

Lewis Gray and Yolanda King invited to British Olympic Assessment Camp

Twelve year olds Lewis Gray and Yolanda King, members of the Angley School, Cranbrook based Weald Table Tennis Club, have been selected to attend a British Table Tennis Federation Olympic Under 14 Assessment Camp from 21st-23rd December 2006, to be held at Lilleshall National Sports Centre, Nr. Newport, Shropshire. Lewis from Benenden and a pupil of Angley School, is the current national under 12 boys singles and doubles champion, and Yolanda from Hastings, who does most of her training at Angley, is the current schoolgirl under 11 champion. They are the only players from South East England to be invited to this camp, and 2 of only 14 players from all over England. The camp is for 40 players from Scotland, Northern Ireland, Wales and England, with a total of 20 places available for a future squad to be selected on the basis of talent identification (ability and potential).

Steen Kyst Hansen, the BTTF Performance Manager, and a former Danish and Swiss National Coach will lead the camp along with other performance coaches, including two from each of the Home Countries, one male and one female. The camp will take the form of assessments of technical, physical, mental and tactical skills through training exercises and competitive play, including physical sessions outside.