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DARWIN TABLE TENNIS WEEKLY

A GRADE

Round 7							
MGJ	Gunners						
CDU	6 · 5	Not Roadies					
Roadies	Benfica						

REPORT

It was a fantastic night for the *Roadies*, who held firm to win their first match in seven attempts, against a struggling *Benfica*. It was a humid evening as **John Pudney** sunk **TT Lee** in four games to clinch the decider. But the pivotal rubber came in the second contest of the evening, as **Dennis Evans** stunned TT in a remarkable encounter, 11-7, 5-11, 7-11, 11-9, 11-9. Even **Shino Joy** got in on the action, claiming his first win of the season in singles, against **Joe Abrantes** in straight sets.

In another contest, *MGJ* outmatched *Gunners*, despite **Elfrida Kalich** winning three singles on the night. It was two singles wins each for the triumphant side, with **Mitchell Bedford** and **Robert Ho** closing out the second doubles to secure the victory.

In a two-v-two contest, *CDU* did just enough to defeat the previous top side, *Not Roadies*. **Sebastian Lai** (*CDU*) restored order when he produced one of the best comebacks to surpass **Rodney Hee**, 9-11, 4-11, 11-8, 11-7, 11-9.

Individual Ladder								
Player	Rub	ber	Gar	ne	Rubber			
	W	L	F	Α	W %			
Elfrida Kalich	18	3	56	23	85.71			
Mitchell Bedford	16	5	55	21	76.19			
John Pudney	16	5	53	24	76.19			
Pedro Lay	16	5	54	26	76.19			
Sebastian Lai	16	5	55	31	76.19			
Rodney Hee	15	6	53	26	71.43			
TT Lee	12	9	45	38	57.14			
Martin Feng	11	7	38	28	61.11			
Renee Li	11	10	38	37	52.38			
Jeremie Langlois	10	8	39	35	55.56			
TY Lee	8	1	25	12	88.89			
Julian Pava	7	11	32	34	38.89			
Gavin Bedford	7	14	35	51	33.33			
Haru Imam	5	13	24	43	27.78			
Ramez Mikhail	4	5	17	20	44.44			
Dennis Evans	4	17	22	54	19.05			
Steven Burlinson	3	6	9	18	33.33			
Robert Ho	2	1	6	4	66.67			
Katherine Pinzon	2	7	12	23	22.22			
Joe Abrantes	2	13	10	42	13.33			
Во	1	2	5	8	33.33			
Aakash Patel	1	8	11	26	11.11			
Shino Joy	1	14	9	42	6.67			
Michael Ndukwe	0	3	2	9	0.00			

Team Ladder								
Team	Match		Rubber		Game		Game	
	W	L	W	V L F		Α	%	
CDU	6	1	46	31	145	116	125	
Not Roadies	5	2	47	30	148	110	135	
MGJ	5	2	41	36	148	125	118	
Benfica	2	5	40	37	131	134	98	
Gunners	2	5	29	47	110	156	71	
Roadies	1	6	28	49	112	153	73	

Legend

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B GRADE

Round 7							
Fair Enough	3 · 8	Kreme					
Unbeatable	6 · 5	Lawn Grubs					
Roma	3 · 8	Lions					

REPORT

Unbeatable have clinched the narrowest of wins against the Lawn Grubs on Thursday night. Gavin Bedford got the team over the line, winning three singles which included a close contest with Rick Gibson, 8-11, 11-2, 11-6, 8-11, 11-6. Gavin also teamed up with Graeme Perkins to claim a crucial doubles rubber over Ryan Starkey and Solomon Nwagar, 12-10, 11-7.

Lions have thrashed Roma to return to the top of the ladder. All three players of the winning team were firing on all cylinders, with **Deepak Gautam** besting **Maricor Sarceda** in a noteworthy upset.

Finally, *Fair Enough* succumbed to the bottom side, *Kreme*, on Tables 1 and 2. *Kreme* finally broke the duck to get their first match win of the season, thanks to the strong singles performance of substitute **Haru Imam**. **Richard Lees** (*Kreme*) sealed a competitive contest with **Andrew Barton**, 3-11, 11-4, 6-11, 11-6, 11-9.

Individual Ladder								
Player	Rub	ber	Gar	me	Rubber			
	W	L	F	Α	W %			
Viqar Ali Khan	18	3	58	13	85.71			
Ryan Starkey	18	3	57	14	85.71			
Jeremie Langlois	15	0	45	8	100.00			
Robert Ho	15	6	47	29	71.43			
Maricor Sarceda	13	5	41	20	72.22			
Andrew Barton	13	8	45	33	61.90			
Khalid Khan	11	10	41	38	52.38			
Richard Lees	11	10	36	40	52.38			
Michael Ndukwe	10	8	38	30	55.56			
Deepak Gautam	9	9	32	28	50.00			
Katherine Pinzon	8	7	34	25	53.33			
John Langdon	8	7	30	26	53.33			
Rick Gibson	6	12	32	43	33.33			
Roy Anderson	6	12	23	39	33.33			
Aaron Dunn	4	2	15	10	66.67			
Gavin Bedford	3	0	9	2	100.00			
Haru Imam	3	0	9	2	100.00			
Anaz Umar Sarif	3	3	12	14	50.00			
Solomon Nwagar	3	6	14	19	33.33			
Ash Bhusal	3	6	12	18	33.33			
Osaro Naija	2	4	7	16	33.33			
Graeme Perkins	2	10	8	30	16.67			
Luca Lobo	2	13	15	40	13.33			
Joseph Juan	1	2	5	8	33.33			
Johnson Olaiya	1	8	3	25	11.11			
Dickson	0	3	3	9	0.00			
Kassim Wright	0	3	2	9	0.00			
Maty Adelekan	0	9	4	27	0.00			
Pingo	0	3	0	9	0.00			

Team Ladder								
Team	Ma	tch	ne	Game				
	W	L	W	L F		Α	%	
Lions	5	2	48	29	152	99	154	
Unbeatable	5	2	42	35	140	121	116	
Roma	4	3	44	33	141	114	124	
Lawn Grubs	4	3	38	39	129	135	96	
Fair Enough	2	5	32	45	114	149	77	
Kreme	1	6	26	51	81	149	54	

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C GRADE

Round 7							
Fast Tortoises	4 · 7	Space Cowboys					
The Mystery	6 · 5	Buffalo Wings					
Roosters	9 · 2	RPM					

REPORT

Space Cowboys have overcome the top side, Fast Tortoises, on Tuesday night. Toby Koefoed starred with a near-perfect performance, winning three singles rubbers which included the scalp of the current C Grade individual ladder leader, Geni O'Brien, 11-8, 6-11, 11-8, 11-13, 11-8. The Space Cowboys clinched both doubles to secure a memorable win.

Meanwhile, *The Mystery* did just enough to secure a match win over the highly competitive *Buffalo Wings*. **Peter Thomas** produced a stirring comeback to deny **Ben Okaku** in a crucial contest, 7-11, 5-11, 11-4, 11-2, 11-7. Peter also combined with **Ben Gaetz** to snatch an important doubles rubber over Okaku and the in-form **Solomon Nwagar**, 11-3, 9-11, 11-9.

Lastly, *Roosters* have smashed *RPM* to widen the gap between the bottom sides and the top four. **Luigi Lovato** (*Roosters*) won one of the singles rubbers of the night, besting **Rohit Huda** in a classic, 11-6, 11-13, 5-11, 11-8, 11-1.

Individual Ladder								
Player	Rub	ber	Gar	ne	Rubber			
	W	L	F	Α	W %			
Geni O'Brien	18	3	58	17	85.71			
Solomon Nwagar	17	4	55	25	80.95			
Graeme Perkins	14	1	44	6	93.33			
Ben Gaetz	13	5	45	23	72.22			
Toby Koefoed	12	3	40	18	80.00			
Michael Calwell	12	9	43	29	57.14			
Luigi Lovato	12	9	41	35	57.14			
Stewart Cobb	11	10	42	39	52.38			
Shi Zhuang Lu	10	5	35	22	66.67			
Rolf Hallenstein	9	0	27	5	100.00			
Simon Koefoed	9	3	30	16	75.00			
Josh Hallenstein	9	9	32	34	50.00			
Ken McAllister	8	10	37	32	44.44			
Ann Webb	6	3	20	10	66.67			
Ben Okaku	5	10	22	36	33.33			
Jordan	3	3	9	10	50.00			
Rohit Huda	3	9	16	29	25.00			
Vinny	3	9	12	28	25.00			
Antonia Lai	3	12	13	38	20.00			
Peter Thomas	2	1	6	5	66.67			
Han-Han	2	7	11	22	22.22			
Johnson Olaiya	2	7	10	23	22.22			
Austin Kayode	2	10	12	30	16.67			
Jonathan O'Bryan	1	2	3	7	33.33			
Nelson	1	2	3	7	33.33			
Patti Brown	1	20	3	62	4.76			
Ben Koefoed	0	3	2	9	0.00			
Illiana Westley	0	18	2	54	0.00			

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The Mystery	5	2	44	33	147	114	129	
Space Cowboys	5	2	41	36	145	124	117	
Roosters	4	3	46	31	144	119	121	
Buffalo Wings	1	6	29	48	99	156	63	
RPM	1	6	25	51	90	157	57	

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UPDATE

As you may be aware, Darwin is hosting a round of the Word Table Tennis Youth Contender series where 83 Juniors will battle for honours including world ranking points – live at Marrara Indoor Stadium on Tuesday 27th to Thursday 29th September. Players will compete in singles events from under 11 years up to under 19 years boys and girls. Matches on Table 1 will be live-streamed through the World Table Tennis website.

We are privileged to host players from Chinese Taipei, Singapore, New Zealand, Sri Lanka, India, and USA as well as a strong Australian contingent. Local Darwin juniors Renee Li and Sebastian Lai are included in the Australian line up.

Prior to the competition, a five-day training camp has also been organised for under 13 to under 17 year olds. The camp is by invitation only, with first priority given to juniors with a world ranking in the top 20. It will be held in the Basketball-side Hall from Wednesday 21st to Friday 25th of September.

This is the only international junior event in Australia open to players outside of Oceania, so it is a great opportunity for locals to watch international standard table tennis.

It has been made possible thanks to a sponsorship from the NT Government, Sports Australia and Darwin City Council, and some hard work from local volunteers. We have imported special Table Tennis flooring and will

be setting up 14 high standard tables including surrounds. The event is also programmed to be held in 2023 and 2024 at the same time of the year and we expect it to grow.

We need your support!

There are a few key roles where we need further volunteer assistance to make this event happen:

- Table and Surround set up Tuesday 20th and Saturday 24th September;
- Bus Driver (light rigid licence only) for transport players from adjacent Airport accommodation;
- Laying the table tennis flooring Saturday 24th September;
- Event admin during the tournament helping take out score cards and similar backup to officials;
- Medal ceremony support at the end of Wednesday 28th and Thursday 29th September.
- Players and officials lounge area manage food and drink stocks during 3 days.

If you are willing to contribute, please contact:

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