



Payet earns crack at No 6 seed at Europeans

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Denise Payet is through to the last 64 of the Junior Girls' Singles at the European Youth Championships, but Charlotte Bardsley is out despite a good display against the No 23 seed.

Payet overcame Sinai Itzhaki of Israel 4-1 to set up a tie against No 6 seed Andrea Pavlovic of Croatia tomorrow.

Meanwhile, Bardsley twice came from a game behind to level against the No 23 Marta Vukelic, also of Croatia, but her opponent took the next two games to complete victory. Bardsley earlier picked up a good victory over Luiza Popescu of host nation Romania in the preliminary round.

In the Junior Boys, Joe Clark went out 4-1 to Dimitrije Levajac of Serbia, having earlier come through his opening match against Stanislav Strogov of Estonia in six.

In the doubles tournaments, there were some good victories for pairs involving English athletes, including Payet & Owen Cathcart of Ireland, who reached the last 64 of the mixed. They faced third seeds Cristian Pletea (Romania) & Mariia Tailakova (Russia), who were too strong and won in three straight.

Payet & Sarah Mantz (GER) had a great win in the last 64 of the Junior Girls as they sunk the 11th seeds from Germany 3-1, while Bardsley and Klara Bardac (CRO) also won their last-64 tie. However, Clark & Mattias Mongiusti of San Marino exited at the same stage of the Junior Boys' event.

In the Cadet Girls, Jasmin Wong & Ruby Chan won through their singles matches to reach the last 64, and advanced as a pair to the last 32 stage of the doubles. But Chan & Rafael Kong of Portugal went out of the mixed.

Results

Junior Boys' Singles

Preliminary round

Joe Clark bt Stanislav Strogov (EST) 4-2 (11-5, 9-11, 7-11, 11-9, 11-5, 11-7)

Round of 128

Dimitrije Levajac (SRB) bt Joe Clark 4-1 (11-6, 11-5, 6-11, 11-5, 11-9)

Junior Girls' Singles

Preliminary round

Charlotte Bardsley bt Luiza Popescu (ROU) 4-2 (6-11, 11-7, 5-11, 12-10, 11-5, 11-9)

Round of 128

Marta Vukelic (CRO) bt Charlotte Bardsley 4-2 (11-7, 7-11, 11-3, 12-14, 11-3, 11-7)

Denise Payet bt Sinai Itzhaki (ISR) 4-1 (11-5, 5-11, 11-7, 14-12, 11-9)

Junior Boys' Doubles

Round of 128

Joe Clark & Mattias Mongiusti (SMR) bt Stanislav Strogov & Mart Luuk (EST) 3-1 (16-14, 13-15, 11-9, 12-10)

Junior Mixed Doubles

Preliminary round

Joe Clark & Charlotte Bardsley bt Calum Morrison & Tessa Yau (SCO) 3-1 (11-8, 11-8, 8-11, 11-5)

Round of 128

Maksim Grebnev & Natalia Malinina (RUS) bt Clark & Bardsley 3-0 (13-11, 11-1, 11-7)

Owen Cathcart (IRL) & Denise Payet bt Olav Kosolosky & Natacha Koszulap (BEL) 3-1 (7-11, 11-6, 11-7, 11-8)

Oleksii Horbanenko & Polina Shumakova (UKR) bt Elias Hardmeier (SUI) & Jasmin Wong 3-1 (11-8, 4-11, 11-7, 13-11)

Cadet Mixed Doubles

Round of 128

Darius Movileanu & Ioana Singeorzan (ROU) bt Rafael Kong (POR) & Ruby Chan 3-0 (11-7, 11-7, 11-8)

Cadet Girls' Singles

Round of 128

Jasmin Wong bt Hanna Loncarevic (CRO) 4-1 (12-10, 11-6, 11-8, 9-11, 11-6)

Ruby Chan bt Sabina Musajeva (LAT) 4-3 (13-11, 11-2, 13-15, 10-12, 6-11, 11-5, 11-9)

Junior Boys' Doubles

Round of 64

Csaba Andras & Oliver Both (HUN) bt Joe Clark & Mattias Mongiusti (SMR) 3-0 (11-8, 11-4, 11-3)

Junior Girls' Doubles

Round of 64

Denise Payet & Sarah Mantz (GER) bt Franziska Schreiner & Laura Tiefenbrunner (GER) 3-1 (11-9, 12-10, 6-11, 11-9)

Klara Bardac (CRO) & Charlotte Bardsley bt Celine Credaro & Ludivine Maurer (SUI) 3-0 (11-4, 11-4, 11-4)

Junior Mixed Doubles

Round of 64

Cristian Pletea (ROU) & Mariia Tailakova (RUS) bt Owen Cathcart & Denise Payet 3-0 (11-7, 11-0, 11-3)

Cadet Girls' Doubles

Round of 64

Jasmin Wong & Ruby Chan bt Charalampia Tzioni (CYP) & Leman Abdulhamidova (AZE) 3-0 (11-2, 11-8, 11-4)

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