



# ENGLISH SCHOOLS' TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION

## NEWSLETTER – JUNE 2010

### RING OUT THE OLD – RING IN THE NEW!

#### 2010 – Roll of Honour – Congratulations!

To the 2010 Butterfly National School Team Champions:

Under 19 Girls	Kesteven & Grantham Girls' School, Lincolnshire
Under 19 Boys	Filton College, Bristol, Avon
Under 16 Girls	Peniel Academy, Brentwood, Essex
Under 16 Boys	Harefield Academy, Uxbridge, London West
Under 13 Girls	Peniel Academy, Brentwood, Essex
Under 13 Boys	Ernest Bevin College, Tooting Bec, Surrey
Under 11 Girls	Peniel Academy, Brentwood, Essex
Under 11 Boys	Globe Primary School, Tower Hamlets, London East

To the 2010 Butterfly National Individual Champions:

Under 19 Girls	Chloe Whyte, Cleveland
Under 19 Boys	Sam Walker, Nottinghamshire
Under 16 Girls	Natalie Slater, Staffordshire
Under 16 Boys	Lewis Gray, Kent
Under 13 Girls	Isobel Ashley, Derbyshire
Under 13 Boys	Helshan Weerasinghe, Kent
Under 11 Girls	Tin Tin Ho, London East
Under 11 Boys	Hugo Pang, Dorset

To the teams and players from ESTTA successful at the 2010 British Primary School International Championships held in Guernsey:

Boys' Individual Champion – Hugo Pang, Dorset
Girls' Individual Champion – Tin Tin Ho, London East
Boys' Team Champions – England
Girls' Team Champions – England

To the teams and players from ESTTA who took part in the 2010 International School Sport Federation World Schools' Table Tennis Championships held in Brno, Czech Republic:

Girls' Nationally Selected Team – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place
Boys' Nationally Selected Team – 5 <sup>th</sup> Place
Girls' School Team – Morpeth School, Tower Hamlets, London East – 11 <sup>th</sup> Place
Boys' School Team – Bedford Modern School, Bedfordshire – 14 <sup>th</sup> Place

.... and thank you to the schools, clubs, teachers, coaches and parents who have supported all the above teams and players.

Full results and names of teams can be found on the ESTTA website – [www.estta.org.uk](http://www.estta.org.uk)



## **Still to come**

- British Senior Schools' Invitation International – Limerick, Ireland – 25<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup> June 2010  
Under 18/16/14 – teams of both boys and girls  
[www.estta.org.uk](http://www.estta.org.uk) (News section for ESTTA Teams)  
[www.irishtabletennis.com](http://www.irishtabletennis.com) (News – Senior Schools' International)
- Sainsbury's UK School Games – North East England – 3<sup>rd</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> September 2010  
[www.ukschoolgames.com](http://www.ukschoolgames.com) (For venues, tickets, teams and live results section)

## **Butterfly School Team Championships 2010 – Bumper entry!**

- Entry into the Butterfly National School Team Championships from County Associations reached a record high this year.
- In 2005, 165 school teams took part in the event at which time only County Champions were eligible to participate.
- In 2006, the 163 County Champions were joined by 11 runners-up. A total of 174 teams. By 2009 numbers had risen to 187 winners and 39 runners-up.
- This year, 224 County Champions and 44 runners-up entered the event. This was a tremendous achievement bringing credit to schools, Competition Managers and County Secretaries, reflecting their input to achieve this remarkable increase.
- Unfortunately, this success stretched the resources presently available at some Zone Final venues. ESTTA is looking into the possibility of re-designating Counties to Zones in order to equalise opportunities of progression to the Regional Rounds and to make the competition more manageable.

## **Here and There**

- Change For Life Sports Clubs – a new initiative, slightly on hold because of the change of Government – 3000 new sports clubs on school and college sites in one of seven Olympic or Paralympic Sports. Some 775 bids have been made to set up a table tennis school/college club. Resourcing and funding will be made available. The first clubs will come on line in September 2010 and thereafter, each half term.
- Ping London. 'Ping' will run from 24<sup>th</sup> July 2010 and will see 100 table tennis tables spring up across London's most visible spaces including squares, landmarks, offices, train stations, community locations and even airports. Free – round the clock activity. For more information see [www.pinglondon.com](http://www.pinglondon.com) or contact the ETTA.
- The English Table Tennis Association has launched its new website [www.etta.co.uk](http://www.etta.co.uk). An exciting project, although there is still 'work in progress' with the site.
- At the ESTTA Annual General Meeting it was agreed that the ESTTA County of West Midlands be split into two new ESTTA Counties – Birmingham and The Black Country. See the ESTTA website for new contact details for these two counties. This should allow for increased participation of schools to take part in ESTTA competitions.

## **2010/11 Preparation – Communicate, Communicate, Communicate !!!**

We hope all schools, Partnerships and Counties are actively preparing for next year's events. Early contact is essential to achieve the following timescale for the Butterfly School Team Championships.

- September/October/very early November 2010 – Partnership/Borough Competitions (selected age categories).
  - Mid/late November/ early December 2010 – County Schools' Championships (all age categories).
  - 8<sup>th</sup> December 2010 – last date for nomination by County Secretaries of names of schools for ESTTA Team Championships.
  - January 2011 – Zone Finals
  - February 2011 – Regional Finals
- Unfortunately, because of enforced changes to the ETTA Calendar, ESTTA is unable to confirm exact dates for these events at this time. They will be posted on the ESTTA website as soon as the dates are agreed.

Reminder that County Secretaries must pay Affiliation Fees to the ESTTA General Secretary by 31<sup>st</sup> October 2010 and Team Entry Fees by 20<sup>th</sup> November 2010. Both Affiliation and Entry Fees remain unchanged.

### **Note to County Secretaries**

With this Newsletters, County Secretaries will receive a document 'Routes into ESTTA Team Championships' which recommends that schools with previous success shall be restricted from School Sport Partnership events and have direct entry into County Schools' events. It is essential these recommendations are discussed with Competition Managers at the earliest opportunity.

**And finally** – please let us know if:

- You no longer wish to remain on the ESTTA mailing list.
- Your contact details are inaccurate or you receive more than one copy.
- You know of any school actively involved in table tennis who might wish to be added to the ESTTA database, please send their full contact details by e-mail to the address below.

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