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*If the training is easy
the match will be hard,
but if the training is
hard the match will be
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SSBA club team tournament

20 May saw the second weekend of the SSBA club team tournament, and a full report can be found later in the newsletter. In summary, though, a Swifts team won every single section of the event which means we continue to hold exactly half the trophies from this tournament.

Many thanks go to all the team managers without whom we could not have entered all the teams we did.

Another BE competition winner

Serena Farrelly entered a Badminton England competition by writing an essay about why she deserved Olympic tickets and has won two tickets for the Olympic tournament.

National circuit results

Two weeks or so ago Sam Williams reached the quarter-final of the boys' singles in the Essex U12 Open tournament. Last week he was Plate winner in the Tunbridge Wells U13 Open.

Two weeks ago Nicholas Pipe won the boys' doubles event in the Wessex U12 Open tournament. A week later he won the Warwickshire Rising Stars U12 Open boys' doubles event.

Swifts awards 2011-12

The final club session of the normal season on 20 May meant that it was time to recognise our members' and helpers' achievements once again. An innumerable number of members received certificates and the following major trophies were awarded:

Mike Cripp Trophy (best representing of Swifts) (well, he is the U15 national doubles champion)	Ollie Thompson
Clive Dean Trophy (sportsmanship)	Ieuan Godfrey
Adam Dudley Trophy (boys' singles)	Jack Kinmond
Christine Meades Trophy (girls' singles)	Stephanie Pipe
Walker Trophy (girls' doubles)	Harriet Gosztonyi & Stephanie Pipe

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Jamie Ellis Trophy (most capped player)	Ben Cullen, Harry Owens & Holly Weston
Team Manager of the Year (and our grateful thanks to all the others)	David Thatcher & Tara Williams
Excellent attendance at Swifts	Matthew Biddle, Thomas Chan, Ben Cullen, Wai Hau Fun, Imogen Galvin, Neeve Galvin, Chris Gane, Jake Handley, Toby Hodges-Long, Daryn Howes, Martin Jager, Dominic Nabasa, Harry Owens, Henry Sutton, Thomas Wild
Player of the Season, 1st session	Toby Hodges-Long, Neeve Galvin
Most Improved Player, 1st session	Matthew Biddle, Henry Sutton
U8 Player of the Season	Hayden Mitchell
Player of the Season, 2nd session	Toby Hodges-Long, Serena Farrelly
Most Improved Player, 2nd session	Dominic Nabasa
Player of the Season, 3rd session	Chris Gane, Imogen Galvin
Most Improved Player, 3rd session	Lucas Downes
Player of the Season, 4th session	Henry Bradshaw, Jessica Mallett
Most Improved Player, 4th session	Nicholas Pipe
Player of the Season, 5th session	Daryn Howes, Gilly Thomas
Most Improved Player, 5th session	Jason Hau
Special Award	Nathaniel Brittany

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Swifts award winners 2011-12



The trophy table before the presentations

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U11 A Grade				
Group A				
Team	Pos	Chadacre	Albury	Swifts
Chadacre	2		3	1
Albury		2		2
Swifts	1	4	3	

U11-2	Albury		Score		Swifts		Game Scores
	Player 1	Player 2	Albury	Swifts	Player 1	Player 2	
Sing A	Anna Palacci		0	2	Nick Pipe		3-15,6-15
Sing B	Bea Noakes		0	2	Harry Williams		10-15,10-15
Doub A	Anna Palacci	Bea Noakes	0	2	Nick Pipe	Harry Williams	4-15,9-15
Doub B	Bagio Matthew	Mary Hallett	2	1	Ellie Darlington	Serena Farrelly	15-13,13-15,15-12
Mixed	Bagio Matthew	Mary Hallett	2	0	Callum Mitchell	Serena Farrelly	15-13,15-7
		Match score	2	3			
		Games	4	7			

U11-3	Chadacre		Score		Swifts		Game Scores
	Player 1	Player 2	Chadacre	Swifts	Player 1	Player 2	
Sing A	Chloe Du		0	2	Nick Pipe		1-15,5-15
Sing B	Luke Griffiths		1	2	Harry Williams		15-13,6-15,10-15
Doub A	Chloe Du	Tim Li	1	2	Nick Pipe	Harry Williams	15-12,6-15,10-15
Doub B	Luke Griffiths	Chelsea Huang	2	1	Ellie Darlington	Serena Farrelly	15-13,14-16,15-13
Mixed	Tim Li	Chelsea Huang	1	2	Callum Mitchell	Serena Farrelly	15-13,9-15,10-15
		Match score	1	4			
		Games	5	9			

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Like some other sections, the U11 competition suffered from a lack of entries, but the teams that did enter very rather strong so it was just as well our two best U11s were available for selection. Both matches played were closely contested but Swifts emerged as winners in both to carry the silverware back to our trophy cabinet.



Swifts U11s—Nick Pipe, Callum Mitchell, Ellie Darlington, Serena Farrelly and Harry Williams.

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U13 B Grade

Group A						
Team	Pos	Swifts B	Swifts A	Clandon A	Clandon B	Eagles
Swifts B	3		1	1	3	3
Swifts A	1	4		3	5	5
Clandon A	2	4	2		5	4
Clandon B		2	0	0		3
Eagles		2	0	1	2	

Swifts B

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Swifts A

U13-1	Player 1	Player 2	B	A	Player 1	Player 2	Game Scores
BS	Lucas Downes		0	2	Christopher Lai		1-5,4-15
GS	Jasmine Farrelly		0	2	Syan Wombwell		9-15,8-15
BD	Harry Owens	Flynn Thatcher	0	2	Christopher Lai	Ollie McCoy-Page	6-15,9-15
GD	Imogen Galvin	Elena Koutas	0	2	Jessica Mallett	Syan Wombwell	6-15,5-15
Mixed	Harry Owens	Imogen Galvin	2	1	Ollie McCoy-Page	Jessica Mallett	13-15,15-12,16-14
		Match Score	1	4			
		Games	2	9			

Swifts B

Score

Eagles

U13-3	Player 1	Player 2	Swifts	Eagles	Player 1	Player 2	Game Scores
BS	Harry Owens		2	0	Adam Shepherd		15-7,15-13
GS	Jasmine Farrelly		0	2	Karen Klimaytys		7-15,5-15
BD	Lucas Downes	Flynn Thatcher	2	0	Adam Shepherd	Kalvin Liang	15-5,15-10
GD	Imogen Galvin	Elena Koutas	0	2	Karen Klimaytys	Alexandra Oprisan	13-15,6-15
Mixed	Flynn Thatcher	Imogen Galvin	2	0	Kalvin Liang	Alexandra Oprisan	15-8,15-11
		Match Score	3	2			
		Games	6	4			

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		1		Score		Clandon B			
		Swifts A		Swifts Clandon				Game Scores	
U13-4	Player 1	Player 2	A	B	Player 1	Player 2			
BS	Christopher Lai		2	0	David Rogers		15-4,15-3		
GS	Syan Wombwell		2	0	Yasemin Heard		15-6,15-2		
BD	Christopher Lai	Ollie McCoy-Page	2	0	Thomas Brennan-Powell	Conor Tidy	15-4,15-3		
GD	Jessica Mallett	Syan Wombwell	2	0	Lauren Buckley	Yasemin Heard	15-6,15-8		
Mixed	Ollie McCoy-Page	Jessica Mallett	2	0	Conor Tidy	Lauren Buckley	15-13,15-7		
			Match Score	5	0				
			Games	10	0				

		Swifts B		Score		Clandon B			
U13-6	Player 1	Player 2	Swifts	Clandon	Player 1	Player 2	Game Scores		
BS	Harry Owens		2	0	Conor Tidy		15-6,15-2		
GS	Elena Koutas		1	2	Lauren Buckley		6-15,16-14,7-15		
BD	Harry Owens	Flynn Thatcher	2	1	Thomas Brennan-Powell	David Rogers	15-6,18-20,16-14		
GD	Jasmine Farrelly	Imogen Galvin	1	2	Lauren Buckley	Yasemin Heard	12-15,15-8,12-15		
Mixed	Flynn Thatcher	Imogen Galvin	2	1	Thomas Bren-	Yasemin Heard	15-9,8-15,15-5		
			Match Score	3	2				
			Games	8	6				

		Swifts A		Score		Eagles			
U13-7	Player 1	Player 2	Swifts	Eagles	Player 1	Player 2	Game		
BS	Christopher Lai		2	0	Kalvin Liang		15-2,15-5		
GS	Syan Wombwell		2	0	Alexandra Oprisan	Alexandra Oprisan	15-0,15-3		
BD	Christopher Lai	Ollie McCoy-Page	2	0	Adam Shepherd	Kalvin Liang	15-5,18-16		
GD	Jessica Mallett	Syan Wombwell	2	0	Karen Klimaytys	Alexandra Oprisan	15-9,15-9		
Mixed	Ollie McCoy-Page	Jessica Mallett	2	0	Adam Shepherd	Karen Klimaytys	15-9,16-14		
			Match Score	5	0				
			Games	10	0				

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Swifts B			Score		Clandon A		
U13-8	Player 1	Player 2	Swifts	Clandon	Player 1	Player 2	Game Scores
BS	Flynn Thatcher		0	2	Peter Arnold		11-15,6-15
GS	Elena Koutas		0	2	Lucy Page		2-15,4-15
BD	Lucas Downes	Flynn Thatcher	0	2	William Davis	Peter Arnold	2-15,13-15
GD	Jasmine Farrelly	Imogen Galvin	0	2	Ellie Tidy	Lucy Page	10-15,5-15
Mixed	Harry Owens	Imogen Galvin	2	1	William Davis	Ellie Tidy	12-15,15-10,17-15
		Match Score	1	4			
		Games	2	9			

Swifts A			Score		Clandon A		
U13-10	Player 1	Player 2	Swifts	Clandon	Player 1	Player 2	Game Scores
BS	Christopher Lai		2	0	William Davis		15-3,15-4
GS	Syan Wombwell		1	2	Lucy Page		15-13,8-15,14-16
BD	Christopher Lai	Ollie McCoy-Page	2	1	William Davis	Peter Arnold	15-12,11-15,15-9
GD	Jessica Mallett	Syan Wombwell	2	0	Ellie Tidy	Lucy Page	15-7,17-15
Mixed	Ollie McCoy-Page	Jessica Mallett	0	2	Peter Arnold	Ellie Tidy	11-15,12-15
		Match Score	3	2			
		Games	7	5			

This was a competition restricted to players not in a county squad and, with a good entry, the U13s saw plenty of action in a tight competition. The Swifts A team was undefeated and won the trophy, while the B team lost only to the Swifts and Clandon A teams to finish third. Christopher Lai proved himself to be the strongest boy in the competition by going undefeated against all his opponents, and this, together with a strong performance all round in both teams, underpinned our success.



Swifts U13 A team—Jessica Mallett, Syan Wombwell, Ollie McCoy-Page and Christopher Lai

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U15 A Grade

Group A				
Team	Pos	Swifts A	Swifts B	Wimbledon
Swifts A	1		4	4
Swifts B	2	1		3
Wimbledon		1	2	

	Swifts A		Score		Swifts B		Game Scores
	Player 1	Player 2	Swifts A	Swifts B	Player 1	Player 2	
U15-1			A	B			
BS	Ollie Thompson		2	0	Jonathan Hau		15-9,15-11
GS	Polly Thisdell		0	2	Samodani Wijetunge		10-15,5-15
BD	Stirling Burrow	Ollie Thompson	2	0	Jake Handley	Jonathan Hau	15-4,16-14
GD	Stephanie Pipe	Polly Thisdell	2	1	Harriet Gosztanyi	Samodani Wijetunge	15-13,13-15,15-13
Mixed	William Manners	Stephanie Pipe	2	0	Jake Handley	Holly Weston	15-10,15-13
		Match Score	4	1			
		Games	8	3			

	Swifts B		Score		Wimbledon		Game Scores
	Player 1	Player 2	Swifts B	Wimbledon	Player 1	Player 2	
U15-2			B	Wimbledon			
BS	Jake Handley		0	2	Sam Lyle		5-15,9-15
GS	Samodani Wijetunge		2	0	Grace Li		15-5,15-10
BD	Jake Handley	Jonathan Hau	0	2	Sam Lyle	Will Saunders	5-15,9-15
GD	Holly Weston	Samodani Wijetunge	2	0	Grace Li	Cassie Wu	15-5,15-11
Mixed	Jonathan Hau	Harriet Gosztanyi	2	0	Will Saunders	Cassie Wu	15-4,15-11
		Match score	3	2			
		Games	6	4			

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Swifts A		Score		Wimbledon		Game Scores	
U15-3	Player 1	Player 2	Swifts	Player 1	Player 2		
BS	Ollie Thompson		2	0	Sam Lyle	15-13,15-13	
GS	Polly Thisdell		0	2	Grace Li	8-15,7-15	
BD	Ollie Thompson	William Manners	2	0	Sam Lyle	Will Saunders	15-7,15-11
GD	Stephanie Pipe	Polly Thisdell	2	1	Grace Li	Cassie Wu	15-13,13-15,15-12
Mixed	Stirling Burrow	Stephanie Pipe	2	0	Will Saunders	Cassie Wu	15-5,15-8
		Match score	4	1			
		Games	8	3			

Swifts had an embarrassment of riches in the age group as Ollie and Samodani are both grade 1 players and our other players were all very strong too. The rules of the tournament meant we could not play both Ollie and Samodani in the same team and so it was that Samodani played in the B team. Unfortunately, only Wimbledon dared to put out any opposition against us. Our B team did particularly well to beat Wimbledon and finish as runners-up, while the A team conceded only one rubber—against Samodani in the girls' singles—to win the trophy.



Swifts U15 A team—William Manners, Stirling Burrow, Polly Thisdell and Stephanie Pipe.

Ollie and Samodani both had to dash off before the presentation to play for Surrey in an U15 county match in the Shires League.



Swifts U15 B team—Jonathan Hau, Jake Handley, Harriet Gosztonyi and Holly Weston.

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U18-1	Swifts		Score		Albury		Game Scores
	Player 1	Player 2	Swifts	Albury	Player 1	Player 2	
BS	Daryn Howes		0	2	Jonathan Deans		17-21,13-21
GS	Kaman Liang		2	0	Samantha Cloake		21-13,21-8
BD	Ben Everett-Riley	Ieuan Godfrey	2	0	Jonathan Deans	Alex Cloake	22-10,21-18
GD	Lydia Hartley	Kaman Liang	0	2	Samantha Cloake	Emma Tennant	16-21,17-21
Mixed	Ieuan Godfrey	Lydia Hartley	2	0	Alex Cloake	Emma Tennant	21-15,21-19
		Match Score	3	2			
		Games	6	4			

This section had the lowest entry of all. Originally three teams had entered but Mayflower pulled out when one of their players suddenly became unavailable. This left a very close contest against Albury which Swifts won on the final rubber to clinch the fourth trophy of the day. And they are all young enough to take part again next year!



Swifts U18 team—Daryn Howes, Kaman Liang, Ieuan Godfrey, Lydia Hartley, Ben Everett-Riley.