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*If the training is easy
the match will be hard,
but if the training is
hard the match will be
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Tournament news

Several county restricted tournaments have been played recently and Swifts members have enjoyed great success.

Lila Dundas was runner-up in both the ladies' and mixed doubles events at the adult Surrey restricted tournament.

Sebastian Grove reached the semi-final of the grade A Surrey U17 singles tournament, while Jessica Pearson won the B grade of the Surrey U13 girls' singles tournament.

Sarah Devapragasam reached the grade B U13 semi-final and Gaurav Panyam was U15 B grade plate winner.

Holly Ranson played in the Berkshire U16 tournament and was runner-up in the mixed event and reached the semi-final of the girls' singles.

Matches

We played our first match for a very long time this last Saturday, when two evenly-match teams of Swifts U12s competed during our match play session. The X team won and the detailed results can be found later in the newsletter.

More new members

We extend a warm welcome to four more new members and two returners this week. They are Guy Claydon (U13), Erin Christian (U15, junior), Lucas Crook (U11), Jonathan Lee (U15, emerging), Philip O'Hara (U13), Preshtti Shah (U11). Unless indicated otherwise they are all beginners.

Handicap tournament

As you are all aware we held the singles events in our annual handicap tournament on Saturday. Full illustrated details can be found on the pages that follow but the medal winners can be summarised as follows.

Event	Winner	Runner-up
U11 unisex	Preshtti Shah	Katherine Reeve
U12 girls	Udita Sharma	Lyla Thompson
U13 boys	Vincent Yuan	Toby Gibson
U13 girls	Sarah Devapragasam	Abigail Barnfield
U14 boys	Yugandhar Dandekar	James Waite
U15 boys	Aditya Shobin	Jonathan Lee
U15 girls	Amelia Wells	Connie Vooght
U18 boys	Sebastian Grove	Thomas Henderson
U18 girls	Katie Stevens	Ella Henderson

It will be doubles on 16 October.

Internal match results

Location: **Lightwater** Date: **2 Oct 2021** Opposition: **Swifts X v Swifts Y**
 Result: **Won 14 - 7** **Home**

Swifts X	Toby Gibson	Isabelle Benge/ Jess Pearson	Reuben Gibson
	Sally Grove	Sanjana Mageshwaran	Guy Claydon
Swifts Y	Evie Stewart	Sam Johnson	James Waite
	Lyla Thompson	Radhika Rode	Megan Johnson

Swifts X	Score	Swifts Y
Toby Gibson	15	13
Isabelle Benge/Jess Pearson	15	4
Reuben Gibson	14	15
Sally Grove	15	8
Sanjana Mageshwaran	15	6
Guy Claydon	15	12
Toby Gibson Reuben Gibson	12	15
Toby Gibson Isabelle Benge/ Jess Pearson	15	9
Reuben Gibson Sally Grove	8	15
Sanjana Mageshwaran Guy Claydon	14	15
Isabelle Benge/ Jess Pearson Sanjana Mageshwaran	14	15
Sally Grove Guy Claydon	15	13
Toby Gibson Sally Grove	15	3
Isabelle Benge/ Jess Pearson Guy Claydon	15	3
Reuben Gibson Sanjana Mageshwaran	13	15
Toby Gibson Sanjana Mageshwaran	15	12
Isabelle Benge/ Jess Pearson Sally Grove	15	11
Reuben Gibson Guy Claydon	12	15
Toby Gibson Guy Claydon	15	12
Isabelle Benge/ Jess Pearson Reuben Gibson	15	11
Sally Grove Sanjana Mageshwaran	15	10
	14	7

Swifts handicap singles results

UNISEX U11 SINGLES

Group A										
Player	Pos	Katherine Reeve	Lukas Steel	Bhavya Sharma	Lorelei Stephens	Lucas Crook	Megan Johnson	Reuben Gibson	Preshtti Shah	Darcie Stephens
Katherine Reeve	2		11	11	11	11	11	11	6	11
Lukas Steel		7		4	6	5	7	7	4	4
Bhavya Sharma		6	11		11	11	9	8	3	11
Lorelei Stephens		7	11	10		6	11	10	4	11
Lucas Crook		9	11	10	11		10	10	8	11
Megan Johnson		8	11	11	9	11		7	8	3
Reuben Gibson	3	6	11	11	11	11	11		11	11
Preshtti Shah	1	11	11	11	11	11	11	10		11
Darcie Stephens		7	11	9	9	8	11	7	9	



This was the first of several three-way ties during the course of the day which, between them, cause the organisers to break three calculators and two foreheads. However, we like close competitions and the number of close matches indicates that the handicaps were pretty fair on the whole.

Preshtti Shah and Katherine Reeve

Swifts handicap singles results

U12 GIRLS' SINGLES						
Group A						
Player	Pos	Sanjana Satish	Sally Grove	Udita Sharma	Lyla Thompson	Radhika Rode
Sanjana Satish			14	14	10	15
Sally Grove	3	15		11	15	13
Udita Sharma	1	15	15		15	13
Lyla Thompson	2	15	14	12		15
Radhika Rode		13	15	15	8	



We had another three-way tie here, for the runner-up spot, a high proportion of 15-14 scores and nobody winning all her matches so it is safe to say this was another close one.

Lyla Thompson and Udita Sharma

Swifts handicap singles results

BOYS' U13 SINGLES										
Group A										
Player	Pos	Vincent Yuan	Sam Johnson	Philip O'Hara	Toby Gibson	Ansh Parate	Jimmy Brazendale	Nikhil Saikia	Guy Claydon	Leo Robson-Sankey
Vincent Yuan	1		15	15	15	15	11	15	15	15
Sam Johnson		8		15	9	15	9	15	15	8
Philip O'Hara		14	13		10	15	11	12	15	15
Toby Gibson	2	9	15	15		15	15	15	15	15
Ansh Parate		9	4	2	12		7	15	12	15
Jimmy Brazendale	3	15	15	15	9	15		15	15	15
Nikhil Saikia		9	1	15	8	15	6		15	15
Guy Claydon		11	3	4	10	15	12	5		11
Leo Robson-Sankey		7	15	6	10	11	8	8	15	



Vincent Yuan and Toby Gibson

This is the third group to have a three-way tie, with Jimmy Brazendale beating the event winner but still missing out on a medal. And I'm reporting on the third event and no player has yet won all their matches.

Swifts handicap singles results

GIRLS' U13 SINGLES

Group A								
Player	Pos	Cassidy Mata	Sanjana Mage-shwaran	Veda Pabbi-setty	Jessica Pearson	Meera Rama-murthy	Abigail Barn-field	Sarah Devap-ragasam
Cassidy Mata			6	9	4	7	12	11
Sanjana Mage-shwaran		15		12	15	12	15	11
Veda Pabbi-setty		15	15		13	12	13	13
Jessica Pearson		15	12	15		13	13	14
Meera Ramamurthy	3	15	15	15	15		14	14
Abigail Barnfield	2	15	4	15	13	15		15
Sarah Devapragasam	1	15	15	15	15	15	6	



This group distinguishes itself by having the longest average name length and by leaving behind the most artistically adorned score sheet, with a density and quality of doodling not seen at swifts for several years.

Meera deserves a special mention for being within a point of beating both medallists.

Sarah Devapragasam and Abigail Barnfield

Swifts handicap singles results

BOYS' U14 SINGLES								
Group A								
Player	Pos	Christian Jeremiah	Rishik Singaraju	James Waite	William Randles	Yugandhar Dandekar	Gaurav Panyam	Fraser Childs
Christian Jeremiah			5	12	15	8	15	15
Rishik Singaraju		15		7	15	14	12	15
James Waite	2	15	15		15	13	15	13
William Randles		6	14	6		10	10	6
Yugandhar Dandekar	1	15	15	15	15		14	15
Gaurav Panyam	3	13	15	14	15	15		15
Fraser Childs		6	6	15	15	11	13	



Still no all-conquering winner to report on but lots more close matches and, crucially, a happy bunch of players at the end. Had Gaurav scored one more point (against James) he would have leapt from third to first and taken the gold medal.

James Waite and Yugandhar Dandekar

Swifts handicap singles results

BOYS' U15 SINGLES								
Group A								
Player	Pos	Joe Robinson	Krish Patel	Rohan Doddihal	Aditya Shobin	Jonathan Lee	Aaron Underwood	Jack Blackman
Joe Robinson	3		21	21	19	20	21	21
Krish Patel		12		19	21	12	21	14
Rohan Doddihal		17	21		20	16	19	15
Aditya Shobin	1	21	18	21		21	21	21
Jonathan Lee	2	21	21	21	17		21	21
Aaron Underwood		14	19	21	15	11		21
Jack Blackman		14	21	21	18	10	14	



Joe came within an ace of beating both medallists but ended up in third place while Krish distinguished himself by being the only player to beat the event winner. Everyone in the group won at least one game.

Jonathan Lee and Aditya Shobin

Swifts handicap singles results

U15 GIRLS' SINGLES

Group A						
Player	Pos	Connie Vooght	Amelia Wells	Erin Christian	Temisha Veeramootoo	Aashriya Hamal
Connie Vooght	2		10	15	15	15
Amelia Wells	1	15		15	14	15
Erin Christian		5	7		11	2
Temisha Veeramootoo	3	9	15	15		15
Aashriya Hamal		11	7	15	9	



Yet another three-way tie to split and by this time our tireless organisers' brains were popping. Temisha was the unlucky one in third place, having beaten the event winner by a whisker.

Amelia Wells and Connie Vooght

Swifts handicap singles results

U18 singles

Group A

Player	Pos	Benjamin Edwards	Sebastian Grove	Nathan Gibson	Liam O'Hara	Abhishek Sathiyarayanan	Matthew Ellis	Thomas Henderson	James Warne	Sebastian Grochola	Raghav Jaikumar
Benjamin Edwards			19	11	18	13	21	21	21	18	21
Sebastian Grove	1	21		21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21
Nathan Gibson	3	21	20		21	21	18	15	21	21	21
Liam O'Hara		21	15	10		13	15	12	15	17	21
Abhishek Sathiyarayanan		21	17	7	21		15	16	21	20	19
Matthew Ellis		20	11	21	21	21		11	21	15	21
Thomas Henderson	2	18	11	21	21	21	21		21	21	21
James Warne		19	18	17	21	18	18	20		15	19
Sebastian Grochola		21	13	13	21	21	21	20	21		15
Raghav Jaikumar		15	17	8	20	21	20	13	21	21	



This was the largest group of the day in both senses of the word and was most certainly the one that needed the most stamina to get through. Every single player won at least one match but Sebastian won all of his (one of only two participants to do so, and the only boy) and thus took gold.

Sebastian Grove and Thomas Henderson

Swifts handicap singles results

U18 GIRLS' SINGLES

Group A							
Player	Pos	Sara Kulkarni	Katie Stevens	Ella Henderson	Tulika Sahay	Sanya Parate	Chloe Randles
Sara Kulkarni			16	19	14	21	21
Katie Stevens	1	21		21	21	21	21
Ella Henderson	2	21	19		19	21	21
Tulika Sahay		21	10	21		18	17
Sanya Parate	3	20	20	17	21		21
Chloe Randles		16	11	15	21	16	



Katie became the only girl to have won all her matches on Saturday and staved off another strong challenge from a Henderson, with Ella having to settle for silver. If Sanya could have managed just two more points (against Sara and Katie) she would have been the event winner; it was that close.

Katie Stevens and Ella Henderson