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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 U16 boys' B team kicked off the weekend away to Eagles in the ACDBL on Friday evening and won 190-151.

The U12 mixed B team played at home to Streetswater on Saturday and won 146-134.

The U16 mixed A team played away to Horsell and won 168-105.

In the Surrey League the U16 mixed team played at home to Clandon and won 8-0. Unfortunately, Clandon were a girl short but Isabel Phillips kindly helped them out by playing in the match.

The cancellation of the U14 mixed A team's match against Ace on Saturday meant our fourth guaranteed divisional win in the ACDBL this season, with two matches still to play.

Because of results elsewhere our U10 unisex team has now won its Surrey League division and so has our U14 mixed team.

Corrections and apologies

My apologies go to our new member, Devashri Moodley, who I welcomed last week by spelling her name wrongly.

I also managed to forget, in the context of the Jubilee Tournament entry form, that Nathalie Sarre has married Ian Coupland and is now Nathalie Coupland. Sorry again.

I normally don't make too many mistakes with names so two in one week is bad, but I expect that claim is the cue for me to be flooded with emails telling me I have been spelling half the members' names wrongly for the past two years!

Surrey tournaments

I haven't received many results from the weekend but I can report that Alex Downes won the U16 boys' singles B grade tournament while Ollie Thompson won the U16 A grade.

Swifts graded doubles tournament

After half a dozen dropped out (mainly through illness) in the preceding week we were left with eighty players in the club graded doubles tournament on Saturday. Full details can be found elsewhere in the newsletter, along with photos of the medallists, but the winners and runners-up were:

Event	Winner	Runner-up
Boys A	Steven Bullett & Daryn Howes	Christopher Gane & Jason Hau
Boys B	Connor McCartney & Harry Williams	Henry Bradshaw & Ben Cullen
Boys C	Connor Strudwick & Flynn Thatcher	Ollie McCoy-Page & Harry Owens
Boys D	Luc Frean & Timothy Lai	Joshua Craven & Ollie Phillips
Boys E	Hayden Mitchell & Henry Sutton	Christian Attree & Dominic Nabasa
Boys F	Matthew Grove & Ben Hazevoet	Sebastian Grove & Jonathan Lai
Girls A	Polly Thisdell & Kaman Liang	Isabel Phillips & Stephanie Pipe
Girls B	Hannah Fitzpatrick & Erin Maher	Jenna Biddle & Jasmine Farrelly
Girls C	Isabel Smith & Cate Sutherland	Lucy Doran & Helen Sproston
Girls D	Rosie Duff & Emily Nielsen	Erin Christian & Smrithi Shirol
Mixed A	Daryn Howes & Polly Thisdell	Jason Hau & Kaman Liang

A big thank you goes to all the parents and coaches who helped on both days of the tournament, especially with scoring of the more junior members' matches.

ACDBL match results

Location: Walton-on-Thames **Date:** 15 Mar 2013 **Opposition:** Eagles
Result: Won 190 - 151 **Away** **U16A Boys**

Swifts	Alex Downes	Ben Coker	Chris Gane	Connor McCartney
Opposition	Roger Boka	Nathan Hunt	John Ewart	Mike Woollatt

Home Players		Score		Away Players	
Roger Boka		13	21	Alex Downes	
Nathan Hunt		21	5	Ben Coker	
John Ewart		16	21	Chris Gane	
Mike Woollatt		8	21	Connor McCartney	
Roger Boka	Nathan Hunt	21	17	Alex Downes	Ben Coker
John Ewart	Mike Woollatt	18	21	Chris Gane	Connor McCartney
Roger Boka	John Ewart	14	21	Alex Downes	Chris Gane
Nathan Hunt	Mike Woollatt	13	21	Ben Coker	Connor McCartney
Roger Boka	Mike Woollatt	11	21	Alex Downes	Connor McCartney
Nathan Hunt	John Ewart	16	21	Ben Coker	Chris Gane
		151	190		

Location: Lightwater **Date:** 16 Mar 2013 **Opposition:** Streetswater
Result: Won 146 - 134 **Home** **U12B Mixed**

Swifts	Josh Craven	Max Curtis	Rebecca Sproston	Emily Nielsen
Opposition	Matt Godfrey	Anish Goel	Georgina Annis	Anika Goel

Home Players		Score		Away Players	
Josh Craven	Rebecca Sproston	21	9	Matt Godfrey	Georgina Annis
Max Curtis	Emily Nielsen	17	21	Anish Goel	Anika Goel
Josh Craven	Rebecca Sproston	21	17	Anish Goel	Anika Goel
Max Curtis	Emily Nielsen	21	20	Matt Godfrey	Georgina Annis
Josh Craven	Emily Nielsen	21	15	Matt Godfrey	Anika Goel
Max Curtis	Rebecca Sproston	13	21	Anish Goel	Georgina Annis
Max Curtis	Rebecca Sproston	21	10	Matt Godfrey	Anika Goel
Josh Craven	Emily Nielsen	11	21	Anish Goel	Georgina Annis
		146	134		

ACDBL match results

Location: **Woking High School**Date: **16 Mar 2013**Opposition: **Horsell**Result: **Won 168 - 105****Away****U16A Mixed**

Swifts	Nathaniel Brittany	Chris Gane	Holly Weston	Jessica Mallett
Opposition	Charlie Gregory	Dan Johnson	Georgia Beech	Holly Gedling

Home Players		Score		Away Players	
Charlie Gregory	Georgia Beech	17	21	Nathaniel Brittany	Holly Weston
Dan Johnson	Holly Gedling	9	21	Chris Gane	Jessica Mallett
Charlie Gregory	Georgia Beech	15	21	Chris Gane	Jessica Mallett
Dan Johnson	Holly Gedling	6	21	Nathaniel Brittany	Holly Weston
Charlie Gregory	Holly Gedling	13	21	Nathaniel Brittany	Jessica Mallett
Dan Johnson	Georgia Beech	11	21	Chris Gane	Holly Weston
Dan Johnson	Georgia Beech	19	21	Nathaniel Brittany	Jessica Mallett
Charlie Gregory	Holly Gedling	15	21	Chris Gane	Holly Weston
		105	168		

Surrey League match results

Location: **Lightwater**Date: **16 Mar 2013**Opposition: **Clandon**Result: **Won 8 - 0****Home****U16S Mixed**

Swifts	Jonathan Hau	Nathaniel Brittany	Polly Thisdell	Stephanie Pipe
Opposition	Ben Stephenson	James Wheeler	Lucy Sharp	Isabel Phillips

Home Players		Score		Away Players	
Jonathan Hau	Polly Thisdell	21	6	Ben Stephenson	Lucy Sharp
		21	8		
Nathaniel Brittany	Stephanie Pipe	21	5	James Wheeler	Isabel Phillips
		21	6		
Nathaniel Brittany	Stephanie Pipe	21	16	Ben Stephenson	Lucy Sharp
		21	12		
Jonathan Hau	Polly Thisdell	21	7	James Wheeler	Isabel Phillips
		21	7		
Jonathan Hau	Stephanie Pipe	21	7	Ben Stephenson	Isabel Phillips
		21	4		
Nathaniel Brittany	Polly Thisdell	21	14	James Wheeler	Lucy Sharp
		21	15		
Jonathan Hau	Stephanie Pipe	21	10	James Wheeler	Lucy Sharp
		21	6		
Nathaniel Brittany	Polly Thisdell	21	15	Ben Stephenson	Isabel Phillips
		21	14		
		8	0		

Swifts graded doubles tournament results

BOYS' F GRADE				
Group A				
Player	Pos	Matthew Grove Ben Hazevoet	Sebastian Grove Jonathan Lai	Hector Earnshaw & various partners
Matthew Grove Ben Hazevoet	1		21 18	21 18
Sebastian Grove Jonathan Lai	2	16 21		17 21
Hector Earnshaw & various partners		21 13	21 15	

With only five competitors, this was the smallest grade and Hector earned his special medal for his unique achievement of having played both with and against every other player in a doubles tournament. The tie break mechanisms had to work overtime in this event as the three pairings had a three-way tie based on games won after each pair both beat and lost to all their opponents. Now that is a close competition!



(l-r) Ben Hazevoet, Matthew Grove,
Hector Earnshaw, Sebastian Grove, Jonathan Lai

Swifts graded doubles tournament results

GIRLS' D GRADE						
Group A						
Player	Pos	Ruth Devapragasam Lila Dundas	Erin Christian Smrithi Shirol	Daisy Murphy Antonella Naumova	Rosie Duff Emily Nielsen	Gemma Downes Priyanka Pimple
Ruth Devapragasam Lila Dundas			17	16	6	21
Erin Christian Smrithi Shirol	2	21		21	14	19
Daisy Murphy Antonella Naumova	3	21	12		20	21
Rosie Duff Emily Nielsen	1	21	21	21		21
Gemma Downes Priyanka Pimple		11	21	3	8	

Another close grade, in which every pair won at least one game, and there was a tie for second place, resolved in favour of Erin and Smrithi on the basis of the result of the game between the tied pairs. If Daisy and Antonella had scored the last point in their 20-21 defeat to Rosie and Emily they would have been the grade winners, it was that close.



(rear) Smrithi Shirol, Emily Nielsen
(front) Erin Christian, Rosie Duff

Swifts graded doubles tournament results

BOYS' E GRADE						
Group A						
Player	Pos	Joseph Frean Cameron Warne	Christian Attree Dominic Nabasa	Matthew Biddle Dylan Crossan	Hayden Mitchell Henry Sutton	Archie Pendry Thomas Wild
Joseph Frean Cameron Warne			16	20	16	21
Christian Attree Dominic Nabasa	2	21		21	18	21
Matthew Biddle Dylan Crossan	3	21	14		12	21
Hayden Mitchell Henry Sutton	1	21	21	21		21
Archie Pendry Thomas Wild		16	19	18	18	

Another tie for the runners-up spot and some very close games show that this was another close-fought grade, even though tie break rules weren't needed for a change.



(l-r) Christian Attree, Dominic Nabasa, Henry Sutton, Hayden Mitchell

Swifts graded doubles tournament results

GIRLS' C GRADE						
Group A						
Player	Pos	Lucy Bezants Holly Cullen	Annabel Bradshaw Alice Sutton	Elena Koutas Aimee Christian	Lucy Doran Helen Sproston	Isabel Smith Cate Sutherland
Lucy Bezants Holly Cullen			16	10	21	21
Annabel Bradshaw Alice Sutton		21		16	11	16
Elena Koutas Aimee Christian	3	21	21		20	12
Lucy Doran Helen Sproston	2	20	21	21		16
Isabel Smith Cate Sutherland	1	16	21	21	21	

No pair won all its games, and they all won at least one so this was pretty close. Whichever pair won the last game played was going to win the tournament as things turned out and, inevitably, the tie break process had to be invoked to decide where the silver medals would go between three tied pairs.

Strangely, the last-placed pair beat the pair that beat the winners.



(l-r) Cate Sutherland, Lucy Doran, Isabel Smith, Helen Sproston

Swifts graded doubles tournament results

BOYS' D GRADE					
Group A					
Player	Pos	Joshua Craven Ollie Phillips	Luc Frean Timothy Lai	Eliot Duff Kalvin Liang	Thomas Chan & various partners
Joshua Craven Ollie Phillips	3		15 18	21 21	17 20
Luc Frean Timothy Lai	1	21 21		21 21	21 21
Eliot Duff Kalvin Liang		15 15	16 12		21 10
Thomas Chan & various partners	2	21 21	14 20	16 21	

Luc and Timothy were clear winners, unbeaten as they were, but things were somewhat closer among the other three pairs, with Thomas emerging as runner-up only when he won the very last match against Joshua and Ollie by 21-20 and treating us to that phenomenon which is, as far as I am aware, unique to Swifts—one person getting a medal in a doubles tournament.



Luc Frean and Timothy Lai (Thomas Chan disappeared before we could present the medals)

Swifts graded doubles tournament results

GIRLS' B GRADE						
Group A						
Player	Pos	Hannah Fitzpatrick Erin Maher	Serena Farrelly Katie Tidd	Jessica Mallett Eleanor Smith	Jenna Biddle Jasmine Farrelly	Emily Armstrong & various partners
Hannah Fitzpatrick Erin Maher	1		21	21	21	21
Serena Farrelly Katie Tidd		17		17	21	20
Jessica Mallett Eleanor Smith	3	15	21		19	21
Jenna Biddle Jasmine Farrelly	2	10	20	21		21
Emily Armstrong & various partners		19	21	19	18	

Hannah and Erin were clear winners, though they came close to letting Emily beat them with Jenna, but there was a tie for the silver medal, resolved in favour of Jenna & Jasmine on the basis of their 21-19 defeat of Jessica & Eleanor.



(l-r) Erin Maher, Jenna Biddle,
Hannah Fitzpatrick, Jasmine Farrelly

Swifts graded doubles tournament results

BOYS' C GRADE						
Group A						
Player	Pos	Jason Fisher Callum Mitchell	Connor Strudwick Flynn Thatcher	Ollie McCoy- Page Harry Owens	Alex Lopez & various partners	Lucas Downes Harry Hodges- Long
Jason Fisher Callum Mitchell	3		19	19	21	21
Connor Strudwick Flynn Thatcher	1	21		21	21	21
Ollie McCoy-Page Harry Owens	2	21	20		21	21
Alex Lopez & various partners		19	15	6		15
Lucas Downes Harry Hodges-Long		17	7	6	21	

40% of the games in this grade were won by only one or two points, and two of those wins were by Connor & Flynn, so the medals could so easily have gone elsewhere. In fact, the top three pairs were as close to one another as you can get.



(l-r) Ollie McCoy-Page, Harry Owens, Flynn Thatcher, Connor Strudwick

Swifts graded doubles tournament results

BOYS' B GRADE				
Group A				
Player	Pos	Ben Coker Christopher Spain	Connor McCartney Harry Williams	Henry Bradshaw Ben Cullen
Ben Coker Christopher Spain			19 9 11	20 20 11
Connor McCartney Harry Williams	1	21 21 21		21 20 21
Henry Bradshaw Ben Cullen	2	21 21 21	16 21 11	

Each pair played the other pairs three times in this grade and four out of the nine games were won and lost by two points or less, though there were also three 21-11 wins in the last round so it looks as if stamina played a major role in deciding the outcome.



(l-r) Ben Cullen, Harry Williams,
Henry Bradshaw, Connor McCartney

Swifts graded doubles tournament results

GIRLS' A GRADE				
Group A				
Player	Pos	Georgia Beech Stephanie Thomas	Isabel Phillips Stephanie Pipe	Kaman Liang Polly Thisdell
Georgia Beech Stephanie Thomas			13 13	18 8
Isabel Phillips Stephanie Pipe	2	21 21		18 17
Kaman Liang Polly Thisdell	1	21 21	21 21	

This grade was marred slightly by Georgia suffering from the cold air in the hall and having difficulty with her breathing. Nevertheless, there was plenty of close badminton.



(L-r) Stephanie Pipe, Isabel Phillips, Polly Thisdell, Kaman Liang

Swifts graded doubles tournament results

BOYS' A GRADE					
Group A					
Player	Pos	Jonathan Hau Alex McColl	Steven Bullett Daryn Howes	Alex Downes Jake Handley	Christopher Gane Jason Hau
Jonathan Hau Alex McColl			17 15	17 21	18 15
Steven Bullett Daryn Howes	1	21 21		21 21	21 21
Alex Downes Jake Handley		21 18	15 17		18 18
Christopher Gane Jason Hau	2	21 21	8 18	21 21	

This grade had several players who had played in grade B of the singles two weeks ago so it was interesting to see how consistent the scores were in general.



(l-r) Jason Hau, Steven Bullett,
Christopher Gane, Daryn Howes

Swifts graded doubles tournament results

MIXED A GRADE						
Group A						
Player	Pos	Jason Hau Kaman Liang	Steven Bullett Stephanie Thomas	Jonathan Hau Georgia Beech	Daryn Howes Polly Thisdell	Jake Handley Stephanie Pipe
Jason Hau Kaman Liang	2		21	21	17	21
Steven Bullett Stephanie Thomas		16		14	6	21
Jonathan Hau Georgia Beech	3	16	21		14	21
Daryn Howes Polly Thisdell	1	21	21	21		21
Jake Handley Stephanie Pipe		15	16	18	17	

We always try and hold a mixed event for the stronger players. It is rarely easy to predict the outcome of it and this year was certainly no exception.



(l-r) Kaman Liang, Jason Hau,
Polly Thisdell, Daryn Howes