

Wickham Skeith Village Hall Table Tennis Club Report

at the Annual Parish Meeting – 13 May 2013

The Club has now been running for 8 years and, although weekly attendance is relatively small, there is enthusiasm from the half dozen or so who regularly attend to make it worthwhile. The numbers tend to increase for a few weeks as the annual tournament approaches.

Entries for this year's event on 23 February totalled 22 and provided some entertaining and hotly contested matches before the final encounters. As usual, there were 2 trophies to be played for, the Ede Challenge Cup and the Cable Centenary Cup. These were won by David Ling for the second year running with Dennis Sore runner up and by Ted Ling beating Robert Manning in a close game. The tournament was held in conjunction with the Village Hall Pub Night which included a well patronised bar and tasty refreshments.

Comments have been made that entries should be restricted to village people only but, by allowing others, it does bring in people who have local contacts and, unless there is strong opposition to our policy which has existed from the beginning, we would like to continue it. We will just have to play better!

The weekly practices take place on Monday evening between October and April so they have now stopped for the summer. It's difficult to find a time to suit everyone so we have kept it at 5.00 pm – 6.30 pm in the absence of a better alternative.

Dennis Sore