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***If the training is easy
the match will be hard,
but if the training is
hard the match will be
easy.***

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Summer club sessions

Well, the end of the season is nigh and next week's session is the final normal club session of the season. It is still not too late to sign up for the summer club sessions that commence on 7 June, though. Just contact Christine Meades—but do it quickly!

Jubilee Tournament

The U12 and U16 age groups were played in the Jubilee Tournament this Saturday, with Swifts pairs winning four of the six events being staged.

In the U12 boys' section, Stirling Burrow & William Manners beat Jake Handley & Ollie Thompson in an all-Swifts final and Michael Dutton & Jonathan Robertson were the Plate runners-up.

Polly Thisdell & Stephanie Thomas won the U12 girls' event, while Helen Calder & Zoe Taylor were Bronze runners-up.

In the U12 mixed event Ollie Thompson and Polly Thisdell were the runners-up, while Andy Bryan & Stephanie Thomas won the Plate and Michael Dutton & Helen Calder won the Bronze.

As far as the U16s were concerned Swifts members did exceptionally well, taking nearly all the available trophies. Conor Dean & Nick Halliwell won the boys' event, with Lee Bradberry & Jake Lavender winning the Plate. Scott Strudwick won the Bronze, playing with a non-Swifts partner.

In the U16 girls Justine Walker & Kirsty Walker won the event, with Jessica Ledermann & Gilly Thomas taking the Plate (and runners-up overall). Abigail Copps & Nuriah Haleem won the Bronze, as well as the prize for the loudest squeal of the day when they won their play-off final!

In the U16 mixed, Tom Frew & Jessica Ledermann won the Plate, while Nick Halliwell & Abigail Copps were Plate runners-up.

Overall this year, Swifts players formed 73 (and three halves) of the 197 pairs entered; they won seven of the fourteen events and were runners-up in a further seven, as well as taking several trophies in the Plate and Bronze competitions. Well done to you all!

Sportsmanship

As a result of a number of incidents at this year's Jubilee Tournament and SSBA club team tournament, the committee has decided to strengthen the Swifts code of conduct for members. The new version will be published in time for the new season.

SSBA club team tournament

One correction to last week's report is the detailed results of the Swifts U13 B team against Wimbledon, which was a 3-2 win rather than a loss. The corrected details can be found below.

Swifts awards

The annual Swifts awards were presented at the club session this Saturday. Hannah Thompson received the premier trophy, the Mike Cripp Award, for her success on the national tournament circuit this season.

Outgoing head coach, Clive Dean, has presented the club with a new trophy to be awarded for the best demonstration of sportsmanship across the season. This was awarded to Nick Bradley.

Awards for the players demonstrating the best attitude to training and best improvement were presented to Nuriah Haleem, Nick Halliwell (first session), James Ashley, Polly Thisdell (second session), Michael Dutton and Evie Halliwell (beginners' group).

Corrected U13B results from SSBA club team tournament

Result: Won 3-2		Opposition: Wimbledon	
Game	Swifts Players	Score	Opponents
Boys' Singles	Stirling Burrow	15-10	Thomas Saunders
Girls' Singles	Medha Bhasin	15-10	Philippa Sinclair
Boys' Doubles	Stirling Burrow	14-16 6-15	Ben Birks Eddie Lee
Girls' Doubles	Medha Bhasin	11-15 15-12 8-15	Pranavi Agarwal Rebecca Tung
Mixed Doubles	Max Lafferty	13-15 20-18 15-10	Eddie Lee Rebecca Tung
		3-2	