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Surrey Tournaments

The Surrey U18 championship was held on Sunday 23 July (postponed from December!!) and a number of Swifts players entered, with considerable success. The new rally point scoring system was used at this event, which you will all hear a lot more about in September.

Ellie Crossley was the star player. She won the girls' singles and, together with Jenny Nurse, she also won the girls' doubles. To cap a very good day's work she partnered James Buffham in winning the mixed doubles.

James Buffham was also runner-up in the boys' doubles and a quarter-finalist in the singles.

Hannah Thompson was a semi-finalist in the girls' singles.

Local Tournaments

There was even more success for Swifts players at the Berkshire Bonanza on 4 June than previously reported. Chris Hancock won the boys' U11 doubles event and was runner-up in the boys' singles.

BE Gradings for Season 2006-07

Preliminary gradings for the new season have just been published and a number of Swifts members have received gradings from Badminton England.

In the U13 age group Kerri Scott is grade 2, putting her in the top 50 or so nationally.

In the U15 age group Michael Daw, Edward Thomas and Jack Kinmond are all grade 1, putting them all in the top 24 of the age group.

To put this into context, no county has more than three grade 1 U15 boys, so for a club to have three members who are grade 1 is quite an achievement. In addition, Jamie Ellis is grade 3, putting him in the top 100 or so.

In the U17s James Buffham is grade 1 while Ellie Crossley and Rachel Daw are grade 3. Rachel Nurse is also grade 3 but this is an obvious error as Rachel is too old for U17s and I suspect that BE may mean Jenny Nurse.

Well done to all of them!