

Early Departures in Bratislava

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It was a disappointing show in the junior boys singles at the World Junior Table Tennis Championships.

The initial outlook looked promising as three of the four England players making it out of the group stages, with Liam Pitchford topping his group. David McBeath and Sam Walker fell in round 1, whilst Pitchford dispatched his counterpart Chinese Taipei to make it into the last 32, but that was as far as he would go, as the Korean Kim Dong Hyun narrowly defeated him 4-3

Group 1

David McBeath gets second, 1 win, 1 loss

Group 3

Liam Pitchford wins, 2 wins

Group 15

Sean Cullen 3rd with 1 win and 2 losses

Group 23

Sam Walker 2nd with 1 win and 2 losses

Rd 64

Jan Zibrat (SVN) bt. David McBeath 4-1

Liam Pitchford bt. Tzu-Hslang Hung (TPE) 4-3

Florian Wagner (GER) bt. Samuel Walker 4-1

Rd 32

Kim Dong Hyun (KOR) bt. Liam Pitchford 4-3

Boys Doubles

The doubles was similar to the singles, one pair made it out of the preliminary round but failed to progress from there as Pitchford and Cullen fell at the hands of the French partnership of Benjamin Brossier and Romain Lorentz.

Pre Lim Round

Karim El-Shaarawy (EGY)/Mohamed Shouman (EGY) bt. David McBeath/Sam Walker 3-2

Liam Pitchford/Sean Cullen bt. Kim Dong Hyun (KOR)/Kim Ji Hwan (KOR) 3-0

Rd 32

Benjamin Brossier (FRA)/Romain Lorentz (FRA) bt. Liam Pitchford/Sean Cullen 3-0

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