

Players from as far as Newcastle under Lyme and Nottingham travelled to the Britannia Table Tennis Club in Ipswich on Sunday to play in the fourth Britannia Senior Super Series of the season

Offering National ranking points and a total of £310 pounds for the overall winner and runner the games were keenly contested.

With Chris Doran the present National Grand Prix Champion seeded number one and hot favourite it was thought that the two new players to this event Ismaila Akindiya and Adeoye Adewale seeded two and three would provide the best opposition.

In stage one players played in round robin groups to determine qualification for either band one or two

In group two Matthew Currant beat higher seed Ryan Moore to progress into band one while Ismaila Akindiya won all his games, in group four another seeding upset saw Lee Mchugh beat Helmuth Osbourne to qualify with unbeaten group winner Richard Hutchinson for band one.

In group five Yao Li beat the higher seeded Victor Chan to qualify for Band one and took group winner Andrew Doshier to five sets.

Group six saw one of the best victories of the day when Alex Aston came from 0-2 down to beat the exciting Lewis Carby who has over 300 more ranking points, this match decided the first and second group place.

After the second section four players progressed to the band one semi finals

Chris Doran took on Suffolk's Richard Hutchinson in the first semi final and Hutchinson got very respectable scores but understandably lost 3-0, in the second semi final Ismaila Akindiya and Adeoye Adewale showed their attack minded games to the spectators and it proved to be a seeding upset as Adewale emerged to the final with a 3-1 victory.

The final was a decent spectacle but Chris Doran was always comfortable taking the match 3-0 however the game was memorable for not only a shot of the season but perhaps a candidate for shot of the decade when Doran allowed his opponents shot to drop down below him to play a bending shot that curved up and on to the table round the net amidst rapturous applause from the audience two of whom were recording the action, Like Gavin Rungay before him, Chris Doran is unbeaten at Britannia Table Tennis Club.

Scores from Britannia Table Tennis Club

Band one

Men's Semi final

Chris Doran beat Richard Hutchinson 6 6 9

Adeoye Adewale beat Ismaila Akindiya 4 -9 8 5

Final

Chris Doran beat Adeoye Adewale 7 8 7

3rd / 4th Ismaila Akindiya beat Richard Hutchinson -9 6 7 4

5th / 6th Lewis Carby beat Christopher Cockburn 6 5 12

7th / 8th Stephen Clubb beat Matthew Currant -3 8 12 -9 15

9th / 10th Alex Aston beat Lee Mchugh -5 5 4 5

11th / 12th Andrew Doshier beat Yan Li 2 -6 9 6

Band two

13th / 14th Curtis Beales beat Paul Waity 8 11 -9 -7 6 (Final)

15th / 16th Ryan Moore beat David Gatheral 7 7 8

17th / 18th Helmuth Osbourne beat Antonio Beckles 4 10 10

19th / 20th Scott Morgan V Victor Chan W/O

21st Paul Nicol