

# U21's Finals

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Paul Drinkhall and Gavin Evans after a fantastic final

## Men's U21 Final

Drinkhall v Evans

Drinkhall often falters in the first, but not this time round, an astonishing 11-0 win over an inform Evans.

Evans comes back fighting to take the second 11-7 and hits the third end running, immediately going 4-0 up, before Drinkhall pulls it back. It reached 10-5 Evans, with Drinkhall bringing it back to 10-7 before calling a time out, Evans eventually takes the second 11-7.

Going into the fourth Evans again leads the way, but Paul claws it back to claim his second win 11-6.

The fifth and final game was tight, it could go either way! Drinkhall is really under pressure here as Gavin Evans is playing extremely well and Drinkhall has it all to loose, fortunately for Drinkhall that isn't the case and he retains his title after a titanic battle. Will he go on to dominate proceedings as he did last year?

Paul Drinkhall bt. Gavin Evans 11-0, 7-11, 8-11, 11-6, 11-8

## Women's U21 Final

Bates v Vickers

Play was close and after their performances last year and their improvement in form, both sides of the table deserved to fight it out for the title.

After taking the first two ends it looked like Vickers had things all sown up, but Bates dug deep to make make it a valiant fight, winning the next two, so at 2-2 there was one end left to play, winner takes all. It was relatively close, but in the end Vickers managed to retain her title, denying the ever improving Bates.

Will Emily Bates reach another final whilst in Sheffield and defend her doubles title?

Emma Vickers bt. Emily Bates 11-7, 11-5, 6-11, 6-11, 11-7.

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