

Holcombe Brook on cloud nine after win

IN Division One of the Bolton Mixed Tennis League, Holcombe Brook A produced the result of the week, recording a flawless 9-0 victory over Walmer A writes Hattie Morley.

Worsley A also made an impressive start with a 7-2 success against Lostock A, while Chorley A picked up a valuable away win at Markland Hill A.

Division Two is finely balanced after the opening round, with Bradshaw A, David Lloyd Nautago B and Hawkshaw A all registering identical 6-3 victories to get their campaigns off to winning starts.

David Lloyd Nautago C and Hawkshaw B lead the way in Division Three after both recorded emphatic 8-1 victories over Chorley B and Markland Hill C respectively. Lostock C also opened their season with a solid 6-3 win away at Tyldesley A.

In Division Four, Roe Green A and Elton Vale were the standout performers, both securing convincing 7-2 victories. David Lloyd Nautago D had the closest contest of the division, overcoming Bradshaw B by a narrow 5-4 margin.

Barrow Bridge look set to be among the teams to watch in Division Five after beginning their season with an impressive 8-1 victory over Markland Hill D. Meadow Hill also made a strong start, defeating Tyldesley B 7-2, while Lostock D narrowly saw off Chorley C 5-4.

Division Six saw Holcombe Brook E and Roe Green B make early statements with 8-1 and 7-2 victories respectively. Markland Hill E completed the opening week's action with a hard-fought 5-4 win over Hawkshaw D.

With the season still in its infancy, it is too early to draw firm conclusions, but several teams have already shown the form that could make them promotion contenders in the months ahead.