

## Annual Press Report 2013-14

Aaron McKibbin took a Bronze medal at the Bayreuth Open in Germany in the Men's Class 8 event. Aaron McKibbin was part of the Paralympic team that beat Brazil on National Paralympic day. At the Lignano Masters in Italy, Aaron McKibbin won Silver in the Men's Class 8 event. At the Slovakian Open Aaron McKibbin won Silver in the Men's Class 8 event with Belgium's Mark Ledoux.

Joanna Drinkhall played in the World Team Championship in which England beat Wales, Columbia, Malaysia, Israel and Portugal.

Joanna Drinkhall lost to Li Fen the World Number 88 at the Liebherr European Championships held in Schwechat, Austria. Darius Knight reached the last 32 in the Hungarian Open which was held in Szombathely. At the same event Joanna Drinkhall reached the last 64 of the Women's Singles. At the Finlandia, in Helsinki Open Darius Knight finished third. The Spanish Open, in Almeria, saw much success for England and Surrey were in on the act too as Joanna Drinkhall reached the last 32 in the Women's Singles beating the World Number 68 Marina Matsuzawa. As well as this Darius Knight reached the last 64.

At the European Youth Championships in Ostrava, Czech Republic, Marcus Giles won the Boys Cadet Consolation event. As well as this Marcus reached the quarter-finals of the Doubles with Tom Jarvis. Marcus was also part of the team that beat Lithuania, Ukraine and Ireland in his age group. Marcus Giles has been picked for the Polish Junior Open.

A table tennis match made in heaven saw Joanna Parker twice English National Singles Champion (at the time) marry Paul Drinkhall four times English Men's National Singles Champion.

Joanna Drinkhall did amazingly well in the Nationals and won the Women's Singles event against Kelly Sibley. Joanna also won the Women's Doubles with Kelly and was a semi-finalist in the Mixed Doubles with husband Paul. Darius Knight reached the quarter-finals of the Men's Singles and was Runner-up in the Men's Doubles partnering Andrew Baggaley.

Tin-Tin Ho started out on her table tennis career at Crusaders and in the recent Guildford Grand Prix she came back to Surrey and won the women's title and the under-21's women's title. Darius Knight won the Briar Bristol Grand Prix beating both Paul Drinkhall and Ryan Jenkins in the process. As well as this Joseph Langheim-Ferrieria won the Men's Band 2 event. Marcus Giles won the Newcastle Grand Prix Men's Band 2 event.

In the K2 Tees Sports Sussex Open, Joanna Drinkhall won £500 for being the last lady standing in which she reached the last 16 of the event. Joanna also won the Women's Band 1 event.

Darius Knight won the 2<sup>nd</sup> Urban & Civic Hunts 2 star table tennis Championship beating Gavin Rumgay in the final. Des Norbury won the women's Band 1 at the same event.

In the Premier Division of the Seniors British League Joanna Drinkhall finished top of the averages for a Surrey player out of both the Men and the Women! The top Surrey Team was York Gardens who finished third in Division 1 South. Marcus Giles was top of the Surrey

averages in the Junior Boys British League where he finished joint second in the league averages.

The Surrey 1st team of Nicholas Leung, Adam Laws, Chris Bush Lucy Burks and Fei-Fei Pei came 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Senior County Championship Division 1B. The Junior 1<sup>st</sup> Team did very well to stay in the Premier League for another year especially as they were a player short on the first day of the second weekend. The team consisted of Marcus Giles, Joseph Langheim – Ferreira, Shaquille Webb-Dixon, Jake Mitchell Isobelle Joubely and Rhiannon Folan. Surrey Cadets did amazingly well to come second in the Premier Division. Their only loss was to Yorkshire the winners and that result was a close 6-4. The team consisted of Liam Grant, Sasha Gillen, Diogo Freitas, Isobelle Joubely and Juliette Moussaire all of whom finished above 50% with Sasha Gillen the pick of the bunch on 77%. On their way they demolished Cleveland 10-0!

Southwark won the boys London Youth Games with their leading players being Olamide Wuroala and Shaquille Webb-Dixon.

Olamide Wuroala won the double at the Cippenham Young players Summer Festival winning both the under-16's and under-18's events.

The London Academy 2 star event saw Surrey wipe the board in the under-15's events, where Shaquille Webb-Dixon and Isabelle Joubely each won their tournaments.

Olamide Wuroala was a double runner-up at the Dulwich 2 star event in both the under-15's and under 18's events. The Key stage 2 winner was Tin-Chi Ivan Wong with the Key stage ¾ winner being Kangmin Heo.

At the first Tees Sport 2 star event of the season Liam Grant swept all before him in the Junior boys Band 1 event and took the prize of £150.

Isobelle Joubely won the Girls under-18's and under 15's 2<sup>nd</sup> Horsham Spinners 2 star event. In the Boys under-18's event Shaquille Webb-Dixon won.

Marcus Giles and his team Kingfisher have been promoted to the British Premier League via the play-offs.

Danielle Kelly represented England at NatWest Primary Schools International, where the England Girls won Silver.

Isobelle Joubely won the Women's Band 4 title and was also the runner-up in Band 3 at the Bribar London Grand Prix.

At the Derby 4 star Isobell Joubely won the Junior Girls B1 event.

In the Croydon Table Tennis League Ballards A won the Division 1 title and the Open Cup. Glyn Albuquerque was top of the averages on 86%. Ian O'Connor won the Open Singles title.

Burymead B won the Premier Division title of the Guildford League winning all 22 of their matches. The team consisted of Chris Bush, Richard Tanner, Tim Waller and Matt Pernet.

Adam Laws finished top of the averages on 100% for Godalming A. Chris Bush won the Men's Open Singles and Fei-Fei Pei won the Ladies Open Singles.

In the Haslemere and District League Headley A won all 16 of their matches to take the title. Petworth's Ian English finished on 100%.

Graham Spicers A won the Division 1 title in the Sutton and District League. Steve Carpenter of Crusaders B finished on 85%.

Goran Maric retained his Open Singles title in the Thames Valley League, where his team Graham Spicer 1 won the League. Mats Johansson of Teddington 1 finished top of the averages on 97%.

In the Wandsworth and District League Laikram Persaud won the Open Singles title. York Gardens A won the Division 1 title with Leo Veinsreider top of the averages and Musa Farquharson top of Mike Huband's ranking list both of whom played for York Gardens A.

Due to the reduced number of subscriptions the ETTA have decided to close the Ron Crayden Memorial fund.

I am very sorry to tell you that Jean Crayden (widow of Ron Craydon former Surrey President) has passed away.