

# Sussex Circuit Report – Crawley

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## Sussex Circuit Report – Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2011 at K2 , Crawley



The Sussex circuit kicked off again after an absence of 18 months with an event at K2, Crawley on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October with a new generation of intermediate /beginner players which was attended by 38 players. The players were split into three ability bands in a morning and afternoon event with the objective of the players playing as many matches as possible against similar standard opposition. The morning event had an entry of 16 players in Band C and all players played 7 or 8 matches over a 4 hour period. William Goodstone from Eastbourne came out clear victor winning all his 7 matches in 3 straight sets taking gold medal position with Tom Brook from Horsham in 2<sup>nd</sup> place with just the one loss against William. The A & B standard players had a relatively low entry in the morning so it was decided that the bands would be merged together with 5 players playing each other twice so every player played 8 matches. This brought out some surprising results with Holly Holder, Kate Cheer and Bart Rayson all beating A band standard player Matt Van Yperen in their first group of matches. Holly Holder also had a really good straight sets victory over England U-11 international Kate Cheer. Bart Rayson had a narrow 5 sets victory over Holly Holder and Kate Cheer then beat Bart Rayson to leave Holly, Kate and Bart all on 2 victories each after the first round of matches. Clear leader was Mark Collins who was undefeated. Then came the second round of matches where Matt made up for his disappointing first round and beat Kate, Holly and Bart. Kate took revenge for her earlier defeat by Holly to beat Holly 11-9 in the 5<sup>th</sup> set and Bart continued his good performances with victories over Kate and Holly. Mark Collins remained undefeated to take Gold in the A band. Bart Rayson took A band silver with 4 victories and Matt came out victor over Kate on points count back with both on 3 victories each.

Morning finishing positions:

| Band | Position | Name              |
|------|----------|-------------------|
| A    | 1        | Mark Collins      |
| A    | 2        | Bart Rayson       |
| B    | 1        | Matt Van Yperen   |
| B    | 2        | Kate Cheer        |
| B    | 3        | Holly Holder      |
| C    | 1        | William Goodstone |
| C    | 2        | Tom Brook         |
| C    | 3        | David Poole       |
| C    | 4        | Jamie Huff        |
| C    | 5        | Peter Lambert     |
| C    | 6        | Emily Gibbons     |
| C    | 7        | Matthew Davies    |
| C    | 8        | Rhys Harmer       |
| C    | 9        | Katie Hood        |
| C    | 10       | Lauren Pound      |
| C    | 11       | German Ocampo     |
| C    | 12       | Zac Riley         |
| C    | 13       | Max Steel         |
| C    | 14       | Hugo Hawes        |
| C    | 15       | William Goodwin   |
| C    | 16       | Gabriel Jones     |



The afternoon session had a considerably stronger A band with the addition of England schools international

Josh Bennett, Michael Bridger and 3 improving players from Brighton; David Pringuer, George Tester and Paul Bergin. Victory went to Mark Collins after a superb 5 set victory over Josh Bennett which meant that Mark Collins was undefeated on the day with 14 victories.

There were 5 band B players and they all played each other twice to give them 8 matches each and again Bart Rayson demonstrated his quality coming out overall winner with 6 victories. Also with 6 victories but losing on count back was James Arnold who has recently taken the decision to change his bat to conventional reverse rubbers.

The C band had 9 players competing and the gold medal went to Sam Wray who won all his matches and second went to Alex Bryant who had just the one loss in a close fought match against Sam.

Afternoon finishing positions:

| Band | Position | Name                  |
|------|----------|-----------------------|
| A    | 1        | Mark Collins          |
| A    | 2        | Josh Bennett          |
| A    | 3        | Michael Bridger       |
| A    | 4        | David Pringuer        |
| A    | 5        | Matt Van Yperen       |
| A    | 6        | George Tester         |
| A    | 7        | Paul Bergin           |
| B    | 1        | Bart Rayson           |
| B    | 2        | James Arnold          |
| B    | 3        | Emma Sheen            |
| B    | 4        | Sam Dallas            |
| B    | 5        | Christopher Purdy     |
| C    | 1        | Sam Wray              |
| C    | 2        | Alex Bryant           |
| C    | 3        | Peter Lambert         |
| C    | 4        | Lauren pound          |
| C    | 5        | Luke Stewart          |
| C    | 6        | Jean-Philippe Rushton |
| C    | 7        | Nathan Wadey          |
| C    | 8        | Roddy Mc Gillvray     |
| C    | 9        | Joelle Bennett        |



A big thanks to all the helpers, that assisted on the day and to all the players that made this a great event. The next circuit tournament will be on the 7<sup>th</sup> Jan 2012 at K2 , Crawley and will run in parallel with an ETTA credited 1 star competition which will be suitable for A and B standard players.

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