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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

There was only one match this weekend, because of the club tournament.

The U16 mixed A team played away to Eagles on Friday evening and lost a very close match by 137-147.

Surrey tournaments

Callum Mitchell and Harry Williams both played in the A grade of the Surrey U13 restricted doubles tournament at the weekend. Playing together, they were runners-up in the boys' doubles. Harry was also runner-up in the mixed doubles.

In the B grade (for non-county squad members) Lucy Bezants won both the level doubles and the mixed.

Berkshire tournaments

Harry Owens played in the Berkshire U15 restricted tournament at the weekend and reached the quarter-final of the boys' singles.

Shoes for sale

A pair of brand new, unused, junior size 2 badminton shoes is for sale by one of our members. They cost £28 but are available via our duty manager for only £10. They would appear to be suitable for a boy or a girl.

International results

Ollie Thompson travelled to Denmark to play with the England U17 team in the Danish Cup. He reached the quarter-final of the boys' singles in the individual event and helped the team to a bronze medal in the team event.

Club handicap tournament

We had a record entry for both boys and girls, especially in terms of the proportion of members who entered.

Those who think they receive too many reminder emails may be interested to learn that two members who hadn't entered the tournament turned up for the club session and had to be sent home. Two non-entrants turning up on the same day is also a record.

I'd like to extend thanks to all those parents and players who helped out by scoring for the younger age groups on Saturday.

This Saturday is the doubles event. Those not turning up will not just be letting down the organisers - they will be letting their partner down as well. If you cannot play through illness or injury please let me know before the event, and as soon as possible in any case.

The results, in summary, are as follows. A report on each section can be found on the following pages.

Event	Winner	Runner-up
U10 unisex beginners	Lila Dundas	Marco Naumov
U10 boys	Dominic Nabasa	Hayden Mitchell
U11 girls	Smrithi Shirol	Daisy Murphy
U13 boys	Callum Mitchell	Timothy Lai
U13 girls	Serena Farrelly	Jenna Biddle
U15 boys	Christopher Lai	Connor Strudwick
U15 girls	Imogen Galvin	Elena Koutas
U18 boys	Jonathan Hau	Daryn Howes
U18 girls	Holly Weston	Stephanie Pipe

ACDBL match results

Location: Walton-on-Thames

Date: 11 Oct 2013

Opposition: Eagles

Result: Lost 137 - 147

Away

U16A Mixed

Swifts	Nathaniel Brittany	Peter Beech	Holly Weston	Isabel Smith
Opposition	Adam Shepherd	Roger Boka	Ana Maria Oprisan	Karen Klimaytis

Home Players		Score		Away Players	
Adam Shepherd	Ana Maria Oprisan	14	21	Nathaniel Brittany	Holly Weston
Roger Boka	Karen Klimaytis	21	13	Peter Beech	Isabel Smith
Adam Shepherd	Ana Maria Oprisan	21	9	Peter Beech	Isabel Smith
Roger Boka	Karen Klimaytis	12	21	Nathaniel Brittany	Holly Weston
Adam Shepherd	Karen Klimaytis	17	21	Nathaniel Brittany	Isabel Smith
Roger Boka	Ana Maria Oprisan	21	20	Peter Beech	Holly Weston
Roger Boka	Ana Maria Oprisan	21	11	Nathaniel Brittany	Isabel Smith
Adam Shepherd	Karen Klimaytis	20	21	Peter Beech	Holly Weston
		147	137		

Club handicap tournament

U10 BEGINNERS' UNISEX SINGLES

Player	Pos.	Marianne Wu	Lila Dundas	Dominic Leckie	Marco Naumov	Benjamin Ford
Marianne Wu	3		11	11	10	10
Lila Dundas	1	8		11	11	11
Dominic Leckie		1	6		7	11
Marco Naumov	2	11	9	11		11
Benjamin Ford		11	3	9	8	

This was a first competitive experience for most of these players and they all seem to have enjoyed themselves. The competition was certainly very close, as can be seen by the proportion of 11-10 and 11-9 scores and the fact that everyone won at least one game. In fact, there was a two-way tie for the medals and the result of the match between them established that Lila was the winner and Marco the runner-up.



Marco Naumov & Lila Dundas

Club handicap tournament

U10 BOYS SINGLES

Player	Pos	Benjamin Hazevoet	Matthew Grove	Dominic Nabasa	Jonathan Lai	Hayden Mitchell	Sebastian Grove
Benjamin Hazevoet			11	9	7	10	7
Matthew Grove		8		8	4	9	3
Dominic Nabasa	1	11	11		11	11	11
Jonathan Lai	4	11	11	9		11	8
Hayden Mitchell	2	11	11	9	9		11
Sebastian Grove	3	11	11	10	11	7	

A lot of the games here were won by only a point or two and there was a three-way tie for the silver medal so this was another close group. The third placed player, Sebastian, would have won if he could have scored that crucial match point against Dominic.



Dominic Nabasa & Hayden Mitchell

Club handicap tournament

U11 GIRLS SINGLES

Player	Pos	Rosie Duff	Hettie Holmes	Smrithi Shirol	Daisy Murphy	Gemma Downes	Devashri Moodley
Rosie Duff			5	8	8	7	4
Hettie Holmes	4	11		5	11	10	11
Smrithi Shirol	1	11	11		8	11	11
Daisy Murphy	2	11	10	11		7	11
Gemma Downes	2	11	11	9	11		8
Devashri Moodley		11	5	10	11	11	

More close competition, and nobody managed to win all their games. There was a three-way tie for the silver medal and a mistake by the organisers (well, me actually) as Gemma should have been awarded a silver too. We'll make sure she gets one this weekend.



Smrithi Shirol & Daisy Murphy

Club handicap tournament

U13 BOYS' SINGLES

Group A										
Player	Pos	Toby Hodges-Long	Hector Earnshaw	Christian Attree	Callum Mitchell	Archie Pendry	Timothy Lai	Jack Wetherall	Henry Sutton	Eliot Duff
Toby Hodges-Long			15	15	12	15	13	13	15	15
Hector Earnshaw		9		4	11	10	9	6	9	6
Christian Attree		7	15		11	15	10	14	15	12
Callum Mitchell	1	15	15	15		15	15	15	15	15
Archie Pendry		6	15	12	9		5	8	15	10
Timothy Lai	2	15	15	15	6	15		15	15	15
Jack Wetherall		15	15	15	10	15	10		13	8
Henry Sutton		5	15	10	10	14	10	15		13
Eliot Duff		8	15	15	10	15	11	15	15	

This was the largest section, with 17 entrants, so we had two groups followed by a KO phase. Callum emerged as the winner but the KO phase was especially tight and any of the qualifiers could have won the event. Luc Freat gained the distinction of being the unluckiest player of the day by losing three of his games when tied on match point.



Callum Mitchell & Timothy Lai

Club handicap tournament

U13 BOYS' SINGLES

Group B									
Player	Pos	Cameron Warne	Luc Freaan	Matthew Biddle	Harry Williams	Max Curtis	Harry Hodges-Long	Harry Bloomfield	Matthew Lister
Cameron Warne			15	15	8	4	6	10	15
Luc Freaan		14		15	14	9	6	3	14
Matthew Biddle		13	10		11	9	6	12	15
Harry Williams	1	15	15	15		15	15	15	15
Max Curtis		15	15	15	12		5	15	15
Harry Hodges-Long	2	15	15	15	14	15		15	15
Harry Bloomfield		15	15	15	10	12	7		15
Matthew Lister		9	15	13	12	10	7	6	

Semi-finals

Callum Mitchell 15 v 14 Harry Hodges-Long
 Harry Williams 14 v 15 Timothy Lai

Final

Callum Mitchell 15 v 12 Timothy Lai

Club handicap tournament

U13 Girls Singles

Group A								
Player	Pos	Megan Laycock	Ellie Darlington	Rebecca Sproston	Aanya Nathwani	Lucy Bezants	Emily Nielsen	Holly Cullen
Megan Laycock			10	10	x	8	14	9
Ellie Darlington	1	15		15	x	15	15	15
Rebecca Sproston		15	8		x	10	15	15
Aanya Nathwani	Withdrawn ill	x	x	x		x	x	x
Lucy Bezants	2	15	10	15	x		15	15
Emily Nielsen		15	11	14	x	14		11
Holly Cullen		15	12	13	x	8	15	

Another large section with two groups, and no player was able to win all her games. Both finalists came from the same group and they each won one of the two games they played against each other so we weren't too far out with the handicapping.



Serena Farrelly & Jenna Biddle

Club handicap tournament

U13 Girls Singles

Group B								
Player	Pos	Ruth Devapragasam	Jenna Biddle	Lucy Doran	Neeve Galvin	Serena Farrelly	Antonella Naumova	Maddie Godwin
Ruth Devapragasam			15	11	15	10	15	10
Jenna Biddle	1	14		15	15	15	15	15
Lucy Doran		15	14		14	9	15	12
Neeve Galvin		14	13	15		12	15	15
Serena Farrelly	2	15	14	15	15		15	15
Antonella Naumova		6	9	6	9	12		8
Maddie Godwin		15	8	15	11	8	15	

Semi-finals

Ellie Darlington 13 v 15 Serena Farrelly
 Jenna Biddle 15 v 4 Lucy Bezants

Final

Serena Farrelly 15 v 11 Jenna Biddle

Club handicap tournament

U15 BOYS' SINGLES

Group A									
Player	Pos	Jonathan Chong	Max Curtis	Joseph Cowdery	Christopher Lai	Jason Fisher	Flynn Thatcher	Connor Strudwick	Ollie McCoy-Page
Jonathan Chong			15	x	12	15	15	6	15
Connor Curtis		12		x	11	15	11	9	11
Joseph Cowdery	DNP	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
Christopher Lai	1	15	15	x		15	15	15	15
Jason Fisher		8	12	x	7		7	11	15
Flynn Thatcher		8	15	x	14	15		12	13
Connor Strudwick	2	15	15	x	8	15	15		14
Ollie McCoy-Page		13	15	x	9	8	15	15	

This was yet another large entry, and a long tournament. It was tricky to handicap because quite a few players were newcomers but things worked out well enough. And this was probably the section with the most rivalries to settle, so there was a keen edge to some of the play.



Connor Strudwick & Christopher Lai

Club handicap tournament

U15 BOYS' SINGLES

Group B									
Player	Pos	Daniel Roach	Zak Theodoulou	Joseph Freat	Nicholas Pipe	Kalvin Liang	Peter Beech	Alex Tennant-Smith	Lucas Downes
Daniel Roach			15	15	14	15	10	14	15
Zak Theodoulou		12		15	11	12	10	10	15
Joseph Freat		8	14		12	11	11	11	15
Nicholas Pipe	1	15	15	15		15	15	15	15
Kalvin Liang		14	15	15	11		8	12	15
Peter Beech	2	15	15	15	12	15		15	10
Alex Tennant-Smith		15	15	15	6	15	10		15
Lucas Downes		14	6	14	11	12	6	12	

Semi-finals

Christopher Lai 15 v 9 Peter Beech
 Nicholas Pipe 10 v 15 Connor Strudwick

Final

Christopher Lai 15 v 12 Connor Strudwick

Club handicap tournament

U15 GIRLS' SINGLES

Player	Pos.	Alice Sutton	Imogen Galvin	Helen Sproston	Isabel Smith	Elena Koutas
Alice Sutton			17	17	21	21
Imogen Galvin	1	21		17	21	21
Helen Sproston	3	21	21		21	11
Isabel Smith		11	16	13		10
Elena Koutas	2	21	16	21	21	

Though none of the games finished closer than 21-17, this small group was nevertheless pretty close, with a three-way tie for the medal positions, resolved in favour of Imogen and Elena by taking points scored into account.



Elena Koutas & Imogen Galvin

Club handicap tournament

BOYS' U18 SINGLES

Player	Pos	Connor McCartney	Henry Bradshaw	Chris Gane	Jonathan Hau	Alex Downes	Daryn Howes	Ben Churcher	Ben Coker	Ben Cullen
Connor McCartney			15	13	13	13	9	15	15	15
Henry Bradshaw		9		11	12	9	9	13	12	6
Chris Gane	3	15	15		14	12	13	15	15	15
Jonathan Hau	1	15	15	15		15	15	15	15	15
Alex Downes		15	15	15	13		13	9	15	13
Daryn Howes	2	15	15	15	9	15		15	15	15
Ben Churcher		14	15	9	14	15	13		15	6
Ben Coker		11	15	10	9	11	14	9		8
Ben Cullen		6	15	14	10	15	13	15	15	

We have so many boys at this age group that we had to get them playing to 15 points in order to fit the games into the time available. There was a lot of fast and furious play and it all came down to the very last match between the two scratch players, Jonny and Daryn, which was won by Jonny.



Jonathan Hau & Daryn Howes

Club handicap tournament

GIRLS' U18 SINGLES

Player	Pos	Lucy Sharp	Polly Thisdell	Holly Weston	Stephanie Pipe	Kaman Liang	Alice Brown
Lucy Sharp			11	6	10	7	15
Polly Thisdell		15		14	6	10	15
Holly Weston	1	15	15		15	15	15
Stephanie Pipe	2	15	15	7		15	15
Kaman Liang	3	15	15	5	11		15
Alice Brown		13	12	10	13	12	

The results of this section seem to be all over the place so I suspect there was a lot of inconsistent play going on (though I didn't get to see much of it). Who'd be a handicapper? Anyway, Holly carried all before her and took the gold medal, with Stephanie taking the silver.



Stephanie Pipe & Holly Weston