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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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Match summary

On Friday the U18 girls clinched their divisional title by beating Eagles away by 8-2.

On Sunday, in the ACDBL, the U12 boys played away to Streetswater and won by 199-85, slightly aided by Streetswater having to play an over-age boy and not having enough court time to complete the match.

The U12 girls also won away to Streetswater, by 163-149, again aided by Streetswater having to concede rubbers because of a lack of court time.

The U16 girls played away to Bourne and won by 202-126 and cannot now be overtaken by any other team in their division.

The U11s (though two of them were significantly younger) played away to Bourne in a friendly match and won by 208-83.

The U18 mixed team played away to Carshalton in a Surrey League match and suffered its first defeat of the season, 3-5, to a full strength Carshalton team.

National tournaments

Samodani Wijetunge played in the national U11 championships on Sunday, finishing as a semi-finalist in the girls' singles and as runner-up in the doubles.

County representation

Jamie Ellis, Justine Walker and Kirsty Walker all played for the Surrey (adult) fourth team that defeated Worcestershire 4ths on Sunday in the ICC, completing an undefeated season for the team.

Sarinda Wijetunge played for the Surrey U17 team in the Shires League against Sussex on Saturday.

Ollie Thompson played for the Surrey U13 in the Shires League twice this weekend—on Saturday against Hampshire and on Sunday against Berkshire.

Harriet Gosztonyi played for Berkshire U13s against Surrey.

Club graded tournament

As you are all aware, it was the first weekend of the club graded tournament on Saturday—the sixth year in succession that we have run the event. The entry broke all records—44 boys and 25 girls actually played—and we played more matches than ever before (186).

The event was divided into three grades for the girls and four for the boys to ensure that everyone was playing against people of a similar standard to themselves, regardless of age.

Full details can be found later in the newsletter, but the medallists were as follows:

	Winner	Runner-up
Boys' grade A	Jamie Ellis	Conor Dean
Boys' grade B	George Williamson	Jason Hau
Boys' grade C	Nathaniel Brittany	Daniel Green
Boys' grade D	Alex Downes	Nicholas Pipe
Girls' grade A	Justine Walker	Kirsty Walker
Girls' grade B	Harriet Gosztonyi	Samodani Wijetunge
Girls' grade C	Stephanie Pipe	Carla Pinto

The winner of the boys' grade A event (Jamie Ellis) will be presented with the Dudley trophy at our awards presentation in May and the winner of the girls' grade A event (Justine Walker) will be the inaugural winner of the Christine Meades Memorial Trophy (also to be presented in May). This latter award has been instituted to commemorate Christine Meades' contribution to the club and to put our girls on an equal footing with the boys with regard to trophies.

Photographs of all the medallists can be found later in this newsletter.

The doubles event (including mixed doubles for the best eight boys and girls entered) will be held on 20 March.

Lost property

Four different items of equipment or clothing were left behind after the tournament on Saturday, including a Swifts hoodie, a white drinks bottle, a blue top and something else that I've forgotten about. All have been placed in the club locker and can be reclaimed from the duty manager this Saturday.

Surrey League match results

Location: **Walton on Thames**Date: **5 Mar 2010**Opposition: **Eagles**Result: **Won 8 - 2****Away****U18 Girls**

Swifts	Jessica Ledermann	Nuriah Haleem	Rebekah Flatman	Georgia Flatman
Opposition	Jessica	Simran	Sarah	Rebecca

Home Players**Score****Away Players**

Jessica Mills		21	14	Jessica Ledermann	
		21	15		
Simran Matharu		14	21	Nuriah Haleem	
		15	21		
Sarah Taylor		18	21	Rebekah Flatman	
		18	21		
Rebecca Taylor		7	21	Georgia Flatman	
		13	21		
Jessica Mills	Simran Matharu	21	18	Jessica Ledermann	Nuriah Haleem
		17	21		
Sarah Taylor	Rebecca Taylor	9	21	Rebekah Flatman	Georgia Flatman
		21	15		
Jessica Mills	Sarah Taylor	14	21	Jessica Ledermann	Rebekah Flatman
		13	21		
Simran Matharu	Rebecca Taylor	7	21	Nuriah Haleem	Georgia Flatman
		8	21		
Jessica Mills	Rebecca Taylor	16	21	Jessica Ledermann	Georgia Flatman
		8	21		
Simran Matharu	Sarah Taylor	17	21	Nuriah Haleem	Rebekah Flatman
		6	21		
		2	8		

Surrey League match results

Location: Sutton **Date:** 7 Mar 2010 **Opposition:** Carshalton
Result: Lost 3 - 5 **Away** **U18S Mixed**

Swifts	Conor Dean	Nick Halliwell	Nuriah Haleem	Rebekah Flatman
Opposition	Aaron Cheng	Jerry Cheng	Jessica Mills	Helen Wright

Home Players		Score		Away Players	
Aaron Cheng	Jessica Mills	21	10	Conor Dean	Nuriah Haleem
		21	9		
Jerry Cheng	Helen Wright	18	21	Nick Halliwell	Rebekah Flatman
		10	21		
Jerry Cheng	Helen Wright	21	18	Conor Dean	Nuriah Haleem
		22	24		
Aaron Cheng	Jessica Mills	21	11	Nick Halliwell	Rebekah Flatman
		21	12		
Aaron Cheng	Helen Wright	21	11	Conor Dean	Rebekah Flatman
		21	15		
Jerry Cheng	Jessica Mills	16	21	Nick Halliwell	Nuriah Haleem
		14	21		
Aaron Cheng	Helen Wright	18	21	Nick Halliwell	Nuriah Haleem
		21	11		
Jerry Cheng	Jessica Mills	21	16	Conor Dean	Rebekah Flatman
		21	12		
		5	3		

ACDBL match results

Location: Lightwater **Date:** 7 Mar 2010 **Opposition:** Streetswater
Result: Won 199 - 85 **Away** **U12A Boys**

Swifts	Alex Downes	Nicholas Pipe	Sam Williams	Dane Grace
Opposition	Oliver Welch	Jack Miles	Josh Feriday	Jakub Vohlidka

Home Players		Score		Away Players	
Oliver Welch		0	21	Alex Downes	
Jack Miles		7	21	Nicholas Pipe	
Josh Feriday		15	21	Sam Williams	
Jakub Vohlidka		20	21	Dane Grace	
Oliver Welch	Jack Miles	0	21	Alex Downes	Nicholas Pipe
Josh Feriday	Jakub Vohlidka	21	10	Sam Williams	Dane Grace
Oliver Welch	Josh Feriday	0	21	Alex Downes	Sam Williams
Jack Miles	Jakub Vohlidka	14	21	Nicholas Pipe	Dane Grace
Oliver Welch	Jakub Vohlidka	0	21	Alex Downes	Dane Grace
Jack Miles	Josh Feriday	8	21	Nicholas Pipe	Sam Williams
		85	199		

Location: Lightwater **Date:** 7 Mar 2010 **Opposition:** Streetswater
Result: Won 163 - 149 **Away** **U12A Girls**

Swifts	Stephanie Pipe	Rianna Meme	Emily Armstrong	Jessica Mallett
Opposition	Lucy Rogers	Katie Price	Ilinca Dragan	Baribola Vollidenva

Home Players		Score		Away Players	
Lucy Rogers		21	9	Stephanie Pipe	
Katie Price		9	21	Rianna Meme	
Ilinca Dragan		21	9	Emily Armstrong	
Baribola Vollidenva		21	12	Jessica Mallett	
Lucy Rogers	Katie Price	21	18	Stephanie Pipe	Rianna Meme
Ilinca Dragan	Baribola Vollidenva	21	14	Emily Armstrong	Jessica Mallett
Lucy Rogers	Ilinca Dragan	21	17	Stephanie Pipe	Emily Armstrong
Katie Price	Baribola Vollidenva	14	21	Rianna Meme	Jessica Mallett
Lucy Rogers	Baribola Vollidenva	0	21	Stephanie Pipe	Jessica Mallett
Katie Price	Ilinca Dragan	0	21	Rianna Meme	Emily Armstrong
		149	163		

ACDBL match results

Location: Farnham **Date:** 7 Mar 2010 **Opposition:** Bourne
Result: Won 202 - 126 **Away** **U16A Girls**

Swifts	Georgia Beech	Polly Thisdell	Emily Hancock	Veronica Mervild
Opposition	Lucy Rider	Melissa Ericsson	Catherine Toase	Sandy Webb

Home Players		Score		Away Players	
	Lucy Rider	9	21		Georgia Beech
	Melissa Ericsson	5	21		Polly Thisdell
	Catherine Toase	20	21		Emily Hancock
	Sandy Webb	10	21		Veronica Mervild
Lucy Rider	Melissa Ericsson	12	21	Georgia Beech	Polly Thisdell
Catherine Toase	Sandy Webb	13	21	Emily Hancock	Veronica Mervild
Lucy Rider	Catherine Toase	21	13	Georgia Beech	Emily Hancock
Melissa Ericsson	Sandy Webb	11	21	Polly Thisdell	Veronica Mervild
Lucy Rider	Sandy Webb	12	21	Georgia Beech	Veronica Mervild
Melissa Ericsson	Catherine Toase	13	21	Polly Thisdell	Emily Hancock
		126	202		

Friendly match results

Location: Farnham **Date:** 7 Mar 2010 **Opposition:** Bourne
Result: Won 208 - 83 **Away** **U11 Unisex**

Swifts	Jamie Green	Stephanie Pipe	Nicholas Pipe	Alex Green
Opposition	George Baker	George Smitherman	Fred Owen	Tom Baker-Benfield

Home Players		Score		Away Players	
	George Baker	4	21		Jamie Green
	George Smitherman	7	21		Stephanie Pipe
	Fred Owen	4	21		Nicholas Pipe
	Tom Baker-Benfield	21	19		Alex Green
George Baker	George Smitherman	4	21	Jamie Green	Stephanie Pipe
Fred Owen	Tom Baker-Benfield	11	21	Nicholas Pipe	Alex Green
George Baker	Fred Owen	3	21	Jamie Green	Nicholas Pipe
George Smitherman	Tom Baker-Benfield	15	21	Stephanie Pipe	Alex Green
George Baker	Tom Baker-Benfield	12	21	Jamie Green	Alex Green
George Smitherman	Fred Owen	2	21	Stephanie Pipe	Nicholas Pipe
		83	208		

Club graded tournament results

Boys' A grade

BOYS' A GRADE							
Group A							
Player	Note	Robert Adams	Nick Halliwell	Ryan Tinslay	Ieuan Godfrey	Conor Dean	Jake Lavender
Robert Adams	3		16	21	21	15	18
Nick Halliwell	2	21		21	21	16	21
Ryan Tinslay		16	16		21	17	21
Ieuan Godfrey		12	11	12		1	18
Conor Dean	1	21	21	21	21		21
Jake Lavender		21	14	12	21	18	

Jamie Ellis defended his hold on the Dudley trophy comfortably in the end but there were a lot of close-fought battles among those trying to wrest it from him.

BOYS' A GRADE						
Group B						
Player	Note	Aaran Hodder	Jamie Ellis	Lee Bradberry	Jack Wills	Michael Bratt
Aaran Hodder			7	11	20	21
Jamie Ellis	1	21		21	21	21
Lee Bradberry	2	21	15		21	21
Jack Wills	3	21	5	17		21
Michael Bratt		8	11	15	19	

Semi-finals

Conor Dean 21 21
v
Lee Bradberry 13 13

Jamie Ellis 21 21
v
Nick Halliwell 12 12

Final

Conor Dean 11 12
v
Jamie Ellis 21 21

Club graded tournament results

Boys' B grade

BOYS' B GRADE

Group A								
Player	Note	Jonathan Leachman	George Williamson	Jonathan Hau	Alex Lawrence	Michael Dutton	Daryn Howes	Alex Handley
Jonathan Leachman			14	21	21	18	12	15
George Williamson	1	21		21	21	21	21	21
Jonathan Hau		20	15		21	21	18	15
Alex Lawrence		16	13	2		16	14	11
Michael Dutton		21	10	14	21		19	20
Daryn Howes	3	21	12	21	21	21		17
Alex Handley	2	21	11	21	21	21	21	

BOYS' B GRADE

Group B							
Player	Note	Jason Hau	Martin Jager	Andrew Michelmore	Jake Handley	Benedict Everett-Riley	Euan Farrow
Jason Hau	1		21	21	21	21	21
Martin Jager	3	12		21	21	w/o	15
Andrew Michelmore		12	5		21	21	20
Jake Handley		11	8	16		8	13
Benedict Everett-Riley		14	w/d	17	21		w/d
Euan Farrow	2	12	21	21	21	w/o	

The results for the KO stages of this event can be found on the next page.

Club graded tournament results

Boys' B grade

Semi-finals

George Williamson 21
v
Euan Farrow 6

Jason Hau 21
v
Alex Handley 17

Final

George Williamson 21
v
Jason Hau 14



Jason Hau and George Williamson

I'm not sure that everyone quite played as well as they might have done, but George emerged as a well-deserved and comfortable winner from this section. Ben, unfortunately, had to retire and go to the hospital, if anyone is wondering why he didn't complete his games.

Club graded tournament results

Boys' C grade

BOYS' C GRADE

Group A								
Player	Note	Nicholas Brown	Nathaniel Brittany	Jamie Green	Toby Bradbeer-Davis	Daniel Green	Daniel Kent	Christopher Spain
Nicholas Brown			4	8	15	8	13	15
Nathaniel Brittany	1	15		15	15	15	15	15
Jamie Green	4	15	8		15	8	4	15
Toby Bradbeer-Davis		13	7	7		7	10	12
Daniel Green	2	15	14	15	15		15	15
Daniel Kent	3	15	12	15	15	10		15
Christopher Spain		12	4	1	15	4	4	

As expected, Nathaniel Brittany emerged as the winner of this grade though it couldn't have been closer between he and Daniel Green. I suspect Nathaniel will find Daniel overtaking him in the next year or so if he doesn't spend a bit more time on badminton and a bit less on football.

Daniel Kent showed the signs of his development this season by finishing in thjrd place.

Club graded tournament results

Boys' D grade

BOYS' D GRADE

Group A								
Player	Note	Henry Bradshaw	Nicholas Pipe	Christopher Lai	Eliot Duff	Sam Williams	Max Petters	Lucas Downes
Henry Bradshaw	3		10	15	15	7	15	15
Nicholas Pipe	1	15		15	15	15	15	15
Christopher Lai		14	4		15	9	15	15
Eliot Duff		2	11	2		2	10	4
Sam Williams	2	15	12	15	15		15	15
Max Petters		6	8	4	15	6		15
Lucas Downes		7	5	4	15	7	12	

BOYS' D GRADE

Group B							
Player	Note	Alex Green	Dane Grace	Callum Mitchell	Arun Bagshaw	Alex Downes	Timothy Lai
Alex Green	3		4	15	15	10	15
Dane Grace	2	15		15	15	6	15
Callum Mitchell		13	6		15	2	15
Arun Bagshaw		9	2	14		11	14
Alex Downes	1	15	15	15	15		15
Timothy Lai		5	5	3	15	0	

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Club graded tournament results

Boys' D grade

Semi-finals

Nicholas Pipe 15
v
Dane Grace 3

Alex Downes 15
v
Sam Williams 6

Final

Nicholas Pipe 9
v
Alex Downes 15

This grade comprised players who only started to play badminton this season or last and some of the players were surprisingly ready to give the organisers the benefit of their opinion on the way the results were to be determined. Unfortunately, the tournament rules had already been published and we had to follow the traditional Badminton England methods.

It was a very competitive section and even the players that finished at the bottom in the groups came very close to winning several games.

No wonder our U10 team is carrying all before it this season!



Alex Downes and Nicholas Pipe

Club graded tournament results

Girls' A grade

GIRLS' A GRADE							
Group A							
Player	Note	Nuriah Haleem	Kirsty Walker	Rebekah Flatman	Medha Bhasin	Justine Walker	Polly Thisdell
Nuriah Haleem			5	16	21	11	21
Kirsty Walker	2	21		21	21	18	21
Rebekah Flatman	3	21	9		21	5	15
Medha Bhasin		9	8	17		9	21
Justine Walker	1	21	21	21	21		21
Polly Thisdell		13	12	21	17	6	

Only two players managed to get into double figures against either of the Walker twins (well done Polly and Nuriah) so it was clear quite early on where the medals were going, but who would be the winner? In the event, Justine claimed bragging rights within the family by winning a close battle to 18 and becoming the inaugural winner of the Christine Meades Memorial Trophy.

Among the other four players, things were quite close and everyone won at least one match.

Club graded tournament results

Girls' B grade

GIRLS' B GRADE

Group A						
Player	Pos.	Mira Guha	Samodani Wijetunge	Katie Brown	Tamsyn Wombwell	Zoe Taylor
Mira Guha			4	14	16	5
Samodani Wijetunge	1	21		21	21	21
Katie Brown	2	21	8		21	21
Tamsyn Wombwell		21	4	13		14
Zoe Taylor		21	13	19	21	

GIRLS' B GRADE

Group B						
Player	Pos.	Alicia Dadlani	Harriet Gosztonyi	Lydia Hartley	Alice Brown	Evie Halliwell
Alicia Dadlani			7	12	14	10
Harriet Gosztonyi	1	21		21	21	21
Lydia Hartley	2	21	9		18	21
Alice Brown		21	8	21		16
Evie Halliwell		21	7	17	21	

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Club graded tournament results

Girls' B grade

Semi-finals

Samodani Wijetunge	21
v	
Lydia Hartley	8

Harriet Gosztonyi	21
v	
Katie Brown	12

Final

Samodani Wijetunge	21
v	
Harriet Gosztonyi	23



Samodani Wijetunge and Harriet Gosztonyi

The two finalists (who were the youngest two players) were comfortably ahead of the others and were also virtually impossible to separate in the final as can be seen from the score. This was one of the closest competitions of the day. Samodani led at one stage, 18-14, but Harriet fought back doggedly to get back level at 20-20 and then took the tie break a few points later.

Club graded tournament results

Girls' C grade

GIRLS' C GRADE

Group A						
Player	Pos.	Isabel Smith	Stephanie Pipe	Rianna Meme	Holly Weston	Carla Pinto
Isabel Smith			5	10	4	9
Stephanie Pipe	1	21		21	21	21
Rianna Meme		21	6		9	14
Holly Weston	3	21	3	21		17
Carla Pinto	2	21	8	21	21	

GIRLS' C GRADE

Group B						
Player	Pos.	Jessica Mallett	Tia Halliwell	Courtney Rodrigues	Eleanor Smith	Emily Armstrong
Jessica Mallett	2		x	13	21	21
Tia Halliwell		x		x	x	x
Courtney Rodrigues	1	21	x		21	21
Eleanor Smith		13	x	14		14
Emily Armstrong	3	16	x	9	21	

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Club graded tournament results

Girls' C grade

Semi-finals

Stephanie Pipe	15
v	
Jessica Mallett	7

Courtney Rodrigues	21
v	
Carla Pinto	13

Final

Stephanie Pipe	15
v	
Carla Pinto	12



Carla Pinto and Stephanie Pipe

In this event both finalists emerged from the same group, and the same player, Stephanie, won both matches between them. Tia Halliwell did not play as she injured herself taking part in some devilish other sport the night before the tournament and we had to make do with a photograph of the square yard of missing skin on her leg. She was, I'm glad to say, the only entrant who did not manage to get to the tournament on time, we well done to everyone.

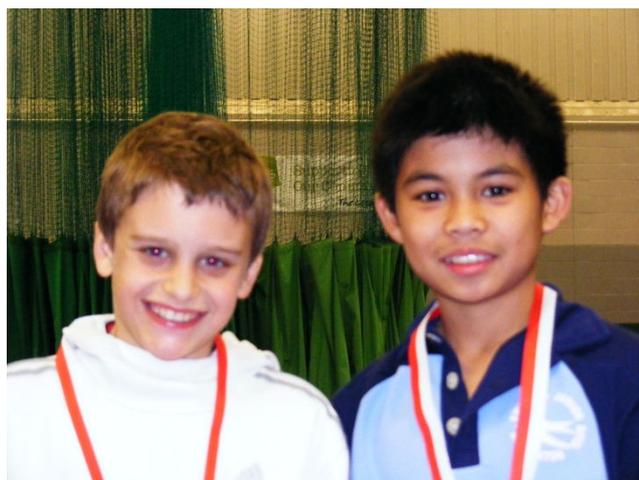
A player who at first didn't want to enter surprised herself by getting to the semi-final, so well done Courtney!

Club graded tournament medallists



**Boys' grade A finalists,
Conor Dean and Jamie Ellis**

**Boys' grade C finalists,
Daniel Green and Nathaniel Brittany**



**Girls' grade A finalists,
Justine Walker and Kirsty Walker**