

Mizutani ends Walker's run in Slovenia

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World No 6 Jun Mizutani was too strong for Sam Walker as he ended the English player's run at the Slovenia Open.

Mizutani – part of the Japan team which beat England in the World Team Championships semi-finals this year – won in five sets in the last 16 of the Men's Singles.

Walker was always in the match and took the third game, but top seed Mizutani prevailed 4-1 (11-7, 11-8, 8-11, 11-8, 11-9).

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Walker was also eliminated in the last 16 of the Under-21 Men's Singles. Sam Mabey and Helshan Weerasinghe were also performing in Otocec but were unable to make it out of the group stages in either the Men's Singles or Under-21s.

Results

Men's Singles

Qualifying Group 2

Helshan Weerasinghe bt Miguel Vilchez (ESP) 4-0 (11-9, 11-9, 11-8, 11-7) Kirill Gerassimenko (KAZ) bt Weerasinghe 4-1 (11-8, 11-9, 8-11, 12-10, 11-5)

Group 15

Krisztian Nagy (HUN) bt Sam Mabey 4-0 (11-6, 11-6, 11-4, 11-4) Mehdi Bouloussa (FRA) bt Mabey 4-2 (11-8, 10-12, 5-11, 11-9, 11-5, 11-6)

Round of 64

Sam Walker bt Jan Zibrat (SLO) 4-1 (11-5, 11-9, 12-10, 10-12, 11-6)

Round of 32

Walker bt Andrea Landrieu (FRA) 4-2 (12-10, 10-12, 11-5, 9-11, 11-5, 11-4)

Round of 16

Jun Mizutani (JPN) bt Walker 4-1 (11-7, 11-8, 8-11, 11-8, 11-9)

Under-21 Men's Singles

Qualifying Group 4

Helshan Weerasinghe bt Antonino Amato (ITA) 3-0 (11-9, 11-3, 11-9) Adam Szudi (HUN) bt Weerasinghe 3-2 (11-5, 11-6, 13-15, 9-11, 11-5)

Group 12

Alexander Valuch (SVK) bt Sam Mabey 3-0 (11-9, 11-2, 11-5) Cristian Pletea (ROU) bt Mabey 3-1 (11-7, 11-9, 6-11, 11-3) Tilen Novak (SLO) bt Mabey 3-0 (11-4, 11-9, 11-6)

Round of 32

Sam Walker bt Mehdi Bouloussa (FRA) 3-1 (10-12, 11-9, 11-9, 12-10)

Round of 16

Tonin Ryuzaki (JPN) bt Walker 3-2 (8-11, 14-16, 11-8, 11-8, 11-7)

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