

## NORTHUMBERLAND NEWS

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### Northumbria League

The winter season of the Northumbria League is completed at last with the exception of the handicap cup. Congratulations to those successful teams.

### Roll of Honour

	<u>Winners</u>	<u>Runners-up</u>
Premier Division	Birtley A	Washington A
Division 1	Byker A	NSYMCA A
Division 2	North Fire B	Oxhill A
Division 3	Cramlington Magpies	Cramlington Knights
Division 4	Maccabi	Dunston

The handicap cup final between North. Fire A and Ouston B is still to be arranged.

The summer league has commenced with 32 teams participating in four division. It is pleasing to welcome the Chinese Association, (Newcastle Community Association) into the league for the first time.

### Tournaments

Several of our younger players took part in the recent Northfield Junior 2 star tournament.

Dean Richardson, Ryan Richardson, Ben Dawson (Cramlington) and Ellis Cooper all progress through their groups into the knock out stages of the various age groups but unfortunately none of them, despite putting up excellent performances, managed to reach a final.

Jack Highmoor (Westgate) could only finish third in his junior group but that did mean that he went into the consolation event. Congratulations to him in gaining a trophy as runner up in his first tournament.

At the time of writing several senior and junior players have gone to play in a tournament in Dumfries.

### Schools Contract

Brian Philip has been appointed as schools contact for Northumberland by the English Schools Table Tennis Association. Hopefully, progress may be made in attracting youngsters to schools competitions.

### URGENT

We still need a league secretary for the Northumbria League for next winter season. Please think about this and if you think you can help please contact Aubrey Drapkin.