

Darlington Table Tennis Academy

Handbook
2014-2015

Premier Club Affiliated to
Table Tennis England

www.dtta.org.uk

Our club is affiliated to the English Table Tennis Association and our members are required to become members of the ETTA. Membership brings many advantages including:

- ↳ A regular ezine, containing news, information and coaching videos and tips
- ↳ League players pay one fee, no matter how many leagues they play in
- ↳ Potential to compete in some of the 100+ competitions being organised by the ETTA this season
- ↳ A membership card
- ↳ Free insurance
- ↳ Being a part of the National Governing Body of Table Tennis.

The ETTA is a non profit organisation that re invests income back into the sport with the aim of growing participation, developing the sport and producing world class players. For more information visit www.etta.co.uk

About.

Darlington Table tennis Academy was formed in May 2013 to revive the towns dwindling participation in table tennis which has seen a reduction of 72 teams in the 1980s to just two divisions and 12 teams. It was set up as a community based club offering table tennis to all ages and ability.

Following a number of meetings of players from the Darlington table tennis league a committee was formed and a constitution was established.

The Academy started at the Education Village in May 2013 and due increase membership moved to Longfield Sports Hall in September.

Due to continued interest in the sport there was further increase in membership but limited opportunities for expansion and more sessions at Longfield.

Therefore in September 2014 the Academy moved to the Kings Centre in Darlington where it now operates three evening sessions and a morning session with opportunities for further expansion and development.

The uptake of interest and participation in table tennis in Darlington has been overwhelming and at this stage of the Academy's development it has already brought about a major step change in the Darlington Table Tennis League by increasing the number of teams from 12 to 20. As the Academy develops over the next two years we would expect the number of teams in the league to increase further.

Vision and Objectives

When the Academy was established it set out a vision of reviving table tennis in Darlington by achieving an agreed set of objectives:

To increase participation in table tennis by establishing a club that offered affordable sessions for all ages and ability.

Through increase participation at all levels to increase the numbers of teams into the Darlington Table Tennis League.

To introduce table tennis into schools as a means of developing youngster at grass roots level to make this sport sustainable for the future.

To raise the level of coaches so the Academy is able to develop the skills of their youngster so they are able to compete and play at local, regional and national level.

Club Officials.

Brian Day Chairman

Giulio Pontone Secretary/Club Development

Dave Nutch Head Coach

Mike Thorns Treasurer

George Catmull Website Administrator

Jason Crowther Membership and Registration secretary

Simon Greensmith Committee Member

Andy Bowlby Committee Member

Angela Simpson Committee Member

Code of Practise:

The ETTA expects that everyone involved with table tennis will: respect the rights, dignity and worth of anyone they meet within our sport; treat everyone equally regardless of age, ability, gender, race, religion, ethnic origin, social status or sexual orientation; accept it is all of our responsibility to challenge any injustice that may occur within our sport; accept that everyone has the right to be protected from abuse.

1. Always do your best in every situation and set a positive example to others.
2. Be punctual at all times for training and competition and be ready at the table to play.
3. If you feel unwell or have an accident you should report immediately to one of the responsible adults.
4. Treat both the competition and training venues with respect and always leave kit bags neatly where they will not cause an obstruction to others.
5. Once at the competition playing arena no player should leave the venue unless given specific permission or instructions by one of the responsible adults.
6. Players must be responsible for ensuring that they arrive at the either the competition or training venues with all their correct kit and equipment and must be responsible for their belongings.
7. No player should take or in anyway interfere with another person's property or belongings.
8. Always obey any instructions given by one of the responsible adults.
9. Be courteous and polite to all the people you meet whilst a member of the squad, particularly your opponents, practice partners, coaches and fellow team and squad members. This also includes negative body language whilst on the table tennis table.
10. Take responsibility for yourself in and out of competition and training and always be aware of your personal safety as you would at home i.e. do not talk to strangers, do not get into a vehicle with a stranger.
11. Always respect and never under estimate your opponents.
12. Always encourage and support your fellow team members at all times without behaving in an unsporting manner towards their opponents.
13. Bullying (verbal and physical) of fellow team/squad members or opponents will not be tolerated under any circumstances.
14. Never use inappropriate language.
15. Resist any temptation to take banned substances.
16. No relationship of an intimate nature will be allowed between players or players and coaches travelling together and when staying as a group no boys should enter girls' rooms and vice versa.
17. Treat all accommodation with respect and always leave hotel rooms tidy.
18. When travelling abroad all players must respect the culture, clothing and customs of the country they are visiting.
19. Always address officials or coaches at any competitions or training camps with respect and never question their judgement.

20. Use any free time constructively e.g. relax, focus on the next session.

Teams and Secretaries 2014-2015 Season

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Venue The Kings Centre, Prospect Place, Whessoe Road, Darlington DL3 0QT

League Table and Fixtures 2014-2015:

DTTL Fixture List 2014 - 15

| Week Commencing | Team Numbers | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| October 6th | 10 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 5a | 4a | 3a | 2a | 1a |
| October 13th | 9a | 8a | 7a | 6a | 10a | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| October 20th | 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4a | 3a | 2a | 1a | 10a | 9 |
| October 27th | 7a | 6a | 5a | 10 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 8a | 4a |
| November 3rd | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3a | 2a | 1a | 9a | 10a | 7 | 8 |
| November 10th | 5a | 4a | 10 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 8 | 7a | 6a | 3a |
| November 17th | 4 | 3 | 2a | 1a | 9a | 8a | 10a | 6 | 5 | 7 |
| November 24th | 3a | 10 | 1 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 6a | 5a | 4a | 2a |
| December 1st | 2 | 1a | 9a | 8a | 7a | 10a | 5 | 4 | 3 | 6 |
| December 8th | Free Week or Outstanding Fixtures | | | | | | | | | |
| December 15th | Free Week or Outstanding Fixtures | | | | | | | | | |
| December 22rd | Merry Christmas | | | | | | | | | |
| December 29th | Happy New Year | | | | | | | | | |
| January 5th | 10a | 9a | 8a | 7a | 6a | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| January 12th | 9 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 10 | 4a | 3a | 2a | 1a | 5a |
| January 19th | 8a | 7a | 6a | 5a | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 10 | 9a |
| January 26th | 7 | 6 | 5 | 10a | 3a | 2a | 1a | 9a | 8 | 4 |
| February 2nd | 6a | 5a | 4a | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 10 | 7a | 8a |
| February 9th | 5 | 4 | 10a | 2a | 1a | 9a | 8a | 7 | 6 | 3 |
| February 16th | 4a | 3a | 2 | 1 | 9 | 8 | 10 | 6a | 5a | 7a |
| February 23rd | 3 | 10a | 1a | 9a | 8a | 7a | 6 | 5 | 4 | 2 |
| March 2nd | 2a | 1 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 10 | 5a | 4a | 3a | 6a |
| March 9th | Free Week / Outstanding Fixtures | | | | | | | | | |
| March 16th | Weeks Cup Round 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| March 23rd | Weeks Cup Round 2 | | | | | | | | | |
| March 30th | Weeks Cup Round 3 | | | | | | | | | |
| April 6th | Free Week / O/S Fixtures | | | | | | | | | |
| April 13th | Weeks Cup Round 4 | | | | | | | | | |
| April 20th | Weeks Cup Final | | | | | | | | | |
| April 27th | Finals Night | | | | | | | | | |

TEAM NUMBERS & HOME NIGHTS 2014/15

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| 1) DARLINGTON TT ACADEMY "A" | Tuesday | 7pm start |
| 2) DARLINGTON TT ACADEMY "B" | Tuesday | 7pm start |
| 3) DARLINGTON TT ACADEMY "C" | Tuesday | 7pm start |
| 4) BISHOP AUCKLAND TTC "C" | Tuesday | 7pm start |
| 5) DSRM "C" | Tuesday | |
| 6) DARLINGTON TT ACADEMY "D" | Tuesday | 7pm start |
| 7) DARLINGTON TT ACADEMY "E" | Tuesday | 7pm start |
| 8) DARLINGTON TT ACADEMY "F" | Tuesday | 7pm start |
| 9) BISHOP AUCKLAND TTC "B" | Tuesday | 7pm start |
| 10) DARLINGTON TT ACADEMY "G" | Tuesday | 7pm start |

Venue.

The Kings Centre Darlington.

Session times.

Monday 6-30pm-8-30pm, Juniors +7 and Adults.

Tuesday 6-30pm-9-0pm, Match night and open practice for all.

Thursday 6-30pm-8-30pm Juniors +7 and Adults.

Friday 10-0am-11-30am Adults.