

## SHIELD BULLETIN 2015/16

### GROUP 1

<u>Teams</u>	<u>P.</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>Individuals</u>	<u>P.</u>	<u>Pts.</u>
Leixlip 1	10	63(W)	Artur Lewanczuk	40	36
Balgriffin 1	10	63	John Dennis	40	31
Terenure 1	10	47	Stephen Keenan	40	27
Pingzone 1	10	46	Robbie Davis	40	25
Balgriffin 2	10	34	Tommy Fitzgerald	40	23
Leinster 1	10	17	Jim Storey	40	21
			Susan Hanlon	40	20
			Marta Zareba	40	20
			Romain Barth	40	20

Leixlip 1 and Balgriffin 1 finished on equal points in Group 1 of the Shield and to determine the winner I had to do a countback on sets in all their ten matches. Following the countback Leixlip were the winners by 1 set. This shows the importance that every winning set counts when there is a countback.

In the individuals Artur Lewanczuk (Leixlip 1) was the winner and John Dennis (Balgriffin) was runner up. I would like to compliment the team captains for getting the result sheets to me and to the website with the seven days deadline. Keep this up in the League.

Our thanks to Alan O'Reilly, the webmaster, for keeping all the Group results up to date on the website.

TONY MARTIN

### GROUP 2

<u>Teams</u>	<u>P.</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>Individuals</u>	<u>P.</u>	<u>Pts.</u>
St. Pauls 1	10	71	Dave Butler	40	34
Balgriffin 3	10	43	Eddie Hockey	40	31
Terenure 2	10	41	Stephen Dunne	40	31
Leixlip 2	10	40	Isac Ghenadie	40	31
Hyde Park 1	9	36	Dave Gibbons	40	26
Pingzone 2	9	30	Brian Keenan	40	23
			Kevin Mc Carthy	40	22
			Sean Moran	40	20

Hi All. After 180 doubles and 360 singles and 84 of the singles going to five sets we have a clear winner. Many congratulations to St. Pauls on winning the Group with style, winning all their matches. The only team getting anywhere near to beating them were the runners-up Balgriffin 3, just losing out 5-4 and as the table shows there was only a few points separating the other teams.

Congratulations to Dave Butler from St. Pauls winning the individuals, with his two team mates not far behind with a lot of the players close behind them.

Finally Happy New Year to all and best of luck in the League. Thanks a million to Alan who is doing a great job with the website and also to Terri for doing so much work for the Leinster League.

JIMMY FLEMING

### GROUP 3

<u>Teams</u>	<u>P.</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>Individuals</u>	<u>P.</u>	<u>Pts.</u>
Balgriffin 4	10	66	Alan Lyons	40	32
Leinster 2	9	57	Jimmy Fleming	40	28
Pingzone 4	10	51	Eddie Quinn	40	27
Pingzone 3	10	36	Eoin Roche	40	26
Navan 1	9	27	Phil Mc Dermott	36	21
St. Pats 1	10	24	Aengus Benson	36	20

This was a hard fought tussle between Balgriffin and Leinster. Each team won their home match against each other. These two teams were much too strong for the other teams in this Group.

Leinster looked as though they were well on top until they suffered a surprise defeat 5-4 by Pingzone 3. This gave Balgriffin a chance to pounce which they duly did.

St. Pats and Navan were out of their depth. Pingzone 4 could have been stronger except for rotating their team. In the individuals Alan Lyons came out on top. Well done to my fellow Balgriffin club mate. He was closely followed by Jimmy Fleming. Frank Scott Lennon was unlucky due to rotation of the team and his injury. His results showed that he could have won the individuals.

All the best to all the teams in the League.

ROBBY DAVIS

**GROUP 4**

<u>Teams</u>	<u>P.</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>Individuals</u>	<u>P.</u>	<u>Pts.</u>
St. Pauls 2	10	61	Gary O'Brien	40	33
Balgriffin 5	10	59	Gerry Wickham	40	26
Dunboyne 1	10	47	Brian Kestell	40	26
Alsaas 1	10	44	Paddy Murphy	40	24
Leixlip 3	10	30	Ji Zane	36	24
Navan 2	10	29	Josef Grencik	40	24
			Julian Lurasco	40	19
			Carmel Lokko	36	19
			Jim Fitzsimons	36	19

Congratulations to St. Pauls on winning the Group. They also took the individuals with Gary O'Brien winning with 33 points ahead of his team mate Gerry Wickham and Brian Kestell from Balgriffin, both finishing on 26 points.

St. Pauls were always a strong team in this Group, their only shock coming from Balgriffin who beat them 8-1 and Dunboyne losing out to them 5-4, with Dunboyne taking the last two doubles.

We had a lot of 5-4 results, seven in all making a lot of close matches with Alsaas making a habit of it with both Dunboyne and Leixlip.

IRENE MC NEVIN

**GROUP 5**

<u>Teams</u>	<u>P.</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>Individuals</u>	<u>P.</u>	<u>Pts</u>
Balgriffin 6	10	67	Stuart Grannell	40	35
Pingzone 5	10	65	Kosovan Stasiulis	40	34
Alsaas 2	10	59	Dick Cruise	40	29
Dunboyne 2	10	42	Denis Kelly	40	27
Leinster 3	10	34	Pierre Bouhey	40	27
Leixlip 4	10	4	Margaret Cleary	40	26
			Ray Fahy	40	26

Welcome back to the Shield. Balgriffin won all their matches in this Group and finished on 67 points just 2 points ahead of Pingzone 5. Pingzone were on 61 points going to their last match needing six points to take first place or five points to draw level but lost it 4-5 and finished a very close second on 65 points.

Alsaas weren't too far behind them finishing with 59 points, the only matches they lost were to both Balgriffin and Pingzone. Dunboyne finished with 42 points but had some close matches losing three of them 4-5, one of which was against Balgriffin and they also beat Pingzone.

Leinster had some very close games winning four out of their ten matches which was one more than Dunboyne but their overall match results left them on 34 points. Leixlip played well in all their games but were unlucky in some narrowly losing either in deuce or the 5<sup>th</sup> set.

The individuals was won by Stuart Grannell from Pingzone with 35 points just one ahead of Kosovan Stasiulis from Balgriffin on 34 points who was closely followed by his two team mates Dick Cruise and Denis Kelly on 27 points just pipping Margaret Cleary and Ray Fahy by one point with both finishing on 26 points.

Well done to all and good luck in the League.

CARMEL LOKKO

**GROUP 6**

<u>Teams</u>	<u>P.</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>Individuals</u>	<u>P.</u>	<u>Pts.</u>
Pingzone 6	10	62	Andy Matthews	40	32
St. Pauls 3	10	60	Frank Donagh	40	30
Navan 3	10	59	David Jacobson	40	28
St. Pats 2	10	33	Des Ryan	40	26
Dunboyne 3	10	24	Seamus Mc Carthy	40	25
Terenure 3	10	23	Jan Junkers	40	25
			Larry Whelan	40	24
			Malachy Lynch	40	21

Irene Mc Nevin	40	21
Pat burke	40	18
Ann Donegan	40	16
Alan Laide	40	16

A two tier group , with the top three teams fighting for the winning spot. The lower teams playing for the minor places. All result sheets came in well. No problems and group played in great spirit.

MICHAEL KEOGH