

Northern Virginia Table Tennis Club (NVTTTC) 2019 Tournament Results

The Northern Virginia Table Tennis Club (NVTTTC) Spring Tournament for 2019 was held last Saturday (April 13, 2019) at the Old Firehouse in McLean. Results are below (in the photos, 1st place trophies are Blue and 2nd place trophies are Silver).

NOVICE:

In the Novice group, we had four entries, and held a Round Robin among these. Mike Picard was undefeated and Souf Mebtoul lost only one match, so they played for the Novice championship. In the resulting final, Mike defeated Souf for the 1st place trophy.



Souf Mebtoul (2nd Place) and Mike Picard (1st Place) - Novice Event

INTERMEDIATE:

In the Intermediate group, there were 18 entries, our largest competition ever. We divided them into three groups and held a Round Robin in each. We then held another Round Robin among the three 2nd place finishers, with the winner of that joining the three 1st place finishers in a playoff.

In Group 1, Shaw Zee was the clear winner with an undefeated record, and Edgar Bailiff lost only a single match to finish 2nd. In Group 2, Mike Picard was undefeated, and Ken Spitz lost one match to finish 2nd. In Group 3, Jason O'Brien came in 1st with an undefeated record, and Yunhu Wan finished 2nd with one loss.

We then held a Round Robin among Edgar, Ken and Yunhu. In that competition, Yunhu defeated Ken and Edgar to claim the right to join the three 1st place finishers in the Intermediate playoff.

In the semifinals, Shaw defeated Jason and Yunhu defeated Mike. In the finals, Shaw defeated Yunhu in 3 very close games for the 1st place trophy in Intermediate.



Yunhu Wan (2nd Place) and Shaw Zee (1st Place)- Intermediate Event

ADVANCED:

In the Advanced group, there were two Round Robins. In Group 1, we had a 3-way tie for 1st place among Rolando Quibote, Rachel Ku and Shaw Zee, each with a single loss. The head-to-head match tiebreaker was a draw, but Rolando won the Group based on our secondary tiebreaker of fewest games lost. We had to resort to our 3rd level tie-breaker (most points scored in losing games) to select Rachel as the 2nd place finisher over Shaw. In Group 2, Danny Wan was undefeated and Joe Hawkins lost a single match to finish 2nd.

In the resulting semifinal matches, Rolando defeated Joe and Danny defeated Rachel. In the finals, Danny defeated Rolando in 3 well played games to take the 1st place trophy.



Rolando Quibote (2nd Place) and Danny Wan (1st 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 go 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 and extra table to the Old Firehouse. Mike also served as scorekeeper during the Intermediate and Advanced Finals. Joe Segal served as photographer for the event.

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.