

Ambition UK success at Halton Regional TTC

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Over 100 young people from 3 countries and 20 youth clubs made it to the Ambition UK National Table Tennis 2013 at the Halton Regional Table Tennis Centre. This year, the Lancashire Boys & Girls Clubs were the organisers.

The young people's behaviour was exceptional, they were an absolute credit to themselves and their clubs, taking responsibility for the events organisation as well as participating during the day. The youngsters were also successful in gaining their junior umpire award. Some 45 volunteers and staff brought them to this event with many staying overnight or enduring long journeys, their commitment and support is very much appreciated. As is the commitment of the ETTA International Referee Karen Tonge MBE, IR from Halton Table Tennis Club assisted by Ken Tonge, Frank James and others from Halton TT club and Inky Moss qualified ETTA umpire and chairman of Colebridge TT club Warwickshire, their experience and organisational skills ensured the event ran smoothly.

Working in partnership, a number of other volunteers contributed immensely on the day namely Neil Wheatley from Colebridge, Jasmine Gwillam of Blackpool and Sean Nolan of Liverpool young volunteers. Our thanks go to them all.

There were excellent playing standards throughout the day, resulting in exciting finals. The Mayor of Halton, Councillor Margaret Ratcliffe, attended the event, taking time to talk to the youngsters, watching the finals and then presenting the awards at the conclusion of the day's play.

One of the players, Jack Hunter- Spivey from Halton TT Club, participating in our U19 boys section was fortunate to run with the Olympic torch recently which he brought to the event. Everyone at the venue was thrilled to being able to see and touch an Olympic torch with lots of photo opportunities available throughout the day.

A final bonus for the clubs present on the day was to witness an exhibition match between Jack (From GB Para Squad) and England international, Darius Knight. Both are Ambition UK Ambassadors.



Ambition UK Table Tennis 2013 results:

Under 12 girls

Bethany Brewer (Ael-y-Bryn, WAL) bt Emma Kilpatrick (Colebridge TT Club, Wa) 3-0 (12-10, 11-5, 11-5)

Plate

Sophie Rinnhofer (Colebridge TT Club, Wa) bt Shannon Lloyd (Wyndham Boys & Girls Club, WAL)

Under 14 Girls

Lisa Rinnhofer (Colebridge TT Club, Wa) bt Robyn Cosgrove (Halton TT Club, Ch)

Plate

Sian James (Wyndham Boys & Girls Club, WAL) walkover

Under 16 girls

Beth Roberts (Ael-y-Bryn Table Tennis Club, WAL) bt Kirsten Atkinson (North Merchiston, SCO) 3-0 (11-3, 11-6, 11-5)

Under 19 girls

Alex Evans (Ael-y-Bryn Table Tennis Club, WAL) bt Shannon Kennedy (Meadows Youth Club, Ng) 3-1 (11-7, 11-5, 7-11, 11-4)

Under 12 Boys

Jake Cutts (Barnsley YMCA, Ys) bt Sam Walsh (Halton TT Club, Ch) 3-1 (11-6, 10-12, 11-8, 13-11)

Plate

Elis Burgess (Ael-y-Bryn Table Tennis Club, WAL) bt Matthew McCarthy (Halton TT Club, Ch) 3-0 (11-5, 11-8, 11-6)

Under 14 Boys

Callum Antrobus (Colebridge TT Club, Wa) bt Kai Davis-Francis (Westminster House Youth Club, Sy) 3-0 (11-4, 11-5, 11-6)

Plate

Lewis Gyekye (Hyson Green YC, Ng) bt Jack Evans (River House School, Wa) 3-2 (11-6, 11-13, 11-13, 11-8, 11-7)

Under 16 Boys

Ryan Lunn (Halton TT Club, Ch) bt Ashley Perry (Ael-y-Bryn Table Tennis Club, WAL) 3-1 (6-11, 11-5, 11-8, 11-2)

Plate

Callum Martin (Westminster House Youth Club, Sy) bt Phil Haynes (Barnsley YMCA, Ys) 3-1 (11-9, 11-3, 7-11, 11-4)

Under 19 Boys

Matthew McCormick (Halton TT Club, Ch) bt Jack Hunter-Spivey (Halton TT Club, Ch) 3-2 (7-11, 11-5, 10-12, 11-7, 11-9)

Plate

David Adesanya (Finsbury TTC, Mi) bt Faizan Bhura (Bolton Lads & Girls Club, La) 3-0 (11-6, 11-9, 12-10)



National Table Tennis 2013 Junior Umpire Award successful candidates

Name	Club	County
Mathew McCarthy	Halton TTC	Cheshire
Jack Daniels	Bolton B & G Club	Lancashire
Shannon Kennedy	Meadows YC	Nottingham
Jake Gerrard	Halton TTC	Cheshire
Bradley Matthews	Riverhouse School	Warwickshire
Amelia Norbury	North Merchiston YC	Scotland
Emily Shone	Halton TTC	Cheshire
Callum Brown	Halton TT Club	Cheshire
James Street	Barnsley YMCA	S Yorkshire
Asher Graham	Loco YC	Nottingham
Josh Baker	Loco YC	Nottingham
Ciaran Moody	Halton TTC	Cheshire
Jasmine Gwillam	Blackpool B & G Club	Lancashire
Ryan Watkins	Ael-y-bryn	Wales
Frankie Carson	Halton TTC	Cheshire
Lyndon Lasota	Bolton Lads and Girls	Lancashire
Lisa Swift	Barnsley YMCA	S Yorkshire
Saman Kalanaki	Bolton	Lancashire
Jack Godward	Loco YC	Nottingham
Alix Bell	Finsbury TT C	London
James Turner	Benchill YC	Manchester
Charlie Tucki	Colebridge YC	Warwickshire
Jack Fitzsimmons	Benchill YC	Manchester
Juwon Makun	Finsbury TTC	London

Mathew Howe	Benchill YC	Manchester
Sian James	Wyndham B & G Club	Wales
Ben Hargreaves	Benchill YC	Manchester
Cerys James	Wyndham YC	Wales
Sebastien Rollinson	Bolton	Lancashire
Stephen Howe	Benchill YC	Manchester
Shannon Lloyd	Wyndham B&G club	Wales
James Waddington	Bolton	Lancashire
Molly Gumble	Streathan YCT	London
Jamie Lee Harley	Ael-y-bryn	Wales
Robert Sharp	Halton	Cheshire

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