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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 was the final weekend of the season and we didn't manage to add to the record-equalling eleven ACDBL divisions we had already won, despite some big wins.

The U16 boys' B team kicked off the weekend by playing away to Eagles on Friday evening and losing 134-207 which meant that the team lost its chance of winning the second division. Since all the other teams have matches still to play and it is very close, any of the other three teams can still win the division, and Swifts B can finish in any position except first.

On Saturday the U10 unisex A team played at home to Streetswater and won 168-95, which leaves the Swifts B team in the runners-up spot in the division.

The U12 mixed A team played away to Yateley Hawks and won 163-118 to finish the season undefeated.

The U14 boys' A team couldn't move out of second place despite beating Yateley Hawks 204-142 away.

The u14 mixed B team lost at home to Bourne by 100-168.

The U16 mixed A team finished the season unbeaten by winning 154-125 away to Clandon.

International representation

Samodani Wijetunge played for the England U15 team (remember, she is still an U13) in the home countries quadrangular tournament this weekend. The England team finished as runners-up and Samodani reached the quarter-final of the girls' singles in the individual event before losing to the top seed, and also reached the last 16 of the mixed doubles.

County representation

Stirling Burrow and Holly Weston played for the Surrey U15 2nd team in the Shires League on Sunday, beating Middlesex. William Manners played in the Surrey U15 1st team that defeated Berkshire on Saturday.

Isabel Phillips, Nicholas Pipe, and Sam Williams all played in the Surrey E-mail: cliff_buffham@ntlworld.com U12 team that won the invitational octagonal county tournament in York on Saturday.

National circuit results

Nicholas Pipe won the boys' doubles in the Yorkshire U12 Open on Sunday.

By winning the boys' doubles and the mixed events at the Kent U16 Open on Saturday, Ollie Thompson joined in what is fast becoming a club tradition when he became the third Swifts boy in the last six years to win multiple events in the Kent U16 Open.

SSBA club team tournament

Sunday brought the first of two weekends of the SSBA club team tournament and saw the U11 B grade, U13 A grade, U15 B grade and U18 A grade events contested. Swifts were the defending champions in all these categories. Could they hold on to these titles? Find out by reading the full details which can be found later in this newsletter, together with team photos.

Many thanks go to all the team managers who saw our teams through the day. Without them it couldn't have happened.

Our players, with very few exceptions, were highly motivated and played hard throughout according to their abilities and deserve great credit.

The exceptions (and I'm sure they must know who they are, though I won't name names here) spark two observations: (a) if you don't want to play for your team and take part wholeheartedly in the rubbers selected for you by the team manager, don't make yourself available at all because no player gets to choose when and where they play and (b) if you don't think your team-mates are good enough to play in the same team as you, **keep it to yourself**.

This is a team event and being able to perform as part of a team is all-important. You may prefer to play doubles or mixed, or whatever, but sometimes you have to play something you like less so that the team can prosper. Learn to accept this.

New members

It may be near the end of the season but we are still welcoming new members. Lucy Bezants (U11) has just joined us to bring our current membership to an amazing highest ever of 129.

ACDBL match results

| Location: | Lightwater | Date: | 28 Apı | r 2012 | | |
|-----------|-----------------|------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| Result: | Won 168 - 95 | | | | Home | U10A Unisex |
| | Swifts | Callum Mitchell Eliot Duff | | Ollie Phillips | Dominic Nabasa | |
| | Opposition | Ellie Darlington | Anish Goel | | Charlotte Bell | Charlie Dodd |
| | | | • | • | _ | |
| | Home 1 | Players | Sco | ore | Away 1 | Players |
| | Callum Mitchell | Eliot Duff | Eliot Duff 21 1 | | Ellie Darlington | Anish Goel |
| | Ollie Phillips | Dominic Nabasa | 21 | 10 | Charlotte Bell | Charlie Dodd |
| | Eliot Duff | Ollie Phillips | 21 | 13 | Ellie Darlington | Charlie Dodd |
| | Callum Mitchell | Dominic Nabasa | 21 | 14 | Anish Goel | Charlotte Bell |
| | Callum Mitchell | Ollie Phillips | 21 | 4 | Ellie Darlington | Charlotte Bell |
| | Eliot Duff | Dominic Nabasa | 21 | 18 | Anish Goel | Charlie Dodd |
| | Callum Mitchell | Dominic Nabasa | 21 | 7 | Ellie Darlington | Charlie Dodd |
| | Eliot Duff | Ollie Phillips | 21 | 14 | Anish Goel | Charlotte Bell |
| | | | 168 | 95 | | |

| Location: | Yateley Won 163-118 | Date: | 28 Apr 2012 | | Opposition: Away | Yateley Hawks U12A Mixed |
|-----------|----------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|--------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| Result. | Swifts | Harry Owens Daniel Beeney | | Beeney | Imogen Galvin | Emily Hammond |
| | Opposition | Andrew LeFevre | Michael | Chacko | Kate Sutherland | Wendy Somner |
| | | | | | | |
| | Home | Sc | ore | Away | Players | |
| | Andrew LeFevre | Kate Sutherland | 15 | 21 | Harry Owens | Imogen Galvin |
| | Michael Chacko | Wendy Somner | 14 | 21 | Daniel Beeney | Emily Hammond |
| | Andrew LeFevre | Kate Sutherland | 21 | 19 | Daniel Beeney | Emily Hammond |
| | Michael Chacko | Wendy Somner | 6 | 21 | Harry Owens | Imogen Galvin |
| | Andrew LeFevre | Wendy Somner | 7 | 21 | Harry Owens | Emily Hammond |
| | Michael Chacko | Kate Sutherland | 21 | 19 | Daniel Beeney | Imogen Galvin |
| | Michael Chacko | Kate Sutherland | 13 | 21 | Harry Owens | Emily Hammond |
| | Andrew LeFevre | Wendy Somner | 21 | 20 | Daniel Beeney | Imogen Galvin |
| | | - | 118 | 163 | • | Ü |

ACDBL match results

| Location: | Yateley | Date: 28 Apr 2012 | | | Opposition: | Yateley Hawks A | |
|----------------|---------------|----------------------|-------------|--------|--------------|-----------------|--|
| Result: | Won 204 - 142 | | | | Away | U14A Boys | |
| | Swifts | Jake Handley | Alex Downes | | Ben Coker | Ben Cullen | |
| | Opposition | Sam Mills | Jame | s Vass | Jacob Gill | Peter Daniels | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | Home P | layers | Sco | ore | Away Players | | |
| | Sam Mills | | | 21 | Jake Handley | | |
| | James Vass | | | 21 | Alex Downes | | |
| | Jacob | Gill | 10 | 21 | Ben Coker | | |
| | Peter D | aniels | 12 | 21 | Ben Cullen | | |
| | Sam Mills | James Vass | 9 | 21 | Jake Handley | Alex Downes | |
| | Jacob Gill | Peter Daniels | 19 | 21 | Ben Coker | Ben Cullen | |
| | Sam Mills | Jacob Gill | 16 | 21 | Jake Handley | Ben Coker | |
| | James Vass | Peter Daniels | 21 | 15 | Alex Downes | Ben Cullen | |
| | Sam Mills | Peter Daniels | 17 | 21 | Jake Handley | Ben Cullen | |
| | James Vass | Jacob Gill | 12 | 21 | Alex Downes | Ben Coker | |
| | | | 142 | 204 | | | |

| Location: | Farnham Lost 100 - 168 | Date: | 28 Ap | r 2012 | Opposition: | Bourne U14B Mixed |
|-----------|---------------------------|----------------|--------------|--------|---------------|----------------------|
| Result. | Swifts | Henry Bradshaw | Lucas Downes | | Sophie Cooper | Rianna Meme |
| | Opposition | Lawrence Jepp | | | Rosie Foster | Maisie Wane |
| Home Pl | | Players | Sco | ore | Away Players | |
| | Henry Bradshaw | Sophie Cooper | 16 | 21 | Lawrence Jepp | Rosie Foster |
| | Lucas Downes | Rianna Meme | 13 | 21 | Michael Toase | Maisie Wane |
| | Henry Bradshaw | Sophie Cooper | 18 | 21 | Michael Toase | Maisie Wane |
| | Lucas Downes | Rianna Meme | 6 | 21 | Lawrence Jepp | Rosie Foster |
| | Henry Bradshaw | Rianna Meme | 12 | 21 | Lawrence Jepp | Maisie Wane |
| | Lucas Downes | Sophie Cooper | 14 | 21 | Michael Toase | Rosie Foster |
| | Lucas Downes | Sophie Cooper | 7 | 21 | Lawrence Jepp | Maisie Wane |
| | Henry Bradshaw | Rianna Meme | 14 | 21 | Michael Toase | Rosie Foster |
| | | | 100 | 168 | | |

ACDBL match results

| Location: | Guildford | Date: | 28 A | pr 2012 | Opposition: | Clandon | |
|-----------|---------------|-----------------|------------|-----------|------------------|--------------|--|
| Result: | Won 154 - 125 | | | | Away | U16A Mixed | |
| | Swifts | William Manners | Connor | McCartney | Alice Brown | Abbie Law | |
| | Opposition | Alex Maclean | Blair Hill | | Lucy Sharp | Katy Bennett | |
| | | _ | • | | _ | | |
| | Home | Players | S | core | Away Players | | |
| | Alex Maclean | Lucy Sharp | 14 | 21 | William Manners | Alice Brown | |
| | Blair Hill | Katy Bennett | 10 | 21 | Connor McCartney | Abbie Law | |
| | Alex Maclean | Lucy Sharp | 21 | 12 | Connor McCartney | Abbie Law | |
| | Blair Hill | Katy Bennett | 12 | 21 | William Manners | Alice Brown | |
| | Alex Maclean | Katy Bennett | 13 | 21 | William Manners | Abbie Law | |
| | Blair Hill | Lucy Sharp | 21 | 16 | Connor McCartney | Alice Brown | |
| | Blair Hill | Lucy Sharp | 20 | 21 | William Manners | Abbie Law | |
| | Alex Maclean | Katy Bennett | 14 | 21 | Connor McCartney | Alice Brown | |
| | | | 125 | 154 | | | |

| ocation: \ | Walton on Thames | Date: 27 Apr 2012 | | | Opposition: | Eagles | |
|------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------|-------|--------------------|------------------|--|
| Result: | Lost 134 - 207 | | | | Away | U16A Boys | |
| | Swifts | Nathaniel Brittany | Ben (| Coker | Chris Gane | Adam Thomas | |
| | Opposition | Ruari O'Connor | Roger | Boka | Josh Loyd | Joel Hartikainer | |
| | Home Players | | | | Score Away Players | | |
| | Ruari O'0 | Connor | 21 | 18 | Nathaniel Brittany | | |
| | Roger | Boka | 21 | 10 | Ben Coker | | |
| | Josh I | ∟oyd | 21 | 14 | Chris Gane | | |
| | Joel Hart | ikainen | 21 | 8 | Adam Thomas | | |
| | Ruari O'Connor | Roger Boka | 18 | 21 | Nathaniel Brittany | Ben Coker | |
| | Josh Loyd | Joel Hartikainen | 21 | 14 | Chris Gane | Adam Thomas | |
| | Ruari O'Connor | Josh Loyd | 21 | 20 | Nathaniel Brittany | Chris Gane | |
| | Roger Boka | Joel Hartikainen | 21 | 6 | Ben Coker | Adam Thomas | |
| | Ruari O'Connor | Joel Hartikainen | 21 | 15 | Nathaniel Brittany | Adam Thomas | |
| | Roger Boka | Josh Loyd | 21 | 8 | Ben Coker | Chris Gane | |
| | - | - | 20 7 | 134 | | | |

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| | Group A | | | | | | | | | |
|------------|---------|----------|---------|----------|-----------|------------|---------|--|--|--|
| Team | Pos | Swifts B | Bookham | Swifts A | Mayflower | Carshalton | Clandon | | | |
| Swifts B | 4 | | 2 | 2 | 5 | 5 | 2 | | | |
| Bookham | 3 | 3 | | 0 | 5 | 5 | 2 | | | |
| Swifts A | 2 | 3 | 5 | | 5 | 5 | 2 | | | |
| Mayflower | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 1 | 1 | | | |
| Carshalton | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | | 2 | | | |
| Clandon | 1 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | | | | |

Both Swifts teams put up a strong fight in the U11 B grade, and the entry was a large one. The young B team scored two rubbers against the A team in the opening match, which set alarm bells ringing in the A team camp, and finally emerged in fourth place after achieving two 5-0 wins and suffering three close 2-3 defeats.

The A team recovered from the shock of conceding two rubbers to the B team and won all its matches (conceding rubbers only to the Swifts B team) until the final, deciding group game when it went down, fighting hard, by the close margin of 2-3 to Clandon. So that meant silver medals for all the team members, and they looked very pleased about it.



Nearly all the players involved this year will still be in this age group next season so that bodes well for future prospects.

U11 A team: Thomas Day, Serena Farrelly, Daniel Beeney and Callum Mitchell. And, yes, Serena does smile like that all the time, even when she is playing.

| | Swifts B | | Sco | ore | Swifts A | | |
|-----------|---------------------------|-------------------|-----|----------|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| U11-1 | Player 1 | Player 1 Player 2 | | Swifts A | Player 1 | Player 2 | |
| Singles A | ngles A Harry Hodges-Long | | 21 | 19 | Thom | as Day | |
| Singles B | Ollie Phillips | | 14 | 21 | Daniel | Beeney | |
| Doubles A | Ellie Darlington | Harry Hodges-Long | 21 | 18 | Thomas Day | Callum Mitchell | |
| Doubles B | Eliot Duff | Ollie Phillips | 16 | 21 | Daniel Beeney | Serena Farrelly | |
| Mixed | Eliot Duff | Ellie Darlington | 11 | 21 | Callum Mitchell | Serena Farrelly | |
| | Match Score | | 2 | 3 | | | |
| | | Points | 83 | 100 | | | |

| | Poo | kham | Soci | 220 | Swifts A | | |
|-----------|--------------------|---|------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| U11-4 | Player 1 | Bookham Score yer 1 Player 2 Bookham Swifts A | | Player 1 Player 2 | | | |
| Singles A | Nicholas Gilbert | | 7 | 21 | Callum Mitchell | | |
| Singles B | Ben Dawson | | 12 | 21 | Daniel Beeney | | |
| Doubles A | Nicholas Gilbert | Christopher Priddy | 11 | 21 | Thomas Day | Callum Mitchell | |
| Doubles B | Ben Dawson | Daisy Riley | 7 | 21 | Daniel Beeney | Serena Farrelly | |
| Mixed | Christopher Priddy | Daisy Riley | 12 | 21 | Thomas Day | Serena Farrelly | |
| | Match Score | | 0 | 5 | | | |
| | | Points | 49 | 105 | | | |

| | Swifts A | | Score | | Mayflower | | |
|-----------|-----------------|-------------------|-------|-----------|----------------|----------------|--|
| U11-7 | Player 1 | Player 1 Player 2 | | Mayflower | Player 1 | Player 2 | |
| Singles A | es A Thomas Day | | 21 | 11 | Imogen Beere | | |
| Singles B | Daniel Beeney | | 21 | 15 | Ollie Dunford | | |
| Doubles A | Thomas Day | Callum Mitchell | 21 | 6 | Imogen Beere | Hanna Nagpal | |
| Doubles B | Daniel Beeney | Serena Farrelly | 21 | 8 | Ollie Dunford | Thomas Freeman | |
| Mixed | Callum Mitchell | Serena Farrelly | 21 | 8 | Thomas Freeman | Hanna Nagpal | |
| | Match Score | | 5 | 0 | | | |
| | | Points | 105 | 48 | | | |

| | | 1 | | | 0 | | |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|----------|------------|---------------|-------------|--|
| | Swifts A | | S | core | Carshalton | | |
| U11-10 | Player 1 | Player 2 | Swifts A | Carshalton | Player 1 | Player 2 | |
| Singles A | Callum Mitchell | | 21 | 11 | Zoe Mo | rbey | |
| Singles B | Daniel Beeney | | 21 | 7 | Humza Butt | | |
| Doubles A | Thomas Day | Callum Mitchell | 21 | 9 | Zoe Morbey | Cora Davies | |
| Doubles B | Daniel Beeney | Serena Farrelly | 21 | 15 | Rohith Ratnam | Ritchie Wu | |
| Mixed | Thomas Day | Serena Farrelly | 21 | 16 | Cora Davies | Ritchie Wu | |
| | Match Score | | 5 | 0 | | | |
| | | Points | 105 | 58 | | | |

| | Swifts A | | Sc | ore | ndon | | |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|----------|---------|--------------|---------------|--|
| U11-15 | Player 1 | Player 2 | Swifts A | Clandon | Player 1 | Player 2 | |
| Singles A | Callum Mitchell | | 8 | 21 | Peter | Arnold | |
| Singles B | Thom | Thomas Day | | 21 | Fin McManus | | |
| Doubles A | Thomas Day | Callum Mitchell | 11 | 21 | Peter Arnold | Fin McManus | |
| Doubles B | Daniel Beeney | Serena Farrelly | 21 | 8 | Adam Buckley | Lauren Taylor | |
| Mixed | Daniel Beeney | Serena Farrelly | 21 | 10 | Adam Buckley | Lauren Taylor | |
| | | Match Score | 2 | 3 | | | |
| | | Points | 79 | 81 | | | |

| | Swifts B | | Sc | ore | Clandon | | |
|-----------|------------------|-------------------|----------|---------|--------------|---------------|--|
| U11-6 | Player 1 | Player 2 | Swifts B | Clandon | Player 1 | Player 2 | |
| Singles A | Harry H | lodges-Long | 7 | 21 | Peter . | | |
| Singles B | El | iot Duff | 11 | 21 | Fin McManus | | |
| Doubles A | Ellie Darlington | Harry Hodges-Long | 8 | 21 | Peter Arnold | Fin McManus | |
| Doubles B | Eliot Duff | Ollie Phillips | 21 | 19 | Adam Buckley | Lauren Taylor | |
| Mixed | Ollie Phillips | Ellie Darlington | 21 | 10 | Adam Buckley | Lauren Taylor | |
| | | Match Score | 2 | 3 | | | |
| | | Points | 68 | 92 | | | |

| | Swifts B | | | core | Cars | halton |
|-----------|---------------------------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------------|------------|
| U11-8 | Player 1 | Player 2 | Swifts B | Carshalton | Player 1 | Player 2 |
| Singles A | ngles A Harry Hodges-Long | | 21 | 18 | Zoe Morbey | |
| Singles B | Ollie Phillips | | 21 | 20 | Rohith Ratnam | |
| Doubles A | Ellie Darlington | Harry Hodges-Long | 21 | 3 | Zoe Morbey | Humza Butt |
| Doubles B | Eliot Duff | Ollie Phillips | 21 | 14 | Cora Davies | Ritchie Wu |
| Mixed | Eliot Duff | Ellie Darlington | 21 | 10 | Cora Davies | Humza Butt |
| | | Match Score | 5 | 0 | | |
| | | Points | 105 | 65 | | |

| | Swifts B | | | | Bookham | | |
|-----------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------|-------------------|--------------------|--|
| U11-11 | Player 1 | Player 2 | Score Swifts B | Bookham | Player 1 Player 2 | | |
| Singles A | Harry Hodges-Long | | 17 | 21 | Christoph | Christopher Priddy | |
| Singles B | El | iot Duff | 13 | 21 | Ben D | Ben Dawson | |
| Doubles A | Ellie Darlington | Harry Hodges-Long | 20 | 21 | Nicholas Gilbert | Christopher Priddy | |
| Doubles B | Eliot Duff | Ollie Phillips | 21 | 18 | Ben Dawson | Daisy Riley | |
| Mixed | Ollie Phillips | Ellie Darlington | 21 | 16 | Nicholas Gilbert | Daisy Riley | |
| | | Match Score | 2 | 3 | | | |
| | | Points | 92 | 97 | | | |

| | | 1 | | | 0 | |
|-----------|------------------|-------------------|----------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | Swifts B | | | Score Mayflower | | |
| U11-14 | Player 1 | Player 2 | Swifts B | Mayflower | Player 1 | Player 2 |
| Singles A | Harry H | odges-Long | 21 | 3 | Hanna | a Nagpal |
| Singles B | Ollie Phillips | | 21 | 10 | Oliver Dunford | |
| Doubles A | Ellie Darlington | Harry Hodges-Long | 21 | 8 | Imogen Beere | Hanna Nagpal |
| Doubles B | Eliot Duff | Ollie Phillips | 21 | 8 | Ollie Dunford | Thomas Freeman |
| Mixed | Eliot Duff | Ellie Darlington | 21 | 11 | Imogen Beere | Thomas Freeman |
| | Match Score | | 5 | 0 | | |
| | | Points | 105 | 40 | | |



U11 B team—Eliot Duff, Ollie Phillips, Harry Hodges-Long and Ellie Darlington

| U13 A Grade | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|---|-----|-------|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| | | Gro | oup A | | | | | | |
| Player | Player Pos Chadacre Ebbisham Swifts Wimbledon | | | | | | | | |
| Chadacre | 4 | | 1 | 1 | O | | | | |
| Ebbisham | 2 | 4 | | 3 | 0 | | | | |
| Swifts | 3 | 4 | 2 | | 1 | | | | |
| Wimbledon | 1 | 5 | 5 | 4 | | | | | |

The U13 team, with our county squad and international girls unavailable for selection, was always going to be difficult. However, the team gave an excellent account of itself to finish third, with the highlight being Nathaniel beating a boy he had never defeated before, and only went down to the runners-up by 2-3 with the girls putting up a very spirited display to come close to winning against tough opposition.



U13 team—Syan Wombwell, Nathaniel Brittany and Jessica Mallet. Chris Lai couldn't stay for the presentations and photos

| | Swi | itto | | Score | Wimble | ndon |
|-------|--------------------|-----------------|--------|-----------|------------------|----------------|
| U13-2 | Player 1 | Plaver 2 | Swifts | Wimbledon | Player 1 | Player 2 |
| BS | Nathaniel Brittany | | 21 | 18 | William Saunders | |
| GS | Jessica Mallett | | 1 | 21 | Cassie Wu | |
| BD | Nathaniel Brittany | Christopher Lai | 12 | 21 | William Saunders | Iliyan Stoynov |
| GD | Jessica Mallett | Syan Wombwell | 8 | 21 | Kim Lim | Cassie Wu |
| Mixed | Christopher Lai | Syan Wombwell | 13 | 21 | Faaris Sheikh | Kim Lim |
| | Match Score | | 1 | 4 | | |
| | | Points | 55 | 102 | | |

| | Chadacre | | Score | | Swifts | | |
|-------|----------------|---------------|----------|---------------|--------------------|-----------------|--|
| U13-3 | Player 1 | Player 2 | Chadacre | Swifts | Player 1 | Player 2 | |
| BS | Leon Griffiths | | 21 | 17 | Nathaniel Brittany | | |
| GS | Xin Yi Lim | | 10 | 21 | Syan Wombwell | | |
| BD | Leon Griffiths | Zhi Ping Lim | 12 | 21 | Nathaniel Brittany | Christopher Lai | |
| GD | Chelsea Huang | Xin Yi Lim | 16 | 21 | Jessica Mallett | Syan Wombwell | |
| Mixed | Zhi Ping Lim | Chelsea Huang | 19 | 21 | Christopher Lai | Jessica Mallett | |
| | | Match Score | 1 | 4 | | | |
| | | Points | 78 | 101 | | | |

| | Ebbisham | | Scor | re | Swifts | | |
|-------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------------|-----------------|--|
| U13-6 | Player 1 | Player 2 | Ebbisham | Swifts | Player 1 | Player 2 | |
| BS | A | li Bellagh | 14 | 21 | Nathaniel | Brittany | |
| GS | Kayalvili Nanthakumar | | 21 | 16 | Syan Wombwell | | |
| BD | Gareth O'Brien | Adem Bellagh | 11 | 21 | Nathaniel Brittany | Christopher Lai | |
| GD | Gabby McCabe | Kayalvili Nanthakumar | 21 | 19 | Jessica Mallett | Syan Wombwell | |
| Mixed | Gareth O'Brien | Gabby McCabe | 21 | 17 | Christopher Lai | Jessica Mallett | |
| | | Match Score | 3 | 2 | | | |
| | | Points | 88 | 94 | | | |

The two Swifts U15 teams were at opposite ends of the spectrum in this section. The B team lost all its group games without winning a rubber (though the players gained significant experience in this kind of competition) while the A team won its group to qualify for the knockout phase. After a comfortable 4-1 win over Ebbisham in the semi-final, the A team then faced Carshalton in the final, having already beaten

| | U15 B Grade | | | | | | | | |
|---|-------------|---|---|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| | Group A | | | | | | | | |
| Player Pos Eagles Swifts A Carshalton Dorking | | | | | | | | | |
| Eagles | 3 | | 1 | 2 | 5 | | | | |
| Swifts A | 1 | 4 | | 3 | 4 | | | | |
| Carshalton | 2 | 3 | 2 | | 5 | | | | |
| Dorking | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | | | | | |

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U15 B Grade

| | Group B | | | | | | | | |
|-----------|---------|----------|---------|-----------|----------|--|--|--|--|
| Player | Pos | Swifts B | Clandon | Wimbledon | Ebbisham | | | | |
| Swifts B | 4 | | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| Clandon | 1 | 5 | | 3 | 5 | | | | |
| Wimbledon | 3 | 5 | 2 | | 2 | | | | |
| Ebbisham | 2 | 5 | 0 | 3 | | | | | |

them 3-2 in the group stage. Disappointingly Carshalton won 3-2, with what proved to be the decisive rubber being lost 20-21, so our A team came away with silver medals.

Semi-finals

Swifts A 4 v 1 Ebbisham Clandon 2 v 3 Carshalton

Final

Swifts A 2 v 3 Carshalton



U15 A team - Jake Handley, Abby Law, Alice Brown and Alex Downes

| | | | Group A | | | |
|-------|------------------|-------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| | E | Sc | ore | Swifts A | | |
| U15-1 | Player 1 | Player 2 | Eagles | Swifts A | Player 1 | Player 2 |
| BS | Joh | n Ewart | 16 | 21 | Jake H | landley |
| GS | Ana Ma | 21 | 14 | Alice Brown | | |
| BD | Mike Woollatt | Joel Hartikainen | 9 | 21 | Alex Downes | Jake Handley |
| GD | Priya Bhuller | Ana Maria Oprisan | 14 | 21 | Alice Brown | Abby Law |
| Mixed | Joel Hartikainen | Sammy Nagel | 16 | 21 | Alex Downes | Abby Law |
| | | Match Score | 1 | 4 | | |
| | | Points | 76 | 98 | | |

| | | | Group A | | | | |
|-------|--------------|--------------|----------|---------|--------------|---------------|--|
| | Swi | fts A | Sc | ore | Dorking | | |
| U15-7 | Player 1 | Player 2 | Swifts A | Dorking | Player 1 | Player 2 | |
| BS | Alex D | ownes (| 21 | 0 | Luke | Sturmey | |
| GS | Abby Law | | 12 | 21 | Fern Osborne | | |
| BD | Alex Downes | Jake Handley | 21 | 6 | Ben Bruty | Luke Sturmey | |
| GD | Alice Brown | Abby Law | 21 | 14 | Fern Osborne | Isabella Ryan | |
| Mixed | Jake Handley | Alice Brown | 21 | 4 | Ben Clarke | Isabella Ryan | |
| | | Match Score | 4 | 1 | | | |
| | | Points | 96 | 45 | | | |

| | | | Group A | | | | |
|--------|--------------|--------------|----------|------------|------------------------|----------------|--|
| | Swi | fts A | S | core | Carshalton | | |
| U15-11 | Player 1 | Player 2 | Swifts A | Carshalton | Player 1 | Player 2 | |
| BS | Alex D | 21 | 16 | Henry Wu | | | |
| GS | Abby Law | | 13 | 21 | Emily Honeyball | | |
| BD | Alex Downes | Jake Handley | 21 | 6 | Henry Wu | Narveer Doolob | |
| GD | Alice Brown | Abby Law | 18 | 21 | Emily Honeyball | Priyanka Kumar | |
| Mixed | Jake Handley | Alice Brown | 21 | 12 | Joshua Da Cruz | Priyanka Kumar | |
| | | Match Score | 3 | 2 | | | |
| | | Points | 94 | 76 | | | |

| | | | Group B | | | | |
|-------|------------------------|-----------------|----------|---------------|----------------|----------------|--|
| | Swi | fts B | Sco | ore | Clandon | | |
| U15-2 | Player 1 Player 2 | | Swifts B | Clandon | Player 1 | Player 2 | |
| BS | Henry B | 7 | 21 | George Geaves | | | |
| GS | Emily A | 4 | 21 | Lucy Sharp | | | |
| BD | Emily Armstrong | Conor McCartney | 10 | 21 | George Geaves | Ben Stephenson | |
| GD | Emily Armstrong | Emily Mason | 8 | 21 | Lucy Page | Lucy Sharp | |
| Mixed | Conor McCartney | Emily Mason | 12 | 21 | Ben Stephenson | Lucy Page | |
| | | Match Score | 0 | 5 | | | |
| | | Points | 41 | 105 | | | |

| | | | Group B | | | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------------------|----------|------------|----------------|----------------|--|
| | Swit | fts B | Sc | ore | Clandon | | |
| U15-2 | Player 1 | Player 2 | Swifts B | Clandon | Player 1 | Player 2 | |
| BS | Henry B | Henry Bradshaw | | 21 | George Geaves | | |
| GS | Emily Ar | 4 | 21 | Lucy Sharp | | | |
| BD | Emily Armstrong | Conor McCartney | 10 | 21 | George Geaves | Ben Stephenson | |
| GD | Emily Armstrong | Emily Mason | 8 | 21 | Lucy Page | Lucy Sharp | |
| Mixed | Conor McCartney | Emily Mason | 12 | 21 | Ben Stephenson | Lucy Page | |
| | | Match Score | . 0 | 5 | | | |
| | | Points | 41 | 105 | | | |

| | | | Group B | | | | |
|-------|------------------------|------------------------|----------|------------|----------------------|-------------|--|
| | Swi | ifts B | S | core | Wimbledon | | |
| U15-6 | Player 1 | Player 2 | Swifts B | Wimbledon | Player 1 | Player 2 | |
| BS | Connor I | 16 | 21 | Paul Wrona | | | |
| GS | Emily Mason | | 9 | 21 | Jessica Thiruchelvam | | |
| BD | Henry Bradshaw | Connor McCartney | 12 | 21 | Tom Barton Clapp | Paul Wrona | |
| GD | Emily Armstrong | Emily Mason | 8 | 21 | Jessica Thiruchelvam | Juliet Chee | |
| Mixed | Henry Bradshaw | Emily Armstrong | 10 | 21 | Emily Mason | Juliet Chee | |
| | | Match Score | 0 | 5 | | | |
| | | Points | 55 | 105 | | | |

| | | | Group B | | | |
|--------|------------------------|--------------------|----------|-----------------|----------------|-------------|
| | Sv | vifts B | Sc | ore | Ebbisham | |
| U15-10 | Player 1 | Player 2 | Swifts B | Ebbisham | Player 1 | Player 2 |
| BS | Ale | Alex Hunt | | | Matthey | v Sim |
| GS | Emily Armstrong | | 7 | 21 | Qiao Shu | |
| BD | Alex Hunt | Connor McCartney | 18 | 21 | Mycroft Leitch | Matthew Sim |
| GD | Emily Armstrong | Emily Mason | 10 | 21 | Abi Howell | Qiao Shu |
| Mixed | Henry Bradshaw | Emily Mason | 19 | 21 | Calum Ramsay | Abi Howell |
| | | Match Score | 0 | 5 | | |
| | | Points | 69 | 105 | | |

| | | | Sem | i-final 1 | | |
|-------|-------------|-------------------------|----------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------|
| | Swifts A | | | core | Ebbisham | |
| U15-A | Player 1 | Player 2 | Swifts A | Ebbisham | Player 1 | Player 2 |
| BS | Jake H | Jake Handley | | 8 | Calum Ramsay | |
| GS | Abby Law | | 12 | 21 | Qiao Shu | |
| BD | Alex Downes | Jake Handley | 21 | 7 | Calum Ramsay | Matthew Sim |
| GD | Alice Brown | Abby Law | 21 | 19 | Abi Howell | Qiao Shu |
| Mixed | Alex Downes | Alex Downes Alice Brown | | 13 | Mycroft Leitch | Abi Howell |
| | | Match Score | 4 | 1 | | |
| | | Points | 96 | 68 | | |

| | Final Swifts A Score Carshalton | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------|---------------------------------|--------------|----------|------------|-----------------|----------------|--|--|--|--|--|
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| U15-D | Player 1 | Player 2 | SWITTS A | Carshalton | Player 1 | Player 2 | | | | | |
| BS | Alex Downes | | 20 | 21 | Joshua | da Cruz | | | | | |
| GS | Abby Law | | 13 | 21 | Emily H | oneyball | | | | | |
| BD | Alex Downes | Jake Handley | 21 | 15 | Henry Wu | Narveer Doolob | | | | | |
| GD | Alice Brown | Abby Law | 19 | 21 | Emily Honeyball | Priyanka Kumar | | | | | |
| Mixed | Jake Handley | Alice Brown | 21 | 15 | Henry Wu | Priyanka Kumar | | | | | |
| | | Match Score | 2 | 3 | | | | | | | |
| | | Points | 94 | 93 | | | | | | | |

| U18 A Grade | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|---------|-----------|--------|----------|----------|----------|--|--|--|--|
| | Group A | | | | | | | | | |
| Player | Pos | Wimbledon | Eagles | Swifts B | Swifts A | Ebbisham | | | | |
| Wimbledon | 2 | | 4 | 4 | 4 | 2 | | | | |
| Eagles | 5 | 1 | | 1 | 2 | 2 | | | | |
| Swifts B | 3 | 1 | 4 | | 4 | 1 | | | | |
| Swifts A | 4 | 1 | 3 | 1 | | 2 | | | | |
| Ebbisham | 1 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | | | | | |

Our strength in this event was diluted because of the tournament rule that no team may contain more than one grade 1 player. This meant that our two strongest boys had to be separated.

The event was a strange mixture of triumph and disaster, and both of these elements appeared in the very first match, when the B team had an unprecedented victory over the A team, by 4-1. I believe that no Swifts B team has previously beaten an A team in such a competition (though you may know different), and this should be an object lesson to all future Swifts teams never to assume you cannot win a match against supposedly superior opposition and, especially, to all future A teams to take theoretically inferior opposition seriously and to not become complacent in an assumed victory (though I don't think that happened here).

The B team went on to finish in a creditable third place, while the A team received a further setback when Ieuan Godfrey suffered what turned out to be torn knee ligaments in the second match. He valiantly played on in the interest of the team (when he probably should have stopped) but it was an uphill battle after that and the team finished in fourth place, having been seeded by the organisers.

Sadly, both teams managed to escape back into the wild before I could get any photographs.

| | Swi | Sco | ore | Swifts A | | |
|-------|------------------|------------------|----------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| U18-2 | Player 1 | Player 2 | Swifts B | Swifts A | Player 1 | Player 2 |
| BS | Jaso | 11 | 21 | Jack K | inmond | |
| GS | Stephani | 21 | 14 | Kaman Liang | | |
| BD | Ollie Thompson | Jack Wills | 21 | 10 | leuan Godfrey | Jack Kinmond |
| GD | Pascale Pumphrey | Polly Thisdell | 21 | 17 | Georgia Flatman | Kaman Liang |
| Mixed | Ollie Thompson | Pascale Pumphrey | 21 | 14 | leuan Godfrey | Georgia Flatman |
| | | Match Score | 4 | 1 | | |
| | | Points | 95 | 76 | | |

| | Eagles | | Score | | Swifts A | |
|-------|----------------|----------------|---------------|----------|-----------------|--------------|
| U18-4 | Player 1 | Player 2 | Eagles | Swifts A | Player 1 | Player 2 |
| BS | S Jason Fung | | | 15 | leuan Godfrey | |
| GS | Jessica Mills | | 21 | 13 | Georgia Flatman | |
| BD | Jason Fung | Ruari O'Connor | 12 | 21 | leuan Godfrey | Jack Kinmond |
| GD | Jessica Mills | Louise Cheney | 17 | 21 | Georgia Flatman | Kaman Liang |
| Mixed | Ruari O'Connor | Emily Mills | 10 | 21 | Jack Kinmond | Kaman Liang |
| | | Match Score | 2 | 3 | | |
| | | Points | 81 | 91 | | |

| | Swifts B | | Score | | Ebbisham | |
|-------|------------------|------------------|----------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| U18-5 | Player 1 | Player 2 | Swifts B | Ebbisham | Player 1 | Player 2 |
| BS | Ollie Thompson | | 21 | 15 | Max No | orthfield |
| GS | Polly Thisdell | | 4 | 21 | Rebecca Tung | |
| BD | Ollie Thompson | Jack Wills | 20 | 21 | Max Northfield | Matt Tung |
| GD | Pascale Pumphrey | Polly Thisdell | 14 | 21 | Charlotte Clark | Rebecca Tung |
| Mixed | Jason Hau | Pascale Pumphrey | 18 | 21 | Matt Tung | Charlotte Clark |
| | | Match Score | 1 | 4 | | |
| | | Points | 77 | 99 | | |

| | Wimbledon | | Score | | Swifts A | |
|-------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------|----------|-----------------|-----------------|
| U18-6 | Player 1 | Player 2 | Wimbledon | Swifts A | Player 1 | Player 2 |
| BS | Toby | Harland | 12 | 21 | Jack Kinmond | |
| GS | Emma | a McKie | 21 | 11 | Kaman Liang | |
| BD | Chris Evans | Toby Harland | 21 | 13 | leuan Godfrey | Jack Kinmond |
| GD | Emily Jones | Emma McKie | 21 | 16 | Georgia Flatman | Kaman Liang |
| Mixed | Chris Evans | Emily Jones | 21 | 6 | leuan Godfrey | Georgia Flatman |
| | | Match Score | 4 | 1 | | |
| | | Points | 96 | 67 | | |

| | Wimbledon | | Score | | Swifts B | |
|-------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------|----------|------------------|------------------|
| U18-8 | Player 1 | Player 2 | Wimbledon | Swifts B | Player 1 | Player 2 |
| BS | Toby | Harland | 10 | 21 | Ollie Thompson | |
| GS | Emm | a McKie | 21 | 12 | Stephanie Thomas | |
| BD | Chris Evans | Toby Harland | 21 | 17 | Ollie Thompson | Jack Wills |
| GD | Emily Jones | Emma McKie | 21 | 16 | Pascale Pumphrey | Polly Thisdell |
| Mixed | Chris Evans | Emily Jones | 21 | 10 | Jack Wills | Pascale Pumphrey |
| | | Match Score | 4 | 1 | | |
| | | Points | 94 | 76 | | |

| | Swifts A | | Score | | Ebbisham | |
|-------|-----------------|-----------------|----------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| U18-9 | Player 1 | Player 2 | Swifts A | Ebbisham | Player 1 | Player 2 |
| BS | leuan Godfrey | | 14 | 21 | Matt Tung | |
| GS | Kaman Liang | | 7 | 21 | Rebecca Tung | |
| BD | leuan Godfrey | Jack Kinmond | 21 | 19 | Max Northfield | Matt Tung |
| GD | Georgia Flatman | Kaman Liang | 6 | 21 | Charlotte Clark | Rebecca Tung |
| Mixed | Jack Kinmond | Georgia Flatman | 21 | 12 | Max Northfield | Charlotte Clark |
| | | Match Score | 2 | 3 | | |
| | | Points | 69 | 94 | | |

| | Eagles | | Score | Score Swifts B | | ts B |
|--------|-------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|
| U18-10 | Player 1 | Player 2 | Eagles | Swifts B | Player 1 | Player 2 |
| BS | Ruari | O'Connor | 13 | 21 | Ollie Thompson | |
| GS | Louis | e Cheney | 21 | 18 | Stephanie | e Thomas |
| BD | Jason Fung | Ruari O'Connor | 11 | 21 | Ollie Thompson | Jack Wills |
| GD | Emily Mills | Jessica Mills | 19 | 21 | Pascale Pumphrey | Polly Thisdell |
| Mixed | Jason Fung | Jessica Mills | 20 | 21 | Jason Hau | Pascale Pumphrey |
| | | Match Score | 1 | 4 | | |
| | | Points | 84 | 102 | | |