

Tom Adams 1938-2013 – Obituary



I am sorry to tell you that Graham Spicer's Chairman Tom Adams sadly died on the 30<sup>th</sup> March 2013. Tom was Chairman of the club for 20 years including up until he died. The International veteran won 6 national titles in the over 60's event and another 6 titles in the over 70's. These included winning the Six Nations over 60's Men's Singles and Doubles (with K Powell) and winning the over 70's Men's Singles and Doubles (with K Powell). His greatest table tennis achievement was winning the Bronze medal at the 1998 Veterans World Championships held in Manchester for the over 60's event, where Tom lost a close match in the semi-final against a Swedish player. As well as this Tom represented the county of Kent at a time when playing for your county really meant something. In the Thames Valley League Tom was twice top of the averages once in the 1993/94 season and then again in the 2000/2001 season. Tom was a good club runner in his early days and had a good handicap at golf. Tom was popular on the table tennis circuit and will be missed by all who knew him. He leaves a wife Pat, two children and two grandchildren.