

1st March 2009

Tonbridge look a certain bet to gain promotion from Division Three after beating their nearest rivals Maidstone B 9-1. Mark Heaton kept his 100% record intact winning his three rubbers and was only extended by Maidstone's Tony Craig returning from injury who played a steady attacking game to often upset Heaton's rhythm with the rubber being closely contested by each player. The score tells everything as Mark Heaton just got home in the end winning 12-10, 11-5, 7-11, 15-13. Geoff Curtis and Alan Gorman gave Mark Heaton fine support with Geoff Curtis particularly running into form also winning all three of his rubbers for Tonbridge. He was also extended by Maidstone's Roy Kirchall, who like Tony Craig went down in 4 games 4-11, 8-11, 11-7, 11-9. Although losing all her rubbers Julie Parker played well for Maidstone, with Tony Craig winning the only point for Maidstone when he narrowly beat Alan Gorman in 5 close games 11-7, 9-11, 11-6, 12-14, 11-6.

Ashford C completed their programme for the season, winning a close match 7-3 against Folkestone B and so move into second position. Sittingbourne C who have two matches still to play could in theory catch Tonbridge but it is unlikely, as Tonbridge's last match will be against bottom of the table Canterbury B.

Results: Canterbury C 6 Canterbury B 4: Maidstone B 7 Maidstone C 3: Sittingbourne C 8 Maidstone B 2: Canterbury B 6 Maidstone C 4: Canterbury C 7 Folkestone B 3: Sittingbourne C 6 Ashford C 4: Maidstone C 5 Folkestone B 5: Ashford C 7 Tonbridge 3: Maidstone B 5 Canterbury B 5: Tonbridge 7 Sittingbourne C 3: Tonbridge 9 Folkestone B 1: Canterbury C 6 Ashford C 4: Maidstone B 5 Ashford C 5: Tonbridge 5 Maidstone C 5: Maidstone B 6 Folkestone B 4: Tonbridge 9 Canterbury C 1: Folkestone B 8 Canterbury B 2: Maidstone C 6 Ashford C 4: Ashford C 6 Canterbury B 4: Sittingbourne C 6: Folkestone B 4 Sittingbourne C 7 Maidstone C 3: Tonbridge 9 Maidstone B 1 Canterbury C 6 Maidstone C 4 Ashford C 7 Folkestone B 3:

**KENT LEAGUE VETS DIVISION THREE**  
**1ST MARCH 2009 TABLE POSITIONS AND AVERAGES**

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1. Tonbridge	6	4	1	1	42	18	42
2. Ashford C	7	3	1	3	37	33	37
3. Sittingbourne C	5	4	0	1	30	20	30
4. Maidstone C	7	1	2	4	30	40	30
5. Folkestone B	7	1	1	5	28	42	28
6. Canterbury C	5	4	0	1	26	24	26
7. Maidstone B	6	2	2	2	26	34	26
8. Canterbury B	5	1	1	3	21	29	21

**LEADING AVERAGES QUALIFICATION 3 MATCHES PLAYED**

		P	Won	100%
Mark Heaton	Tonbridge	9	9	100
Russell Swain	Ashford C	9	8	88.88
Geoff Curtis	Tonbridge	12	10	83.33
Paul Coombs	Sittingbourne C	15	12	80
Rags Mazhotra	Sittingbourne C	9	7	77.77
Brian Peaper	Maidstone C	18	13	72.22
David Twiddy	Ashford C	15	10	66.66
Steve Furber	Canterbury B	12	8	66.66
John Wickings	Canterbury C	12	8	66.66
Malcolm Cole	Tonbridge	9	6	66.66
Alan Gorman	Tonbridge	9	6	66.66
Alison Yarnley	Folkestone B	18	11	61.11
Robin Manktelow	Ashford C	9	5	55.55
Mick Barwick	Canterbury C	15	8	50

Note: Kent Closed Tournament Entry Forms Enclosed