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## Summer 2014 Newsletter

### Summer Opening Times/Dates

Over the 6 week summer holidays the club will reduce down to being open once a week. This will be a Thursday evening as this is the club's practise night, meaning that the last sessions on a Monday and Friday are 14th & 18th July respectively. Everyone is welcome to attend the Thursday night session whether a member of the club or not, the more the merrier! So, bring a friend to come and practise with. I will be available for individual coaching and if asked nicely may even be able to do some individual sessions at other times during the week. So if interested contact me directly for more information.

Friday night coaching will return to action on Friday 5th September, with Group 1 starting at 6.00pm - 7.30pm and Group 2 at 7.30pm - 9.00pm.

### Coaching Days

Kurt and I will be running a two day training camp at the end of August. Dates are in the green section to the right of this, with the days running from 10.00am - 3.00pm, costing £15 per day or £25 for both per person. We only have 14 places on the camp per day so please make sure that you book yourself a place by contacting me direct.

We have also planned a training day/match with/vs Bishop Auckland Table Tennis Club in Durham. This is open to all our Junior members and will be a great opportunity to train with some different people & be coached by some different coaches, so please make the most of this opportunity.

### Marshalls Yard

The first advertisement stall at Marshalls Yard went very well, and the weather held out for us too, which was great. Firstly, thank you to everyone that helped out on the day, it is greatly appreciated, and it was down to you as to why it was a huge success. Secondly, we have got another stand at Marshalls Yard on Sat 19th July, which again we will need your help and support at. Hopefully we can make it an even bigger success and keep pushing the club forward so that local Gainsborough people know about us. More information about this day will be sent out in due course.



### Summer League

We are now coming to a close of this year's Summer League. Numbers have unfortunately been very disappointing, but we have made it work and everyone seems to have enjoyed it, which is the main thing. The current league table going into the last week sees Gary Adlington and James Longstaff fighting it out to take the top spot. More will be revealed in due course.

### Dates for your Diary

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July – Final session of the Summer League

**Friday 18th July - Final Coaching session before Summer**

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> July – Advertisement Stall at Marshalls Yard

**Monday 21st July - Club Closed**

Thursday 24th July - Club Open (6.30pm - 9.00pm)

**Friday 25th July - Club Closed**

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August – Training Camp at Gainsborough

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> August – Training Camp at Gainsborough**

Monday 1st September - Club Closed

**Monday 1st September - Training & Match (away at Bishop Auckland TTC)**

Thursday 4th September - Club Open (6.30pm - 9.00pm)

**Friday 5th September - Club Open for Coaching. Group 1: 6.00pm - 7.30pm, Group 2: 7.30pm - 9.00pm**

Friday 5th September - Membership forms **MUST BE IN**, if playing in League

**Monday 8th September - Match vs Ryton Park (Home)**

Tuesday 9th September - Rossington Satellite Club starts (4.00pm - 5.30pm)

**Saturday 13th September - Chandlers 2\* (Grantham)**

Monday 15th September - Gainsborough Academy Satellite Club starts (3.00pm - 4.30pm)

**Wednesday 17th September - QEHS Satellite Club starts (3.30pm - 5.00pm)**

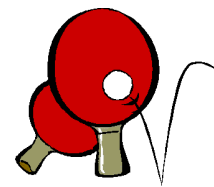
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## Membership Forms

You all should be receiving your Membership forms shortly, if you haven't already. This year we have managed to get some sponsorship to cover the cost of some training shirts for everyone that becomes a member of the club. Shirts are at the club for everyone to try on so that they get the correct size. So make sure that you pop down to get sized up! For everyone playing competitive table tennis, Membership forms must be handed in, completed along with payment by **FRIDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER!**

## Satellite Clubs

As I am sure many of you are aware by now, the club has secured funding to open up 3 Satellite clubs at various school sites. These are as follows: Gainsborough Academy, Rossington All Saints (Doncaster), QEHS, the start dates for these clubs are within the dates for your diary section, but the clubs are running every week during term time on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday respectively. I will need some feeders/sparrers to help progress the kids so if anyone that attends any those schools is willing to help out, then please let me know, it will be much appreciated. The reason for opening these satellite clubs is to try and bridge the gap between school sport and club sport. By the club going into the schools, and basically running our normal coaching sessions from a different location, we can hopefully get more people playing table tennis, competing in table tennis and coming through to our club.



## New Website

We have had our website revamped. It has an improved design and contains competition results for National Cadet League, Inter School League and other team competitions that we will host. Please have a look and let me know what you think. We are also on Facebook, so if you haven't already make sure you "Like" our page!

## Friendly Matches

As stated in the last newsletter we are looking at holding some Friendly matches prior to the start of the season. These will be held on a Monday night at the club, and will give everyone the opportunity to get back into competitive table tennis after the summer break and get you ready for the start of the Gainsborough League. Players will be expected to try and attend training and players will be selected based on their attendance and performance within coaching. All players that attend and that would like to get back into competitive table tennis will be given a chance, but I do also want to win, so that it shows we are a force to be reckoned with.

## Paintballing

On Monday 26th July, we as a club went to Bawtry Paintball fields for our club social day. A fantastic day was had by all, and shooting each other with paintballs was quite an enjoyable experience, for some more than others :-))! There has been talk about doing something similar again around Christmas and Bowling may be an option again.

Thank you for all your continued, over the years and I hope it continues over the years to come.

*Paul Johnson - Head Coach*



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