



## Good Evans! Callum and Mollie steal show

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Mollie Patterson and Callum Evans both won the senior singles titles and the under-21 versions to make it a day of doubles at the Blackpool Grand Prix.

It was actually a treble for young Welshman Evans, who had taken the Band 1 competition the previous day.

**Women's Singles**



Winner Mollie Patterson (right) and runner-up Jo Keighley

Mollie Patterson beat Jo Keighley in the final, but it was the semi-finals where the most dramatic results happened.

Keighley defeated top seed and series leader – as well as last season’s overall champion – Karina Le Fevre 3-0 (13-11, 11-9, 11-4) to book her place in the final.

Meanwhile, Patterson came from 2-0 down to defeat second seed Emily Bolton 3-2 (7-11, 7-11, 12-10, 11-9, 11-9) in the other semi.

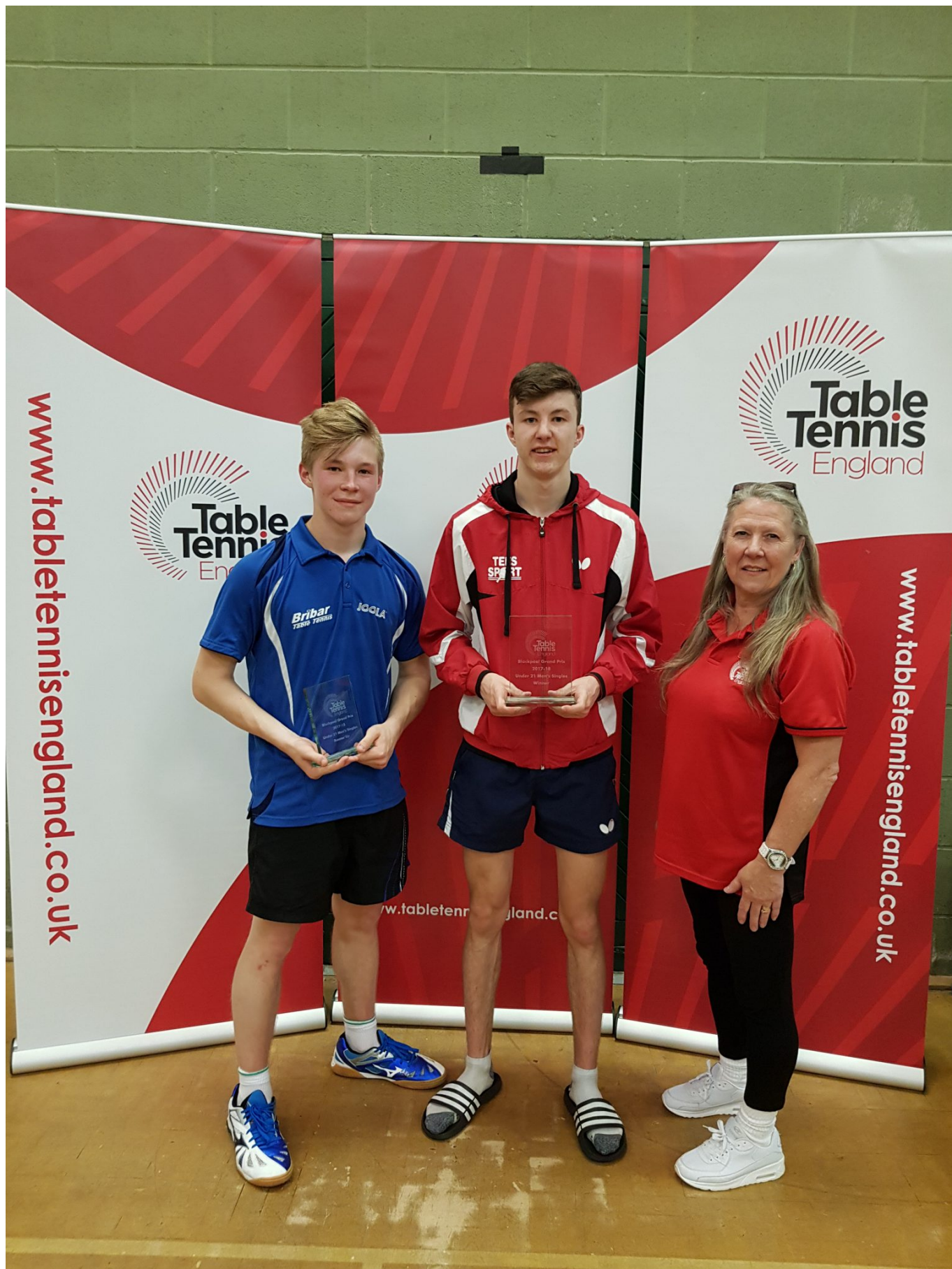
The final was always going Patterson’s way and she clinched it 3-0 (11-8, 11-7, 11-3).

### **Men’s Singles**

Callum Evans defeated Shaun Ellis 3-1 (11-4, 11-4, 4-11, 11-6) to take the top title, having gone through the earlier rounds without dropping a game against Peter Smallcombe, Jamie Nordin and Joseph Goss – who he beat 14-12, 11-8, 11-8 in the semi-finals.

Ellis’ semi-final was more of a struggle as he had to dig deep to overcome Graeme Barella 3-2 (11-7, 5-11, 9-11, 14-12, 12-10).

### **U21 Men’s Singles**



Callum Evans (centre) and Jamie Nordin with Carol Miles

Callum Evans completed his on-the-day double with a 3-0 (13-11, 11-9, 11-7) victory over Jamie Nordin.

The top two seed Evans earlier saw off Lancashire pair Rhys Davies 3-1 (11-8, 10-12, 11-3, 11-6) in the quarter-finals

and Zak Cantor 3-0 (11-6, 11-9, 12-10) in the semis.

Nordin, who came through the bottom half of the draw after winning Group 2, defeated Scotland's Charlie Morton 3-0 (11-5, 11-7, 11-8) in the quarters and Ryan Choong of Lancashire 3-0 (13-11, 17-15, 11-8) in a tough semi.

### **U21 women's Singles**



Mollie Patterson (left) and Beth Richards

Mollie Patterson's second win of the day came in the round-robin Under-21s as she won all four matches.

Only second-placed Beth Richards managed to take a game off the Norfolk teenager, going ahead before

Patterson hit back to win 3-1 (9-11, 11-3, 14-12, 11-3).

Grace Clement of Wales came back from 2-0 down to Lancashire's Sandy Choong to triumph 3-2 (7-11, 5-11, 11-9, 13-11, 11-8), which was enough to finish third.

### **Veterans' Singles**



Jason Thompson (left) and Rory Scott

It was five sets and comebacks all the way as Jason Thompson overcame Rory Scott to win the title.

Both semi-finals were five-setters, as was the final, and the victors came from 2-1 down on each occasion. It



was Thompson who eventually sealed the title with a thrilling 3-2 (11-6, 7-11, 10-12, 11-8, 13-11) victory.

In the last four, Thompson defeated Ben Willson 3-2 (1-3, 7-11, 10-12, 11-8, 11-2), while Scott beat Gerry Campbell in an even closer 3-2 (11-6, 9-11, 6-11, 11-6, 12-10).

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