



Golden duo team up again for Nationals

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Commonwealth Games gold medallists Liam Pitchford & Paul Drinkhall are reunited as a doubles pair for the PG Mutual National Championships.

The duo won the Men's Doubles five times in succession from 2013 to 2017 but split up for last year's Nationals as the leading English players trialled new combinations ahead of the Commonwealths and other international team events.

Drinkhall partnered David McBeath and the pair took last year's title, defeating Pitchford and Sam Walker in the final. But now Pitchford & Drinkhall are back and go in search of title No 6 at Nottingham when the Men's Doubles gets under way on Saturday March 2. Their biggest challenge is likely to come from Walker & McBeath.

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It is also friends reunited in the Women's Doubles as Tin-Tin Ho & Maria Tsapsinos aim to win a fourth title, having taken a hat-trick between 2015 and 2017. Tsapsinos is defending the title she won alongside Kelly Sibley last year, beating Ho & Denise Payet in the final. Payet this time teams up with Emily Bolton.

The top pairings in the Mixed Doubles are Tom Jarvis with Tsapsinos, Ho alongside Josh Bennett and McBeath with Emma Vickers. Payet lines up with James Smith.

Jarvis is the top seed in the U21 Men's Singles as he aims to win back the title he lost last year to Helshan Weerasinghe. With Weerasinghe no longer eligible, Luke Savill, Bennett and Shayan Siraj complete the top four seeds.

Ho is in her last year in the U21 bracket and is top seed as she looks to complete a hat-trick and take her fifth title

overall at that level. Also in the top four seeds are Payet, Bolton and Charlotte Bardsley.

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Doubles pairings

Men's: Liam Pitchford & Paul Drinkhall; Sam Walker & David McBeath; Alim Hirji & Luke Savill; Josh Bennett & Jack Bennett; Joe Cope & Shayan Siraj; Adam Nutland & Ethan Walsh; Naphat Boonyaprapa & James Smith; Sam Wilson & Graeme Barella; Zak Cantor & Israel Awolaja; Gaurav Aravind & George Hazell; David Gofton & Josh Weatherby; Adam Jepson & Joe Killoran; Joseph Goss & Jacob Goss.

Women's: Tin-Tin Ho & Maria Tsapsinos; Denise Payet & Emily Bolton; Emma Vickers & Lois Peake; Mollie Patterson & Megan Gidney; Evie Collier & Kate Hughes; Gauri Duhan & Letitia McMullan; Jasmin Wong & Ruby Chan; Anaya Patel & Darcie Proud; Millie Rogove & Charlotte Weatherby; Lisa Rinnhofer & Georgia Harris.

Mixed: Tom Jarvis & Maria Tsapsinos; David McBeath & Emma Vickers; Josh Bennett & Tin-Tin Ho; Alim Hirji & Emily Bolton; James Smith & Denise Payet; Jack Bennett & Lois Peake; Shayan Siraj & Jasmin Wong; Graeme Barella & Kate Hughes; Naphat Boonyaprapa & Gauri Duhan; Sam Wilson & Megan Gidney; Joe Cope & Darcie Proud; David Gofton & Mollie Patterson; Josh Weatherby & Charlotte Weatherby.

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