

Tin-Tin secures first medal at EYC

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Fourteen-year-old Tin-Tin Ho secured the first English medal of the European Youth Championships 2013 (Ostrava, CZE) as her, and Czech partner Tomas Polansky, cruised into the semi-final of the Cadet Mixed Doubles with a 3-0 win.

Tin-Tin, still in with a chance of a medal hat-trick in the Cadet Singles and Cadet Girls' Doubles, was comfortable alongside Czech colleague Polansky in their first time as a doubles pairing. Having beaten Tibor Spanik and Karolina Furkova (SVK) earlier in the day, they then beat Sweden's Omid Khosbakht and Erika Front 3-0 (12-10, 11-4, 11-9)

Tomorrow the pair will face Russian defenders Maria Malanina and Maxim Chaplygin for a place in the final. In a twist of fate, Tin-Tin will also partner Malanina in the last 16 of the Girl's Doubles while the Paddington youngster will look to build on her singles bronze from 2012 when she re-starts on Saturday in the last 16 against Camille Campion (FRA).

Just two other players remain in the 2013 EYC for England as high hopes in the singles events were quashed on Friday. Defeats for Tom Jarvis, Sam Walker, Maria Tsaptsinos and Lois Peake meant that only the cadet boys' doubles pairing of Jarvis and Marcus Giles will continue in full competition over the weekend.

Jarvis and Giles face Romanians Cristian Pletea and Alexandru Manole after securing a tense 3-2 victory over Christian Friedrich and Thomas Trink (AUT) in the last 32 late on Friday evening.

There will also be action for George Downing and Luke Savill on Saturday but their involvement extends to the consolation singles event where both will be looking to pick up some positive results in Ostrava.

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Singles Results

Junior Boys:

Second Round:

Sam Walker bt Peter Turcek (SVK) 4-3 (9-11, 9-11, 11-3, 11-6, 7-11, 11-9, 11-6)

Last 32:

Adam Szudi (HUN) bt Sam Walker 4-1 (11-7, 11-6, 8-11, 13-11, 11-9)

Junior Girls:

Second Round:

Linda Bergstrom (SWE) bt Maria Tsaptsinos 4-1 (11-4, 10-12, 11-6, 11-4, 13-11)

Anna Sofia Fenyesi (SRB) bt Lois Peake 4-1 (9-11, 11-9, 11-8, 11-9, 11-6)

Cadet Boys:**Second Round:**

Tom Jarvis bt Nikolaos Antoniadis (GRE) 4-3 (11-9, 10-12, 11-9, 11-9, 9-11, 9-11, 11-2)

Last 32:

Aliaksandr Khanin (BLR) bt Tom Jarvis 4-1 (11-5, 12-10, 11-9, 5-11, 11-8)

Cadet Girls:**Second Round:**

Tin-Tin Ho bt Tatiana Kukulkova (SVK) 4-2 (10-12, 9-11, 11-3, 11-7, 11-7, 11-1)

Julia Kaim (GER) bt Emily Bolton 4-1 (8-11, 11-5, 11-2, 11-9, 11-8)

Last 32:

Tin-Tin Ho bt Christina Kallberg (SWE) 4-2 (11-7, 11-8, 11-5, 11-13, 7-11, 11-8)

Last 16:

Tin-Tin Ho vs Camille Champion (FRA)

Doubles Results:**Cadet Boys Doubles:****Last 32:**

Tom Jarvis/Marcus Giles bt Christian Friedrich/Thomas Trink (AUT) 3-2 (10-12, 11-4, 11-5, 10-12, 11-7)

Last 16:

Tom Jarvis/Marcus Giles vs Cristian Pletea/Alexandru Manole (ROU)

Cadet Girls Doubles:**Last 32:**

Tin-Tin Ho/Maria Malanina (RUS) bt Karolina Tokarczyk/Katarzyna Galus (POL) 3-1 (9-11, 11-6, 12-10, 11-5)

Matea Ombla/Klara Cakol (CRO) bt Emily Bolton/Letitia McMullan 3-2 (11-9, 13-15, 11-5, 9-11, 11-6)

Daria Chernoray/Valeria Bagapova (RUS) bt Denise Payet/Sonia Tiplicki (ISR) 3-2 (11-7, 11-5, 8-11, 6-11, 11-8)

Last 16:

Tin-Tin Ho/Maria Malanina (RUS) vs Mateo Ombla/Klara Cakol (CRO)

Cadet Mixed Doubles:**Last 16:**

Tin-Tin Ho/Tomas Polansky (CZE) bt Tibor Spanik/Karolina Furkova (SVK) 3-0 (11-9, 11-7, 11-6)

Quarter-Final:

Tin-Tin Ho/Tomas Polansky (CZE) bt Omid Khosbakht/Erika Front (SWE) 3-0 (12-10, 11-4, 11-9)

Semi-Final:

Tin-Tin Ho/Tomas Polansky (CZE) bt Maxim Chaplygin/Maria Malanina (RUS)

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