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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

The U12 mixed A team played at home to Streets Heath in the ACDBL on Saturday, winning 168-71.

The U12 mixed B team played at home to Horsell A and won a tight match by 156-147.

The U14 girls A team played at home to Mayflower and won 210-110.

The U16 girls played at home to Eagles, who came with a very strong team, and won a very close match by 178-175.

The U14 boys were away to Ebbisham in the Surrey League and lost 4-6.

On Sunday the U16 boys B team played away to Streets Heath in the ACDBL and lost 125-200.

The U12 boys' B team played away to Bourne and lost 176-198.

The U12 girls played away to Bourne and won 210-74.

In the Surrey League on Sunday, the U16 boys played away to Coulsdon and Purley and won 8-2, securing our second Surrey League divisional win of the season with a clean sweep in their matches.

County representation

Chris Lai and Nick Pipe both played for the Surrey U15 team that finished as runner-up in the U15 Shires League finals on Sunday.

National circuit results

Smrithi Shirol played in the Margaret Tipton U12 Tournament at the weekend and reached the semi-final of the girls' doubles event.

New head coach for Swifts

If you would like to learn who will be taking over as Swifts' new head coach please turn the page (this will prove who reads the newsletter and who doesn't, won't it?) See if you can guess who it is before you turn the page. Here's a clue—the new head coach is no stranger to our members.

Guest coach session with Amir Ghaffar

Members in attendance this Saturday were able to enjoy a session with past Commonwealth Games silver medallist Amir Ghaffar, who assisted Martin Godfrey. Many thanks to Amir!

I predicted that Amir would be strong on the footwork aspects of the sport and I think it is fair to say he made sure members were aware of the benefits of the skipping rope and of shuttle runs.

The amusing highlight of the day for me was overhearing one of our younger members, in the 8:45 am session, performing a shuttle run behind the court where Amir was doing over-the-net work with some other members, and quietly chuntering. That is the only word to use, *chuntering*. I overheard something like the following:

Young member (really to himself, and louder than he thought):

This is hard; what am I learning from this?

Amir (obviously blessed with acute hearing):

You're learning a lot! Stop moaning and get on with it.



The juniors and intermediates with Amir



The beginners and improvers with Amir

New head coach

Have patience, I beseech (guess which famous playwright wrote that), the announcement of who will be our new head coach has been postponed as this page is too full of news of the guest coach session. For the rearranged announcement you'll now have to wait until page 3! In the meanwhile, have you guessed who it is it yet?



The emerging and advanced session members with Amir and the coaches

New Swifts head coach



Well, I've kept you waiting long enough and can no longer delay telling you that Swifts' new head coach (with effect from the next club session on 25 April) will be **Amir Ghaffar**.

Clearly, after spending a day with us as a guest coach this week, he found he liked us so much that he couldn't resist the opportunity to fill our permanent vacancy.

This means that those of you who were unable to attend this Saturday's guest coach session will be able to train under Amir's tutelage anyway. How lucky is that?

Just to remind you, Amir was part of the British Commonwealth Games team in Melbourne in 2006, when he won a silver medal in the team

event as a singles specialist. He rose to be number 21 in the world singles rankings and won 39 caps playing for England. He also reached the last sixteen of the world championships in 2005. He was English national singles champion twice, and runner-up twice.

After retiring as a player, Amir became a full-time professional coach and he has worked at a very high level indeed, including England's World Class Programme. He holds training camps in Hounslow on a regular basis, as well as individually coaching both junior and adult players.

Amir has a lot of experience to pass on to our members and looks forward to training players with the high level of enthusiasm he saw on Saturday (as well as getting a Swifts shirt that fits him properly). In return, and very much in keeping with the Swifts philosophy, he expects members to contribute a high level of commitment to training and to put full effort into both practice and play.

ACDBL match results

Location: **Lightwater** Date: **18 Apr 2015** Opposition: **Streets Heath**
 Result: **Won 168 - 71** Home U12A Mixed

Swifts	Ben Atkins	Hayden Mitchell	Amy Chapman	Lila Dundas
Opposition	Charlie Dodd	Harrison Dodd	Rebecca Lee	Rebecca Bell

Home Players		Score		Away Players	
Ben Atkins	Amy Chapman	21	2	Charlie Dodd	Rebecca Lee
Hayden Mitchell	Lila Dundas	21	8	Harrison Dodd	Rebecca Bell
Ben Atkins	Amy Chapman	21	8	Harrison Dodd	Rebecca Bell
Hayden Mitchell	Lila Dundas	21	11	Charlie Dodd	Rebecca Lee
Ben Atkins	Lila Dundas	21	8	Charlie Dodd	Rebecca Bell
Hayden Mitchell	Amy Chapman	21	11	Harrison Dodd	Rebecca Lee
Hayden Mitchell	Amy Chapman	21	8	Charlie Dodd	Rebecca Bell
Ben Atkins	Lila Dundas	21	15	Harrison Dodd	Rebecca Lee
		168	71		

Location: **Lightwater** Date: **18 Apr 2015** Opposition: **Horsell A**
 Result: **Won 156 - 147** Home U12B Mixed

Swifts	Henry Sutton	Matthew Grove	Daisy Murphy	Annabelle Atkins
Opposition	Ihor Nelson	Owen Swain	Hannah Zhao	Tivishi Agarwar

Home Players		Score		Away Players	
Henry Sutton	Daisy Murphy	21	15	Ihor Nelson	Hannah Zhao
Matthew Grove	Annabelle Atkins	19	21	Owen Swain	Tivishi Agarwar
Henry Sutton	Daisy Murphy	21	18	Owen Swain	Tivishi Agarwar
Matthew Grove	Annabelle Atkins	16	21	Ihor Nelson	Hannah Zhao
Henry Sutton	Annabelle Atkins	19	21	Ihor Nelson	Tivishi Agarwar
Matthew Grove	Daisy Murphy	19	21	Owen Swain	Hannah Zhao
Matthew Grove	Daisy Murphy	20	21	Ihor Nelson	Tivishi Agarwar
Henry Sutton	Annabelle Atkins	21	9	Owen Swain	Hannah Zhao
		156	147		

ACDBL match results

Location: Lightwater **Date:** 18 Apr 2015 **Opposition:** Mayflower
Result: Won 210 - 110 **Home** **U14A Girls**

Swifts	Lucy Bezants	Sophie Mercure	Emily Chapman	Ruth Devapragasam
Opposition	Bethany Hackman	Hanna Nagpal	Imogen Beere	Sarah Salvagni

Home Players		Score		Away Players	
Lucy Bezants		21	8	Bethany Hackman	
Sophie Mercure		21	7	Hanna Nagpal	
Emily Chapman		21	9	Imogen Beere	
Ruth Devapragasam		21	3	Sarah Salvagni	
Lucy Bezants	Sophie Mercure	21	18	Bethany Hackman	Hanna Nagpal
Emily Chapman	Ruth Devapragasam	21	13	Imogen Beere	Sarah Salvagni
Lucy Bezants	Emily Chapman	21	17	Bethany Hackman	Imogen Beere
Sophie Mercure	Ruth Devapragasam	21	10	Hanna Nagpal	Sarah Salvagni
Lucy Bezants	Ruth Devapragasam	21	18	Bethany Hackman	Sarah Salvagni
Sophie Mercure	Emily Chapman	21	7	Hanna Nagpal	Imogen Beere
		210	110		

Location: Lightwater **Date:** 18 Apr 2015 **Opposition:** Eagles
Result: Won 178 - 175 **Home** **U16A Girls**

Swifts	Jodie Teale	Jessica Mallett	Elena Koutas	Alice Sutton
Opposition	Alexandra Oprisan	Karen Klimaytys	Natasha Hunt	Sikemi Adetola

Home Players		Score		Away Players	
Jodie Teale		17	21	Alexandra Oprisan	
Jessica Mallett		7	21	Karen Klimaytys	
Elena Koutas		20	21	Natasha Hunt	
Alice Sutton		21	11	Sikemi Adetola	
Jodie Teale	Jessica Mallett	13	21	Alexandra Oprisan	Karen Klimaytys
Elena Koutas	Alice Sutton	21	10	Natasha Hunt	Sikemi Adetola
Jodie Teale	Elena Koutas	21	19	Alexandra Oprisan	Natasha Hunt
Jessica Mallett	Alice Sutton	21	20	Karen Klimaytys	Sikemi Adetola
Jodie Teale	Alice Sutton	21	10	Alexandra Oprisan	Sikemi Adetola
Jessica Mallett	Elena Koutas	16	21	Karen Klimaytys	Natasha Hunt
		178	175		

ACDBL match results

Location: Farnham **Date:** 19 Apr 2015 **Opposition:** Bourne
Result: Lost 176 - 198 **Away** **U12B Boys**

Swifts	Hayden Mitchell	Matthew Grove	John Canning	Tim Canning
Opposition	George Casale	Jack Richardson	Sam Richardson	Max Todd

Home Players		Score		Away Players	
George Casale		12	21	Hayden Mitchell	
Jack Richardson		21	20	Matthew Grove	
Sam Richardson		21	14	John Canning	
Max Todd		21	13	Tim Canning	
George Casale	Jack Richardson	18	21	Hayden Mitchell	Matthew Grove
Sam Richardson	Max Todd	21	17	John Canning	Tim Canning
George Casale	Sam Richardson	21	13	Hayden Mitchell	John Canning
Jack Richardson	Max Todd	21	19	Matthew Grove	Tim Canning
George Casale	Max Todd	21	20	Hayden Mitchell	Tim Canning
Jack Richardson	Sam Richardson	21	18	Matthew Grove	John Canning
		198	176		

Location: Farnham **Date:** 19 Apr 2015 **Opposition:** Bourne
Result: Won 210 - 74 **Away** **U12A Girls**

Swifts	Amy Chapman	Smrithi Shirol	Daisy Murphy	Annabelle Atkins
Opposition	Chloe Paton	Libby Hill	Anna Scott	Katie Hill

Home Players		Score		Away Players	
Chloe Paton		2	21	Amy Chapman	
Libby Hill		4	21	Smrithi Shirol	
Anna Scott		13	21	Daisy Murphy	
Katie Hill		4	21	Annabelle Atkins	
Chloe Paton	Libby Hill	5	21	Amy Chapman	Smrithi Shirol
Anna Scott	Katie Hill	7	21	Daisy Murphy	Annabelle Atkins
Chloe Paton	Anna Scott	13	21	Amy Chapman	Daisy Murphy
Libby Hill	Katie Hill	8	21	Smrithi Shirol	Annabelle Atkins
Chloe Paton	Katie Hill	8	21	Amy Chapman	Annabelle Atkins
Libby Hill	Anna Scott	10	21	Smrithi Shirol	Daisy Murphy
		74	210		

ACDBL match results

Location: Lightwater **Date:** 19 Apr 2015 **Opposition:** Streets Heath
Result: Lost 125 - 200 **Away** **U16B Boys**

Swifts	Jed Shrewsbury	Lucas Downes	Daniel Roach	Joseph Frean
Opposition	Charlie Godwin	Joe Gardner	Josh Fereday	Jake Wivell

Home Players		Score		Away Players	
Charlie Godwin		21	11	Jed Shrewsbury	
Joe Gardner		21	10	Lucas Downes	
Josh Fereday		21	6	Daniel Roach	
Jake Wivell		15	21	Joseph Frean	
Charlie Godwin	Joe Gardner	21	12	Jed Shrewsbury	Lucas Downes
Josh Fereday	Jake Wivell	21	16	Daniel Roach	Joseph Frean
Charlie Godwin	Josh Fereday	21	10	Jed Shrewsbury	Daniel Roach
Joe Gardner	Jake Wivell	17	21	Lucas Downes	Joseph Frean
Charlie Godwin	Jake Wivell	21	11	Jed Shrewsbury	Joseph Frean
Joe Gardner	Josh Fereday	21	7	Lucas Downes	Daniel Roach
		200	125		

Surrey League match results

Location: Lightwater **Date:** 18 Apr 2015 **Opposition:** Ebbisham
Result: Lost 4 - 6 **Away** **U14 Boys**

Swifts	Callum Mitchell	Harry Hodges-Long	Max Curtis	Greg Laurence
Opposition	Ewen Bate	Jacob Hickey	Sam Jenkins	Tomas ??????

Home Players		Score	Away Players	
Ewen Bate		19 21	Callum Mitchell	
Jacob Hickey		21 15	Harry Hodges-Long	
Sam Jenkins		21 19	Max Curtis	
Tomas ??????		21 10	Greg Laurence	
Ewen Bate	Jacob Hickey	17 21	Callum Mitchell	Harry Hodges-Long
Sam Jenkins	Tomas ??????	17 21	Max Curtis	Greg Laurence
Ewen Bate	Sam Jenkins	18 21	Callum Mitchell	Max Curtis
Jacob Hickey	Tomas ??????	14 21	Harry Hodges-Long	Greg Laurence
Ewen Bate	Tomas ??????	21 13	Callum Mitchell	Greg Laurence
Jacob Hickey	Sam Jenkins	21 19	Harry Hodges-Long	Max Curtis
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		21 18		
		6		
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Surrey League match results

Location: Epsom **Date:** 19 Apr 2015 **Opposition:** Coulsdon & Purley
Result: Won 8 - 2 **Away** **U16 Boys**

Swifts	Nathaniel Brittany	Harry Williams	Harry Owens	Flynn Thatcher
Opposition	Robert Rixson	George Morbey	Phillip Pestell	Alex Luckhurst

Home Players		Score		Away Players	
Robert Rixson		17	21	Nathaniel Brittany	
		17	21		
George Morbey		21	18	Harry Williams	
		24	26		
Phillip Pestell		11	21	Harry Owens	
		7	21		
Alex Luckhurst		13	21	Flynn Thatcher	
		16	21		
Robert Rixson	George Morbey	22	20	Nathaniel Brittany	Harry Williams
		19	21		
Phillip Pestell	Alex Luckhurst	20	22	Harry Owens	Flynn Thatcher
		12	21		
Robert Rixson	Phillip Pestell	11	21	Nathaniel Brittany	Harry Owens
		12	21		
George Morbey	Alex Luckhurst	21	15	Harry Williams	Flynn Thatcher
		22	20		
Robert Rixson	Alex Luckhurst	16	21	Nathaniel Brittany	Flynn Thatcher
		18	21		
George Morbey	Phillip Pestell	18	21	Harry Williams	Harry Owens
		18	21		
		2	8		