

Hood and Driver are top class

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More than 80 players gathered for the final of the Nottingham Table Tennis Junior League 2016/2017 to see who were going to be crowned champions.

The Junior League, which is open to all boys and girls who attend a Nottinghamshire school or live at a county postcode, has been held monthly at Carlton le Willows Academy's new table tennis centre since October.

The tournament, which is sponsored by Carlton le Willows, has been a huge success at bringing players of all ages together to play under one roof.



U12s Division 1 champion Cameron Driver from St Peters Primary School in East Bridgford collects his award

Table Tennis England talent development officer Chris Turner said:

"The Nottingham Table Tennis Junior League is proving to be an outstanding success. We have had so many young people registering and enjoying, what was for many, their first taste of competitive table tennis. For those more experienced players, the league provided fantastic local competition against players of a similar ability which is essential for their development."

Co-organiser and table tennis coach Harvey Stevens added:

"Youngsters have come from schools across Nottinghamshire to take part in the league and they look like they've had a thoroughly good time. Who knows, we may have seen the next table tennis Olympian playing here today."

Results

Under 19s

Division 1: winner – Finlay Hood, runner-up – Jak Kane Division 2: winner – Alex Pringle, runner-up – Georgio Gerakio Division 3: winner – Carter Pateman, runner-up – Oliver Firth Division 4: winner – Jacob Dixon, runner-up – Isaac Gibbs Division 5: winner – Edward Flint, runner-up – Myles Kirk **Under 12s** Division 1: winner – Cameron Driver, runner-up – Matthew Perry Division 2: winner – Oliver Wilson, runner-up – Ben Firth Division 3: winner – Joe Fletcher, runner-up – Ben Firth Division 4: winner – Oscar Pennick, runner-up – Sasha Withers Division 5: winner – Natasha Richardson, runner-up – Mitchell Harding Division 6: winner – Dom Withers, runner-up – Daniel Richardson

Division 7: winner – Jacob Perry, runner-up – Nicholas Pears

Interested players can now register an interest in playing in next season's league, which will kick off at Carlton le Willows in October. Contact <u>chris.turner@tabletennisengland.co.uk</u>



Table Tennis England Chairman Sandra Deaton with U19 Div 1 runner up Jak Kane, who is a student at Carlton le Willows.

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