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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

On Friday the U18 mixed team visited Eagles in the ACDBL and won 166-133.

On Saturday the U16 girls played at home to Bourne and won 208-144.

The U16 boys' B team also played Bourne at home and lost 112-210, but this was turned into a 148-126 win as one of Bourne's players was a Swifts player (Alex Downes) standing in for someone who didn't turn up to play and his games were all conceded to Swifts for league purposes.

## Surrey results

The Surrey U15 doubles and mixed championships were held on Sunday.

In the A grade boys' doubles Nathaniel Brittany and Stirling Burrow were runners-up while William Manners and Nick Pipe both (separately) managed to reach the semi-finals.

In the girls' doubles Stephanie Pipe was runner-up.

In the A grade mixed event Stirling Burrows and Stephanie Pipe reached the semi-finals.

In the B grade Imogen Galvin won the girls' doubles.

## County representation

Serena Farrelly and Harry Williams were both members of the Surrey U11 team that defeated Hampshire 14-6 in a friendly county match on Sunday.

On Sunday Ollie Thompson played for the Surrey adult 3rd team against a Berkshire 1st team that included Jack Kinmond who has just ceased to be a Swifts member.

## National circuit results

Sam Williams played in the BE U13 Kent Bronze JC on Saturday and won the boys' doubles. Christopher Lai also played in this event and reached the semi-final of the boys' singles.



**Ollie McCoy-Page was runner-up in last week's U13 boys' singles tournament** but managed to get away before the photos were taken. This week we tracked him down and captured his medal for posterity.

## Club handicap tournament

Ninety players made it to the start line for our handicap doubles tournament on Saturday. Three dropped out during the week but none failed to turn up on the day this week. This is a record for a Swifts tournament and the combined entry for both weeks, of 167, is also the best ever.

Once again, we owe thanks to the parents and older members who helped us out by scoring games for the U10s and beginners, helping to keep the players herded during the day and to the various organisers who helped with aspects of the event management, particularly the handicaps and running the event on the day.

Many newcomers managed to get amongst the medals, which should help to boost their confidence and only two players (Stephanie Thomas and Holly Weston) managed to follow up their singles gold medal last week with a doubles gold this week. This meant that the 49 medals were won by 39 different players over the two weeks of the tournament.

Full results can be found later in the newsletter, along with photos of the medallists. The headlines are:

	<b>Winner</b>	<b>Runner-up</b>
Beginners unisex	Rosie Duff & Jonathan Lai	Lila Dundas & Emily Nielsen
U10 unisex	Dylan Crossan & Henry Sutton	Emily Darlington & Dominic Nabasa
U13 boys	Harry Hodges-Long & Callum Mitchell	Lucas Downes & Connor Strudwick
U13 girls	Helen Sproston & Ella Sumner	Lucy Doran & Serena Farrelly
U15 boys	Henry Bradshaw & Alex Downes	Jason Fisher & Jake Handley
U15 girls	Emily Armstrong & Holly Weston	Lucy Dixon & Harriet Gosztonyi
U18 boys	Jonathan Hau & Daryn Howes	Ieuan Godfrey & Jason Hau
U18 girls	Stephanie Thomas & various partners	Stephanie Pipe & Polly Thisdell

Finally, a correction to last week's singles results summary. The runner-up of the U13 girls' singles was Lucy Bezants, not Imogen Galvin. Apologies to both girls for the error.

## ACDBL match results

**Location:** Lightwater

**Date:** 12 Oct 2012

**Opposition:** Eagles

**Result:** Won 166 - 103

Away

U18A Mixed

<b>Swifts</b>	Ollie Thompson	Jason Hau	Georgia Flatman	Stephanie Thomas
<b>Opposition</b>	Ruairi O'Connor	Jason Fung	Emily Mills	Clair Mills

Home Players		Score		Away Players	
Ruairi O'Connor	Emily Mills	12	21	Ollie Thompson	Georgia Flatman
Jason Fung	Clair Mills	8	21	Jason Hau	Stephanie Thomas
Ruairi O'Connor	Emily Mills	14	21	Jason Hau	Stephanie Thomas
Jason Fung	Clair Mills	8	21	Ollie Thompson	Georgia Flatman
Ruairi O'Connor	Clair Mills	12	21	Ollie Thompson	Stephanie Thomas
Jason Fung	Emily Mills	18	21	Jason Hau	Georgia Flatman
Jason Fung	Emily Mills	10	21	Ollie Thompson	Stephanie Thomas
Ruairi O'Connor	Clair Mills	21	19	Jason Hau	Georgia Flatman
		<b>103</b>	<b>166</b>		

**Location:** Lightwater

**Date:** 13 Oct 2012

**Opposition:** Bourne

**Result:** Won 208 - 144

Home

U16A Girls

<b>Swifts</b>	Harriet Gosztony	Alice Brown	Holly Weston	Emily Armstrong
<b>Opposition</b>	Amy Baker	Iris Lopez Wylde	Rosie Foster	Hannah Hopwood

Home Players		Score		Away Players	
Harriet Gosztony		21	8	Amy Baker	
Alice Brown		19	21	Iris Lopez Wylde	
Holly Weston		21	14	Rosie Foster	
Emily Armstrong		21	12	Hannah Hopwood	
Harriet Gosztony	Alice Brown	21	13	Amy Baker	Iris Lopez Wylde
Holly Weston	Emily Armstrong	21	18	Rosie Foster	Hannah Hopwood
Harriet Gosztony	Holly Weston	21	8	Amy Baker	Rosie Foster
Alice Brown	Emily Armstrong	21	17	Iris Lopez Wylde	Hannah Hopwood
Harriet Gosztony	Emily Armstrong	21	14	Amy Baker	Hannah Hopwood
Alice Brown	Holly Weston	21	19	Iris Lopez Wylde	Rosie Foster
		<b>208</b>	<b>144</b>		

## ACDBL match results

**Location:** Lightwater      **Date:** 13 Oct 2012      **Opposition:** Bourne  
**Result:** Lost 112 - 210      **Home**      **U16B Boys**

<b>Swifts</b>	Ben Cullen	Connor McCartney	Alex Hunt	Alex Lopez
<b>Opposition</b>	Barney Wane	Alex Downes	George Keogh	Michael Toase

Home Players		Score		Away Players	
Ben Cullen		6	21	Barney Wane	
Connor McCartney		11	21	Alex Downes	
Alex Hunt		18	21	George Keogh	
Alex Lopez		5	21	Michael Toase	
Ben Cullen	Connor McCartney	13	21	Barney Wane	Alex Downes
Alex Hunt	Alex Lopez	8	21	George Keogh	Michael Toase
Ben Cullen	Alex Hunt	17	21	Barney Wane	George Keogh
Connor McCartney	Alex Lopez	9	21	Alex Downes	Michael Toase
Ben Cullen	Alex Lopez	10	21	Barney Wane	Michael Toase
Connor McCartney	Alex Hunt	15	21	Alex Downes	George Keogh
		<b>112</b>	<b>210</b>		

## Club handicap tournament

### BEGINNERS' DOUBLES

Group A						
Player	Pos.	Rosie Duff Jonathan Lai	Antonella Naumova & various partners	Sebastian Grove Hettie Holmes	Matthew Grove Ben Hazevoet	Lila Dundas Emily Nielsen
Rosie Duff Jonathan Lai	1		10 11	10 11	11 7	11 11
Antonella Naumova & various partners		11 9		10 11	7 10	5 11
Sebastian Grove Hettie Holmes		11 7	11 9		11 11	6 9
Matthew Grove Ben Hazevoet		7 11	11 11	7 6		11 9
Lila Dundas Emily Nielsen	2	8 9	11 9	11 11	5 11	

This group was so close that in over half the games there was only two points in it and the section over-ran by a mile—the only group to do so, fortunately. Determining that Rosie and Jonathan were the winners was fairly easy but we had to go down to the fourth method of splitting ties before we could allocate second place to Lila and Emily, and this took quite some time, especially as some scores hadn't been written into the grid accurately. The winner had won five games and the last-placed had won three games, while three pairs had won four games—so it was all extremely close.



(l-r) Emily Nielsen, Jonathan Lai,  
Lila Dundas, Rosie Duff

## Club handicap tournament

### U10 UNISEX DOUBLES

Group A					
Player	Pos.	Matthew Biddle Hayden Mitchell	Ellie Darlington Dominic Nabasa	Toby Hodges-Long Timothy	Dylan Crossan Henry Sutton
Matthew Biddle Hayden Mitchell			14 9	11 9	15 11
Ellie Darlington Dominic Nabasa	2	15 15		13 15	6 15
Toby Hodges-Long Timothy Lai	3	15 15	15 13		4 13
Dylan Crossan Henry Sutton	1	12 15	15 11	15 15	

Again, no pair was able to dominate the group and win all its games (they all lost at least two), and every pair had at least one win. In fact the last-placed pair beat the event winners in one game so this was a well-fought contest. Tie break rules had to be followed to work out who had won the gold medal.



(l-r) Dylan Crossan, Henry Sutton,  
Ellie Darlington, Dominic Nabasa

## Club handicap tournament

### U13 BOYS' DOUBLES

Group A										
Player	Pos.	Max Curtis Cameron Warne	Thomas Chan Joshua Craven	Luc Frean Archie Pendry	Harry Hodges- Long Callum Mitchell	Nicholas Pipe Thomas Wild	Ollie McCoy- Page Flynn Thatcher	Lucas Downes Connor Strudwick	Connor Curtis Arseniy Kislytsin	Christian Attree Joseph Frean
Max Curtis Cameron Warne			14	15	14	14	15	15	12	15
Thomas Chan Joshua Craven		15		15	11	12	15	11	13	15
Luc Frean Archie Pendry		15	13		13	12	13	10	11	11
Harry Hodges-Long Callum Mitchell	1	15	15	15		13	13	15	15	15
Nicholas Pipe Thomas Wild	4	15	15	15	15		14	10	10	15
Ollie McCoy-Page Flynn Thatcher		7	14	15	15	15		11	15	5
Lucas Downes Connor Strudwick	2	5	15	15	12	15	15		15	15
Connor Curtis Arseniy Kislytsin	3	15	15	15	13	15	12	12		15
Christian Attree Joseph Frean		12	12	15	13	11	15	12	10	

This was the largest section of all with nine pairs and, again, every pair had at least two defeats and a win and there were lots of close finishes, so the handicappers managed to achieve their goal in this section. The tie break rules were again called into action to decide who received the gold medal.



(l-r) Lucas Downes, Connor Strudwick,  
Harry Hodges-Long, Callum Mitchell

## Club handicap tournament

### U13 GIRLS' DOUBLES

Group A									
Player	Pos.	Aimee Christian Rebecca Sproston	Helen Sproston Ella Sumner	Lucy Doran Serena Farrelly	Elena Koutas Alice Sutton	Imogen Galvin Marina Milsum	Jenna Biddle Annabel Bradshaw	Lucy Bezants Neeve Galvin	Maddie Godwin Megan Laycock
Aimee Christian Rebecca Sproston			9	11	14	15	13	15	15
Helen Sproston Ella Sumner	1	15		13	15	15	15	15	15
Lucy Doran Serena Farrelly	2	15	15		14	9	14	15	15
Elena Koutas Alice Sutton		15	10	15		9	14	11	15
Imogen Galvin Marina Milsum	3	13	6	15	15		13	15	15
Jenna Biddle Annabel Bradshaw	4	15	7	15	15	15		14	8
Lucy Bezants Neeve Galvin		12	14	11	15	13	15		15
Maddie Godwin Megan Laycock		12	8	13	13	10	15	13	

Another large, close section resulted in three of the four medal winners coming from among the new members who have joined us in the last few months.



(l-r) Lucy Doran, Ella Sumner,  
Serena Farrelly, Helen Sproston

## Club handicap tournament

### U15 BOYS' DOUBLES

Group A						
Player	Pos.	Alex Hunt Adam Thomas	Jason Fisher Jake Handley	Nicholas Pipe Jack Vincent	Henry Bradshaw Alex Downes	Ben Cullen Chris Gane
Alex Hunt Adam Thomas			14 15	12 13	7 11	15 15
Jason Fisher Jake Handley	2	15 13		15 15	12 15	15 13
Nicholas Pipe Jack Vincent		15 15	8 12		12 15	9 13
Henry Bradshaw Alex Downes	1	15 15	15 12	15 12		15 15
Ben Cullen Chris Gane	3	15 8	14 15	15 15	6 13	

More close competition (everyone lost at least two games again) with a small spread between top and bottom but at least the tie break rules didn't get used in this group.



(l-r) Henry Bradshaw, Alex Downes, Jake Handley, Jason Fisher

## Club handicap tournament

### U15 GIRLS' DOUBLES

Group A					
Player	Pos.	Lucy Dixon Harriet Gosztonyi	Emily Armstrong Holly Weston	Jessica Mallett Syam Wombwell	Jasmine Farrelly Isabel Smith
Lucy Dixon Harriet Gosztonyi	2		18 19	21 21	21 21
Emily Armstrong Holly Weston	1	21 21		19 18	21 21
Jessica Mallett Syam Wombwell	3	17 12	21 21		21 21
Jasmine Farrelly Isabel Smith		10 10	15 15	15 17	

Here we again had a three-way tie at the top of the group resolved by recourse to the fourth tie break criterion.



(l-r) Holly Weston, Harriet Gosztonyi,  
Emily Armstrong, Lucy Dixon

## Club handicap tournament

### U18 BOYS' DOUBLES

Group A								
Player	Pos.	Jonathan Hau Daryn Howes	Bhagyesh Govilkar Alex Lopez	Alex Lawrence Christopher Spain	Shannon Chen Colin Clarke	Connor McCartney & various partners	Steven Bullett Ollie Thompson	Ieuan Godfrey Jason Hau
Jonathan Hau Daryn Howes	1		21	21	21	21	21	21
Bhagyesh Govilkar Alex Lopez		16		13	9	18	18	17
Alex Lawrence Christopher Spain		17	21		21	11	18	17
Shannon Chen Colin Clarke	5	17	21	8		17	21	21
Connor McCartney & various partners	4	15	21	21	21		17	17
Steven Bullett Ollie Thompson	3	14	21	21	15	21		20
Ieuan Godfrey Jason Hau	2	12	21	21	19	21	21	

This was the only section in the whole day that resulted in one pair winning all its games, so you could say that Jonathan and Daryn were the most comfortable winners and they can certainly look forward to an even more challenging handicap next time.



(l-r) Jason Hau, Daryn Howes,  
Jonathan Hau and  
(r) Ieuan Godfrey

## Club handicap tournament

### U18 GIRLS' DOUBLES

Group A						
Player	Pos.	Eleanor Smith Katie Tidd	Stephanie Pipe Polly Thisdell	Stephanie Thomas & various partners	Georgia Beech Alice Brown	Hannah Fitzpatrick Erin Maher
Eleanor Smith Katie Tidd			13 13	15 14	8 10	11 15
Stephanie Pipe Polly Thisdell	2	15 15		13 12	15 15	15 15
Stephanie Thomas & various partners	1	8 15	15 15		15 15	15 15
Georgia Beech Alice Brown	3	15 15	10 10	13 9		15 15
Hannah Fitzpatrick Erin Maher		15 11	11 10	13 10	14 10	

The Swifts club tournament is unique among badminton doubles tournaments in having players without partners; we always guarantee that anyone who enters on time can play even if they don't have a partner. Stephanie Thomas demonstrated that this doesn't matter one little bit by winning all but one of her games and emerging as the gold medallist. Her fellow competitors, of course, might argue that they should all receive a gold medal because they all took turns to play with her but we didn't have enough to spare.



(l-r) Stephanie Pipe, Stephanie Thomas,  
Polly Thisdell