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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

It is the beginning of a new season which means we have to play all the matches in the ACDBL between our A and B teams before we are allowed to get at the other clubs. Of course, this means our players get some early competitive practice before they have to take on the rest of the league in an effort to beat last season's record results.

The U14 mixed A team defeated the B team by 168-72.

The U16 boys A team beat the B team by 206-135.

The U16 girls A team beat the B team by 203-108.

More new members

After a summer of strong recruiting we are starting the new season with a further influx of newcomers to the club.

So, please welcome Shannon Chen (U15), Ben Coker (U13), Chris Doran, Imogen Galvin(U11), Bhagyesh Govilka (U14), Annie Starkey(U16), and Thomas Wild (U11).

Kudos for our head coach

The Surrey Heath Sports Awards were announced at a function in Camberley on Sunday evening and the winner of the Coach of the Year award was ... Jon Escott. Jon was one of five nominees and his nomination read as follows:

An inspirational head coach who continues to improve coaching at Swifts, even arranging masterclasses with England stars Gail Emms and Nathan Robertson, and ensuring sessions are friendly, welcoming and fun. Membership has soared and training sessions increased. This season saw Swifts win 90% of the Camberley Junior League divisions, and take three from four Surrey team trophies.

Jon has set up a thriving Wilson Development Academy at Lightwater and also coaches in local schools, helping youngsters sample and enjoy a different sport. In his spare time, he is undertaking training to become one of the country's few level three coaches.

National circuit tournaments

It may be early in the season but Swifts players have already been busy on the national junior age group circuit.

Samodani Wijetunge played in the BE U13 Gold JC in Bath and reached the semi-final of the girls' singles.

Stirling Burrow reached the semi-final of the boys' doubles event at the same tournament.

Nathaniel Brittany played in the U13 Bronze event and was runner-up in the boys' singles and went one better by winning the doubles.

Ollie Thompson played in the U15 BE Gold JC at Leigh and got to the boys' singles quarter-final.

Other tournaments

Jonathan Hau and Euan Farrow entered the Healthy Futures boys' doubles tournament in London in August and won the U15 age group.

Euan also entered the Birmingham Bonanza and reached the semi-final of the U13 singles event and won the U13 boys' doubles.

BE junior gradings

Several Swifts members have been recognised by Badminton England in the junior gradings for the new season, which relate to the age groups between U13 and U17 inclusive.

Grade 1 players (roughly the top 30 in England) are Stirling Burrow, Samodani Wijetunge (U13), and Oliver Thompson (U15).

Our grade 2 players (roughly the top 70) are Harriet Gosztonyi, Euan Farrow (U13), Aaran Hodder (U15), Jessica Ledermann and Sarinda Wijetunge (U17).

Our grade 3 players (top 90 or so) are Nathaniel Brittany (U13), William Manners (U15) and Ryan Tinslay (U17).

Well done to all of them!

ACDBL match results



Darren Sharp, the ACDBL junior coordinator, came to the first Swifts session of the season to present Swifts with the trophies our teams won in the league last season. As we won every division except the U12 boys, this was rather a lot of trophies. The picture above is of the those members who played in U14 and U16 teams during the season, plus, I suspect, an interloper or two. Darren is the chap who is wearing non-badminton clothes, of course.

ACDBL match results

Location:	Lightwater	Date:	11 Sep	2010	Match:	Swifts A v B
Result:	Won 168 - 72				Home	U14A Mixed
	Swifts A	Jake Handley	Alex D	ownes	Zoe Taylor	Emily Armstrong
	Swifts B	Christopher Spain	Nicol	as Gil	Syan Wombwell	Rianna Meme
	Home Players		Score		Away Players	
	Jake Handley	Zoe Taylor	21	6	Christopher Spain	Syan Wombwell
	Alex Downes	Emily Armstrong	21	12	Nicolas Gil	Rianna Meme
	Alex Downes	Emily Armstrong	21	11	Christopher Spain	Syan Wombwell
	Jake Handley	Zoe Taylor	21	2	Nicolas Gil	Rianna Meme
	Jake Handley	Emily Armstrong	21	18	Christopher Spain	Rianna Meme
	Alex Downes	Zoe Taylor	21	9	Nicolas Gil	Syan Wombwell
	Jake Handley	Emily Armstrong	21	10	Nicolas Gil	Syan Wombwell
	Alex Downes	Zoe Taylor	21	4	Christopher Spain	Rianna Meme
			168	72		

Location:	Lightwater	Date: 11 Sep 2010			Opposition:	Swifts A v B
Result:	Won 206 - 135				Home	U16A Boys
	Swifts A	Ollie Thompson	Jack	Wills	George Williamson	Ieuan Godfrey
	Swifts B	Ben Everett-Riley	Daryn Howes		Martin Jager	Colin Clarke
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	Home Players		Score		Away Players	
	Ollie Thompson		21	9	Ben Everett-Riley	
	Jack Wills		21	8	Daryn H	owes
	George Williamson		21	18	Martin Jager	
	Ieuan Godfrey		21	9	Colin Clarke	
	Ollie Thompson	Jack Wills	21	10	Ben Everett-Riley	Daryn Howes
(George Williamson	Ieuan Godfrey	21	18	Martin Jager	Colin Clarke
	Ollie Thompson	George Williamson	17	21	Ben Everett-Riley	Martin Jager
	Jack Wills	Ieuan Godfrey	21	16	Daryn Howes	Colin Clarke
	Ollie Thompson	Ieuan Godfrey	21	10	Ben Everett-Riley	Colin Clarke
	Jack Wills	George Williamson	21	16	Daryn Howes	Martin Jager
			206	135		

ACDBL match results

Location: Result:	Lightwater Won 203 - 108	Date:	11 Sej	2010	Opposition: Home	Swifts A v B U16A Girls
	Swifts A	Sophie Martin	Georgia	Flatman	Stephanie Thomas	Georgia Beech
	Swifts B	Polly Thisdell	Alicia	Dadlani	Tamsyn Wombwell	Veronica Mervild
	Home Players Sophie Martin Georgia Flatman Stephanie Thomas Georgia Beech		Score		Away Players	
			21	14	Polly 7	Thisdell
			21	4	Alicia Dadlani	
			21	7	Tamsyn Wombwell	
			14	21	Veronica Mervild	
	Sophie Martin	Georgia Flatman	21	5	Polly Thisdell	Alicia Dadlani
	Stephanie Thomas	Georgia Beech	21	11	Tamsyn Wombwell	Veronica Mervild
	Sophie Martin	Stephanie Thomas	21	9	Polly Thisdell	Tamsyn Wombwell
	Georgia Flatman	Georgia Beech	21	16	Alicia Dadlani	Veronica Mervild
	Sophie Martin	Georgia Beech	21	17	Polly Thisdell	Veronica Mervild
	Georgia Flatman	Stephanie Thomas	21	4	Alicia Dadlani	Tamsyn Wombwell
			203	108		