



# KENT COUNTY TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION

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Dear Colleague,

There has been much discussion within the new County Committee regarding what can be done to revive interest in competitions for both junior and senior players within the County.

The first of the new competitions that the Committee have introduced are the series of 4 Kent Junior Rating Tournaments being held at Ashford North School. They started with the one on the 13<sup>th</sup> October, which proved to be very popular with the 80 players who took part. Indications are that numbers are likely to grow rapidly by the end of the season.

As with the juniors, the past years have tended to be centered around the established senior players. Little has been done to encourage former juniors or the local league players to participate in County run competitions. The Kent League sadly is in decline and Kent Closed entry numbers have been steadily falling.

Following the success of the Junior Rating Tournament the committee would now like to introduce a similar competition for senior players and need to find out if they would be as popular as they are with the juniors.

To this end we are contacting as many leagues, clubs and individuals as possible to seek the view of all sections within the county.

## **Format for County Senior Rating Tournaments**

### ***(Ratings are not to be confused with Rankings)***

This is a singles competition. Which is designed to provide Competition for all levels of abilities.

- a) All matches are played on a group system. ***Nobody gets knocked out.***
- b) The aim is to give players between 5 and 8 matches in a day at a reasonable cost.
- c) The tournaments will be banded by ability. With a maximum of 25 players in each band.
- d) Initially we will have to rely on the information given on a players entry form plus, if available, information on ETTA ratings or local league ratings. Once a Player has taken part they will be given a computer rating based on their first tournament match results. From then on their ratings will decide in which band they should compete.
- e) A Rating List will be issued after each tournament.
- f) They can be used as a guide when organising County Teams.

Please can you let us have your league/club views as soon as possible as we would like to consider introducing the first tournament during the second half of this season.

Yours sincerely,

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