18 th April

Club News

The club entered two teams in to the Worthing and District's Table Tennis League - one in the 3rd division and the other in the 4th division. So far both teams have been moderately successful having been consistently in the top 3 places in each division. You can follow the progress of the teams on the club website. I would like to say a special thank you to **Annie Brotherston** for doing such a good job of running the division 4 team. It is greatly appreciated.

Unfortunately as you will see above we have had to increase the adult session fees for the spring term. This is due two things, the first is that we have employed a coach (Steve Denman) to ensure that we have coaching coverage every week and the second is that the hall fees are increasing in January. We will have to keep the fees under review as we will still be running at a loss unless we can increase the number of players we get each week. So please spread the word and encourage anybody that you know who might be interested to come along.

Club Plans

The club is continuing to push forward with its attempt to become a Club Mark accredited club. This will allow us to enter into a schools partnership and also gain access to more forms of funding.

Once again I am appealing for help. The club is run by volunteers and we are in desperate need of support to assist in its continued running. At the moment the Adult Club Liaison officer committee position is vacant (to see the description of the roles and responsibilities visit the website).

The junior sessions also need support with taking the register, collecting monies and signing of books, as these administration activities eat into the session time. It would also be great if we could get some help with clearing away equipment at the end of the session. Please let me know if anyone is able to help.

Table Tennis Information

(New information will be in italics)

Clothing

Suitable clothing should consist of a short sleeved shirt and either shorts or a skirt. A track suit is acceptable for training and for keeping warm when active. All clothing should not be too tight which, restricts movement or too loose which, gets in the way of playing strokes. The players' clothing should allow good visibility of the table tennis ball and should therefore not be orange or white. Shoes should provide good grip on the floor and be light, flexible, have good support around the heel and instep. Trainers are not recommended because they have inflexible soles and the heels are too high. This risks damage to a player's ankle. Any shoes that are used have to have non marking soles so as not to damage the hall floor.

The club sells Navy blue Fruit Of The Loom polo shirts with the club logo in the following sizes

- 7-8 (128 cm) £7.50
- 9-11 (140 cm) £7.50
- 12-13 (152cm) £7.50
- 14-15 (164cm) £8.50
- Adult (L) £11.50



Equipment

The club provides table tennis bats etc. for its players to use during sessions. If a player would like their own bats etc. they will be able to purchase them through the club (we hope to get reasonable deals from specialist suppliers). The club would not recommend buying bats from ordinary sports shops without taking specialist advice first. Bats can be expensive and getting the wrong bat/rubbers could make it a waste of money.

Sources of Table Tennis information on the Web

The English Table Tennis Association official web site.

www.englishtabletennis.org.uk

The International Table Tennis Federation (this site contains the up to date laws of table tennis)

www.ittf.com

European Table Tennis Union

www.ettu.org

Sussex Table Tennis Alliance

www.sussextta.co.uk

Horsham Table Tennis Club

www.horshamtabletennisclub.co.uk/

Worthing and District Table Tennis League

www.wdtt.co.uk

Club Contact Information

Any messages, queries or questions about the club can be left with Chanctonbury Sport and Leisure centre.

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