



Ho and Bolton beaten in Italian Youth Open final

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Tin-Tin Ho and Emily Bolton just fell at the last hurdle after storming through to the Junior Girls' Doubles final at the Italian Youth Open in Lignano.

Seeded seventh, they defeated third seeds Izabela Lupulesku of Serbia & Veronica Mosconi of Italy in five games in the last four to set up a final against eighth seeds Tijana Jokic & Dragana Vignjevic of Serbia.

And although they came back from 2-1 down to force a decider, it was not to be for the girls as they missed out 11-6 in the last.

It was nearly a double final appearance for 17-year-old Ho, who got to the semi-finals of the singles. Seeded third, she faced top seed Miyuu Kihara of Japan in the last four but was beaten in four straight by an opponent ranked No 20 on the world Under-18 list – seven places above Ho.

Kihara had earlier ended the run of Bolton in the last 32, while Kate Cheer reached the last 64.

In the boys' events, fifth seed Tom Jarvis lost a close quarter-final to fourth seed Andrei Putuntica of Macedonia. Luke Savill reached the last 64 and Alex Ramsden was eliminated in the group stage.

Results

Junior Boys' Singles

Qualifying Group 13

Cedric Meissner (GER) bt Alex Ramsden 3-1 (8-11, 11-9, 11-8, 11-5)

Maksim Grebnev (RUS) bt Ramsden 3-1 (11-7, 10-12, 13-11, 11-7)

Andrin Melliger (SUI) bt Ramsden 3-2 (11-9, 8-11, 9-11, 11-8, 11-9)

Group 17

Luke Savill bt Cedric Tschanz (SUI) w/o

Savill bt Dragos Florin Oprea (ROM) 3-2 (4-11, 9-11, 11-3, 11-9, 11-5)

Savill bt Matteo Gualdi (ITA) 3-2 (11-8, 4-11, 9-11, 13-11, 11-6)

Round of 64

Adam Brat (SVK) bt Savill 4-1 (11-7, 1-11, 11-8, 11-6, 11-8)

Tom Jarvis bt Marc Gutierrez (ESP) 4-1 (11-5, 11-8, 10-12, 11-9, 11-5)

Round of 32

Jarvis bt Laurens Devos (BEL) 4-3 (11-9, 9-11, 8-11, 11-6, 10-12, 11-9, 11-7)

Round of 16

Jarvis bt Abdullah Yigenler (TUR) 4-1 (11-9, 13-11, 11-3, 7-11, 12-10)

Quarter-finals

Andrei Putuntica (MDA) bt Jarvis 4-1 (10-12, 11-5, 11-9, 21-19, 16-14)

Junior Girls' Singles

Qualifying Group 1

Caroline Hajok (GER) bt Emily Bolton 3-0 (11-5, 11-5, 11-6)

Bolton bt Giulia Ciferni (ITA) w/o

Bolton bt Anita Drabant (HUN) 3-2 (13-11, 11-8, 7-11, 8-11, 11-9)

Group 2

Kate Cheer bt Wiktoria Wrzosek (POL) 3-0 (11-8, 11-7, 11-9)

Sabina Surjan (SRB) bt Cheer 3-0 (11-9, 11-1, 11-4)

Cheer bt Kitti Korda (HUN) 3-2 (11-7, 11-6, 9-11, 7-11, 11-8)

Round of 64

Bolton bt Simona Horvathova (SVK) 4-3 (11-7, 6-11, 11-9, 6-11, 4-11, 11-4, 11-6)

Julia Bartoszek (POL) bt Cheer 4-3 (8-11, 11-8, 9-11, 11-9, 11-7, 7-11, 11-5)

Round of 32

Miyuu Kihara (JPN) bt Bolton 4-0 (11-8, 12-10, 11-5, 11-5)

Tin-Tin Ho bt Ema Marn (CRO) 4-3 (6-11, 11-8, 11-8, 9-11, 11-6, 11-13, 11-5)

Round of 16

Ho bt Leonie Hartbrich (HUN) 4-2 (11-9, 11-8, 12-14, 8-11, 11-5, 11-4)

Quarter-finals

Ho bt Tania Plaian (ROM) 4-2 (14-16, 10-12, 11-5, 11-7, 16-14, 11-6)

Semi-finals

Miyuu Kihara bt Ho 4-0 (11-7, 11-9, 11-4, 11-9)

Junior Boys' Doubles

Round of 64

Dimitrije Levajac (SRB) & Artem Tikhonov (RUS) bt Alex Ramsden & Zihni Sahin (TUR) 3-1 (11-7, 8-11, 12-10, 11-8)

Round of 32

Levajac & Tikhonov bt Tom Jarvis & Luke Savill 3-2 (5-11, 11-8, 12-10, 6-11, 11-6)

Junior Girls' Doubles

Round of 32

Fatma Aykutlu & Gul Pembe Ozkaya (TUR) bt Kate Cheer & Betul Nur Kahraman (TUR) 3-1 (13-11, 11-9, 7-11, 11-8).

Emily Bolton & Tin-Tin Ho bt Vlada Caraulnaia (MDA) & Natalia Malinina (RUS) 3-2 (8-11, 11-6, 9-11, 11-5, 14-12)

Round of 16

Bolton & Ho bt Kitti Korda (HUN) & Maki Shiomi (JPN) 3-0 (11-8, 11-4, 14-12)

Quarter-finals

Bolton & Ho bt Klara Cakol (CRO) & Tamara Pavcnik (SLO) 3-1 (11-8, 7-11, 11-8, 12-10)

Semi-finals

Bolton & Ho bt Izabela Lupulesku (SRB) & Verconica Mosconi (ITA) 3-2 (6-11, 11-8, 11-9, 9-11, 11-6)

Final

Tijana Jokic & Dragana Vignjevic (SRB) bt Bolton & Ho 3-2 (8-11, 11-4, 11-7, 9-11, 11-6)

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