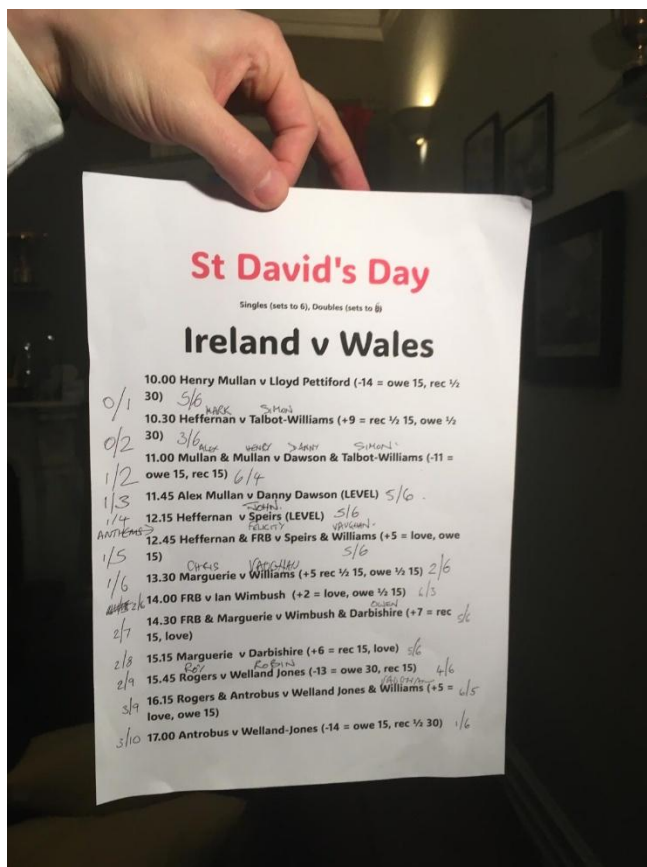


# Wales v Ireland 1st March 2025

St David's Day started off very well with the sky cloudless and blue and an abundance of Welsh Dragons on display at Moreton both inside and out. The 'feelgood factor' was to continue on court with our Welsh Professional Lloyd Pettiford slaying Henry Mullan of Ireland in the first rubber of the day. In truth it was a great match and set the tone for the many close battles which followed. In fact seven of the thirteen matches were decided 6/5, with Wales winning six of these to Ireland's one. Accordingly the final score of 10-3 to Wales was a little flattering but still well deserved!

It was truly a team effort from the Welsh with every player winning at least one singles or doubles rubber (see Scorecard attached).

As always there was great camaraderie amongst both teams which made it an enjoyable social as well as sporting occasion. The Irish and Welsh were also well matched in the 'singing' of their respective Anthems and even the delicious Lunch provided reflected both nations (Irish Stew followed by Welsh Apple Charlotte). Finally, A Big Thanks to Lloyd, Darren and Sue for marking and to Moreton Morrell Real Tennis in general for being excellent hosts.



St David's Day	
Singles (sets to 6), Doubles (sets to 6)	
Ireland v Wales	
10.00	Henry Mullan v Lloyd Pettiford (-14 = owe 15, rec 1/2 30) 5/6
10.30	Heffernan v Talbot-Williams (+9 = rec 1/2 15, owe 1/2 30) 3/6
11.00	Mullan & Mullan v Dawson & Talbot-Williams (-11 = owe 15, rec 15) 6/4
11.45	Alex Mullan v Danny Dawson (LEVEL) 5/6
12.15	Heffernan v Speirs (LEVEL) 5/6
12.45	Heffernan & FRB v Speirs & Williams (+5 = love, owe 15) 5/6
13.30	Marguerie v Williams (+5 rec 1/2 15, owe 1/2 15) 2/6
14.00	FRB v Ian Wimbush (+2 = love, owe 1/2 15) 6/5
14.30	FRB & Marguerie v Wimbush & Darbshire (+7 = rec 15, love) 5/6
15.15	Marguerie v Darbshire (+6 = rec 15, love) 5/6
15.45	Rogers v Welland Jones (-13 = owe 30, rec 15) 4/6
16.15	Rogers & Antrobus v Welland Jones & Williams (+5 = love, owe 15) 6/5
17.00	Antrobus v Welland-Jones (-14 = owe 15, rec 1/2 30) 1/6

Match Report by Wales Captain - Danny Dawson

