

## Captains' AGM Report 2024

### **Summer 2024 Men's Doubles Gloucestershire League**

Men's A - 44/48 points - 1st

Having been relegated from the Premier division the season prior after a long stint there, the goal was to return in a timely fashion. With players in the squad like Finlay Burke and GB player Ben Knapp, I was optimistic that it would only take one shot - and it did! We were officially promoted with 2 matches to spare, scoring 44 of 48 points. It was also pleasing to give many players a chance in the top team. In total 16 players played a match.

Men's B - 24/48 points - 4th

Paul (Captain): The B team had a good season finishing 4th on 25 points in div 1A. We had a small squad so well done to Mike who played 11 matches, and Tom and Paul who both managed 10 each. Thanks also to super sub Aajay who helped out with 6 matches. Stars were Tom with 15 points, and Aajay who won 11 of his 12 rubbers. Overall a tough division so 25 points was a really good effort. Well done all.

Men's C - 29/48 points - 4th

Jon (Captain): Newly formed C team performed really well with some good, close matches. Chris was our star player as he played 10 of 12 matches and new chaps Ben, Pete and Sven added strong, consistent matchplay.

Men's D - 8/40 - 5th

Despite a tough season for the D team, it looks like they will stay up in division 2 due to a team dropping out. The stats show how cruel tennis can be, the team still won a competitive 41.5% of games! Thank you to Jeremy for captaining the team.

Men's E - 23/40 points - 2nd

Congratulations on the E team finishing second and promoting back to Division 4. All players had even or winning records and rightfully deserve to be in a higher division next year. Thank you to Andrew for captaining the team.

Men's F - 8/40 - 6th

Thanks to Ollie who did a great job captaining the F team. Nathan and Nigel were the standout players

Overall, the summer season was a big triumph with two teams being promoted. Forming the teams at the start of the season was particularly challenging given the way the teams had clumped up into division 2 and 5. However, reintroducing the selection night was incredibly helpful and was a big part in the success of the season. Thank you to all the captains who organised their teams so diligently.

Finally, thank you to Julie Taylor for guiding me and helping me get into the role as captain. She was also keen to help out with her wisdom and much needed humour. The season could have been a catastrophe without her... Thank you!