



Senior tournament report 2023-2024

The Autumn Open took place in Whitehall Road on September 9th & 10th; 2023. Unlike other seasons, this was the first ranking event of the year as the Mount Pleasant Open was moved to later in the season. It was a very successful event – with 109 players playing 99 matches across two days. There were some fabulous games, but the standout performance was David Walsh who won the treble. It was also great to see more entries in the Women's singles & Doubles than previous years.

The Leinster Open followed swiftly in October – it took place on the bank holiday weekend which may have been part of the reason for the smaller numbers – 94 players. Again, there was a really high standard of play and great to see some of the older players coming back and newer players competing – congratulations here to Nigel Boyne on making the Men's singles final, Sinead Chambers on making two finals and Dylan Noble for winning the MS. Women's singles & doubles remain the events that we need to create more interest in.

From an organiser's perspective, these events don't run quite so well without our tournament referee – Aengus Sherrin, our tech wizard – Philip McKeown, everyone in the office for helping get things sorted and the Umpires, so thanks to all of them.

For next season, we are endeavouring to move the Leinster Open from its current date at the end of October and to find an ideal catering option for players and volunteers.

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