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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 Saturday in the ACDBL we had four home matches. The U14 boys B team played at home to Horsell B and won 7-3.

The U14 girls' B team performed a great favour for the A team, and set a high standard to follow, by defeating Horsell A team by 6-4.

The boys A team beat Bourne B by 10-0.

The girls' A team played Horsell B and won 10-0.

## Surrey Heath Sports Awards



This Monday (17 Oct) saw the Surrey Heath Sports Awards presentations, and the big news is that Swifts is *Club of the Year*, while Christine Thompson won the *Outstanding Service to Sport* award. A special day for Swifts! Particular congratulations go to Christine for her well-deserved award.

Specsavers' (the sponsors) representative with Chris Thompson, Max Curtis, Anish Goel and Terry Chivers

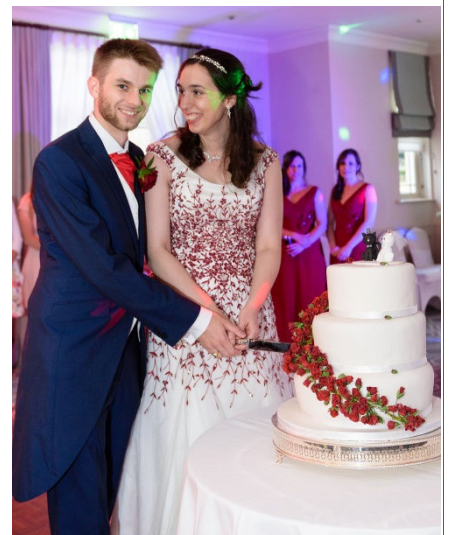
## A Swifts wedding

Now, here's a unique (I think) event in Swifts history—a wedding between ex-members!

Kirsty Walker and Jamie Ellis were both members until 2010, with Kirsty joining in 1999 and Jamie in 2004.

Both left us a legacy of trophies named after them which we present to the most capped player each season and to the best girls' doubles player.

Their wedding was at Wooton House, Dorking on 19 August and we wish them both much happiness.



Jamie and Kirsty cut their wedding cake

## National circuit news



**Lila Dundas and Sebastian Grove**

Some of our members were also busy at the BE Home Counties U11 & U13 JCs in Reading at the weekend, with considerable success. Holly Ranson, zooming over there after her triumph in the Swifts graded tournament in the morning, won a bronze medal in the U11 girls' singles.

Lila Dundas was a girls' doubles semi-finalist in the U13 tournament.

Sebastian Grove also won a bronze medal, by reaching the semi-final of the U13 boys' singles event.

Serena Farrelly played in the BE U16 Milton Keynes Silver JC and reached the semi-final of the girls' singles.

Meanwhile, Smrithi Shirol, only U13 in our local league, stepped up to also enter the BE U16 Milton Keynes Silver JC, reaching the finals of both the doubles and mixed events and suffered the consequences of a bad draw by losing (only narrowly) at the group stage of the girls' singles to the top-seed and eventual winner.

Callum Mitchell played in the same tournament as Smrithi and reached the semi-final of the boys' doubles to win a bronze medal.

## County representation

The Surrey U14 A team played a drawn match against Hampshire in the Shires League on Sunday and there was a strong Swifts backbone to the team as Lila Dundas, Dominic Nabasa and Smrithi Shirol were all playing.

## More new members

We have a lot of new members to welcome; so many, in fact, that we have opened a new club session at 8am to accommodate those that are complete beginners. Some of have already started the 8am session, and the rest will start after the half-term break.

The new members, all beginners, are Asmita Ananad (U12), Shaurya Chhabra (U9), James Clarke (U11), Leo Desai (U11), Christian Jeremiah (U9), Radhika Shah (U9), Eve Tyler (U13) and Rishona Vikram (U9).

A warm welcome to all of them.

## Club handicap doubles

We played the second (doubles) weekend of our annual handicap tournament on Saturday, with 79 players after all withdrawals through injury, illness, university visits and compulsory school sport have been accounted for. This is pretty good when you also consider how many players were out playing in national circuit tournaments on Saturday.

Full details can be found later in this newsletter, but the headline results are:

<b>Event</b>	<b>Winners</b>	<b>Runners-up</b>
Boys' U10	Fraser Childs & Harry Lincoln	Tobias Gibson & Jonathan Lai
Girls' U10	Emma Ranson & Holly Ranson	Erin Christian & Lucy Lincoln
Boys' U13	Matthew Grove & Jacob Sheffield	Ben Hazevoet & Callum South
Girls' U13	Paige Daniel & Daisy Murphy	Abbie Coleman & Pryanka Pimple
Boys' U15	Anish Goel & Kain Rafter	Max Curtis & Ollie Dunford
Boys' U18	Josh Monkhouse & Max Taylor	Lucas Downes & Soon Hau Fun
Girls' U18	Emily Chapman & Sophie Mercure	Aimee Christian & Elena Koutas

Because we had only four entrants we merged the U15 girls into the U18 section.

Many thanks to the parents and older members that helped by scoring the most junior age groups.

## ACDBL match results

<b>Location:</b>	<b>Lightwater</b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b>15 Oct 2016</b>	<b>Opposition:</b>	<b>Horsell B</b>
<b>Result:</b>	<b>Won 7 - 3</b>			<b>Home</b>	<b>U14B Boys</b>
	<b>Swifts</b>	Jacob Sheffield	Matthew Grove	James Tyler	Connor Pearce
	<b>Opposition</b>	Ethan Ferrao	Zack Kennedy	Nicolas Ferrao	Owen Swain
	<b>Home Players</b>		<b>Score</b>	<b>Away Players</b>	
	Jacob Sheffield	Matthew Grove	21 8	Ethan Ferrao	Zack Kennedy
	James Tyler	Connor Pearce	19 21	Nicolas Ferrao	Owen Swain
	Jacob Sheffield	James Tyler	21 19	Ethan Ferrao	Nicolas Ferrao
	Matthew Grove	Connor Pearce	21 5	Zack Kennedy	Owen Swain
	Jacob Sheffield	Connor Pearce	21 15	Ethan Ferrao	Owen Swain
	Matthew Grove	James Tyler	21 16	Zack Kennedy	Nicolas Ferrao
	Jacob Sheffield		21 13	Ethan Ferrao	
	Matthew Grove		14 21	Zack Kennedy	
	James Tyler		16 21	Nicolas Ferrao	
	Connor Pearce		21 17	Owen Swain	
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<b>Location:</b>	<b>Lightwater</b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b>15 Oct</b>	<b>Opposition:</b>	<b>Horsell A</b>
<b>Result:</b>	<b>Won 6 - 4</b>			<b>Home</b>	<b>U14B Girls</b>
	<b>Swifts</b>	Jessica Walker	Priyanka Pimple	Phoebe Ridsdill-Smith	Amelia Sheffield
	<b>Opposition</b>	Hana Boujemaoui	Hannah Goodman	Charlotte Newton	Tina Zhang
	<b>Home Players</b>		<b>Score</b>	<b>Away Players</b>	
	Jessica Walker	Priyanka Pimple	21 16	Hana Boujemaoui	Hannah Goodman
	Phoebe Ridsdill-Smith	Amelia Sheffield	20 21	Charlotte Newton	Tina Zhang
	Jessica Walker	Phoebe Ridsdill-Smith	21 16	Hana Boujemaoui	Charlotte Newton
	Priyanka Pimple	Amelia Sheffield	11 21	Hannah Goodman	Tina Zhang
	Jessica Walker	Amelia Sheffield	21 12	Hana Boujemaoui	Tina Zhang
	Priyanka Pimple	Phoebe Ridsdill-Smith	21 13	Hannah Goodman	Charlotte Newton
	Jessica Walker		21 17	Hana Boujemaoui	
	Priyanka Pimple		21 13	Hannah Goodman	
	Phoebe Ridsdill-Smith		11 21	Charlotte Newton	
	Amelia Sheffield		10 21	Tina Zhang	
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## ACDBL match results

<b>Location:</b>	<b>Lightwater</b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b>15 Oct 2016</b>	<b>Opposition:</b>	<b>Bourne B</b>
<b>Result:</b>	<b>Won 10 - 0</b>			<b>Home</b>	<b>U16A Boys</b>
	<b>Swifts</b>	Max Taylor	Josh Monkhouse	Harry Hodges-Long	Max Curtis
	<b>Opposition</b>	Matthew Casey	Ned Forster	Max Conradi	Leo Long
	<b>Home Players</b>		<b>Score</b>	<b>Away Players</b>	
	Max Taylor	Josh Monkhouse	21 8	Matthew Casey	Ned Forster
	Harry Hodges-Long	Max Curtis	21 10	Max Conradi	Leo Long
	Max Taylor	Harry Hodges-Long	21 12	Matthew Casey	Max Conradi
	Josh Monkhouse	Max Curtis	21 8	Ned Forster	Leo Long
	Max Taylor	Max Curtis	21 9	Matthew Casey	Leo Long
	Josh Monkhouse	Harry Hodges-Long	21 5	Ned Forster	Max Conradi
	Max Taylor		21 13	Matthew Casey	
	Josh Monkhouse		21 12	Ned Forster	
	Harry Hodges-Long		21 10	Max Conradi	
	Max Curtis		21 8	Leo Long	
			<b>10 0</b>		

<b>Location:</b>	<b>Lightwater</b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b>15 Oct 2016</b>	<b>Opposition:</b>	<b>Horsell B</b>
<b>Result:</b>	<b>Won 10 - 0</b>			<b>Home</b>	<b>U16A Girls</b>
	<b>Swifts</b>	Sophie Mercure	Emily Chapman	Ruth Devapragasam	Ellie Walker
	<b>Opposition</b>	Lauren Taylor	Laura Martin	Katy Gillespie	Lucy Matthews
	<b>Home Players</b>		<b>Score</b>	<b>Away Players</b>	
	Sophie Mercure	Emily Chapman	21 6	Lauren Taylor	Laura Martin
	Ruth Devapragasam	Ellie Walker	21 7	Katy Gillespie	Lucy Matthews
	Sophie Mercure	Ruth Devapragasam	21 12	Lauren Taylor	Katy Gillespie
	Emily Chapman	Ellie Walker	21 8	Laura Martin	Lucy Matthews
	Sophie Mercure	Ellie Walker	21 4	Lauren Taylor	Lucy Matthews
	Emily Chapman	Ruth Devapragasam	21 9	Laura Martin	Katy Gillespie
	Sophie Mercure		21 1	Lauren Taylor	
	Emily Chapman		21 13	Laura Martin	
	Ruth Devapragasam		21 7	Katy Gillespie	
	Ellie Walker		21 3	Lucy Matthews	
			<b>10 0</b>		

## Swifts handicap singles results

U10 BOYS							
Group A							
Player	Pos	Fraser Childs Harry Lincoln	Yee Kye Wang & various partners	Ben Ford George Oates	Jack Blackman Joshua Ford	Tobias Gibson Jonathan Lai	Yicheng Lim Kartikey Sarin
Fraser Childs Harry Lincoln	1		15	15	13	15	12
Yee Kye Wang & various partners		12		14	15	10	15
Ben Ford George Oates		5	15		12	9	15
Jack Blackman Joshua Ford		15	9	15		14	13
Tobias Gibson Jonathan Lai	2	8	15	15	15		13
Yicheng Lim Kartikey Sarin	3	15	6	14	15	15	

This was an amazingly close group, with three pairs winning three games each, and the other three winning two games each. Those close 15-14 and 15-13 finishes could easily have changed things around quite a bit.



Tobias Gibson, Fraser Childs,  
Jonathan Lai and Harry Lincoln



## Swifts handicap singles results

### U10 GIRLS

Group A							
Player	Pos	Abigail Barnfield Sally Grove	Ella Dai & various partners	Emma Ranson Holly Ranson	Erin Christian Lucy Lincoln	Leah Naish Temisha Veeramootoo	Nethuli Alwis Sarah Devapragasam
Abigail Barnfield Sally Grove			11	10	12	12	11
Ella Dai & various partners		15		14	15	10	10
Emma Ranson Holly Ranson	1	15	15		15	15	15
Erin Christian Lucy Lincoln	2	15	10	10		15	15
Leah Naish Temisha Veeramootoo	3	15	15	13	6		15
Nethuli Alwis Sarah Devapragasam		15	15	10	11	10	

This group had a strange preponderance of 15-10 and 15-11 scores. Ella lost her intended partner to illness on the morning of the tournament, yet came within one point (had she won that lost 15-14 game) of tying for the silver medal.



Erin Christian, Holly Ranson,  
Lucy Lincoln and Emma Ranson  
(though who can really tell the twins apart?)

## Swifts handicap singles results

### BOYS' U13 DOUBLES

Group A								
Player	Pos	James Warne & various partners	Bradley Mayuga James Tyler	Matthew Barnfield Nathan Gibson	Timothy Canning Hayden Mitchell	Abhishek Sathiyana-rayanan Liam O'Hara	Matthew Grove Jacob Sheffield	Benjamin Hazevoet Callum South
James Warne & various partners			21	20	17	18	21	18
Bradley Mayuga James Tyler		19		19	18	20	17	19
Matthew Barnfield Nathan Gibson	3	21	21		21	21	13	11
Timothy Canning Hayden Mitchell		21	21	17		21	12	19
Abhishek Sathiyana-rayanan Liam O'Hara		21	21	18	20		20	13
Matthew Grove Jacob Sheffield	1	19	21	21	21	21		21
Benjamin Hazevoet Callum South	2	21	21	21	21	21	16	

Matthew and Jacob showed the value of plugging on after losing your first match, and I don't think I can remember a pair that had as many celebrations after close wins as Ben and Callum.



(r) Matthew Grove, Jacob Sheffield,  
(f) Ben Hazevoet and Callum South



## Swifts handicap singles results

U13 GIRLS							
Group A							
Player	Pos	Madeleine Mayne Annabella Salt	Sahana Balamurugman & various partners	Paige Daniel Daisy Murphy	Annabelle Atkins Amelia Sheffield	Abbie Coleman Priyanka Pimple	Sandhya Jaikumar Mide Williams
Madeleine Mayne Annabella Salt	3		21	18	21	15	20
Sahana Balamurugman & various partners		13		20	19	13	9
Paige Daniel Daisy Murphy	1	21	21		21	21	21
Annabelle Atkins Amelia Sheffield		13	21	11		11	21
Abbie Coleman Priyanka Pimple	2	21	21	17	21		21
Sandhya Jaikumar Mide Williams		21	21	17	18	15	

Almost all of the winning pair's matches were nail-biters. In fact, this tournament has been a great opportunity for Swifts members to learn how to cope with those close, nervous finishes where anyone can win.



Paige Daniel, Priyanka Pimple,  
Daisy Murphy and Abbie Coleman

## Swifts handicap singles results

U15 BOYS							
Group A							
Player	Pos	Matthew Lister Cameron Warne	John Canning Greg Laurence	Max Curtis Ollie Dunford	Izaac Mayuga Connor Pearce	William Salt Jack Wetherall	Anish Goel Kain Rafter
Matthew Lister Cameron Warne	3		21	17	21	21	12
John Canning Greg Laurence		19		19	21	14	13
Max Curtis Ollie Dunford	2	21	21		21	21	11
Izaac Mayuga Connor Pearce		13	17	19		14	15
William Salt Jack Wetherall	4	18	21	20	21		21
Anish Goel Kain Rafter	1	21	21	21	21	20	

There were lots of ties to resolve in this group and the winners were defeated by the fourth pair, with lots of close finishes for everyone. Anish and Kain showed that you don't need to be tall to win at badminton.



Max Curtis, Anish Goel, Ollie Dunford and Kain Rafter

## Swifts handicap singles results

U18 BOYS					
Group A					
Player	Pos	Thomas Chan Joseph Frean	Lucas Downes Soon Hau Fun	Daniel Roach Jed Shrewsbury	Joshua Monkhouse Max Taylor
Thomas Chan Joseph Frean			16 18	15 9	10 15
Lucas Downes Soon Hau Fun	2	21 21		21 14	21 12
Daniel Roach Jed Shrewsbury	3	21 21	20 21		12 19
Joshua Monkhouse Max Taylor	1	21 21	20 21	21 21	

The U18 boys usually produce the fastest, most explosive badminton, no matter who is playing. This year was no exception and playing everyone else twice was probably quite hard work.



Soon Hau Fun, Max Taylor,  
Lucas Downes and Josh Monkhouse

## Swifts handicap singles results

### U18 GIRLS

Group A							
Player	Pos	Ellie Walker Jessica Walker	Ruth Devapragasam & various partners	Emily Chapman Sophie Mercure	Phoebe Ridsdill-Smith Sophie Walter	Aimee Christian Elena Koutas	Katie Atkins Holly Cullen
Ellie Walker Jessica Walker			20	14	21	16	17
Ruth Devapragasam & various partners	3	21		16	21	15	21
Emily Chapman Sophie Mercure	1	21	21		21	21	21
Phoebe Ridsdill-Smith Sophie Walter		19	19	16		17	12
Aimee Christian Elena Koutas	2	21	21	18	21		21
Katie Atkins Holly Cullen		21	20	16	21	19	

Four players in this group were U15s and the rest were U18s; it wouldn't have been very useful, or much fun, to have had an U15 event with only two pairs.



Elena Koutas, Sophie Mercure,  
Aimee Christian and Emily Chapman