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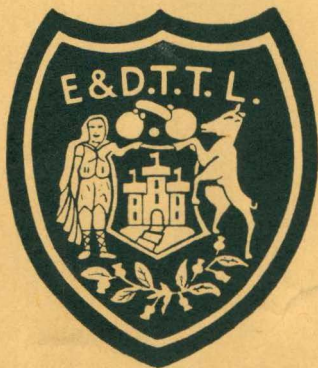


TABLE TENNIS
LEAGUE

Handbook

SEASON 1948-49

The Edinburgh and District Table Tennis League

(Affiliated to the Scottish Table Tennis Association)

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Foreword

THE Edinburgh and District Table Tennis League is now in its fourteenth season. During Season 1947-48 sixty-eight teams were in membership, and the League Committee is confident that the coming season will be equally successful.

In presenting the current year's Handbook the Committee wishes to extend a very warm welcome to all clubs and players, with an especial welcome to all newcomers. It hopes that the new members will enjoy their association with the League. They will certainly meet many good friends.

The Ladies' Division was a feature of last season's activities, and although it is not known at the time of going to press how many ladies' clubs will be joining, it is hoped to exceed last year's total of six clubs. The other fixtures and activities will follow the usual lines, and, as in the past, the co-operation of all clubs, players, and officials will be necessary.

The success of the League depends entirely on the active co-operation of all, and the Committee relies on each member to give of his or her best. In asking for this co-operation I feel sure that the Committee will not be disappointed by results, and to every one I send my personal good wishes for a very successful season.

J. S. BATHGATE.

CONSTITUTION

1. The League shall be known as "The Edinburgh and District Table Tennis League."

2. The Office-Bearers of the League shall consist of the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Honorary Secretary, and Honorary Treasurer, who, with seven members to be elected at the Annual General Meeting, will constitute the Committee. The Committee shall be elected annually and any retiring member shall be eligible for re-election. No Club shall be entitled to have more than two representatives on the Committee.

3. The Annual General Meeting shall be held at the end of the month of April and each Club in the League shall be entitled to send two delegates. The meeting shall be called by circular to each Club and seven days' notice of the meeting shall be given. At the Annual General Meeting each delegate present shall have one vote.

4. A Special General Meeting of the League shall be convened on a resolution of the Committee or within fourteen days of receipt by the Secretary of a resolution signed by the authorised representatives of at least one-third of the Clubs in membership of the League, and paragraph 3 of the Constitution respecting circulation of Notices and procedure shall apply as at the Annual General Meeting.

5. The Committee shall have full powers to decide matters arising in connection with the League. The Committee shall have power to appoint representatives from each Division of the League to meet at least four times during the playing season to discuss the affairs of all the Divisions.

6. Five shall form a quorum of the League Committee and the Chairman at any meeting shall have a deliberate as well as a casting vote.

RULES

1. The games under the League shall be played according to the Rules of the Scottish Table Tennis Association, subject to any alterations which may be passed by a majority voting at the Annual General Meeting of the League.

All tables in the League must conform to the standard laid down by the Scottish Table Tennis Association regarding size of table and the required bounce of the ball on the playing surface.

2. The League shall be open to such Clubs in Edinburgh and District as the Committee may decide; each Club admitted shall pay in advance an Annual Subscription of 10s., plus the current affiliation fee to the Scottish Table Tennis Association.

3. All players must be *bona-fide* registered members of the Club for which they play. Non-registered players participating in the League must register within seventy-two hours from date of match played.

4. No player shall play for more than one Club in the League in the same season. No player may play in more than one League in the same season, except with the permission of the League Committee.

5. A Club may enter more than one team in the League, but each team so entered must pay the Annual League Subscription, plus the current affiliation fee to the Scottish Table Tennis Association.

6. Where more than one team is entered in the League, the players in these teams shall not be interchangeable except as follows:—

- (a) Not more than two players may be promoted from a lower to a higher team—*i.e.*, from B to A, C to B, D to C, &c.—but such promotion may only be made to the next higher team—*e.g.*, it is not permissible to promote from D to B, or C to A.
- (b) A player who has not already played three games for his A team may play for his B team, and similarly a player who has not already played three games for his B team may play for his C team, but once a player has played three or more games for one team, he cannot play for a lower team in the same season.

7. All matches shall be played on an evening suitable to both teams during the week arranged by the Committee. If it is desired to play the match during some other week, a full week's notice must be given to the Secretary of the opposing team, and the League Secretary notified of the change.

8. A match is played between two sides of four players each, and consists of eight games (best of three sets) played by numbers one and two on one side playing each of numbers one and two on the opposing side, and numbers three and four of one side similarly playing each of numbers three and four of the opposing side. In all League matches players must be played in order of merit.

9. No player or Club in membership of the League shall, without the consent of the Committee, participate in any match, exhibition, or otherwise which is undertaken by any person or persons for the purposes of financial gain. Likewise, no player or Club in membership of the League shall, without the consent of the Committee, accept any payment for participating in any match either by way of a fee or expenses.

10. At the end of the season the first two teams in each of the lower Divisions of the League shall be promoted to the next higher Division, and the bottom two teams of all Divisions shall be relegated to the next lower Division (at the discretion of the Committee).

11. The Constitution and Rules shall only be capable of being altered, added to, or amended on notice being given to the League Secretary of any proposed alteration not later than the end of March, which notice shall give in detail the proposed alteration, addition, or amendment. A motion to alter, amend, or add to the Constitution and Rules must be carried at the Annual General Meeting by a majority of at least two-thirds of those present and voting at the Meeting.

KEY TO FIXTURE LIST

FIRST DIVISION

A—Y.M.C.A. I. B—Gambit I. C—Lockharton I. D—Edinburgh Indian Association I. E—Civil Service I. F—Colonial House. G—Gambit II. H—Five Racquets. K—Inverleith. L—12th Leith B.B. Ex-Members I. M—Civil Service II.

SECOND DIVISION

A—Allan Street I. B—Maccabi I. C—Gambit III. D—12th Leith B.B. Ex-Members II. E—Murrayfield Memorial. F—Inland Revenue I. G—R.A.F. H— . K—Lockharton II. L—University Staff. M—R.D.O. I.

THIRD DIVISION

A—Inland Revenue II. B—Comiston I. C—Portobello Community Centre. D—Ministry of Works I. E—R.D.O. II. F—Ministry of Labour. G—Castle Mills I. H— . K— . L—
M—Y.M.C.A. II.

FOURTH DIVISION

A—Civil Service III. B—10th Leith B.B. Ex-Members I. C—Fairmile Youth. D—Edinburgh Chinese Students. E—Y.M.C.A. III. F—South Side. G—Comiston II. H— . K— . L—Bank Villa. M—Scotsman I.

FIFTH DIVISION

A—Moir Memorial I. B— . C—Edinburgh Telephone Area. D—Beechwood. E—North Merchiston. F—Y.M.C.A. IV. G—10th Leith B.B. Ex-Members II. H— . K—Inland Revenue III. L—Ministry of Works II. M—T. & N. Sports.

SIXTH DIVISION

A—Randolph Ex-Service. B— . C—Marionville. D—Scottish Command Signals. E—Scotsman II. F—Moir Memorial II. G—Maccabi II. H— . K—St John's, Portobello. L—Melville. M—Allan Street II.

SEVENTH DIVISION

A—British Legion, Western Branch. B—Scottish Home Department. C—Square Centre Youth Club. D—King's Buildings Common Room. E—Saughtonhall Social. F—Randolph Ex-Service. G—Scottish Education Department. H— . K—Army Cadets. L—Edinburgh Y.M.C.A. (South Side) Boys. M—5th Leith B.B. Ex-Members.

LADIES' DIVISION

A—South Side. B—Scottish Education Department. C— . D—ESSO. E—Allan Street. F—Lockharton. G—Scottish Home Department. H— . K—Portobello Community Centre. L—Randolph. M—Ministry of Works.

FIXTURE LIST

ALL DIVISIONS

Week commencing	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	K	L	M
1948											
OCT. 4	—	M	L	K	H	G	Fa	Ea	Da	Ca	Ba
" 11	B	Aa	Ma	La	Ka	Ha	—	F	E	D	C
" 18	Ca	—	A	M	L	K	H	Ga	Fa	Ea	Da
" 25	D	C	Ba	Aa	Ma	La	Ka	—	G	F	E
NOV. 1	Ea	Da	—	B	A	M	L	K	Ha	Ga	Fa
" 8	F	E	D	Ca	Ba	Aa	Ma	La	—	H	G
" 15	Ga	Fa	Ea	—	C	B	A	M	L	Ka	Ha
" 22	H	G	F	E	Da	Ca	Ba	Aa	Ma	—	K
" 29	Ka	Ha	Ga	Fa	—	D	C	B	A	M	La
DEC. 6	L	K	H	G	F	Ea	Da	Ca	Ba	Aa	—
" 13	Ma	La	Ka	Ha	Ga	—	E	D	C	B	A
1949											
JAN. 10	—	Ma	La	Ka	Ha	Ga	F	E	D	C	B
" 17	Ba	A	M	L	K	H	—	Fa	Ea	Da	Ca
" 24	C	—	Aa	Ma	La	Ka	Ha	G	F	E	D
" 31	Da	Ca	B	A	M	L	K	—	Ga	Fa	Ea
FEB. 7	E	D	—	Ba	Aa	Ma	La	Ka	H	G	F
" 14	Fa	Ea	Da	C	B	A	M	L	—	Ha	Ga
" 21	G	F	E	—	Ca	Ba	Aa	Ma	La	K	H
" 28	Ha	Ga	Fa	Ea	D	C	B	A	M	—	Ka
MAR. 7	K	H	G	F	—	Da	Ca	Ba	Aa	Ma	L
" 14	La	Ka	Ha	Ga	Fa	E	D	C	B	A	—
" 21	M	L	K	H	G	—	Ea	Da	Ca	Ba	Aa

Results of first and second divisions to:—

F. H. CHRYSTAL, 61 COMISTON ROAD.

Results of third and fourth divisions to:—

T. WOOD, 11 BRANDON STREET.

Results of fifth and sixth divisions to:—

W. J. MACKENZIE, 18 FEATHERHALL CRESCENT, CORSTORPHINE.

Results of seventh division to:—

W. ROSS, 247 DALKEITH ROAD.

Results of ladies' division to:—

MRS N. BOGIE, 6 CRAIGLEITH HILL ROW.

INSTRUCTIONS TO SECRETARIES AND PLAYERS

1. When filling in players' names etc. on score cards please use block letters. Give players' initials.

2. Score cards must be forwarded by the Secretary of the *Home Team* not later than Saturday of each week. Failure to do so will mean the loss of one point by the offending team.

3. To avoid possible complaints and resultant loss of points, observe carefully Rule 7 of the League Rules *re* postponed matches. By decision of the A.G.M. of May 1948, Rule 7 is to be strictly applied.

4. It is essential that suitable accommodation and lighting is provided for all matches. Players are prohibited from wearing white or light coloured clothing which may tend to unsight an opponent.

5. Read thoroughly and learn the Laws of Table Tennis as in this Handbook. Note particularly the laws regarding service and volleying.

LEAGUE TABLES 1947-48

	FIRST DIVISION				Games.		
	P.	W.	L.	D.	For	Agst.	Pts.
Gambit I.	14	14	97	15	28
Inverleith	15	12	1	2	88	32	26
Civil Service I.	15	9	4	2	70	50	20
Gambit II.	14	6	5	3	59	53	15
Lockharton I.	15	5	9	1	62	66	13
Y.M.C.A. I.	15	5	9	1	46	74	11
Colonial House	13	4	7	2	47	57	10
Five Racquets	14	3	7	4	42	70	10
12th Leith B.B. I.	15	3	11	1	43	77	7
R.A.F.	9	..	9	..	6	66	..

SECOND DIVISION

Civil Service II.	15	13	1	1	88	32	27
Indian Association	11	10	..	1	74	14	21
Lockharton II.	13	9	3	1	67	37	19
Maccabim	14	7	4	3	66	46	17
Allan Street	14	3	7	4	51	61	10
R.D.O. I.	14	3	9	2	40	72	8
Inland Revenue I.	13	2	8	3	25	79	7
12th Leith B.B. II.	13	2	9	2	36	68	6
Fet-Lor	13	2	10	1	33	71	5

THIRD DIVISION

					Games.		
	P.	W.	L.	D.	For	Agst.	Pts.
Gambit III.	11	11	79	9	22
Murrayfield	10	7	2	1	47	33	15
University Staff I.	10	6	4	..	43	37	12
University Staff II.	10	4	3	3	42	38	11
Castle Mills	10	3	4	3	39	41	9
Portobello	10	3	6	1	30	50	7
R.D.O. II.	9	1	7	1	20	52	3
Inland Revenue II.	9	..	8	1	15	56	1

FOURTH DIVISION

Y.M.C.A. II.	14	13	1	..	88	24	26
Ministry of Works	13	11	1	1	71	33	23
Edinburgh Indians	14	11	3	..	83	29	22
Ministry of Labour	14	9	5	..	71	41	18
Pleasant Trust	13	7	4	2	60	44	16
Comiston I.	13	4	7	2	39	65	10
' Scotsman '	14	4	9	1	43	69	9
10th Leith B.B.	12	1	9	2	27	69	4
South Side	12	..	10	2	23	73	2
Murrayfield	12	..	10	2	22	74	2

FIFTH DIVISION

Fairmile Youth I.	16	15	1	..	111	17	30
Chinese Students	17	10	3	4	83	53	24
Y.M.C.A. III.	15	9	6	..	69	51	18
Ingliston	15	9	6	..	63	57	18
Civil Service III.	15	10	4	1	58	60	17
Comiston II.	15	6	8	1	54	63	13
Bank Villa	15	6	8	1	52	68	13
T. & N. Sports I.	17	5	10	2	60	76	13
Grosvenor	15	2	10	3	31	79	7
R.D.O. III.	17	..	17	..	12	124	..

SIXTH DIVISION

Moir Memorial	19	18	..	1	128	24	37
Edinburgh Telephones	18	15	1	2	113	31	32
Beechwood	18	12	2	4	82	42	25
North Merchiston	18	11	5	2	83	41	24
Ministry of Works	19	8	8	3	75	77	17
Fairmile Youth II.	17	6	8	3	63	73	16
Y.M.C.A. IV.	18	6	8	4	60	84	14
46th Rover Scouts	17	2	11	4	37	99	8
Inland Revenue III.	12	3	8	1	26	70	7
T. & N. Sports II.	18	3	15	..	33	111	6
10th Leith B.B.	17	1	14	2	29	107	4

LADIES' DIVISION

	P.	W.	L.	D.	For	Games Agst.	Pts.
Allan Street	10	9	..	1	63	17	19
Lockharton	10	7	2	1	54	26	15
E.S.S.O.	10	3	3	4	38	42	10
Ministry of Works	10	2	6	2	31	49	6
Randolph	10	3	7	..	31	49	6
Ingliston	10	1	6	3	23	57	4

RESULTS OF OPEN TOURNAMENTS FOR SEASON 1947-48

SCOTTISH NATIONAL

Men's Singles	R. Bergman
„ Doubles	R. Bergman and J. Hillan
Ladies' Singles	Miss Helen Elliot
„ Doubles	Miss Helen Elliot and Miss E. Pithie
Mixed Doubles	Miss E. Pithie and H. O. Prey

EAST OF SCOTLAND

Singles	P. Coia
Doubles	J. A. T. Brown and R. R. Young

MURRAYFIELD

Singles	Miss Helen Elliot
Doubles	R. R. Forman and S. Gillis

EDINBURGH CONFINED CHAMPIONSHIP

Singles	Miss Helen Elliot
Doubles	J. A. T. Brown and R. R. Young
Minor Singles	A. Laidlaw

Inter-City Matches Played During Season 1947-48

Four Inter-City matches were played during the 1947-48 season, with the undernoted results:—

v. Kirkcaldy.	Edinburgh	4	Kirkcaldy	1.
v. Perth.	„	8	Perth	4.
v. Dundee.	„	9	Dundee	3.
v. W. of Scotland	„	3	W. of Scotland	9.

The following players represented the League in one or other of these matches:—J. R. Bell (*Allan Street*), L. Bonar (*Gambit*), J. A. T. Brown (*Inverleith*), S. C. Callaway (*Gambit*), P. Cleary (*12th Leith B.B.*), A. Dale (*Inverleith*), G. Dickson (*Y.M.C.A.*), Miss H. Elliot (*Gambit*), A. Fital (*Gambit*), G. Fraser (*Lockharton*), J. Jenkins (*Y.M.C.A.*), B. Szifris (*Gambit*), E. Teasdale (*Inverleith*), R. R. Young (*Inverleith*).

LAWS OF TABLE TENNIS AS ADOPTED FOR INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS

SINGLES

1. THE TABLE.—The table shall be in surface rectangular, 274 cm. (9 ft.) in length, 152.5 cm. (5 ft.) in width; it shall be supported in such a way that its upper surface shall be 76 cm. (2 ft. 6 ins.) above the floor, and shall lie in a horizontal plane.

It shall be made of any material and shall yield a uniform bounce of not less than 20 cm. (8 ins.) and not more than 23 cm. (9 ins.) when a standard ball is dropped from a height of 30.5 cm. (12 ins.) above its surface.

The upper surface of the table shall be termed the "playing surface"; it shall be non-reflecting, of a dark colour with a white line 2 cm. ($\frac{3}{4}$ in.) broad along each edge.

The lines at the 152.5 cm. edges or ends of the playing surface shall be termed "end lines." The lines at the 274 cm. edges or sides of the playing surface shall be termed "side lines."

2. THE NET AND ITS SUPPORTS.—The playing surface shall be divided into two courts of equal size by a net running parallel to the end lines and 137 cm. (4 ft. 6 ins.) from each. The net, with its suspension, shall be 183 cm. (6 ft.) in length; its upper part along its whole length shall be 15.25 cm. (6 ins.) above the playing surface; its lower part along the whole length shall be close to the playing surface. The net shall be attached at each end to an upright post 15.25 cm. (6 ins.) high; the outside limits of each post shall be 15.25 cm. (6 ins.) outside the side line on the same side.

3. THE BALL.—The ball shall be spherical. It shall be made of celluloid [white, but not brightly reflecting]; it shall not be less than 11.43 cm. ($4\frac{1}{2}$ ins.) nor more than 12.06 cm. ($4\frac{3}{4}$ ins.) in circumference; it shall not be less than 2.40 gr. (37 grains) nor more than 2.53 gr. (39 grains) in weight.

4. THE RACKET.—The racket may be any material, size, shape or weight [provided it be not white, light-coloured, or reflecting].

5. THE SCORING OF POINTS.—A game shall be won by the player who first wins 21 points, unless both players shall have scored 20 points when the winner of the game shall be he who first wins two points more than his opponent.

6. THE CHOICE OF ENDS AND SERVICE.—The choice of ends and the right to be server or striker-out in every match shall be decided by toss, provided that, if the winner of the toss choose the right to be server or striker-out, the other player shall have the choice of ends, and *vice versa*, and provided that the winner of the toss may, if he prefer it, require the other player to make the first choice.

7. THE CHANGE OF ENDS AND SERVICE.—After five points the striker-out shall become the server, and the server the striker-out, and so on after each five points until the end of the game or the score 20-all. At the score 20-all the striker-out shall become the server, and the server the striker-out, and so on after each point until the end of the game. The player who served first in a game shall be striker-out first in the immediately subsequent game, and so on until the end of a match.

The player who started at one end in a game shall start at the other in the immediately subsequent game, and so on until the end of the match. Where the match consists of only one game, or, where it consists of more than one game, in the deciding game of the match, the players shall change ends at the score 10.

8. OUT OF ORDER OF ENDS OR SERVICE.—If a player serve out of his turn, the player who ought to have served shall serve as soon as the mistake is discovered, unless a group of five services shall have been completed before such discovery, when the service in the subsequent groups of services shall continue in the same order as if the sequence had not been discontinuous. In any circumstances, all points scored before the discovery shall be reckoned.

If the players shall not have changed ends when ends should have been changed, the players shall change ends as soon as the mistake is discovered, unless a game shall have been completed since the error, when the error shall be ignored. In any circumstances, all points scored before the discovery shall be reckoned.

9. THE ORDER OF PLAY.—The server shall first make a good service, the striker-out shall then make a good return, and thereafter server and striker-out shall each alternately make a good return.

10. A GOOD SERVICE.—The service shall be delivered by the server releasing the ball by hand only, without imparting of spin, into the air. The ball shall then be struck so that it touch first the server's court and then, passing directly over or round the net, touch the strikers-out's court.

[In the delivery of the service the free hand of any two-handed player shall be open and flat, with the fingers straight and together, thumb free, and the ball resting on the palm without being cupped or pinched in any way by the fingers. The ball shall be released by the free hand either lifting upward or dropping away.]

At the moment of the impact of the racket on the ball in service, both shall be behind the end line of the server's court and between an imaginary continuation of the side lines.

11. A GOOD RETURN.—A ball having been served or returned in play shall be struck by the player so that it pass directly over the net or round the net and touch directly the opponent's court; provided that, if the ball, having been served or returned in play, returns with its own impetus over the net or round the net, it may be struck, while still in play, by the player so that it touch directly the opponent's court.

12. A LET.—The rest is a let :—

- (a) If the ball served in passing over the net touch it or its supports, provided the service either be otherwise good or be volleyed by the striker-out.
- (b) If a service be delivered when the striker-out is not ready, provided always that he may not be deemed to be unready if he attempt to strike at the ball.
- (c) If either player be prevented by an accident, not under his control, from serving a good service or making a good return.
- (d) If either player lose the point, as provided in Law 13 (c), (d), (e), or Law 14 owing to an accident not within his control.

13. A POINT.—Either player shall lose a point :—

- (a) If he fail to make a good service, except as provided in Law 12.
- (b) If a good service or a good return having been made by his opponent, he fail to make a good return, except as provided in Law 12.
- (c) If he, or his racket, or anything that he wears or carries, touch the net or its supports while the ball is in play.
- (d) If he, or his racket, or anything that he wears or carries, move the playing surface while the ball is in play.
- (e) If his free hand touch the playing surface while the ball is in play.

14. A POINT.—Either player shall lose the point :—

- (a) If, before the ball in play shall have passed over the end lines or side lines not yet having touched the playing surface on his side of the table since being struck by his opponent, it come in contact with him or anything that he wears or carries.
- (b) If at any time he volley the ball, except as provided in Law 12 (a).

15. IN PLAY.—The ball is in play from the moment at which it is projected or dropped from the hand in service until :—

- a) It has touched one court twice consecutively.
- b) It has, except in service, touched each court alternately without having been struck by the racket intermediately.

- (c) It has been struck by either player more than once consecutively.
- (d) It has touched either player or anything that he wears or carries, except his racket or his racket hand below the wrist.
- (e) On the volley it come in contact with the racket or the racket hand below the wrist.
- (f) It has touched any object other than the net, supports, or those referred to above.

16. FURTHER DEFINITIONS.—The period during which the ball is in play shall be termed a rest.

A rest the result of which is scored shall be termed a point.

A rest the result of which is not scored shall be termed a let.

The player who first strikes the ball during a rest shall be termed the server.

The player who next strikes the ball during a rest shall be termed the striker-out.

If the ball, in passing over the net, or round the net, touch it or its supports, it shall, nevertheless, be considered to have passed directly, except as referred to in Law 12 (a).

If the ball in play come in contact with the racket or racket hand, not yet having touched the playing surface on one side of the net since last being struck on the other side, it shall be said to have been volleyed.

The racket hand is the hand carrying the racket; the free open hand is the hand not carrying the racket.

DOUBLES

17. The above Laws shall apply in the Doubles Game except as below.

18. THE TABLE.—The surface of the table shall be divided into two parts by a white line 3 mm. ($\frac{1}{8}$ in.) broad, running parallel with the side lines and distant equally from each of them. This line shall be termed the service-line. The part of the table surface on the nearer side of the net and the right of the service-line in respect to the server, shall be called the server's right half court, that on the left in respect to him server's left half court. The part of the table surface on the farther side of the net, and the left of the service-line in respect to the server, shall be called the striker-out's right half court, that on the right in respect to the server the striker-out's left half court.

19. A GOOD SERVICE.—The service shall be delivered as otherwise provided in Law 10, and so that it touch first the server's right half court or the centre line on his side of the net, and then, passing directly over or round the net, touch the striker-out's right half court or the centre line on his side of the net.

20. THE CHOICE OF ORDER OF PLAY.—The pair who have the right to serve the first five services in any game shall decide which partner

shall do so, and the opposing pair shall then decide similarly which shall first be striker-out.

21. THE ORDER OF SERVICE.—The first five services shall be delivered by the selected partner of the pair who have the right to do so, and shall be received by the selected partner of the opposing pair. The second five services shall be delivered by the striker-out of the first five services and received by the partner of the server of the first five services. The third five services shall be delivered by the partner of the server of the first five services and received by the partner of the striker-out of the first five services. The fourth five services shall be delivered by the partner of the striker-out of the first five services and received by the server of the first five services. The fifth five services shall be delivered as the first five services. And so on, in sequence, until the end of the game or the score 20-all, when the sequence of serving and striking-out shall be uninterrupted, but each player shall serve only one service in turn until the end of the game.

In a one-game match, or in the deciding game of a match of more than one game, the pair that served the first five services has the right to alter their order of striking-out or that of their opponents at the score 10.

22. OUT OF ORDER OF STRIKING-OUT.—If a player act as striker-out out of his turn, the player who ought to have acted as striker-out shall be striker-out as soon as the mistake is discovered, unless a group of five services shall have been completed before such discovery, when the order of striking-out shall continue in the subsequent groups of services as if the sequence had not been discontinuous. In any circumstances, all points scored before the discovery shall be reckoned.

23. THE ORDER OF PLAY.—The server shall first make a good service, the striker-out shall then make a good return, the partner of the server shall then make a good return, the partner of the striker-out shall then make a good return, the server shall then make a good return, and thereafter each player alternately in that sequence shall make a good return.

24. FURTHER AMENDMENTS AND ADDITIONS.—

Law 6.—Alter “server,” “striker-out,” “winner,” “he” to their respective plurals; alter “player” to “pair.”

Law 7.—Delete first two sentences of first paragraph. In the third sentence, first paragraph, and in the second paragraph, alter “player” to “pair”; “players” to “pairs”; “striker-out” to “strikers-out.”

Law 12 (b).—Insert “or his partner” after “striker-out”; “they” in place of the first “he”; “the striker-out” in place of the second “he.”

Law 12 (c).—Insert “any” in place of “either.”

Law 12 (d).—Insert “pair” in place of “player”; “their” in place of “his.”

Law 13.—Insert “pair” in place of “player.”

Law 13 (a).—Insert “the server” instead of “he.”

Law 13 (b).—Insert “one of their opponents in proper sequence” in place of “his opponent”; “they” in place of “he.”

Law 13 (c).—Insert “either partner” in place of the first “he.”

Law 13 (c).—Insert “either partner” in place of the first “he.”

Law 13 (e).—Insert “of either partner” after “hand” and “the” in place of “his.”

Law 14.—Insert “pair” instead of “player.”

Law 14 (a).—Insert “their” in place of the first “his”; “one of their opponents in proper sequence” instead of “his opponent”; “either partner” instead of “him.”

Law 14 (b).—Insert “either partner” in place of “he.”

Law 15 (c).—Insert “any” in place of “either”; add “or by any player out of proper sequence except as provided in Law 22.”

Law 15 (d).—Insert “any” in place of “either.”

Add as Law 15 (g).—“In service it has touched the server’s left half court or the striker-out’s left half court.”

APPENDIX TO LAWS—KNOTTY POINTS: DECISIONS OF RULES COMMITTEE

1. **EDGE BALLS.**—The phrase “table surface” is to be interpreted as including the top edges and corners of the table-top, and a ball in play which strikes these latter is therefore good and still in play; though if it strikes evidently the side of the table-top below the edge, it becomes dead and counts against the last striker.

2. **BALL RETURNED WITH EMPTY HAND.**—If a player drop his racket, he cannot return the ball with empty hand. (See definition, “The racket hand is the hand holding the racket.”)

3. **RACKET THROWN AT BALL.**—If in returning the ball the racket leave the player’s hand, it is a good return only if it were still in his hand at the moment of contact with the ball (see Law 11, “a ball . . . shall be struck”) and if it do not touch the net or move the table surface (Law 13 (c), (d)) before the ball is out of play.

4. **MISSED SERVICE.**—If a player in attempting to serve miss the ball altogether, it is a lost point (Laws 10 and 15), because the ball was in play from the moment it left the server’s hand, and a good service has not been made of the ball already in play.

5. **VOLLEYED NET SERVICE.**—A net service is a let not only if otherwise good but also if it be volleyed by the striker-out. (See Laws 12 (a) and 14 (b).)

6. **BALL FRACTURED IN PLAY.**—If the ball split or becomes otherwise fractured in play, “affecting a player’s return,” the rest is a let (Law 12 (c)). It is the umpire’s duty to stop play, recording a let,

when he has reason to believe that the ball in play is fractured or imperfect; and to decide those cases in which the faulty ball is clearly fractured in actually going out of play, and in no way handicaps the player's return, when the point should be scored. In all cases of doubt, however, he should declare a let.

7. FIXTURES.—A moving spectator, a neighbouring player, a sudden noise—*i.e.*, any neighbouring object “in movement” (except a partner)—should be regarded as an accident not under control (Law 12 (c)), interference from which implies a let. A stationary spectator, fixed seating, the umpire, the light, a nearby table, a continuous sound of even volume—*i.e.*, any “relatively constant or motionless” hazard—should not be so regarded, and complaint against interference from it during play should be regarded as void.

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2nd Team	M. King	122 George Street	“ ”
3rd Team	J. Scrivener	c/o Main, 14 Craighall Crescent	“ ”
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2nd Team	D. Wilson	18 Sloan Street, Leith	" "
12th Leith B.B. Ex-Members— 1st Team	H. M'Lachlan	19 Claremont Road, Leith	10 Quality Street, Leith
2nd Team	J. Thomson	64 Lochend Road, Leith	" "
Lockharton	Miss Sword	18 Roull Road	Craiglockhart Terrace
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Cominston	4	4	1
Ministry of Works.	7	1	2
Castle Mills.	5	3	2
R.D.O.	5	3	2
Ministry of Labour 2nd Half	4	4	1

YMCA.	5	3	2
Inland Rev.	3	5	0
Cominston	5	3	2
Ministry of Labour	8	0	2
R.D.O.	5	2	2
Castle Mills.	5	3	2
Ministry of Works.			

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