

## **WEALD DUO STILL IN ENGLAND JUNIOR SQUAD**

After not being selected for the European Youth Championships currently being played in Istanbul, it was a bit of a relief for Lewis Gray, 16, and Yolanda King, 15, of the Angley School Cranbrook based Weald TT Club, to have been invited to join the English International Youth Squad for the forthcoming season. Part of the commitment is to attend near monthly training camps, either at the English Institute of Sport (EIS), Sheffield, or at Lilleshall National Sports Centre, Shropshire.

Gray, from Benenden and a pupil of Angley School, and King, from Hastings and a pupil of St Bede's School, Hailsham, are junior (under 18) members, but in the cadets (under 15s) is Judd School, Tonbridge pupil Helshan Weerasinghe, who is currently representing England in the European Youth Championships. Another cadet squad member is Emma Torkington, who although from Sussex will be living in Kent next academic year as a boarder at Kings School, Canterbury.

Selections have also been announced for the table tennis event of the Sainsbury's UK School Games, to be held at Sunderland Silkworth Community Pool, Tennis and Wellness Centre from 2-5 September.

Lewis Gray has again been chosen to represent England South East boys, alongside Helshan Weerasinghe, Da Zhang (Sussex) and Ping Ho (Middlesex), with Bedford Modern schoolmaster Paul Birch captaining. Yolanda King is once more in the girls' team, but she is joined by Jasmine Ould of the Byng Hall Club, Tunbridge Wells, plus Evangeline Collier (Essex) and Tin Tin Ho (Middlesex). They are to be captained by former England senior champion Alison Broe, who is now the ETTA Southern region staff coach.