

PDTTC - Development Officer Report 2025-26 Season

Over the last 12 months there has been limited additions in players to the Plymouth League and those that have joined the league still fall into the 50-70 age range.

The success of Joola continues in the development of young players with many of the Plymouth schools providing pupils to the Eggbuckland Academy. I am sure that Debbie Whiting will provide more detailed information about the achievements.

I am pleased to advise that there has been quite a bit of activity just over the Tamar which will hopefully lead to players joining the Plymouth League in the course of time.

Coaching has been undertaken at both Callington and Launceston Colleges over the last 6 months.

In addition Torpoint have requested coaching support from September 2026 and discussions are currently underway with Saltash to provide coaching.

Initial plans are at the early stage to hold a schools competition between Callington and Launceston in the Autumn with hopes to expand this eventually to include Liskeard and Saltash.

The focus has been on schools in South-East Cornwall which will hopefully lead to parents of the pupils seeing the opportunity to pursue table tennis in Plymouth. Many of the players here will recall that in the past we had players living in Liskeard and Callington regularly playing in the PDTTC League.

I am also pleased to advise that we will once again be competing with Cornwall for the Tamar Cup.

It is intended to hold an event in late October at the St Austell Table Tennis venue where a total of 12 teams from each County will play in the usual league match format. Full details will be sent to everyone in the next few weeks and it is hoped that many league players will come and enjoy the day.

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