

Colebridge Young People's Club

Incorporating Colebridge Table Tennis Club

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ANNUAL REPORT: 2024-25

Welcome

Welcome to the annual report covering the 2024-25 season. During the year we have continued our plan to improve the facilities at Colebridge YPC for the benefit of the membership.

There have been several upgrades this year. A new drive before Winter set in was the first and biggest project of the year and has made access much more comfortable to the club in all weathers. It was a significant expense but needed doing and some contributions were made from the businesses on the parade.

Next was the floor replacement in Room 1. The old floor had been down for 60 years or so and multiple planks had split or cracked. Thanks to Mike Bowen for leading the installation of the new floor and to his team of volunteers. It seems to be settling down nicely. There are also 2 new Cornilleau match tables for the new season plus 2 additional Joola practise tables and a new extractor fan in room 1.

The advent of the new tables has enabled us to donate three of the older tables to a worthwhile cause. This year they were presented to The Edge Academy.

Finally, over the Summer the Gents toilets have been renovated with a urinal added and repositioning of the sink and hand drier.

Our club continues to grow and has a healthy membership. Thanks to our coaching programmes and dedicated coaches our playing abilities, at all ages and skill levels, have improved and as a result our achievements both locally and nationally are very commendable. There are further details on these achievements in the report below.

It would be remiss of me not to thank the committee for all their commitment and hard work throughout the year to ensure that Colebridge TTC runs smoothly so that we can all enjoy our table tennis.

Thank you to everyone for your support over the last year and I would like to wish all members a successful and enjoyable 2025-26 season.

With Kind Regards,

John

John Swinburne

Chair, Colebridge Young People's Club (incorporating Colebridge TTC)

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CLUB TEAMS AND RESULTS

Women's British League

Colebridge TTC (Division 3)

Position 3rd

Individual results: Debbie Barrow 11/19; Hanne Pui Yu Chui 11/20; Olivia Fletcher 9/19.



Above: Hanne Pui Yu Chui, Olivia Fletcher and Debbie Barrow.

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Cadet British Clubs League: Birmingham Nishkam

Colebridge A (Division 1) **Position 4th**

Team members: Nokulus Lam 9/20; Haymas Ng 13/20; and Hazel Lam 10/20.



Colebridge B (Division 2) **Position 1st**

Team members: Hailey Lam 13/15; Rody Ho 8/17; Samuel Lee 15/18; and Sakinah Damji 7/8.



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Colebridge C (Division 2) **Position 6th**

Team members: Finlay Kwapisz 3/20; Peter Wong 9/20; Tsun Tim Cantona Hung 3/10; and Dean Tuan-Mu 0/10.



Thanks to Nathaniel Saunders, Maysum Damji and Jaymas Ng who assisted with the Cadet BCL team coaching this year.

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Junior British Clubs League: Birmingham Fortis

Colebridge A (Division 1)

Position 1st

Team members: Jaymas Ng 34/36; Hong Kit Ng (Harold) 34/36; and Alex Setchell 33/36.

Colebridge B (Division 1)

Position 2nd

Team members: Tsun Ho Kung (Rio) 24/26; Jack Ganderton 20/26; Haymas Ng 20/28; and Hong Wing Ng (Bertie) 19/28.

Colebridge C (Division 1)

Position 3rd

Team members: Darren Ng 13/24; Ben Lee 17/32; Hazel Lam 6/8; Jack Mobberley 8/16; Nokulus Lam 11/14; and Mohammed Shahid Salam 6/14.



Thanks to Craig Allen who primarily coached the Junior BCL teams this year.

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LOCAL LEAGUE RESULTS

Birmingham, Solihull, and District League:

Winter 2024-25 Divisions	TEAM	PLACE	INDIVIDUAL AVERAGES
Premier	Colebridge A Colebridge D Colebridge B Colebridge C	2 nd 6 th 10 th 16 th	Sam Henderson 3 rd (37/45) Hawley Ellicott 4 th (36/39) Hassan Damji 8 th (34/48) Maysum Damji 11 th (31/48)
Division 1	Colebridge E Colebridge F	2 nd 8 th	Ashish Kapadia 3 rd (31/48) Frank Cotter 4 th (30/48) Darius Mrowinski 6 th (29/48) Daniel Ranford 10 th (28/48)
Division 2	Colebridge G	7 th	Pradip Pithiya 13 th (23/33)
Division 3	Colebridge H	4 th	John Blakey 8 th (30/36) Paul Kimberley 14 th (25/39)

Summer 2025 Divisions	TEAM	PLACE	INDIVIDUAL AVERAGES
Division 1	Colebridge A	2 nd	Hassan Damji 1 st (24/24) Maysum Damji 2 nd (19/24)
Division 2	Colebridge B	3 rd	Stephen Davies 5 th (12/21) Christian Welsh 10 th (8/15) Dean Hicks 11 th (8/15)
Division 4	Colebridge C	2 nd	Paul Kimberley 3 rd (15/18) John Blakey 6 th (12/12) Nicola Rinnhofer 10 th (8/15) Graham Wing 12 th (7/12)

Leamington and District League:

Winter 2024-25 Divisions	TEAM	PLACE	INDIVIDUAL AVERAGES
Division 1	Colebridge A	11 th	Craig Allen 16 th (12/18)
Division 2	Colebridge B	7 th	Jason Rainey 17 th (27/42)

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Bromsgrove, Redditch and District League:

Winter 2024-25 Divisions	TEAM	PLACE	INDIVIDUAL AVERAGES
Division 1	Colebridge	5 th	Thomas Park 13 th (17/27) Rizwan Akbar 14 th (16/18)

JUNIOR PERFORMANCES

We are privileged to have so many young people representing our Club, both locally and nationally, however, Ian has picked those who he feels deserves a special mention across all levels of experience.

Nathaniel Saunders: England ranked no. 30 in Junior Boys. This year Nathaniel went one better than last year with the Warwickshire County Junior team winning the Premier division for the first time in decades. He also came runner up in the Nottingham 4* U21 tournament and with the County Seniors team in Division 1A. Late in the season Nathaniel represented the Birmingham league in the Willmott Cup team where they came 2nd place nationally.

Sakinah Damji: England ranked no. 9 in U12 Girls and no. 13 in U13 Girls. Sakinah won a Silver medal in U12 girls doubles at the Mark Bates Ltd National U10 to U13 Championships. She was then selected for the England Futures training camps and now the England Hopes competition on the 21st September. Excellent performances in the County Cadet 2nd team also helped them gain first place in Division 1B.

Charlotte LokChing Wong: no. 9 on the U14 and no. 13 on the U15 Girls rating list. Charlotte qualified for the National Schools Individual Finals for U13 Girls and helped the Warwickshire Junior 1st Team to their win in the Premier division. She also played for England in the Senior Schools International in Jersey winning a bronze medal with her team.

Hassan Damji: England ranked no. 27 in U15 Boys. Hassan represented Warwickshire in the Cadet 1st team in the Premier division and gained good development experience in Division 2 of the new National Series U15 Boys. This paid dividends in local league where he finished with a 70% win average in the Premier division and was unbeaten in Summer League Division 1 (24/24). Finally, he won a bronze medal in the Carter Cup with the Birmingham league team and reached the round of 32 in the international Pristina Open U19.

Jack Ganderton: really steady improvement in Junior British Clubs League with a 77% win average. He was the Junior Singles champion and Senior Mixed Doubles winner at the Bromsgrove Closed Championships, showing a very good temperament under pressure. Jack has developed through local league play (Stratford and Bromsgrove) and has worked consistently well over the last 2 years in his coaching sessions.

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Jaymas Ng, Rex Ho, Nokulus Lam and Haymas Ng: all four of these Colebridge players represented Tudor Grange Academy in the National Schools Team Finals for U16 Boys. A great effort and Jaymas Ng has really pushed to take this school competition seriously for the last two years now.

Hazel Lam, Hailey Lam and Sheryl Chui: these three Colebridge players represented Arden Academy in the National Schools Team Finals for U16 Girls. A fantastic achievement competing against very table tennis focused schools.

Starry Sheung: Starry represented Warwickshire County in both the Junior and Senior 1st teams this season, contributing significantly to the Junior team winning the Premier division. Starry also represented Warwick School in the Under 19 boys where they reached the National Schools Team Finals and won a bronze medal.

Nokulus Lam (U13 Boys) and Hazel Lam (U16 Girls), : these players did brilliantly to qualify and play at the Butterfly National Schools Individual Finals in April after winning the Warwickshire Individual titles.

SENIOR PERFORMANCES

Craig Allen won a Bronze medal in the Men's Singles Classes 9-10 at the Sheffield National Para Championships in July 2025. He was also selected for the President's Select team in the traditional end of season Maurice Goldstein Cup Final.

Sam Henderson and **Hawley Ellicott** finished 3rd and 4th in the Birmingham Premier division averages but the team could only finish 2nd due to teammate Ben Wilson's injury this season. Hawley and Sam were also winner and runner up in the Bromsgrove Closed Senior Men's final.

Hiu Fai Lau had a strong showing in the Worcestershire Closed Championships with runners up medals in both Veteran Men's Singles and Veteran Men's Doubles.

Ash Kapadia and **Frank Cotter** finished 3rd and 4th in the averages in Division 1 for Colebridge E and Colebridge F. Colebridge E did very well to come 2nd in Division 1 thanks to **Darius Mrowinski** and **Daniel Ranford** also making the top 10 in the averages.

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LEAGUE AND COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES

Warwickshire County representatives (2024-25)

Cadet 1st (5th place Premier Division): Rex Ho 7/14 (left); Hassan Damji 9/14 (second left); and Charlotte Wong 8/14 (right).



Cadet 2nd (1st place Division 1B): Hazel Lam 9/11 (left); Sakinah Damji 9/11 (second left); and Haymas Ng 6/8 (right).



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Junior 1st (1st place in Premier Division): Starry Sheung 12/14 (second left); Nathaniel Saunders 13/14 (centre); and Charlotte Wong 2/8 (right).



Junior 2nd (2nd place in Division 1A): Jaymas Ng 2/6 (left); Man Nga Mia Chan 4/14 (2nd left); Charlotte Wong 12/14 (centre); and Rex Ho 8/14 (right).



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Senior 1st (2nd place in Division 1A): Nathaniel Saunders (10/14), Starry Sheung (8/14) and Hanne Pui Yu Chui (10/14)

Veteran 1st (2nd place in Division 1A): Kate Hughes (3/7); Ben Wilson doubles

Veteran 2nd (4th place in Division 2A): Ben Wilson (2/8)

Over 60s 1st (7th place in Division 1A): Michael Browne (5/8)

Over 60s 2nd (2nd place in Division 2B): Michael Browne (11/12)

Worcestershire County representatives (2024-25)

Junior (3rd place in Division 2A): Alex Setchell (9/14)

Bromsgrove / Redditch Closed Championships (2025)

Junior Boy's Singles winner: Jack Ganderton

Senior Mixed Doubles: Jack Ganderton (with Margaret Dignum)

Senior Men's Singles winner: Hawley Ellicott

Senior Men's Singles runner up: Sam Henderson



Above: Jack Ganderton (with coach Craig Allen).

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Worcestershire Closed Championships (April 2025)

Veteran Men's Singles runner up: Hiu Fai Lau

Veteran Men's Doubles runner up: Hiu Fai Lau & John McKay

Carter Cup (2025)

Team Bronze Medal: Angus Li, Hassan Damji (with Wajid Wafiq)

Wilmott Cup (2025)

Team Runner's Up Medal: Nathaniel Saunders (with Dan Jones and Wajid Wafiq)

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SCHOOLS COMPETITION – 2025

National Schools Team Finals (April 2025)

Arden Academy finished in **4th place** in **Under 16 Girls** with Sheryl Chiu, Hailey Lam and Hazel Lam.



Tudor Grange Academy finished in **4th place** in **Under 16 Boys** with Nokulus Lam, Jaymas Ng, Rex Ho and Haymas Ng.



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Warwick School finished in **3rd place** at the National Schools Team Finals **Under 19 Boys** including Starry Sheung (on right).



Warwickshire Schools Individual Championships (February 2025)

Under 11 Girls

Runner-up: Dora Wong

Under 13 Boys

Winner: Nokulus Lam

Under 13 Girls

Winner: Charlotte Wong

Under 16 Boys

Runner-up: Hassan Damji

Under 16 Girls

Winner: Hazel Lam

Under 19 Boys

Runner-up: Starry Sheung

National Schools Individual Championships (April 2025)

Venue: Aldersley Leisure Village, Wolverhampton.

Under 13 Girls: Charlotte Wong Quarter finals

Under 13 Boys: Nokulus Lam Group stages

Under 16 Girls: Hazel Lam Group stages

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Senior Schools International – Fort Regent, Jersey (June 2025)

Charlotte Wong

Under 14 Girls

Team: Bronze



JUNIOR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2025

Under 19 / 21 Boys Nathaniel Saunders (group stages)

Under 15 Boys Hassan Damji (group stages)

Under 11 / 12 Girls Sakinah Damji (knockout rounds)

Under 12 Doubles Sakinah Damji Silver Medal (with Phoebe O'Brien)



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VETTS NATIONALS – May 2025

The following Colebridge members played in the VETTS National Championships at Aldersley Leisure Village:

Michael Browne: Over 50s singles, over 60s singles, over 50s doubles.

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Nottingham Nathaniel Saunders

Warwick Sean Lee

Aston Hanne Pui Yu Chui

COLEBRIDGE 2024 AGM AWARDS

Young Member of the Year

Samuel Lee

Young Player of the Year

Nathaniel Saunders

Adult Member of the Year

Ian Scott

Adult Player of the Year

Ben Wilson

Veteran Member of the Year

Robert Chapman

MEMBERSHIP

Our 2024-25 membership was made up of the following members:

Category	MALE	FEMALE	Total
Junior	61	17	78
Young Adult	5	2	7
Senior	88	12	100
	154	31	185

Our youngest member was 6, our oldest member was 87 and the average age of a member was 39.

FINANCIAL REPORT

This year's income reduced by £7,738.89 and expenses have reduced by £18,121.83. The overall income for the last 12 months was £39,750.02, which is a reduction of 16.3% compared to the last financial period, due to the fact that we were getting £8980.93 less grants and donations.

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On the expenditure side, we have spent £53,117.74, which was a reduction of 24.4% compared to the previous financial period. A substantial proportion (£23,257.11) was for the two main improvement projects – drive surface improvement and room one floor replacement. Therefore, our cash balance has reduced significantly from £35,106 in July 24 to £21,739 at the end of July 25.

DEVELOPMENT

Colebridge has continued to develop in various avenues over the season, improving the reputation across the county and country! An additional Junior Coaching session was added on Saturdays at 1pm to cope with demand. There are now 10 junior coaching sessions taking place on a weekly basis, including TT Kidz and a Girls Only session on a Monday.

Colebridge have received £500 funding from the Baron Davenport Charity to provide some financial support towards support of the Girls Coaching. As a club, we are very grateful for the ongoing support of the Baron Davenport Charity.

Congratulations to Maysum Damji, who in September 2025, successfully passed his Level 1 Coaching qualification.

There is a small group for adult coaching regularly on a Thursday afternoon, several adults have 1 to 1 lessons and the coaching team will also be looking to put on an evening slot depending on room availability.