

Jarvis and Bolton are Junior National Cup champs

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Tom Jarvis and Emily Bolton lived up to their top seedings as they claimed the inaugural boys and girls Junior National Cup titles.

Jarvis had a 100% record to win the gold ahead of third seed Alex Ramsden and second-ranked Luke Savill.

Bolton's key victory over Charlotte Bardsley saw her win the girls' trophy after both finished with eight wins out of nine in the round-robin event, which is for the leading players in the national rankings.

Fifth seed Bardsley took silver, with bronze going to Gauri Duhan, the sixth seed.

The new trophies were presented by Michael Close on behalf of Middlesex TTA, who donated the girls' cup, and Gary Moran, whose father Bill donated the boys' trophy shortly before his death.

Boys

Jarvis dropped only three games all tournament, capping the second day with a 4-0 (11-6, 11-7, 11-9, 11-8) win over Savill.

Ramsden defeated fourth seed Jack Bennett in the final round to ensure silver ahead of Savill, while ninth seed Matt Leete punched above his weight to finish fourth, ending with a victory over Joe Clark.

Ramsden and Jarvis had both been unbeaten after day one and remained so in the first round of the day, Jarvis particularly taking no prisoners in a four-set defeat of Billy Forster (5, 7, 7, 3).

There was a first win for Alec Ward in the same round, seeing off Shaquille Webb-Dixon 4-2 (8-11, 11-9, 11-6, 11-7, 8-11, 11-9).

Round 7 saw the first of the summit meetings as unbeaten Ramsden met Savill, on a roll since losing his opening match of the tournament.

And it was Savill who prevailed in six (11-9, 7-11, 11-8, 7-11, 12-10, 11-7), with Ramsden's frustration earning him a yellow card at the end.

Ward quickly doubled his tally in four straight over Forster, while Webb-Dixon got his first win despite trailing 2-0 and 3-2 to Clark, the Rotherhithe youngster taking it 4-3 (3-11, 5-11, 11-7, 11-9, 3-11, 11-5, 11-6).

A huge result in Round 8 meant Jarvis could not be caught at the top – thanks to Savill's 4-3 defeat at the hands of Bennett, who won 11-9, 5-11, 8-11, 12-10, 10-12, 11-9, 11-8.

Jarvis had seen off Ramsden in five - only the third game he had dropped all competition.

Ward also stayed on his roll with a 4-3 (11-13, 11-9, 10-12, 11-1, 7-11, 11-7, 11-9) win over Joe Clark, followed in the last round by a victory over Harland in six, while Webb-Dixon ended on a high with a 4-1 win over Forster.

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	TJ	LS	AR	JB	BF	SWD	AW	JH	ML	JC	Pts	Posn
Tom Jarvis	х	4-0	4-1	4-0	4-0	4-0	4-0	4-0	4-2	4-0	18	1
Luke Savill	0-4	х	4-2	3-4	4-1	4-0	4-3	3-4	4-0	4-1	15	3
Alex Ramsden	1-4	2-4	х	4-1	4-0	4-2	4-1	4-1	4-1	4-0	16	2
Josh Bennett	0-4	4-3	1-4	х	4-3	4-0	4-3	4-1	2-4	3-4	14	5
Billy Forster	0-4	1-4	0-4	3-4	х	1-4	0-4	0-4	1-4	4-1	10	10
Shaquille Webb-Dixon	0-4	0-4	2-4	0-4	4-1	х	2-4	0-4	1-4	4-3	11	8
Alec Ward	0-4	3-4	1-4	3-4	4-0	4-2	х	4-2	2-4	4-3	13	6
Josh Harland	0-4	4-3	1-4	1-4	4-0	4-0	2-4	х	0-4	1-4	12	7
Matthew Leete	2-4	0-4	1-4	4-2	4-1	4-1	4-2	4-0	х	4-0	15	4
Joe Clark	0-4	1-4	0-4	4-3	1-4	3-4	3-4	4-1	0-4	х	11	9



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The final standings in the boys' event

Girls



Girls medallists Gauri Duhan, Emily Bolton and Charlotte Bardsley (picture by Michael Loveder)

A pivotal clash came in the first round of the day when Bardsley, the only player with a 100% record after day one, met top seed Bolton – who had been beaten by Duhan in her final match on Saturday.

And it was the top seed who get her campaign back on track with an impressive win in four straight (4, 6, 7, 9).

That condensed things at the top, with Duhan now making it a leading trio with a win over Amy Humphreys by a 4-2 margin (11-6, 6-11, 11-3, 11-5, 12-14, 11-3).

Second and third seeds Kate Cheer and Denise Payet and also picked up wins to stay in contention.

Round 7 saw Duhan drop back off the pace as 10th seed Mollie Patterson came from 2-0 down to defeat her 4-2 (8-11, 10-12, 11-9, 11-5, 11-9, 11-9).

Payet picked up an important win over Kate Cheer by the same 4-2 scoreline, while Bolton and Bardsley kept up their winning ways against, respectively, Letitia McMullan (4-1) and Humphreys (4-2).

The penultimate round was notable for two big 4-3 results as the destination of the medals remained up in the air.

Duhan stayed in contention by beating Jasmin Wong 4-3 (11-2, 11-9, 9-11, 2-11, 5-11, 11-9, 11-9), as did cheer with the same scoreline against McMullan (9-11, 10-12, 11-3, 11-9, 11-13, 11-3, 13-11). Bolton and Bardsley still led the way though.

Duhan could still have won the title if she had beaten Bardsley in the final round and other results had gone her way. In the event, she was beaten in five and had to settle for bronze, while it was Bolton's title when she beat second seed Cheer, also in five.

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	EB	КС	DP	LM	СВ	GD	АН	AB	JW	MP	Pts	Posn
Emily Bolton	х	4-1	4-1	4-1	4-0	2-4	4-1	4-1	4-2	4-1	17	1
Kate Cheer	1-4	х	2-4	4-3	2-4	1-4	4-1	4-2	4-2	4-2	14	5
Denise Payet	1-4	4-2	х	4-1	2-4	0-4	4-1	4-0	4-0	4-1	15	4
Letitia McMullan	1-4	3-4	1-4	х	0-4	4-2	3-4	4-1	1-4	4-2	12	8
Charlotte Bardsley	0-4	4-2	4-2	4-0	х	4-1	4-2	4-1	4-0	4-2	17	2
Gauri Duhan	4-2	4-1	4-0	2-4	1-4	х	4-2	4-1	4-3	2-4	15	3
Amy Humphreys	1-4	1-4	1-4	4-3	2-4	2-4	х	4-1	0-4	0-4	11	9
Amy Blagbrough	1-4	2-4	0-4	1-4	1-4	1-4	1-4	х	0-4	2-4	9	10
Jasmin Wong	2-4	2-4	0-4	4-1	0-4	3-4	4-0	4-0	х	0-4	12	7
Mollie Patterson	1-4	2-4	1-4	2-4	2-4	4-2	4-0	4-2	4-0	х	13	6



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