

Northern Virginia Table Tennis Club (NVTTTC) Tournament Results

The Northern Virginia Table Tennis Club (NVTTTC) Spring Tournament for 2017 was held last Saturday (April 15, 2017) at the Old Firehouse in McLean. We had the largest number of entries ever- a total of 40 in the three events (Novice, Intermediate and Advanced). Results are below (in the photos, 1st place trophies are Blue and 2nd place trophies are Green).

NOVICE:

In the Novice group, we had four Junior entries, a record for us. In the two Round Robins, Long Nyugen and Pete Adeson were undefeated in their respective groups, with Pete using his old-fashioned pips-out hard bat paddle to good advantage. Abhay Mathur (one of our Juniors) and Ryan Brookes each had a single loss in their respective groups.

These four advanced to the playoff. In the semifinals, Long defeated Ryan and Pete defeated Abhay. In the resulting final, Long defeated Pete for the 1st place trophy.



Pete Adeson (2nd Place) and Long Nguyen (1st Place) - Novice Event

INTERMEDIATE:

In the Intermediate group, there were 16 entries, our largest competition ever. We thus had two eight person Round Robins. In Group 1, Craig Brown was the clear winner with a record of 7-0. Ken Spitz and Federico Maseti each had a record of 5-2, but Ken advanced to the playoff by virtue of his head-to-head victory over Federico. Mahmoud Youssef, with a record of 7-0, was a clear winner in Group 2, and Edgar Bailiff came in 2nd with a record of 5-2.

In the playoffs, Mahmoud defeated Ken and Craig defeated Edgar in the semifinals. In the finals, Mahmoud defeated Craig in a hard fought 5 game match for the 1st place trophy.



Mahmoud Youssef (1st Place) and Craig Brown (2nd Place)- Intermediate Event

ADVANCED:

In the Advanced group, there were also two Round Robins. In Group 1, Mahmoud Youssef and Bas Mocharrافية each suffered a single loss, and advanced to the playoff. Mahmoud had defeated Bas in the head-to-head competition, so he finished first in the group. In Group 2, Vipin, Joe Segal and Yung Yi each suffered a single loss, with head-to-head matches being a draw. We thus had to go to our tie-breaker rules to select the two winners. Vipin lost

the fewest games (2), so he was declared the winner of Group 2. Joe and Yung each lost 3 games, and Yung advanced by virtue of giving up two fewer points than Joe.

In the semifinal matches, Bas defeated Vipin and Yung defeated Mahmoud. In the finals, Yung defeated Bas in a very well played 5 game match to take the 1st place trophy.



Yung Yi (1st Place) and Bas Mocharrarie (2nd Place)- Advanced Event

On behalf of the NVTTC Executive Committee, congratulations to the winners and thanks to each of the entrants for their participation and good sportsmanship. Particular thanks to Fred Siskind for giving up his Saturday to record and track scores and keep things running smoothly; and to Mike McCormick for transporting the barriers from Madison to the Old Firehouse. In addition, thanks to Bas for serving as scorekeeper during the Intermediate Finals.

Last and certainly not least, we thank our host Mike Fisher from the McLean Community Center's Old Firehouse for the use of their marvelous facility. They also provided the tables and nets, and Daniel of the Old Firehouse gave up his Saturday to set up and take down the tables, barriers and seating arrangements for the tournament.