



# UQ Table Tennis Club

## Newsletter **March 2006**

**Editor's column:** (by Vincent Chen)



Welcome, especially the new members, to UQTTC 2006, a year of change. Among others, the biggest change would be member fee structure. It has become more flexible and affordable than ever! Other changes such as extensive training program, table hire and more. Why, even this newsletter is getting longer and longer every issue! Stay tuned for more great news to come.

### **UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS**

#### **CLUB FIXTURE** (team competitions)

Rule: **Two people per team** (we choose your partner), playing 2 single matches and one doubles. One team play another team each Wednesday and team ranking are calculated based on the winnings. It starts at **9pm, 15 March**; the cost is **\$5** for the whole season. Contact **Bing** for details.

**UQ Open** - Held on **Saturday 25 March 2006** at **Brisbane Table Tennis Centre**, Windsor. Entries close **21 March 2006**.

**Toowoomba Open** - Held on **Saturday-Sunday 1-2 April** 2006 at Toowoomba Table Tennis Centre, Toowoomba. Entries close **28 March** 2006.

### **FAR NORTH COAST OPEN RESULTS**

Gavin Lane: Special doubles winner and runner-up for Open doubles

Tim Kan: Reserve Singles runner-up

Stanley Chan: Special Singles and Reserve Double semi-finalist

Tim Kan & Stanley Chan: Reserve Doubles winner

### **BEGINNER COACHING**

Starts **every Wednesday @ 7:30pm**. The cost is **\$20 per month or \$8 per week**. We will have our top player Gavin as head coach and several elite players as trainers.

### **PRIVATE COACHING**

1. Private coaching takes place every Saturday and Sunday. There are 3 sessions each Saturday, starting from 10:45am, 11:30am and 12:15pm respectively. There is one session for Sunday (3:00pm).
2. Each session costs \$27 and lasts for 45 minutes.
3. To make a booking, put your name down in the diary (on top of the folder cabinet) and indicate which session you would like.
4. You pay the coaching session by putting the **coaching sticker** next to your name on the diary. The sticker cost \$27 each (the session managers are selling these stickers).
5. Fair-go policy applies. You can only book **one** session at the time. We are checking the diary and making sure nobody is booking more than one session in advance.

### **TABLE HIRE**

New table tennis hire we are providing at UQ Sport. Now people can play table tennis outside our session times. We provide the table, net, bats and a ball. Just book the courts at the UQSport reception.

The charges are: Court hire: \$5 every half an hour. Equipment hire: \$5

### **ARE YOU IN OR OUT?**

Express of interest for the following club position are sought:

1. **president**
2. **vice-president**
3. **treasurer**

Nomination should be in before 19 March. Email Bing [s4076482@student.uq.edu.au](mailto:s4076482@student.uq.edu.au) if you'll like to express your interest or any queries. Also we welcome **Jacky Lau** as the new social manager!

## MESSAGE FROM BING YONG (a.k.a the promotion manager)



1. **Market day.** I want to say thank you to all of you who gave me ideas and looked after the booth on market day, notwithstanding the heat, we're almost cooked, we were still standing under the hot sun trying to play table tennis and handout brochures. Great effort guys!

(editor: Not almost, “definitely” cooked. Roast chicken, anyone?)



*At one time there was even a line up to join the club...wonder why?*



*On mini table, you think we play better than the crowd? Think again!*

2. **Orientation night.** Thanks again, committee members who turned up even though we haven't got enough numbers to actually get it going. I swear that is the first time in history that we ever have that little people on an orientation night. (*Editor: who were those little people?*)

3. **Equipment hire.** Good news to those busy people. Now you don't have to come to our sessions to be able to play table tennis. Just book a court at your convenient at UQSPORT. Nice and easy!

## **WE ARE THE WORLD**

For people who are interested in table tennis, we can now subscribe table tennis newsletter on Butterfly website. There are lots of useful information in it, including world tournament results, technical analysis of world class players... etc. The subscription can be done through: <http://www.butterfly-world.com>.

p.s. Thanks to Gavin for giving us this information.

## UQTTC MVP – Part II

This is the section aiming to introduce one club member at a time to the readers. Send in your own profile along with a photo, and I will post the best ones on the next issue!



**NAME:** Stanley Chan

**Nickname:** Harry Potter *(Editor: come ask me why)*

**DOB:** 19 March 1981

**Nationality:** Taiwan

**Current position:** Treasurer & Acting president

**Other position:** TTQ southern board

**Joined club in** - 1999 **Highest rank** in the club: 7

**Equipment:** Pengrip Stiga carbo 7.6 with Cermat on one side, faint long II (long pimple) on the other

**Playing Style:** Definitely aggressive. Don't know much apart from forward top spin. Tried to use long pimple but failed, tried to play controlled but failed.

**Hobby:** Err...organize table tennis club/ photoshopping (computer graphics)/ photo taking/ singing/ cooking/ collecting karaoke songs/ reading.  
*(Editor: hmmm... photo-shopping??)*

## WELCOME BBQ



*This event had become some sort of mystery...*



*...since no one comes forward to tell us what really happened that day...*



*... all we have here are some photos to prove its existence (photographer: unknown).  
Perhaps everyone was too busy chewing food?*