

Pain in Spain for England teams

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None of the England teams were able to make it through to the knockout rounds at the Spanish Junior & Cadet Open, despite some good battles in the groups.

The Junior Girls' line-up of Denise Payet, Charlotte Bardsley and Megan Gidney picked up a good 3-0 win over Portugal and then fought hard against top seeds Russia, taking at least one game in every match before going out.

The Cadet Girls' squad of Ruby Chan, Anaya Patel and Millie Rogove also won their first match, against one of the Spanish teams, with Chan winning her two singles. But they were then knocked out by fourth seeds Chinese Taipei.

The Junior Boys went down 3-1 to France II and third seeds Portugal, with Sam Wilson and Shayan Siraj picking up the points and Ethan Walsh edged out 3-2 in three matches across the two fixtures.

There were two England teams in the Cadet Boys. The second team of Thomas Rayner & Jie Fu Tham were edged out 3-2 by Spain II, despite a singles victory for Rayner and taking the doubles to lead 2-1. They were also beaten 3-0 by third seeds France, though the doubles went to 12-10 in a decider.

Louis Price and Ben Piggott were defeated 3-0 in their two matches against Spain IV and fifth seeds Russia II.

The individual Cadet competitions take place over the weekend.



Denise Payet in action watched by the England bench (picture by Chris Rayner)

Results

Junior Boys' Team Group 3

France II 3 England 1

Jules Cavaille bt Shayan Siraj 3-1 (8-11, 11-5, 11-5, 11-6) Ethan Claude bt Ethan Walsh 3-2 (11-6, 6-11, 10-12, 11-9, 11-8) Sam Wilson bt Antoine Doyen 3-1 (5-11, 11-3, 11-4, 11-8) Cavaille bt Walsh 3-2 (11-9, 10-12, 11-9, 13-15, 11-9)

Portugal 3 England 1

Tiago Li bt Walsh 3-2 (4-11, 11-5, 9-11, 11-3, 11-6) Samuel da Silva bt Wilson 3-0 (13-11, 11-2, 11-6) Siraj bt Goncalo Gomes 3-2 (6-11, 11-8, 5-11, 11-4, 11-7) Li bt Wilson 3-1 (9-11, 13-11, 11-2, 11-6)

Junior Girls' Team

Group 1

England 3 Portugal 0

Denise Payet bt Ines Batista 3-1 (8-11, 11-3, 11-4, 11-3) Charlotte Bardsley bt Raquel Martins 3-0 (11-5, 11-9, 11-8) Megan Gidney bt Joana Lopes 3-2 (10-12, 11-7, 9-11, 11-3, 11-8)

Russia 3 England 0

Elizabet Abraamian bt Bardsley 3-1 (13-11, 11-8, 9-11, 11-6) Olga Vishniakova bt Payet 3-1 (8-11, 11-6, 11-7, 11-3) Ekaterina Zironova bt Gidney 3-2 (11-3, 11-8, 9-11, 4-11, 11-6)

Cadet Boys' Team

Group 3

Spain II 3 England II 2

Pau Lloret bt Jie Fu Tham 3-1 (12-10, 6-11, 11-8, 11-3) Thomas Rayner bt Ander Cepas 3-0 (11-5, 11-1, 11-4) Rayner & Tham bt Llret & Marc Miro 3-2 (7-11, 11-8, 11-13, 12-10, 11-9) Lloret bt Rayner 3-0 (11-7, 11-8, 11-6) Cepas bt Tham 3-0 (11-8, 11-9, 12-10)

France 3 England II 0

Hugo Deschamps bt Tham 3-1 (11-5, 11-5, 9-11, 11-3)
Felix Lebrun bt Rayner 3-0 (11-5, 11-7, 11-4)
Deschamps & Lebrun bt Rayner & Tham 3-2 (9-11, 11-3, 8-11, 11-6, 12-10)

Group 5

Spain IV 3 England 0

Ivan Martin bt Ben Piggott 3-0 (11-6, 11-4, 11-7)
Alberto Pomares bt Louis Price 3-0 (11-6, 11-5, 11-8)
Pomares & Sergi Gomez bt Price & Piggott 3-2 (4-11, 6-11, 11-4, 13-11, 11-4)

Russia II 3 England 0

Alexey Perfilyev bt Piggott 3-2 (11-7, 10-12, 7-11, 11-8, 11-5) Sergey Ryzhov bt Price 3-0 (11-7, 11-8, 11-9) Ryzhov & Perfilyev bt Price & Piggott 3-0 (11-4, 11-4, 11-9)

Cadet Girls' Team

Group 4

England 3 Spain V 1

Ruby Chan bt Lucia Aguayo 3-0 (11-4, 15-13, 11-9) Cristina Prieto bt Millie Rogove 3-2 (7-11, 11-7, 11-9, 3-11, 12-10) Chan & Anaya Patel bt Prieto & Carla Ballesta 3-0 (11-6, 11-6, 11-4) Chan bt Prieto 3-0 (11-3, 11-4, 12-10)

Chinese Taipei 3 England 0

Chen Tsai-Ni bt Patel 3-1 (12-10, 11-8, 8-11, 14-12) Liu Ru-Yun bt Chan 3-1 (12-10, 9-11, 11-1, 13-11) Chen & Liu bt Chan & Rogove 3-0 (13-11, 11-6, 11-4)

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