



Woodville Table Tennis Club

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Woodville Winter Pennant Results:

Magnificent playing by our Smash Hit team resulted in the only win for our club at the finals on Saturday 14th September. Limited to only 2 players due to the third brother and youngest not arriving in time, the Woodley boys were too strong for the opposition. Congratulations boys!!

Nulli Secundus

The Annual General Meeting of the Club will be on Wednesday 30th October at 7.30pm - Your attendance is important to make a quorum so the meeting can go ahead. There will be no pressure to join the Committee, but if you want to join you will be welcome.

Ping Pong – 1950's Asian Dominance

Although it's said that ping-pong was introduced to the Far East by British army officers in the early 20th century, it officially became an Asian phenomenon in the early 1950s. By the time the 1952 Ping-Pong Championships were held in Mumbai, Asian players were dominating the scene. That year, Japan won four gold medals. Soon after, Mao Zedong declared table tennis as China's national sport.

Come 'n Try help needed

There are two days in October school holidays when we have invited children to Come 'n Try table tennis, these are Thursday 3rd and Sunday 6th from 10am to 3pm both days.

If you can assist on either of these days to come and help show people how to play it would be most welcome,

Please let Richard know if you can assist – 08 8248 1703

Woodville Closed Tournament

The first Sunday in November is the date for the Club Closed Tournament or Fun Day, when entry in the Tournament is free and the lunch from Harry's Taverna is also free. This is when the Club Champion is decided – see the entry form.

Thought for the Month

It's not about being the best – It's about being better than you were yesterday.

We thank our Sponsors: **City of Charles Sturt, Rosewater Tyres, Tony Stacey Consulting,**



Kevin Malyschko

Recent Club History

The building had passed its use by date.

In 2005 when Chris Leonard was President the Charles Sturt Council wrote to tell us the bad news that our building did not pass the building code anymore and had "passed its use by date" but not to worry, they would shift us to "new" premises, and a time was chosen to drive Chris and Richard to these venues:

1. **St Clair Youth Centre**. We were offered to share a basketball court, but the tables had to be removed and put away after use and we had to share with roller skating, kinder gym, and the occasional basketball match. The times we could use it were very limited and competition nights and Wednesday use was not available. We said No thanks.
2. **Henley Beach Town Hall**. With a stage at one end and room for only 5 tables plus having to put the tables away each time – we said again No thanks.
3. **Woodville High School Gym**. A good size building but the lighting had to be improved, the tables had to be stored away, and we had limited access. No thanks.

This upset the Council a little and when we said we wanted to stay where we were they said "Well it's up to you to bring the building up to standard. You are on your own, we will not help you financially" They agreed that we were responsible to upgrade the building to meet the current Building Code and suggested that we apply for an Active Club grant.

But for the leadership of Chris Leonard we may have been shut down.

See next month how we managed to complete the list of requirements to pass the Building Code.

Past Club History

Last month we made mention of the successful Thursday night handicap tournaments which featured for many years during the 1960's and 1970's. Of course, any good tournament is not complete without its identities and with some of those players still around the Table Tennis circles today. The tournament officials included such greats as Chris Leonard, Sid Aarons and Trevor Rowley. Players included the likes of the Malyschko brothers Peter, David and Kevin the Buckby family of Glenda, Brenton, Mylene and Lynette. Next month we will go back to 1955 and see what was making TT news.

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Feedback

Do you have ideas for an article in this newsletter?

Please contact Richard at grantr504@gmail.com

Editor's Note:

If anyone can add to the Club's history, please contact either Malcolm Boyley 0474 639 104 / malcolm.boyley65@gmail.com or Richard 0439 866 998

Club Lights

The Committee wishes to remind players to take your belongings and check that you have **switched off all the lights** by looking behind you when leaving the Club.
