

Polish Open Junior Results

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Sam Walker in action in Poland (courtesy of Ireneusz Kanabrodzki)

The England junior boys trio of Sam Walker, Lewis Gray and George Downing found the going tough in Poland as no player managed to get past the round of 64 in the singles event.

There were some positives though as both Walker and Downing managed to progress from their group before being defeated by Henrik Johansson (4-3) and Vitor Ishiy (4-0) respectively.

Gray was the victim of back luck though as he was denied progress to the main stage after his group was decided on countback. Gray had overseen a tight victory against Jorgen Johansen before also beating group top seed Michal Pavolka, but his defeat to Belarussian Gleb Shamruk 3-0 (12-10, 13-11, 11-8) meant he lost out on games ratio.

His consolation event campaign ended at the last 16 stage with defeat to Vadim Yarashenka.

The doubles campaign also ended quickly after one win and one defeat. Waker and Gray beat Polish pair Mateusz Dykowski and Marcin Sankowski but could not follow up that performance against the tournament's second seeds – Hungarian's Tamas Lakatos and Adam Szudi.



George Downing progressed to the round of 64 (courtesy of Ireneusz Kanabrodzki)

Polish Open Junior Boys Singles:

Group 12:

George Downing bt Mateusz Dzikowski (POL) 3-2 (10-12, 9-11, 11-4, 11-7, 11-8)

George Downing bt Tobias Rasmussen (DEN) 3-0 (14-12, 11-6, 11-6)

Christian Luginger (AUT) bt George Downing 3-0 (11-6, 11-7, 11-5)

Group 13:

Lewis Gray bt Jorgen Johansen (NOR) 3-2 (11-5, 7-11, 11-9, 5-11, 11-3)

Lewis Gray bt Michal Pavolka (SVK) 3-1 (11-7, 11-6, 4-11, 11-8)

Gleb Shamruk (BLR) bt Lewis Gray 3-0 (12-10, 13-11, 11-8)

Group 18:

Sam Walker bt Roni Kantola (FIN) 3-0 (11-9, 13-11, 15-13)

Sam Walker bt Alin Spelbus (ROU) 3-1 (11-6, 5-11, 11-7, 11-6)

Sam Walker bt Juraj Zatko (SVK) 3-0 (11-7, 11-8, 11-7)

Round of 64:

Vitor Ishiy (BRA) bt George Downing 4-0 (11-4, 11-4, 12-10, 11-9)

Henrik Johansson (SWE) bt Sam Walker 4-3 (11-7, 7-11, 11-6, 12-10, 10-12, 8-11, 11-4)

Junior Boys Doubles:

Sam Walker/Lewis Gray bt Mateusz Dykowski/Marcin Sankowski (POL) 3-0 (11-6, 11-8, 11-7)

Tamas Lakatos/Adam Szudi (HUN) bt Sam Walker/Lewis Gray 3-1 (11-6, 11-7, 7-11, 11-9)

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