

1st. February 2009

North West Kent A had a magnificent 8-2 win over the 2007 champions Dover A which puts them in pole position at the top of the table. And despite losing to Dover B 4-6 for the first time this season they still lead the table by a considerable margin from Medway B who have played one match more.

David Emery has certainly strengthened the North West Kent A side winning all 3 of his rubbers against Dover A while being well supported by Peter Ives and Peter Davis.

Emery used his considerable skills to attack and defend against Dover's Mike Howard's hard bat attacking game to win in 4 extremely close games with many long rallies 11-4, 8-11, 11-6 13-11. Following this up he played well to contain Dover's John Glass's very spinny game to win in straight games 11-8, 11-9, 11-7 while also beating Alan Rutherford also in straight games 11-9, 11-4, 11-9

Despite losing only his second match of the season to John Glass in 5 games 13-11, 11-3, 4-11, 3-11, 7-11 Peter Ives was able to dominate the play in his match against Mike Howard winning in 4 games 11-6, 13-11, 8-11, 11-7. Ives ended the afternoon on a strong note to beat Dover's captain Alan Rutherford in straight games 11-6, 11-5, 14-12.

North West Kent's captain Peter Davis also played a fantastic attacking game to beat Dover's Mike Howard who he has had trouble with in the past to win in 4 games 11-9, 8-11, 11-5

11-9. Davis followed this with a close win over Alan Rutherford winning 11-9, 11-6, 16-14.

Dover B fielded Phil Morford in their surprise 6-4 victory over North West Kent A. He managed to win all 3 of his rubbers against the North West Kent team and he remains unbeaten after his two matches. He was well supported by Derek Brown and Lee Edgington.

At the foot of the table Ashford A are fighting hard and gained 4 valuable points in their match against Medway B with Ashford's no. 1 player Nick Owen beating Medway B's Ted Tydeman and Ron Weaver. While Ashford's Roy Coles also beat Ted Tydeman. The Ashford team gained their 4th point with Owen and Coles winning the doubles..

Sittingbourne A are also finding life difficult at the top going down to their 4th defeat in a row to Medway B. However Sittingbourne are continuing with the team that won Division Two last season namely Mark Keefe no. 1. Richard Fever no. 2. John Coleman no.3.

Results: Dover B 6 Dover A 4: Medway B 5 Medway A 5: N.W. Kent A 8 Medway B 2:

N.W.Kent A Sittingbourne A 2: Dover A 10 Ashford A 0: Medway B 6 Dover B 4:

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KENT LEAGUE VETS DIVISION ONE

1ST FEBRUARY 2009 TABLE POSITIONS AND AVERAGES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1. North West Kent A	5	4	0	1	34	16	34
2. Medway B	5	3	1	1	29	11	29
3. Dover A	4	2	0	2	24	16	24
4. Medway A	4	1	2	1	22	18	22
5. Dover B	4	2	1	1	21	19	21
6. Ashford A	4	1	0	3	13	27	13
7. Sittingbourne A	4	0	0	4	7	33	7

LEADING AVERAGES QUALIFICATION: 3 MATCHES PLAYED

		P	W	100%
Craig Bartholomew	Medway B	12	10	83.33
Peter Ives	North West Kent A	15	12	80
John Glass	Dover A	9	7	77.77
Steve Waud	Medway A	9	7	77.77
Peter Davis	North West Kent A	15	11	73.33
David Emery	North West Kent A	12	8	66.66
Alan Rutherford	Dover A	12	7	58.33
Bob Cox	Medway B	12	7	58.33