

Pat on the back for Pattison

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The Topspin Sports Burgess Hill Cadet and Junior 2 Star took place on 9th February 2019 at the Triangle Leisure Centre. There was a good entry of 51 entrants. It was an excellent day for Ralphy Pattison (E), as he took both the U12s and U13s titles, for the loss of only three games.

Alex Ahl won both the U17s and the U18s, as he had done at the last Topspin Sports Horsham Spinners 2 Star. Congratulations are also due to Oli Thorne (Sx), of host club, Horsham Spinners TTC for winning his first medal (a bronze) in a 2 Star tournament.

Under-12

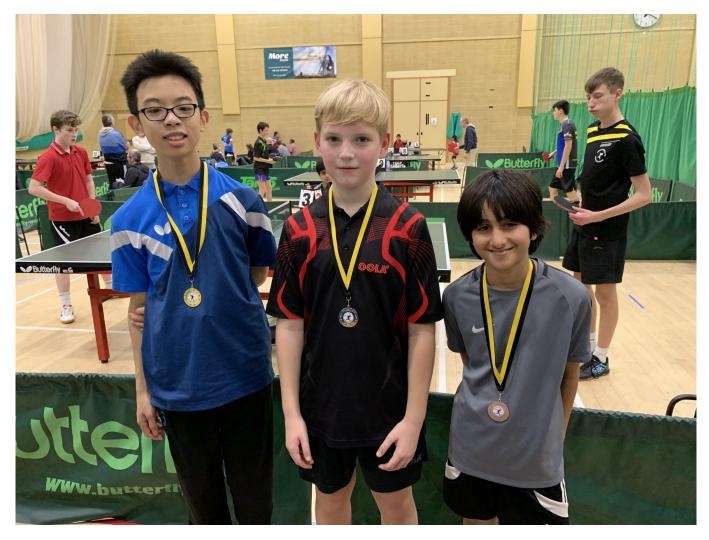
There was a good entry of 23 players in this age group, which was the largest on the day. All the seeds safely came through in first place in their groups. In the quarters, top seed Pattison defeated Alec Lyons (Mi) 3-0, Hannah Silcock (JEY) beat Rachael Iles (Bu) 3-0, James Donald (E) knocked out Kai Sun Yiu (Sy) 3-0 and Rahil Rehman-Furs (Sx) did well to take second seed, George Jackson (Mi) to the fifth game.

In the semis Pattison saw off Silcock in four and Jackson put paid to Donald in three. Pattison won the final in three. Donald overcame Silcock in a five-setter in the bronze medal match. Adam Alibhai (E) defeated Dev Malde (Mi) 3-0 in the final of the consolation.



There was a decent entry of 18 players in this category. There was one minor seeding upset at the group stage, with Donald overcoming fourth seed, Jackson 11-8 in the fifth game. In the quarters, top seed Pattison was too strong for Rees Christina (E), winning in three, Donald again overcame Silcock in five, Krish Chotai put out Thomas Agombar (Ha) in three and George Noel (Sy) defeated Jackson in four.

In the semis, Pattison saw off Donald in four and Chotai won surprisingly easily in three versus second seed, Noel, having lost to him in the morning. Pattison again won his final in three. Noel won the bronze medal from Donald in four. Iles beat Lyons in straight games in the final of the consolation.



This consisted of just 10 players in three groups. All of the seeds came through the group stage unscathed. In the quarters, Alfie Osborne (E) took out Matthew Davies (K) 3-0 and Chotai eliminated Tommy Lyons (Mi) in three.

In the semis, no. 1 seed, Harry Yip (Sx) overpowered Osborne in three and Noel beat Chotai in four. Yip came through in four in the final and Chotai won in three in the bronze medal match. Sasha O'Halloran (Sx) defeated Vincent Quiambao (Sy) in three in the final of the consolation.



12 players contested the U15s. In Group 2, the No 2 seed, Akash Shah (E), was taken down by both Sasha O'Halloran (Sx) 3-0 and Alex Howard (E) 3-2, which meant he went into the consolation event. O'Halloran beat Howard 3-2 to win the group. In the quarters, Jai Chaudhari (E) knocked out Howard 3-1 and Isaac Egginton (K) overcame Rob Wood (E) 11-8 in the fifth.

In the semis top seed, William Agombar (Ha) was taken down by Chaudhari in straight games and O'Halloran succumbed to Egginton in four. Egginton prevailed 3-0 in the final. Agombar took the bronze medal at the expense of O'Halloran in three. Noah Featherstone Csillag won a close four game match in the final of the consolation against Ashrith Behara (Mi).



14 players took part in the U15s. In Group 2, there was a three-way countback, with all three players winning once each. No 2 seed, Alex MacDonell (Sy), still managed to win the group, with a superior games ratio. Brightwell Yeboah (E) got the runners-up spot. In Group 3, Agombar took out No 3 seed Behara in straight sets to top the group. There was yet another upset in Group 3, with Oli Thorne (Sx-Horsham Spinners TTC) defeating No 4 seed Egginton in straight games, with a whitewash in the middle game.

In the quarters, favourite, Alex Ahl (Mi) went through Yeboah in straight games, Thorne eliminated Behara three straight, Agombar saw off Michael Ferris (E) 3-0 and MacDonell beat Shah in three.

Ahl had a straightforward 3-0 win over Thorne in one semi, but the other went to five, with Agombar emerging the winner over MacDonell. Ahl won 3-0 in the final and Thorne had an excellent win over MacDonell in the bronze medal match to get his first ever medal at a 2 Star tournament. Jacob Ling (E) defeated Egginton 3-0 in the consolation final.



There were just six players in the U18s in two groups of three. There weren't any big surprises at the group stage. In the semi-finals, Ahl was extended to five surprisingly by MacDonell and second seed Will Michell (Sx-Horsham Spinners TTC) put paid to Yeboah in four. Ahl won the final in straight games and MacDonell won the bronze medal in a very close four-game match with Yeboah.

The next Cadet/Junior 2 Star tournaments in Sussex are Saturday 8th June in Horsham, Sunday 23rd June in Burgess Hill and Saturday 6th July in Burgess Hill. Click here for entry forms.

Results

U12

Main: Ralph Pattison (E) beat George Jackson (Mi) 3-0 (11-9, 11-7, 11-7) Consolation: Adam Alibhai (E) beat Dev Malde (Mi) 3-0 (11-5, 11-3, 11-7)

U13

Main: Ralph Pattison (E) beat Krish Chotai (Sy) 3-0 (11-9, 11-7, 11-9) Consolation: Rachael Iles (Bu) beat Alec Lyons (Mi) 3-0 (11-8, 11-6, 11-7)

U14

Main: Harry Yip (Sx) beat George Noel (Sy) 3-1 (11-6, 11-13, 11-9, 11-2)
Consolation: Sasha O'Halloran (Sx) beat Vincent Quiambao (Sy) 3-0 (12-10, 14-12, 11-6)

U15

Main: Isaac Egginton (K) beat Jai Chaudhari (E) 3-0 (11-2, 12-10, 11-7)
Consolation: Noah Featherstone Csillag (K) beat Ashrith Behara (Mi) 3-1 (11-9, 9-11, 11-9, 11-8)

U17

Main: Alex Ahl (Mi) beat William Agombar (Ha) 3-0 (11-6, 11-7, 11-9) Consolation: Jacob Ling (E) beat Isaac Egginton (K) 3-0 (11-4, 11-4, 11-8)

U18

Main: Alex Ahl (Mi) beat Will Michell (Sx) 3-0 (11-5, 11-9, 13-11)
Consolation: Jacob Ling (E) beat Trent Luton (E) 3-2 (13-11, 8-11, 9-11, 11-4, 11-9)

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