

Week 8

Division 2 saw the battle of the top two sides this week with second placed Phoenix D entertaining table toppers LSM B with a close encounter expected however Phoenix were unable to field their strongest team and included Keith Swift who was playing his first match since breaking his leg, as usual John Hallgarth displayed his admirable never say die attitude and was very unfortunate to lose all his singles matches but the pair did combine to win the doubles which was their teams only success in the 9-1 scoreline, LSM's trio of Dave Sayner, John Bradshaw and Graham Slater took all of the singles on the night and are now 4 points clear at the top. Dolcliffe are quietly rising to the promotion positions and they enjoyed a good 7-3 win at Stag A with Colin Scott claiming a very good hat trick, Roger Gascoyne added 2 and Wilf Ward, for Stag Mick Garrett suffered a rare defeat only taking 2 and Pete Webster 1. Stag B recorded a rare win beating 2 man Piranha F 8-2 when Mick Brownlow and Paul Flint were both undefeated, this allowed Stag to leapfrog their opponents and move 2 places up the table. LSM C won 10-0 at Scorpions D and considering the team Scorpions turned out most of the sets were surprisingly won very easily.

Division 3 saw all local derbies and a surprising defeat for Francis Lovell of Clifton Rattlers at the hand of Clifton Cobras Russ Drayton who went on to record a maximum in his teams 7-3 victory, there were 2 wins for Jim Steel and 1 for John Walters. Another Doug Stone hat trick led Piranha I to a 6-4 victory over their H team, Andrew Wilson also chipped in with 2 but the doubles proved to be the vital set when young Chris Ward combined with Stone to win 11-9 in the 5th game, for the H team Adam Baker scored twice.

In division 1 Scorpions A got back to winning ways with a 7-3 victory at Piranha C with maximums for Mark Johnson and Stewart Wallace, for Piranha both Steve Taylor and Chris Wallace beat Stephen Arliss and they won another very close doubles. When Shaun Alvey beat Stuart Element in the first set Phoenix B might have been thinking about a shock win against their A team, unfortunately they only won the doubles as Mick Bell and John Warby were both unbeaten as the A team ran out 8-2 winners. LSM A only had 2 players but Alan Waistnidge and Ian Burnell only lost the doubles in their 6-4 victory at home to Scorpions B. Alan Firth claimed 2 good sets for Phoenix C with wins over Les Jennings and Julie Beaumont but they were his teams only successes in his teams 8-2 defeat at the hands of Piranha D for whom Patrick Lee was unbeaten. The top 2 both had walkovers this week JSM against Piranha B and Piranha A against their E team for the second week running.

2nd round cup draw is as follows LSM B v Maltby, JSM v Phoenix E, Piranha D v Phoenix A, Scorpions C v Piranha A Piranha B v Piranha F, LSM C v Phoenix B, Scorpions D v Phoenix D, Dolcliffe v Scorpions B, all matches to be played w/c 8th January. Secretaries should note the 3 match rule applies and it is the home teams responsibilities to organise the matches.

The next league meeting is on Thursday 25th January at Brinsworth Pavilion with a 7.15 start.

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Division Standings Report

Division 1

Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	GF	GA	Points
J. S. M.	8	6	2	0	60	20	14
PIRANHA SKOOL A	8	6	2	0	59	21	14
SCORPIONS A	8	7	0	1	57	23	14
L. S. M. A	8	6	1	1	55	25	13
PHOENIX A	8	4	2	2	50	30	10
PIRANHA SKOOL D	8	3	2	3	38	42	8
PHOENIX B	8	3	1	4	43	37	7
PIRANHA SKOOL B	8	2	1	5	35	44	5
SCORPIONS B	8	2	0	6	23	57	4
PIRANHA SKOOL C	8	1	1	6	26	54	3
PHOENIX C	8	1	0	7	17	63	2
PIRANHA SKOOL E	8	1	0	7	16	63	2

Division 2

Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	GF	GA	Points
L. S. M. B	8	7	1	0	68	12	15
PHOENIX D	8	5	1	2	47	33	11
DOLCLIFFE	8	4	2	2	45	35	10
L. S. M. C	7	4	1	2	46	24	9
STAG S.O.M. A	7	4	0	3	38	32	8
MALTBY	6	3	1	2	35	25	7
SCORPIONS C	6	3	1	2	31	28	7
STAG S.O.M. B	7	2	0	5	22	48	4
PHOENIX E	7	2	0	5	6	64	4
PIRANHA SKOOL F	7	1	1	5	24	45	3
SCORPIONS D	7	0	0	7	17	53	0

Division 3

Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	GF	GA	Points
CLIFTON COBRAS	7	6	0	1	47	23	12
SCORPIONS E	6	5	1	0	39	21	11
CLIFTON RATTLERS	6	3	0	3	34	26	6
PIRANHA SKOOL I	6	2	1	3	27	33	5
PIRANHA SKOOL H	7	2	0	5	34	36	4
SCORPIONS F	6	0	0	6	9	51	0