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## DARWIN TABLE TENNIS WEEKLY

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# A GRADE

Round 8		
Benfica	<b>3 • 8</b>	CDU
Gunners	<b>9 • 2</b>	Roadies
Not Roadies	<b>6 • 5</b>	MGJ

## REPORT

In the contest between two top-three teams, it was *Not Roadies* who cemented their second place on the ladder when they edged *MGJ* in a two-versus-two showdown on Wednesday evening. It all came down to the sole doubles rubber, with **Rodney Hee** and **Martin Feng** clinching the contest, 12-10, 8-11, 11-8. For *MGJ*, **Mitchell Bedford** defeated his opponents, both in five games.

In another match, *Benfica* were completely ambushed as *CDU* surged to a one-sided victory. Both **Renee Li** and **Ramez Mikhail** won three singles rubbers to rule the contest. The latter needed five sets to get past a subpar **Pedro Lay**, 10-12, 21-19, 7-11, 11-7, 13-11. **TT Lee** (*Benfica*) won the only singles rubber for his team, when he defeated the in-form **Sebastian Lai**, 11-9 in the fifth game.

Finally, *Gunners* returned to the top four, when they thrashed the bottom side *Roadies*. **Haru Imam** bounced back from last week to claim three singles for the first time, including five set wins over **Dennis Evans** and **John Pudney**. **Aakash Patel** (*Gunners*) returned after a lengthy absence to have his best night this season, winning two singles of his own.

Individual Ladder					
Player	Rubber		Game		Rubber
	W	L	F	A	W %
Elfrida Kalich	21	3	65	25	87.50
Mitchell Bedford	19	5	64	25	79.17
Sebastian Lai	18	6	63	36	75.00
Rodney Hee	17	7	61	29	70.83
John Pudney	17	7	60	32	70.83
Pedro Lay	16	8	57	35	66.67
Renee Li	14	10	47	37	58.33
Martin Feng	13	8	46	33	61.90
TT Lee	13	11	49	46	54.17
Jeremie Langlois	10	8	39	35	55.56
TY Lee	8	1	25	12	88.89
Haru Imam	8	13	33	47	38.10
Gavin Bedford	8	16	40	57	33.33
Ramez Mikhail	7	5	26	23	58.33
Julian Pava	7	11	32	34	38.89
Dennis Evans	4	20	24	63	16.67
Steven Burlinson	3	6	9	18	33.33
Aakash Patel	3	9	19	29	25.00
Robert Ho	2	1	6	4	66.67
Katherine Pinzon	2	7	12	23	22.22
Joe Abrantes	2	16	11	53	11.11
Bo	1	2	5	8	33.33
Shino Joy	1	14	9	42	6.67
Michael Ndukwe	0	3	2	9	0.00
Chris	0	3	0	9	0.00

Team Ladder							
Team	Match		Rubber		Game		Game
	W	L	W	L	F	A	%
CDU	7	1	54	34	173	128	135
Not Roadies	6	2	53	35	160	119	134
MGJ	5	3	46	42	157	137	115
Gunners	3	5	39	49	138	167	83
Benfica	2	6	43	45	143	162	88
Roadies	1	7	30	58	123	181	68

## Legend

W = Win; L = Loss; F = For; A = Against; % = Percentage



# B GRADE

Round 8		
Lions	<b>7 • 4</b>	Unbeatable
Kreme	<b>3 • 8</b>	Roma
Lawn Grubs	<b>6 • 5</b>	Fair Enough

## REPORT

*Lawn Grubs* have overcome *Fair Enough* to get their fifth match win on Thursday night. **Ryan Starkey** dominated the singles rubbers, but his doubles win with **Rick Gibson** over **Michael Ndukwe** and **Andrew Barton** proved to be decisive in the overall contest. **Luca Lobo** (*Fair Enough*) won the rubber of the match, beating Rick, 11-8, 12-14, 6-11, 11-8, 11-5.

In another match, *Roma* crushed *Kreme* to return to second on the ladder. After an average showing last week, **Maricor Sarceda** stepped up to win three singles, including a 9-11, 11-8, 11-5, 11-9 win over **Richard Lees**. *Roma* sub **Tega** made his debut, winning over **Pingo** to claim his first singles win.

Lastly, *Lions* secured their top position on the ladder, besting *Unbeatable* in a tense contest. The top side won both doubles rubbers to claim a deserved victory, with **Viqrar Ali Khan** once again dictating in the singles rubbers. **John Langdon** (*Unbeatable*) fended off **Deepak Gautam's** challenge, 13-15, 11-7, 11-3, 5-11, 11-5.

Individual Ladder					
Player	Rubber		Game		Rubber W %
	W	L	F	A	
Viqrar Ali Khan	21	3	67	14	87.50
Ryan Starkey	21	3	66	14	87.50
Robert Ho	18	6	56	30	75.00
Maricor Sarceda	16	5	50	21	76.19
Jeremie Langlois	15	0	45	8	100.00
Andrew Barton	14	10	49	39	58.33
Michael Ndukwe	12	9	44	34	57.14
Khalid Khan	12	12	45	44	50.00
Richard Lees	12	12	41	46	50.00
John Langdon	10	8	37	31	55.56
Deepak Gautam	10	11	37	35	47.62
Katherine Pinzon	8	7	34	25	53.33
Rick Gibson	7	14	38	50	33.33
Roy Anderson	6	12	23	39	33.33
Aaron Dunn	4	2	15	10	66.67
Solomon Nwagar	4	8	17	26	33.33
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
Ash Bhusal	3	6	12	18	33.33
Luca Lobo	3	15	19	48	16.67
Michael Yaxley	2	1	6	4	66.67
Osaro Naija	2	4	7	16	33.33
Graeme Perkins	2	13	9	39	13.33
Joseph Juan	1	2	5	8	33.33
Tega	1	2	3	6	33.33
Dickson	1	5	6	15	16.67
Johnson Olaiya	1	8	3	25	11.11
Kassim Wright	0	3	2	9	0.00
Maty Adelekan	0	9	4	27	0.00
Pingo	0	6	0	18	0.00

Team Ladder							
Team	Match		Rubber		Game		Game %
	W	L	W	L	F	A	
Lions	6	2	55	33	174	114	153
Roma	5	3	52	36	165	125	132
Unbeatable	5	3	46	42	155	143	108
Lawn Grubs	5	3	44	44	150	151	99
Fair Enough	2	6	37	51	130	170	76
Kreme	1	7	29	59	92	173	53

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# C GRADE

Round 8		
RPM	<b>4 • 7</b>	Space Cowboys
Roosters	<b>7 • 4</b>	Buffalo Wings
The Mystery	<b>6 • 5</b>	Fast Tortoises

## REPORT

*The Mystery* have surpassed *Fast Tortoises* as the new top side, after beating them in a narrow win on Tuesday night. Although **Geni O'Brien** (*Fast Tortoises*) won three singles, she did not get enough support to get the team over the line. **Antonia Lai** (*The Mystery*) won a crucial contest against debutant **Doug Sokoll** to get her team the win.

*Roosters* have clipped the *Buffalo Wings*, to move to third on the ladder. Both doubles rubbers proved to be the decisive factor in this clash, with the *Roosters* winning them all. **Solomon Nwagar** (*Buffalo Wings*) continued his dominance in the singles, although he was tested by **Luigi Lovato**, 14-16, 11-5, 6-11, 14-12, 11-5.

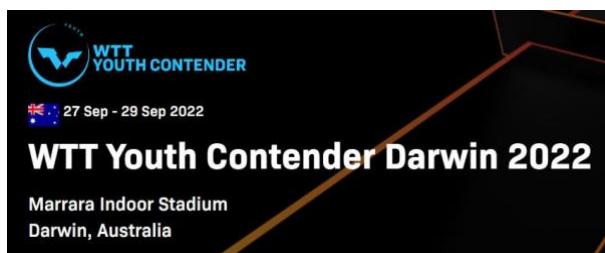
Finally, *Space Cowboys* have elevated to second on the ladder, after a comprehensive victory over *RPM*. Both **Toby Koefoed** and **Ken McAllister** won three singles rubbers to get their team on the winner's list. For *RPM*, **Patti Brown** won only just her second singles rubber when she produced a mighty comeback against **Jonathan O'Bryan**, 9-11, 7-11, 11-6, 11-5, 11-8.

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Player	Rubber		Game		Rubber W %
	W	L	F	A	
Geni O'Brien	21	3	67	17	87.50
Solomon Nwagar	20	4	64	27	83.33
Graeme Perkins	16	2	50	9	88.89
Toby Koefoed	15	3	49	18	83.33
Ben Gaetz	15	6	51	27	71.43
Michael Calwell	13	11	47	35	54.17
Luigi Lovato	13	11	48	41	54.17
Stewart Cobb	12	12	47	47	50.00
Ken McAllister	11	10	46	33	52.38
Josh Hallenstein	11	10	38	37	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
Ann Webb	6	3	20	10	66.67
Ben Okaku	6	12	25	44	33.33
Peter Thomas	4	2	12	9	66.67
Rohit Huda	4	11	19	35	26.67
Antonia Lai	4	14	18	44	22.22
Jordan	3	3	9	10	50.00
Vinny	3	9	12	28	25.00
Han-Han	2	7	11	22	22.22
Johnson Olaiya	2	7	10	23	22.22
Austin Kayode	2	10	12	30	16.67
Patti Brown	2	22	6	70	8.33
Nelson	1	2	3	7	33.33
Jonathan O'Bryan	1	5	5	16	16.67
Ben Koefoed	0	3	2	9	0.00
Illiana Westley	0	21	2	63	0.00
Doug Sokoll	0	3	0	9	0.00

Team Ladder							
Team	Match		Rubber		Game		Game %
	W	L	W	L	F	A	
The Mystery	6	2	50	38	166	130	128
Space Cowboys	6	2	48	40	168	137	123
Roosters	5	3	53	35	167	131	127
Fast Tortoises	5	3	51	37	172	130	132
Buffalo Wings	1	7	33	55	111	179	62
RPM	1	7	30	58	103	180	57

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## UPDATE

As you may be aware, Darwin is hosting a round of the World Table Tennis Youth Contender series where 83 Juniors will battle for honours including world ranking points – live at Marrara Indoor Stadium on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> 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 21<sup>st</sup> to Friday 25<sup>th</sup> 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 20<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September;
- Bus Driver (light rigid licence only) for transport players from adjacent Airport accommodation;
- Laying the table tennis flooring Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September;
- Event admin during the tournament – helping take out score cards and similar backup to officials;
- Medal ceremony support - at the end of Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> 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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