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15th W.V.C. 2010 in Hohhot (CHN).
Thanks to the conception of our new rubbers, Torpedo and Rapid X-Press, we are entering a new rubber dimension in regards to the rubbers’ quality and game potential which mains characteristics are the following:

- a harder and faster rubber surface
- a new gluing technique of the rubber surface with the sponge
- a new sponge with an extraordinary strength
- an extremely adhering and long-lasting rubber surface

Torpedo
Pimples inwards. Red, black.
Thicknesses: 1,8 / 2,0 / max.
With this new rubber we have developed a rubber with phenomenal playing characteristics and almost unlimited flexibility. Resulting from a special gluing technique of the rubber surface with the sponge, the integrated dynamic gives its full potential by speed gluing. The extremely adhering and tensed rubber surface provides your balls a fighter’s energy. The tension in the very adhering rubber surface confers, despite all the strength of your strokes, an irresistible sensation, enabling you to exhaust your repertoire. Torpedo is recommended for speed gluing which will confer a sensational sound. Torpedo - hard to believe that such a speed rubber can provide so much sensations.

Rapid X-Press
Pimples inwards. Red, black.
Thicknesses: 1,6 / 1,8 / 2,0 / max.
This new rubber is the fruit of researches on the TIBHAR best-seller „RAPID”. Vladimir Samsonov contributed to the development of this new rubber. Its characteristics are an explosive and spin-friendly surface, but this rubber also makes half-distance strokes easier and more powerful. The combination of the new rubber surface with a new and relative hard sponge confers to this rubber an extraordinary power and a very good sound by speed gluing.
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Dr. Zarko DOLINAR (Deceased 2003)
Mr. Steve BOROS (Deceased 1994)
Mr. Johnny LEACH
Mr. Ferenc SIDO (Deceased 1998)
Mr. Hugo URCHETTI (Deceased 2004)
Mr. Ichiro OGIMURA (Deceased 1994)

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1967 Mr. Bill VINT (Deceased 1993)
1970 Mr. H. Roy EVANS (Deceased 1998)
1972 Mrs. V. BARNÁ
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1993 Mr. Ranga RAMANUJAN
1994 Mrs. Nancy Roy EVANS (Deceased 1998)

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PRESIDENT’S REPORT
It has been an eventful few months since our last edition. Our A.G.M. in Moscow was well attended and our Executive and attending members, after quite long discussions, have sanctioned the modification of our S.C.I. Constitution. Our consulting solicitor had advised our Executive to minimise our Constitution in such a way as to allow easier and quicker understanding of all the vital and essential regulations, without altering the basic fundamentals of our club.

This extensive work will be prepared ready for our next issue of the NEWS in March 2011, which in turn allows sufficient time for our members to become familiar with any proposed alterations before our A.G.M. in Rotterdam next May, during the World Championships.

The issue of the controversy between some members of the W.V.C. Committee has now been withdrawn, and the matter closed by myself after Mr. Westling announced he would accept the newly formed directive, which excludes the W.V.C. Committee Members from participating in the event as players. All other points which were raised at the A.G.M. are written in the Minutes which are included in this edition. From Moscow we flew directly to Hohhot, Inner Mongolia - for the 15th World Veterans Championship. Two years of intensive preparation culminated into an incredible event with everything running smoothly and effectively. I am sure that for all those who were participating – this was an event they will long remember, and above all, the friendliness of the 350 students who were there to assist the participants and S.C.I./ W.V.C. Committee was absolutely amazing. We can look back on a fantastic week. I am happy to include photos of this event and a “thank you” from an English participant to the Hohhot Organising Committee for such a great 15th W.V.C. event.

DIANE SCHÖLER
President S.C.I.
SWAYTHLING CLUB INTERNATIONAL

WEBSITE

THE SWAYTHLING CLUB INTERNATIONAL WEBSITE IS ONLINE !!!

THE SCI-WEBSITE IS AN INTEGRAL PART OF
THE ITTF-WEBSITE UNDER:

http://www.ittf.com

You can visit the
SWAYTHLING CLUB INTERNATIONAL Section
under:
http://www.ittf.com/sci_link_main.html

You can now view, download and even print
the S.C.I. NEWS direct from our website !!!

PLEASE NOTE:

Many of our members – and quite often the National
Representatives of the S.C.I. –
do send us on a regular basis – photographs and
articles which assist us enormously to publish
and print an interesting and informative edition of
our NEWS, thanks to the technical possibilities
which are available today.
Keep your articles and photos flowing to our
e-mail address - they are appreciated and enjoyed.

Within the next two months, Laszlo and Teri Földy
will start preparing to print a new booklet.
They will require any new or corrected postal addresses,
email or telephone changes.
SWAYTHLING CLUB INTERNATIONAL

FUTURE EVENTS

EUROPEAN TABLE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS
OSTRAVA, CZECH REPUBLIC
11th – 19th SEPTEMBER, 2010

6 Invited S.C.I. Members

The following Members have received an invitation to attend the above-mentioned event, kindly given to the S.C.I. by the Czech Table Tennis Association:

Diane Schöler (GER)
Serik Muldagaliev (RUS)
Hans Westling (SWE)
2x Czech Republic S.C.I. Members

Our sincere thanks indeed!

WORLD INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
ROTTERDAM – NETHERLANDS
8th May – 15th MAY, 2011

We are in contact with the Netherland Association and will inform you as to how many places the S.C.I. will receive, as soon as possible.

EUROPEAN VETERANS CHAMPIONSHIPS
LIBEREC - CZECH REPUBLIC
20th – 25th JUNE, 2011

Those Members wishing to apply for one of the 6 places to participate kindly given to the S.C.I. by the Czech Table Tennis Association are asked to apply to the following address:

C/o D. Schöler Schäferstrasse 2, 40479, Düsseldorf, Germany.
or per email:
e.d.schoeler@mail.isis.de

Apply no later than 15th December, 2010
1. PRESIDENT’S WELCOME
The President welcomed everyone and was pleased to see many old friends. She expressed her thanks to the Russian Table Tennis Federation for assisting her in the preparation of this A.G.M., especially our National Representative, Svetlana Federova. Thanks were also given to Etsuko Enami from the ITTF who had been of great help in reserving the date of the meeting room for the A.G.M.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS A.G.M.
(Yokohama, Japan 2009, included in the S.C.I. NEWS No 87)
Proposal to accept the minutes from Yokohama 2009 was put forward and unanimously accepted by the Assembly

3. Appointment of Scrutineers
Mrs. Beverley Godfrey and Mr. Jeff Reid were appointed as Scrutineers.

4. PRESIDENT’S REPORT
The President firstly requested the Assembly to stand for a minutes silence to honour those members who had passed away during the last year:
Farkas Paneth (ROM), Lou Pagliaro (USA), Bud Blattner (USA), Alex Agopoff (FRA), Sigbjörn Skar (NOR), Josef Koczian (HUN), Yuri Posevin (RUS).

World Team Championships
Moscow 2010.
Diane Schöler, the President, stated that the Russian Table Tennis Federation had been very generous in inviting 10 S.C.I. members to attend this event, offering free hospitality for the duration of the Championships. The President once again thanked the Russian Federation sincerely for their kindness and wished them a successful Championship.

World Veterans Championships
Hohhot/China 2010
The President informed members that in less than 2 weeks time the Opening Ceremony for the most prestigious veteran event would be held. Over 2000 players have entered the tournament. She further stated that this would be a wonderful opportunity for the Chinese Association to promote table tennis for the generations above 40 years of age in their country – the first time in China. At the same time, the foreign participants would be able to experience the sport in the country of the best professional players of today.
of course, they would also be able to enjoy the culture, hospitality and friendliness of the people from Hohhot.

She mentioned that Hans Westling and Michael Theis, the S.C.I. computer expert, both visited Hohhot some months ago, giving valuable information regarding all technical matters to the organisers. The President said that Gloria, Hans and herself, were almost daily in contact with the Chinese interpreter, trying to assist in all possible areas and she felt sure that the Championships would be a great success. Thanks went to all those who have contributed to these Championships.

**Pat O’Brien Trophy**

The President informed the Assembly that a new trophy would be exhibited at every future World Veterans Championships, starting in Hohhot. This trophy is to be named the “Pat O’Brien Trophy” after its donor, the well-known S.C.I. member from Ireland. It consists of several silver plates in a wooden frame, engraved with the names of all winners of World Veteran titles from 1982 onwards. She further mentioned that pictures of this trophy can be seen in the latest S.C.I. NEWS from April 2010. She said that it is a really unusual decoration. Many thanks went to Pat O’Brien for this generous donation, who unfortunately could not be there in Moscow.

**Junior Awards**

Diane informed the Assembly that last December, at the finals of the World Junior Championships in Cartagena/Columbia, the trophy “Fairness, Friendship, Peace” was presented to the winners of the Girl’s Singles and Boy’s Singles, successfully promoting our principles to the younger generation of table tennis players.

**Stanley Proffitt Award**

She informed the members that the Stanley Proffitt Award, (the financial assistance from the S.C.I. to younger players, youth clubs or Associations in need to promote their youth) will be presented next year during the World Championships in Rotterdam. The respective notification will be put on to the S.C.I. homepage within
a short time and, of course, would be distributed to the Associations at the World Team Championships in Moscow.

**Support for members**

The President stated that the S.C.I. also care and have always done this in the past, without publishing details, for older members of the S.C.I., who may have problems of various kinds. Next July, for example, some assistance to a married couple, both of them well over 80 years of age and living in a neighbouring country would be given to them, in order to attend a Veterans tournament in Germany. They are delighted to have this opportunity.

**Sandra Paovic**

The President spoke about the car accident which left Sandra Paovic, the Croatian International who played for a French club, paralysed. She further informed the Assembly that not only the S.C.I., but many Associations and individuals from the table tennis family also contributed to the donations for her medical treatment, which has now resulted in an amazing recovery. The President saw Sandra during the German Open in Berlin last March. Her recovery has been so good enabling her even to be able to walk on her own again.

The Executive Committee, the President stated, has decided to ask Sandra, who represented Croatia in World and European Championships, to become a member of the Swaythling Club. She hoped that everybody in the room would support this idea. (All Members gave their agreement with an applause)

**New members**

The President was glad to report some new members who were:

- Mr. Josef Bogen ISR
- Mr. Chan Foong Keong MAL
- Mr. Joseph Hickey IRL
- Mr. Jean-Francios Kahn FRA
- Mr. Zdenek Lhotka CZE
- Mr. Mendel Neiman ISR
- Mr. Richard Prause GER
- Mr. Jörg Rosskopf GER
- Mrs. Jie Schöpp GER

Other former champions who the S.C.I. were currently in contact with are Nicole Struse (GER) and Jean Philippe Gatien (FRA).

She once again requested Initiatives from National sections to obtain new members and requested them to please contact the S.C.I. Secretary.

**Mr. Shigeo Itoh (JPN), former World Champion, together with his wife and Mr. Fima Borys (ISR)**
National sections of the S.C.I.
Diane mentioned that some national sections of the Club were very active, but unfortunately not all. Therefore the Executive Committee, during the next year, will be discussing possibilities and measures to revive the activities of national sections. Contact has already been made with Finland, Italy and Slovakia, hoping to develop a new system for membership fees (in Germany for example the DTTB collects the membership fees and forwards this money in bulk to the S.C.I. Treasurer). The Executive Committee has also been thinking of officially promoting an annual get-together at the National Closed Championships or other table tennis events.

Diane requested that if any members had ideas regarding this matter, to contact the Executive Committee.

The President informed members that the controversy within the WVC, which many members would have heard about, would be dealt with under No 9 of the Agenda, therefore she did not wish to comment at that particular moment.

S.C.I. NEWS
Regarding the “News”, Diane stated that it is always an important, but also strenuous work for her. She was glad that the quality generally had been improved and that it had mainly coloured photographs in every issue. However, further efforts must be made. For example, assistance is needed in providing the S.C.I. with interesting articles and photos regarding current affairs and historic elements.

She informed the Members that the “News” is also available on the S.C.I. homepage, which is a part of the ITTF Website thanks to the help of Mo from the ITTF.

The President gave her sincere thanks also to Gloria and Werner for their assistance and support throughout the year.

S.C.I. Members enjoying the free day in Moscow (RUS)
5. TREASURER’S REPORT

The Treasurer, Werner Schnyder stated that the S.C.I. suffered a loss of CHF 7,205 within the one year period 2009. The reason for this unpleasant result is mainly due to unpaid membership fees and increased cost for the Magazine. However, his biggest concern was the situation regarding the outstanding fees by a number of countries. He mentioned that reminders were not often answered.

On the other hand a profit can be presented in the activities concerning the WVC of CHF 9,650.-

The consolidated result of S.C.I. and W.V.C. was still positive showing a profit of CHF 2,445.-

The Treasurer thanked all members for their continuous support, which was much appreciated.

After the Treasurer’s Report was given a considerable amount of time was spent by the Assembly discussing with him the subject of outstanding fees and the sum accumulated. The Treasurer mentioned that S.C.I. Representatives especially new Representatives taking on the job, could not be expected to be responsible for those outstanding fees.

Jose Ransome of England stated that she had several problems with the fees; one being the 5 yearly payments. Richard Yule of the English Table Tennis Association mentioned that he would look into the idea of the National Association taking responsibility for collecting the fees, similar to the procedure of the German Association. Diane stated that this was a very difficult problem and that this should be sorted out in a fair, but definite way. If any of the Representatives were having problems with membership fees, they should immediately contact the Executive Committee.

6. COMMENTS OF DIRECTORS

No comments were made.

7. MOTION FOR AMENDMENT TO THE S.C.I. CONSTITUTION

Tim Boggen and Geoffrey Reed wished to know why and what sort of changes the Executive Committee intended making. Eberhard Schöler, who had been helping the Executive Committee with the S.C.I. Constitution, together with a solicitor, explained to the Assembly one or two examples that needed changing. In fact, he stated that according to the solicitor the S.C.I. Constitution was too long and could be made shorter to come up to today’s requirements. The aims, however, of the Club would still be the same. Alan Ransome asked the Executive if they were considering forming a company, thus covering any liabilities that may occur, especially from the W.V.C. The ETTA has now become a company for example. Diane stated that this was not the Executive’s intention, but it could be looked into. However, it was their wish to keep the Swaythling Club’s aims and its friendliness.

Hans Westling together with Herbert Neubauer made several suggestions on how to inform all members of the alterations. Herbert Neubauer thought it should be put on the internet, though this was not agreed to.
After long discussions, it was agreed by the Assembly that the S.C.I. Constitution and the amendments be published in the September/October 2010 S.C.I. NEWS for everybody to read and again in February/March S.C.I. NEWS being not later than 3 months prior to the next A.G.M. which will take place at the World Championships in Rotterdam in May 2011.

The motion to amend the S.C.I. Constitution and the above mentioned proposal on how to inform members before the A.G.M. in Rotterdam was unanimously agreed by the Assembly.

8. MOTION FOR ANY PROPOSALS
No proposals were put forward.

9. PROTEST ANNOUNCEMENT
- sent from a section of the W.V.C. to some of our members.

Hans Westling spoke on this subject to the Assembly stating that four members of the W.V.C. (Herbert Neubauer, Jens-Erik Linde, Niels Ramberg and Hans Westling) had sent a protest letter to Swaythling Club members. The President, in turn, responded to this letter. He and the others have now accepted these new rules in the Directives put before and accepted at the A.G.M. in Yokohama 2009, stating that no Committee members are allowed to play in the World Veteran Championships. He informed members that this would be coming into effect at the 2012 W.V.C. in Stockholm.

The President thanked Hans for his acceptance and hoped after so many years working together on the W.V.C. that in future different opinions do not get too personal.

She stated that the Executive Committee did not want to withdraw the proposition, as the Executive are of the opinion this would benefit the W.V.C. The S.C.I. took the responsibility for the W.V.C. and have made many improvements in this Event and there is still a lot to do. The Executive Committee has always tried to keep a friendly atmosphere throughout and will continue to do so!

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS
Sven-Erik Nordby of Norway, suggested that a working group be formed (to include ca. 3-4 people) to recruit new members. He stated that Øivind Eriksen of Norway would like to be one of the members and he would in turn contact Diane to discuss details.

Mr. Fima Borys (ISR) and S.C.I. Secretary, Goria Wagener, enjoying the free day in Moscow (RUS).

![Image of Mr. Fima Borys and Goria Wagener]
Mr. Westling asked if Mr. Földy had arranged, as was mentioned in Zagreb, any updates of addresses etc. of members over the internet.

Diane said that so far she had heard nothing from Laszlo Földy regarding this, but would follow this subject through; however, it was thought not a good idea to put the full address of members on the internet.

Hans Westling mentioned that a monthly update of the Veterans Calendar was sent out by him and if anybody was interested in receiving this information, they could give him their e-mail at the end of the meeting.

The President wished members a pleasant and successful time in Moscow and officially closed the meeting.

Meeting closed at 18.10 hrs

Prepared by Read and confirmed by
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Gloria Wagener Diane Schöler
Secretary S.C.I. President S.C.I.
4th June, 2010 4th June, 2010

Mr. Ingmar Nygren Bonnier (SWE), Vice President of Sweden TTA, waving the S.C.I. Flag, which was passed on to him by Mrs. Diane Schöler (S.C.I. President) and a Chinese Official.
The 15th W.V.C. held in Hohhot, resulted in a first class championship. Events taking place such as Press Conference – Welcome Party – Opening Ceremony - Organised Outings on the free day and Farewell Party, were organised with precision, coupled with the most essential ingredient of all, human kindness. Hundreds of students were part of the Organising Committee – assigned to assist participants and Committees alike. The friendliness with which these students fulfilled their assignments astounded us all. The tournament itself ran like clock-work with the absolute minimum of delay.

An English Vett wrote the following verse, which really covers perfectly the whole event:

_Leslie Darcy, (England)._
Ding Yi (AUT), winner of the Men’s Singles over 50 category
Wilfried Lieck (GER) and Liang Geliang (CHN) receiving their medals and mascots in M.D. over 60 Winners
Since the first World Veterans Championships in Gothenburg, 1982, Sweden, this outstanding largest biennial table tennis event has brought thousands of participants and visitors to interesting and exotic cities throughout the world.

After Rio de Janeiro in 2008, this year in 2010 it was the turn of Hohhot, the capital of the Inner Mongolian Region of China. The interest for these championships was enormous as this was the largest international event for all categories ever staged in this part of China.

Four TV-channels and a huge number of journalists contributed to a most impressive media coverage.

The championships were organised and carried out on a very high quality level, starting with a smooth Accreditation and a magnificent Opening Ceremony.

As the playing conditions in the five competition halls were of the highest standard and the timetable was followed perfectly, all 2,100 participants were more than pleased.

One of the key reasons for this organisational success, was the inclusion in the organisation of 350 young volunteers both female and male, who were extremely kind and helpful to their visitors throughout the week.

Spanning thirty years, the Hohhot championships were the 15th W.V.C. event to be held. During a special Award Ceremony, our S.C.I. President presented a specially designed Diploma to those participants who had taken part in all fifteen events.

A large number of S.C.I. members took part – the most successful being Wilfried Lieck (GER), who won MS 65 and together with Liang Geliang (CHN) also the MD 60.

Other club members winning single titles were Mrs. Jing Tian-Zörner (GER), Allan Bentsen (DEN), and Ding Yi (AUT).

The next World Veterans Championships will be staged in Stockholm, the beautiful capital of Sweden, during the last week of June 2012.

Hans Westling

Chinese Organisers and Officials attending Award Ceremony
1. Awarded EVERY TWO YEARS to deserving causes, in the Youth Section of Table Tennis (under 18 years of age) throughout the world.

2. This donation uses the amount of interest accrued every two years (approx 3,000 CHF) on the capital donated to the S.C.I. by Stanley Proffitt.

3. Requests for nominations, either for individuals or teams should be sent through the ITTF, Continental Federations or National Associations. (please see the following application form)

4. The Swaythling Club International Executive Committee are to nominate from the applicants, the most deserving cause to receive this donation, stating the exact amount to be awarded.

5. The S.C.I. Honorary Presidents will be asked for their approval.

6. Applications for this award must be sent to S.C.I. Office: c/o Schöler, Schäferstr. 2, 40479 Düsseldorf or e-mail: e.d.schoeler@mail.isis.de to be received no later than 30th NOVEMBER, 2010.

7. Presentation of this award will take place during the World Individual Table Tennis Championships 2011 in Rotterdam, Netherlands.
STANLEY PROFFITT AWARD 2010

APPLICATION FORM:

National Association: ...........................................................................................................

Address (Block Capitals): ........................................................................................................

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NAME OF YOUTH APPLICANT: Team/ Club/ or Person/ Age Group

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S.C.I. Office

c/o Schöler
PROTOCOL

Held on 14.7.2010

Present: Messrs F. Borys - Chairman, Y. Bogen, D. Davidson, L. Yossilevski, M. Neuman, S. Ezratti, IL. Podgorianu, Y. Pascolina, Z. Kraus, Z. Rathaus (Raz), Miss. S. Hoze, Mrs. R. Snaypir - Secretary.

1. Chairman’s Report. - During the last S.C.I. Meeting in Moscow the decreasing number of members was discussed, especially the fact that members are in arrears with their membership fees.

2. M. Neuman is dealing with this subject for many years, by sending young players to international competitions in Poland and China. F. Borys offers his help by donating two trophies, as usual, to local Competition winners.

3. Moscow World Championships (reported by Z. Kraus) – the Organisation of the upper grade was outstanding. During the preparations, sadly one of the organisers had died suddenly. The matches were very exciting and going the full length. The Israeli team remained in the II Grade. Z. Kraus who participated in the ITTF Congress proposed three changes regarding the new S.C.I. Constitution:
   a) Each S.C.I. official guest must participate in at least one Congress meeting.
   b) To put in order the official invitations of the S.C.I.
Together with eleven men, Edit Santifaller-Huber (ITA) received in Hohhot a specially awarded Diploma which was presented to those participants who had taken part in all 15 World Veterans Championships. Edit was the only women to have achieved this fantastic record! The following participants also received this award:

Fred Lockwood (ENG)
Terry Donlon (ENG)
Dieter Lippelt (GER)
Alfred Ludwig (GER)
Klaus Mahlstedt (GER)
Kiyoshi Matsumoto (JPN)
Per Toresen (NOR)
Toni Borg (SWE)
Stig Johanson (SWE)
Lennart Kallberg (SWE)
Hans Westling (SWE)

Not only did Edit set this record but she also reached the Over 75 Ladies Doubles Final together with Betty Bird (ENG) receiving the Silver Medal. Well done Edit – see you in Stockholm!
Mrs. Martha Stretton, S.C.I. Representative, sent apologies for not attending A.G.M. in Moscow. She was however, pleased to inform us that Mr. Cal Morris and Miss Audrey McDonald would be in attendance not only in Moscow but also in Hohhot for the W.V.C.

At the S.A. Veterans Championships held in Benoni, Eastern Gauteng in 2009 the Ladies Doubles Veterans Champions were Margaret Luckay and Martha Stretton (see photo). Anvers Lyners, Martha and Ken Stretton – S.C.I. members meet during the S.A. Vetts Championships.
Helmuth Hoffman, former German International has died at the age of 90 years. He represented his country at the World Championships 1938 in London. His T.T. career was interrupted by World War 2, which he survived with three bullet wounds. Already in the prisoner of war camp in the U.S.A. he took up his sport again, which helped him tremendously through this difficult period of life. After his return to Germany he played for ESV Blau-Rot Bonn, a club he was very fond of, creating wonderful friendships, lasting for decades. His memories were always fascinating for his listeners. For example, that in 1936 he travelled 90 km by bicycle from Cologne where he lived, to participate in his first German Closed in Gelsenkirchen. He was then only 17 years old! Table tennis also gave him his biggest success and satisfaction. In 1951, at a tournament, he met his future wife Gerda, with whom he was happily married for 58 years.

Helmuth will be sadly missed by everyone who knew him.

Dot was awarded the “Medal of the Order (OAM)” in Australia.
IN MEMORIAM
KEN HYDE (England)

Ken Hyde sadly died in June just before his 95th birthday. Ken was born in St. Helen’s where his father captained the champion team in the St. Helen’s ‘Ping Pong’ league in 1912. According to his Dad, the glass making town ten years earlier, gave the sport it’s first official league in the world.

A former English International, he represented England sixteen times between 1933 and 1939, making his first international outing whilst still at school! In 1937 he was ranked England’s No.1. after beating Victor Barna in the final of the 1937 Evening Chronicle Invitation in Manchester, the only Englishman to beat Barna in a tournament. The original Cup still remains in the family. Also taking part were Liebster, Cohen, Lurie, Boros, Stanley and Bergmann. Ken also had wins over Bohumil Vana and Szabados. He was a member of the English team at the World Championships in 1938, together with Ivor Montague (n.p.c) Bergl, Bubley, Filby and Laurie. They tied for first place in Group 1 losing to the USA.

He wrote an article for T.T.N (Table Tennis News) in 2006.

He will be remembered.

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It is with deep regret that we inform you of the death of Ludvik Vyhnanovsky, who died in Prague on the 24th August at the age of 83 years. Ludvik was the last surviving member of the world famous team of I. Andreadis, L. Stipek, V. Tereba and L. Vyhnanovsky. During his career he won many National and International tournaments in singles and doubles. At the first European Championships in Budapest in 1958 he was champion with Ladislav Stipek in Men’s Doubles. In 1959 at the Worlds in Dortmund, they won a silver medal in a fantastic finals match against Ogimura-Murakami (leading 2:0 and 19:18 but losing 2:3). Ludvik was 10 times Champion of Czechoslovakia and he won 7 medals at World Championships and four medals at European Championships. In 2005 he received the Czech S.C.I. Award. Ludvik was the heart of TTC SPARTA Prague, always elegant, jovial and friendly.

His table tennis ‘children’ were: Vlado Miko, Jaroslav Kunz, Milan Orlowski, Josef Dvoracek, Jindra Pansky, Marta Luzova-Hejma, Jitka and Jarka Karlikovsi, Hanka Riedlova and many many more. Ludvik was an exemplary Czech Member of the S.C.I. His advice for many young players “ZAMORO, 16:20 it’s not the END!” We have lost a great personality!!!

Ing. Slavek Gerdzikov
Sparta Prague

INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

To all participants of the World Veterans Championships

PLEASE NOTE: RACKET COVERINGS Law 2.04.07

“The racket covering shall be used without any physical, chemical or other treatment.

Slight deviations from continuity of surface or uniformity of colour due to accidental damage or wear may be allowed provided that they do not significantly change the characteristics of the surface.

At the start of a match and whenever he changes his racket during a match a player shall show his opponent and the umpire the racket he is about to use and shall allow them to examine”.

Ludvik Vyhnanovsky (CZE) in September 2009
Do you know the feeling if everything is going too fast? If the ball is just spinning around you and you have no control? If the only thing you wish for is get back home?

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