

Northern Virginia Table Tennis Club (NVTTC) 2018 Tournament Results

The Northern Virginia Table Tennis Club (NVTTC) Spring Tournament for 2018 was held last Saturday (April 14, 2018) at the Old Firehouse in McLean. We had a total of 38 entries 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 three Junior entries of a total of 10. Unfortunately, two of our entrants had to drop out at the last minute, leaving 8 in the competition. Rather than having two small round robin groups of 4 each, it was decided to hold a single round robin so that participants could get more playing time. Rachel Ku (one of our junior players) and Frank Kent were the clear winners in the round robin group.

In the ensuing championship match, Rachel and Frank played to deuce in game 5, with Rachel finally prevailing by the score of 15-13. It was by far the closest playoff match of our tournament. Rachel Ku (1st Place) and Frank Kent (2nd Place) - Novice Event



Rachel Ku (1st Place) and Frank Kent (2nd Place) - Novice Event

INTERMEDIATE:

In the Intermediate group, there were 15 entries, so we had one Round Robin group with 7 players and a second with 8 players. In Group 1, Shaw Zee was the clear winner with a record of 6-0, and Ken Spitz finished second with a record of 5-1. Joe Segal, with a record of 6-1, had the best record in Group 2, and Edgar Bailiff came in 2nd with a record of 5-2.

In the playoffs, Shaw defeated Edgar and Ken defeated Joe in a close semifinal match. In the finals, Shaw defeated Ken for the 1st place trophy.



Ken Spitz (2nd Place) and Shaw Zee (1st Place)- Intermediate Event

ADVANCED:

In the Advanced group, there were also two Round Robins. In Group 1, Mahmoud Youssef came in first with an unbeaten record, while Bas Mocharrafi came in second with a single loss. In Group 2, Sartaj Alag was undefeated, while Joe Segal finished in second with a single loss.

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



Bas Mocharrafi (1st Place) and Mahmoud Youssef (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 and for scorekeeping the Novice final match.

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.

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