

FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Congratulations to Sandra Deaton on her election as ETTA Chairman, replacing the late Andy Seward. Andy has been a constant presence at National Council and other committees for many years. Our deepest sympathy goes to his wife and family on their loss.

It is noticeable that at each event there are fewer and fewer original blue blazers. While accepting the logic for this and the inevitability, what makes me really sad is the disappearance of the English blazer badge. Surely English umpires should have an English badge on their blazers, whether it be permanent or removable?

There have been several incidents of disrespect to match officials recently by senior players, coaches or parents. Such incidents involving juniors can be resolved easily by use of the yellow/red cards. Serious incidents involving others raises the issue of who has the duty of care for match officials, particularly in the event of verbal abuse. According to the rules the only recourse, other than via the referee, is to make a personal complaint. Should this be? Employees are protected by management, volunteers such as match officials have to protect themselves.

There is a problem with the annual tournament. Hopefully the date will remain the same but the venue has to be changed; more details from the Secretary. With the advent of newly qualified umpires the standard of play has risen considerably. However by retaining the various age groups there is a chance for everyone to win something – and it's a good social week-end. See you there!

GEORGE TYLER

RETIRING UMPIRE

Peter Edwards, County Umpire from Lincolnshire has decided to retire from umpiring. He has been a CU since the mid 90s and has travelled around the country supporting tournaments. Peter hasn't been in the best of health recently and his eyesight has started to deteriorate. He has decided to call it a day and umpired his last tournament at Chandlers on 13th April. I'm sure everyone will wish Peter a happy retirement.

AETTU COMMITTEE MEETING 19th January 2014

Present: George Tyler (GT), Derek Sherratt (DS), Steve Welch (SW), Tom Purcell (TP), Stan Clarke (SC), Mike Payne (MP), Lillian Payne (LP)

Welcome: Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting but spoke about the recent sudden death of Andy Seward, member of the AETTU and Chair of the ETTA. Chair highlighted the valuable work that AS had contributed to TT and Umpiring and there was one minute's silence in memory of AS.

- 1. Apologies:** Jim Kenny, Barry Granger, Tony Chatwin
- 2. Minutes from Last meeting 25/8/13:**
The minutes were accepted as a true record.
Proposed: Steve Welch Seconded; Lillian Payne. Carried

3. **Matters arising from Minutes of 25/8/2013**

1. Action 1. Secretary to contact lapsed members re ongoing membership.
TP advised the meeting that this is ongoing and will be discussed further under the Treasurer's report. - **Completed**
2. Action 2. TP to remind members about outstanding Tournament and membership fees.
TP advised meeting that this action had been completed and outstanding fees had been paid. - **Completed**
3. Action 3. TP to contact member re complaint about NU test.
TP advised the meeting that he had contacted the member and advised him about the correct procedure re NU exam. Member had been in touch with TOC and discussed the problem. – **Completed**
4. Action 4. TP to contact Competitions Committee and TOC re recording details of umpires at tournaments.
SW informed the meeting that he had amended Form TO5 to now include details of umpires present at tournaments. There was a general discussion on the subject and it was recommended that a copy of the TO5 should be forwarded to TOC for its record of "active" umpires.
Action 1. TP to contact TOC recommending revised procedure .

4. **Chairman's Report**

Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. He thanked Geoff for arranging the venue and Joyce for refreshments. Chair briefed the meeting on his recent official complaint to the ETTA about the abuse he received whilst umpiring at the Vett's Tournament. Chair asked "who has the duty of care" for volunteers and technical officials. He couldn't find anything in the ETTA rules about this. Chair also asked if it was right that an individual TO should make a formal complaint or whether it should be made by the TOC on behalf of the TO. The Chair also highlighted concerns from Members about the change in allowances and conditions in attending tournaments and also about the fast tracking of umpires to the detriment of other umpires. The above subjects would be discussed later in the agenda

Proposed: Stan Clarke Seconded: Mike Payne Carried

5. **Secretary's report**

It is with deep regret that we have to acknowledge the death of fellow member and Chair of the ETTA, Andy Seward. Andy has been an umpire for approximately 30 years. He qualified as a National Umpire in 1989, an International Umpire in 1992 and achieved Blue Badge status in 2004. Andy was elected as Chair of the ETTA in 2013 and one of his first roles was to re-organise the structure and governance of the ETTA. Sport England is due to report on Andy's plan, w/c 20/1/14, and to make a decision on future funding for the ETTA.

Since the last meeting two issues affecting the work of umpires have occurred. At a Vett's British League event Nigel Eckersley, a senior player in the tournament, challenged a decision of the umpire who had penalised him for a foul service. This is reported in more detail at item 9.

During tournaments we often hear challenges to our decisions. The vast majority are dealt with at the table and accepted, sometimes reluctantly, by the players. However, if the player's behaviour is offensive and serious misconduct takes place umpires are reminded to stop the game and report the incident to the Referee. If appropriate the misconduct should also be reported to the ETTA Disciplinary Panel.

The second issue relates to expenses incurred by umpires attending ETTA tournaments which require them to travel on a Friday either to attend a referee's briefing on the Friday evening or to be present for the briefing early on the Saturday morning before the tournament starts. At the recent Six Nations tournament at Preston umpires, who travelled on the Friday, were told that they would not be receiving a meal allowance for the Friday evening. I, on behalf of the umpires present, and other umpires complained to the Referee, the Tournament Organiser and Stuart Sherlock, Chair of the TOC. The Friday meal allowance was not paid. The subject has been discussed at ETTA Committees and a decision is expected in the near future about payment for this particular event and future events.

All volunteers attending tournament do so in their own time and umpires, in particular, are expected to attend referee's briefings and be present for the start of a tournament around 9-10 am on a Saturday morning. Some umpires live locally but a great number have to travel many miles and hours to the event. If they are required to be present on the Friday evening either for a briefing or to ensure their attendance for an early start on the Saturday morning then they are entitled to a meal allowance.

I do accept that the ETTA has financial concerns and there has to be a review of expenses but any changes should be announced before umpires volunteer for an event.

Tom Purcell
AETTU Secretary

Proposed: John Lawton Seconded: Steve Welch Carried

6. Treasurer's report

The treasurer submitted a balance sheet to the meeting which showed a current balance of £1932. There was a general discussion on the balanced sheet. There was a general discussion about the list of members and outstanding annual fees. It was agreed that the vast majority of outstanding fees would be collected throughout the year.

Proposed: Lillian Payne Seconded: Stan Clarke Carried

7. Correspondence

a) British League.

Secretary informed the meeting that he had received a letter from Chris Dangerfield, Chair of the BL, seeking support from umpires for a crackdown on discipline at BL Premier matches. Secretary advised Chris Dangerfield that the AETTU would support the BL but that he would need to write to TOC to seek official support from the ETTA. Subject to be discussed further at item 10 on the Agenda.

8. Tournament Allowances

Secretary reminded the meeting that at the Nation Cadet and Junior tournament at Preston in November 2013. The organisers had decided to remove the evening meal allowance for umpires who had attended the hotel on the Friday evening before the start of the competition on the Saturday morning. A number of umpires had travelled long distances to attend the tournament. Secretary, on behalf of members, had complained to the Referee, Tournament Organiser and Chair of TOC about the decision and a number of umpires had also complained about the decision. Enquiries revealed that the Organiser had made the decision without discussing it with other officials.

There was a general discussion on the subject. Chair informed the meeting that he anticipated that the ETTA would be trying to save money and allowances was an area where this could happen. It was agreed by all present that if umpires were required to travel the day before a tournament, to ensure that they were present for the Referees briefing or to start early on the first day of a tournament then they should be entitled to a meal allowance or refreshments should be provided. It was acknowledged that some local tournament organisers may not be able to supply accommodation and/or refreshment allowances.

Secretary advised the meeting that the question about the meal allowance at Preston was due to be discussed at the TOC meeting in December. After further discussion the meeting agreed that if the ETTA was cancelling meal allowances or changing mileage and/or accommodation before or during tournaments then umpires needed to know before they volunteered for tournaments and the details should be circulated at the same time as the invitations are sent out.

Action. Secretary to contact TOC re above observations.

9. Discipline

GT informed the meeting that he had recently made a formal complaint to the ETTA about the conduct of Nigel Eckersley at the last Vetts weekend in Hereford. GT had been umpiring the match and had penalised NE about his service. NE became very abusive in front of the teams and spectators. GT gave NE a yellow card for his behaviour. As a result of the misbehaviour GT complained to the ETTA. It was subsequently dealt with by the Disciplinary Committee. NE admitted his misbehaviour, apologised to GT and was

reprimanded. In up-holding the complaint the Disciplinary Committee recorded "*Umpires give their time voluntarily. They are entitled to courtesy and respect from players. It is essential that ETTA protects umpires from abuse to uphold the reputation of the sport. There is also a risk that if umpires are subject to abuse they will not be prepared to continue to act*"

There was a general discussion on the subject. It was agreed that some umpires may be reluctant to report misbehaviour but experience in this area is gained by confidence and monitoring. The vast majority can be dealt with by warning and the issue of cards but it was agreed that excessive misbehaviour must be reported to the referee.

The Chair also asked if it was right that individual umpires had to progress formal complaints to the ETTA and Disciplinary Committee. After a general discussion it was agreed that Referees or heads of departments would be better suited in progressing the complaint after it had been made by the umpire or volunteer

Action. Secretary to write to TOC with recommendation.

10. British League Umpiring

Secretary reminded the meeting that the British League Committee had asked the TOC and AETTU to support their plan to improve player behaviour at Premier BL weekends. BL were asking for an IU and a NU or experienced CU for each table at Premier weekends. There was a general discussion on the subject. Chair stated that umpires didn't like working at BL weekends because of the player behaviour. DS stated that the BL had caused more problems by doing away with umpires at all games below Div 1 but in principle he supported the BL initiative. Secretary reminded the meeting that the Committee had been discussing for some time about ways of improving behaviour at BL events. SC stated it was the responsibility of the BL to improve the behaviour of its players, not umpires. After a further discussion it was agreed that members of the AETTU should support the initiative.

Action Secretary to write to members about the initiative.

11. Magazine

Secretary advised the meeting that the latest magazine had been circulated in November 2013. There were 20 pages in the issue but it had included a copy of the constitution, for new members, and a list of all members in their counties. It was agreed to circulate another magazine in March. Members still preferred a hard copy of the magazine. Treasurer advised the meeting that the cost of printing and circulating the magazine could be covered by the AETTU.

12 AETTU Competition

There was a general discussion about the 2014 competition. It was agreed that the tournament would be held on 14-15/6/14 and at Draycott TTC if available. Members agreed to use the same hotel as 2013 for B&B and evening meal.

Action 2. TP to circulate details to members

13. Umpires Re-union

Chair reminded the meeting that Tony Chatwin (President) had suggested that an umpires' re-union dinner could take place possibly on the back of the National Seniors Tournament at Sheffield. Provisional enquiries had been made but it had been put on hold due to lack of interest. MP suggested to the meeting that the weekend of the AETTU tournament would be a good opportunity for an umpires' re-union dinner. We were already planning to have a tournament dinner on the Saturday evening with approximately 30+ diners. There was a general discussion on the subject and it was agreed to be a good idea.

Action 3. TP to contact Tony Chatwin to discuss

14. AOB

a) **Attendance at Committee meetings** – Adjourned to next meeting

b) **Long Service Awards.** JL asked the Committee to consider whether umpires should receive Long Service awards from the ETTA. There was a discussion on the subject. DS pointed out that a number of awards, in various categories, were awarded at the ETTA AGM but umpires seemed to be ignored. Secretary pointed out the new annual SOUK awards for which TO's would be nominated from the TOC. JL pointed out that these nominations would not be for the general umpires who have put years into attending tournaments without recognition. After further discussion it was agreed that Secretary would write to TOC recommending a Long Service award.

Action Secretary to contact TOC re Long Service Awards.

c) Time Out in matches. JL informed the meeting that there was often confusion in matches when players took "time out" but didn't inform the umpire correctly. Umpires were often confused about who actually took the TO. JL suggested that a solution would be that the player who didn't ask for the TO should wait at the table. There was a general discussion on this subject. DS said that the recommendation would cause lots of problems for the 2nd player and his coach. LP supported JL in his suggestion. SW and others pointed out that any changes would have to be considered and approved by the ITTF. JL asked that the Committee forward his recommendation to TOC. After further discussion there was a vote on the subject.

Committee Vote. For – 3 Against – 4 Not carried.

The chair pointed out to JL that there was nothing stopping him forwarding an individual letter to TOC if he wished.

Next Meeting Sunday 11/5/14 12:00

YOUTH OLYMPICS

Congratulations to Josh Reynolds who selected to take part in the Youth Olympics qualifying tournament which was held in France earlier this year. It was good experience for Josh to take part in a major international event.

Alex Mercer has been selected as an umpire for the Youth Olympic tournament in Nanjing, China in August 2014. He is one of twelve young umpires selected from around the world and if it is anything like the London Olympics he will have a great experience.

Congratulations to both umpires.

Belgium Report Alan Thomas

Two intrepid umpires from Gloucestershire, Alan Thomas and Dave Gough, embarked on their first foreign venture having answered the plea from the Belgian Open PTT Tournament. Both felt it was too good an opportunity to miss, but then reality set in that we would be working with foreign umpires who were IU's. Fear not, with the exceptional and high standard of English tutoring (and our camouflage uniform) no one could tell that we were only NU's.

The adventure started with a journey to Hastings ensued with an overnight stay with mine host and onward chauffer, Neil Curtis. After an early start the journey to the hotel was trouble free, apart from a glitch with the SatNav as we disembarked in France, but this was quickly resolved. Unfortunately trouble free couldn't be applied to driving to the car park 200 metres from the hotel, which was missed and an hour later the car was finally parked.

This still left time to sample the Belgian beer and meet some of the other umpires before the briefing (yes there was an actual briefing). One question, I hasten to add not from us, which worried the referee Isabelle was 'do we play up to 11?'

So to the first morning with Alan and Dave at least looking the part in their dark blue blazers (sorry George) we approached the mayhem of the Call Area. This was survived with support from Neil and off we went marching in to umpire our first matches on foreign soil. From then on with confidence increasing we felt part of a multi-national team. In fact we can't have done too badly as one of the coaches said that the umpiring team was better than at the Europeans 3 weeks earlier.

It was good to see a team of 21 from GBR who it's fair to say had mixed success, but like us I'm sure that they will have benefited from the experience.

For Alan there was another surprise as the Tournament Director was his GamesMaker Controller at the Paralympics and so the invitation is there for 2 years time when the next Tournament will be held.

This was an ideal tournament to gain experience of umpiring abroad, it being not one with a high profile. Having got the taste for it we hope that other opportunities will arise in the not too distant future.

Alan Thomas

UMPIRE'S DREAM

A Table Tennis Umpire had just finished reading a book entitled "You Can Be The Man of Your House".

He stormed into the kitchen and said to his wife "From now on you need to know that I am the man of this house and my word is law. You will prepare my meal tonight and then you'll serve me a scrumptious dessert".

"After dinner you're going upstairs with me and we will have the kind of sex that I want. Then, you're going to run me a bath, wash my back and towel me dry and bring me a robe. Then you'll massage my feet and hands".

"I will decide when I want to go umpiring. You won't complain and you will have a meal ready for me each time I return from a tournament".

"Finally tomorrow, when you get up, guess who's going to dress and comb my hair".

The Umpire's wife looked at him and replied "The funeral director"?

OBSERVATIONS FROM AN UMPIRE

- 1. Uniform.** It has become quite noticeable that a lot of umpires are wearing the navy blue blazer for reasons unknown (my royal one has shrunk). Apparently we are not able to wear the three lions badge on this blazer which is a great shame as I feel proud to wear the three lion's badge. Is there any way we can change this procedure? Should the umpires have a vote on this matter?
- 2. Time out.** My suggestion is that the player that does NOT call a time out stays at the table until the other player comes back to the table. There has been numerous occasions when a time out has been called and BOTH players have disappeared from the table and the umpire has to ask one player or the coach who has called the time out. I have seen this happen at international events and while being televised it does not look too good for the umpire.
- 3. The selection policy.** The TOC selectors should abide by this policy as a vast amount of umpires do not believe they are operating it correctly. (I certainly go along with that). Have TOC personnel introduced an age limit for the various major events? For the Commonwealth Games (CG) the selected umpires have a chance to be selected for the next two CG. What about the more senior umpires who may have only a few more years until they retire and who have given a vast amount of their time travelling up and down the country umpiring table tennis matches?

John Lawton

SENSE and Sensibility

Derek Sherratt

A recent study at the University College London into performance in Classical Music Competitions revealed the fact that judges more often than not were influenced more by visual presentation as opposed to the quality of the music produced. Reading about this set me comparing this oddity with the assessment process for table tennis umpires.

When I took the Practical Test for the County Umpire Paper it was the norm for the candidate to be flanked by two experienced umpires as he/she adjudicated at some event deemed to be at such a level as to test one's ability. Because of the position of the adjacent Assessors it was virtually impossible for the examinee to get away with any aberration whatsoever; a severe test indeed.

If, as is often the case now, the assessor's position is outside the court, then the distance between umpire and assessor could be 7 or 8 metres. In larger stadia, where access within the playing arena is restricted, this distance could be such that the Assessor is mostly using the visual image; in other words he cannot always hear what the umpire is saying. All assistant umpires will have had occasion to ask the umpire for verification of some decision, and they are only a few metres apart.

It is therefore not uncommon at debriefing to be faced with something like "What happened at 7-8 in the second game? Or why did you speak to one of the coaches at the end of the first game? On one occasion I was greeted with "what on earth happened at the end of the third game?"

This leads me back to the musical theme. Presentation has in recent times gained more prominence in the life of an umpire mainly through the introduction of the Blue Badge. This has in turn had its affect on the domestic scene. A good deal can be learned from simply watching how an umpire conducts himself, and, not only on the court. I recall Colin Clemett pursuing this theme in his advice to umpires travelling abroad. On the subject of the Blue Badge, the 'assessor' is an 'evaluator'. Getting the title wrong often causes a little friction and usually prompts a short lecture on their respective terms of reference. Without going into the apparent differences, my exhaustive search through a thesaurus leaves me still scratching my head. For example, in the Index of synonyms, evaluation is listed under assessment; but the reverse does not apply.

The meat of the subject however is still principally verbal, such as announcing the score and keeping control of the players; hand signals are certainly a help, particularly if they are used to indicate the scoring of points. My view is that whilst the visual image can tell you a lot about performance this can amount to naught if the substance is seen as not up to standard. This presupposes that the *judge* can hear the umpire. Good verbals will usually tip the scales in favour of the umpire, certainly at county level, especially if there is a high level of accuracy.

It would be wrong of me to second guess as to how assessors or evaluators reach their conclusions but I am pretty sure that there are, on occasions, times when they rely more on what they see as opposed to what they hear. My recent trip to the Euro Championships confirmed this when both evaluators routinely produced video evidence at the debriefings.

Referring to Vienna I would remind you that Beethoven was of course deaf as a post for much of his later years.



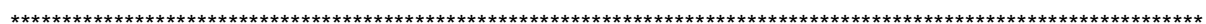
UMPIRES' EXPENSES

At the Junior Six Nations held at Preston in November 2013 a number of umpires were required to travel on the Friday to be available for umpiring on the Saturday morning. Accommodation was available for the Friday evening and a number of umpires had to travel long distances on the Friday.

On the Saturday umpires discovered that the ETTA organiser was not paying a meal allowance for the Friday evening. Representation was made to the Organiser, Referee and Stuart Sherlock, Chair of the TOC (NURC).

In due course the TOC recommended that the meal allowance for the Friday evening should be paid and this was approved by the ETTA Board. However, a review of allowances for all volunteers and staff is due to take place.

The ETTA will arrange payment of the meal allowance to the relevant umpires. If you have not been contacted by the ETTA by the end of May please let the TOC know.



ITTF MATCH OFFICIALS HANDBOOK

The 15th Edition of the ITTF Match Official's Handbook has recently been published and it can be viewed on the URC page on the ITTF Website.

The Handbook is the "Bible" for all umpires and identifies the standard that all umpires should seek to achieve. The Handbook is the document by which all Blue Badge umpires are assessed.

A number of changes have been identified in the new Handbook. These are changes to the ITTF Laws and Regulations and also changes to umpiring procedures.

Listed below are the main changes which have been underlined:

5.5 Net Measure

It is important for the umpire or assistant umpire to check both the height of the net and the tension of the net-cord. This should be done prior to every match, including team matches within a team competition. It is not really satisfactory just to estimate the tension by touch and several manufacturers have produced weighted net gauges, which ensure consistency. These gauges, which weigh exactly 100g, have two steps, one at 15.25cm and the other 1cm lower. However the weighted gauge should only be used to check the tension – it is not advisable to use it for checking the height. After the height has been checked using a plastic net gauge **at each end** the lower step of the weighted gauge is rested on the top of the net, in the centre, and the tension adjusted until the bottom of the gauge just touches the playing surface. **If necessary, quickly re-check the height at each end after the tension has been adjusted. Do not use the plastic gauge and weighted gauge at the same time. Also when checking the net it is important to ensure that the clamp is attached as close as possible to the table. Ensure that there is no cord hanging down from the net post which could affect the ball or distract the players.**

7.1.1 Racket Coverings

A striking surface of the racket must be covered with one of the specified materials and, whether covered or not, one side must be red and the other black. The covering should extend to the limits of, but not beyond, the blade, but some tolerance may be allowed. The referee must decide what is acceptable and advise his or her umpires accordingly but, as a guide, 2mm would be an acceptable margin to most referees. **This may particularly be the case with Para class 1 and 2 players as they often use their racket hand to push themselves back up into a sitting position after striking the ball, and, in doing so, touch the table top with their rackets. Thus an overhang can help to protect the table top and a slightly larger margin may be allowed.**

8.1.6 Clothing

The purpose of this regulation is to help spectators to distinguish between players, and the possible distance of spectators from the playing area must be taken into consideration. Colours which look quite different close-up can appear almost identical when seen from the back row of spectator seats, and opposing players' shirts should preferably be of different basic colours and not just different shades of the same colour. **This could also extend to the back of a player's shirt, especially in TV matches, where it is important that players are easily distinguishable. If a player has to change a shirt for any reason during a match the new shirt does not have to be the same colour as the one being changed, but still has to comply with the above clauses.**

13.5.1 Injury

If, owing to accident or illness, a player is unable to continue the umpire must report immediately to the referee. The referee may authorise an emergency suspension of play for the player to receive treatment or to recover by resting, provided he or she is satisfied that the break in continuity will not unfairly affect an opponent and that the player will be able to resume play within a reasonably short

time. **The timekeeper should time the suspension from the time when the referee is called, not from the time he or she arrives at the playing area.**

14.1.4 Order of Service

When a doubles pair comprises two players who are in wheelchairs due to a physical disability, the server first makes a service and the receiver makes a return, but thereafter either player of the disabled pair may make a return. However if any part of a player's wheelchair protrudes beyond the imaginary extension of the centre line of the table, the umpire will award a point to the opposing pair. **This also applies when a "mixed" pair (one standing and one wheelchair) are playing together. Either player may return the ball (after initial service and return), but each player has to remain in his or her own half of the court. No part of the player's wheelchair can cross the imaginary extension of the centre line and the standing player cannot put a foot over this line either.**

19.2 Score Indicators

Before a match the games score indicators should be left blank and not set to 0 until both players or pairs arrive **in the court**, as a guide to whoever is controlling the programme of play.

19.5 Score Indicators

Score indicators are normally placed in front of the umpire or assistant umpire, or both, facing towards the players, and in this position it is often difficult for spectators seated at the ends of the playing area to see them. **The operator may rotate it by up to 45 degrees to his or her left and/or right at suitable intervals during play, such as at a break for towelling or when retrieving the ball from the rear of the court, or at change of service. Provided the score indicator is reasonably light, and the operator feels it is necessary to do so, the operator may also raise the score indicator whilst rotating it.**

TOM BLUND FUND

The Tom Blund Fund, managed by the ETTA, offers financial assistance for Administrators, including umpires, referees and coaches, towards travel costs, when representing England abroad. The award will be at the discretion of the Awards Panel.

To date umpires have made a claim to the Tom Blund Fund when they return from the overseas tournament. The amount of financial assistance awarded depends on the distance travelled.

From August 2014 applications to the Tom Blund Fund will have to be made and approved prior to the event. Retrospective applications will not be considered.

UMPIRES' TOURNAMENT

The 2014 AETTU Umpires' Tournament will be held at the Draycott TTC, Derbyshire on the weekend of 21-22nd June 2014.

The tournament was due to be held the weekend before but it clashed with the Donnington Music Festival and there was trouble obtaining hotel accommodation.

There will also be the annual AETTU dinner during the weekend. Players and guests will be attending the dinner at the Hallmark Hotel in Derby on the Saturday evening. We have used the hotel previously and received excellent service.

Umpires who are not taking part in the tournament are also welcome to attend the dinner on the Saturday evening.

The following events will take part during the tournament;

Saturday 21/6/14

- 13:00 Randon Doubles
- Over 60's
- Hardbat
- Ladies
- Under 50's
- 19:30 Dinner - Hallmark Hotel, Derby

Sunday 22/6/14

- 10:15 Over 80's
- Over 50's
- Over 70's
- Open singles
- Consolation Event
- Presentation & Refreshments
- 18:00 approx Close

Look forward to seeing you at the tournament.
