

# A qualified success for four in Poland

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Four England players made it through the singles qualifying groups of the Polish Open to reach the knockout stages.

Sam Walker won his group in the men's singles and will join Liam Pitchford, who is seeded sixth, in the main draw tommorrow. David McBeath won his group but was then eliminated in a preliminary round by Sadi Ismailov of Russia.

In the women's singles, Tin-Tin Ho and Kelly Sibley won their groups, although Sibley needed a monumental comeback from 3-0 down to Veronika Perebeinos of Ukraine in her first match.

Tom Jarvis picked up a good win over world No 235 Felipe Olivares of Chile, ranked 113 places above him, but was eliminated in a three-way countback having lost his earlier match, while Karina Le Fevre, Hannah Hicks, Maria Tsaptsinos and Emily Bolton were eliminated in the women's groups.

Tsaptsinos and Bolton made it through the women's under-21 qualifying groups and will join Ho in the main draw. Jarvis was seeded straight through to the main draw in the men's under-21s.

In the doubles, Pitchford & Jarvis won qualifying matches against pairs from Belarus and Saudi Arabia to set up a match in the first round against top seeds Jiang Tianyi & Lam Siu Hang of Hong Kong. Walker & McBeath were eliminated in the second qualifying stage.

In the women's draw, Bolton & Hicks won their first qualifying round match to join two other English pairs in the second qualifying round. However, they and Ho & Tsaptsinos were knocked out at that stage.

Sibley & Le Fevre won through against a pair from France and Serbia but were beaten in the final round before the main draw by a combined Turkish-Norwegian pairing.

#### Results

# Men's Singles

# **Qualifying Group 5**

Sam Walker bt Kasper Rasmussen (DEN) 4-1 (11-5, 10-12, 11-8, 11-2, 11-5) Walker bt Zaid Abo Yaman (JOR) 4-0 (11-6, 11-3, 11-9, 11-5)

# Group 40

Konrad Kulpa (POL) bt Tom Jarvis 4-1 (9-11, 12-10, 11-3, 14-12, 11-7) Jarvis bt Felipe Olivares (CHI) 4-2 (11-8, 5-11, 6-11, 11-7, 11-8, 11-7)

# Group 45

David McBeath bt Piotr Chodorski (POL) 4-2 (8-11, 11-6, 13-11, 11-8, 7-11, 11-4) McBeath bt Vladimir Sidorenko (RUS) 4-0 (12-10, 11-7, 13-11, 11-8)

# **Preliminary Round**

Sadi Ismailov (RUS) bt David McBeath 4-1 (11-8, 10-12, 11-8, 11-5, 11-4)

# Women's Singles

# Qualifying Group 5

Thi Hong Loan Le (ITA) bt Karina Le Fevre 4-3 (11-4, 9-11, 7-11, 12-10, 11-7, 5-11, 11-6) Audrey Zarif (FRA) bt Le Fevre 4-0 (11-7, 11-8, 11-4, 11-8)

#### Group 7

Maria Tsaptsinos bt Natalia Grigelova (SVK) 4-1 (11-5, 11-6, 11-7, 9-11, 11-5) Pauline Chasselin (FRA) bt Tsaptsinos 4-1 (11-8, 11-8, 11-7, 7-11, 11-6)

# Group 8

Wanling Zhang (SGP) bt Hannah Hicks 4-0 (11-6, 12-10, 11-4, 11-5) Chia-Hsuan Lin (TPE) bt Hicks 4-0 (11-7, 11-2, 11-2, 11-9)

## Group 9

Kelly Sibley bt Veronika Perebeinos (UKR) 4-3 (8-11, 9-11, 11-13, 11-7, 13-11, 11-3, 11-9) Sibley bt Anna Kirichenko (FIN) 4-1 (11-5, 4-11, 11-8, 11-9, 11-3)

#### Group 12

Emily Bolton bt Jamila Laurenti (ITA) 4-2 (11-7, 1-11, 11-8, 3-11, 14-12, 14-12) Katerina Tomanovska (CZE) bt Bolton 4-0 (11-5, 12-10, 11-3, 11-5)

#### Group 14

Tin-Tin Ho bt Agata Szczuka (POL) 4-0 (12-10, 11-8, 11-8, 11-3) Ho bt Veronica Mosconi (ITA) 4-0 (11-9, 11-4, 11-8, 12-10)

#### **Under-21 Women's Singles**

#### Qualifying Group 5

Emily Bolton bt Agata Zakrzewska (POL) 3-0 (11-6, 11-7, 11-9) Satsuki Odo (JPN) bt Bolton 3-0 (11-7, 11-6, 11-3)

#### Group 12

Maria Tsaptsinos bt Angelika Janik (POL) 3-1 (11-7, 9-11, 11-6, 11-4) Tsaptsinos bt Filippa Bergand (SWE) 3-2 (11-7, 8-11, 11-9, 5-11, 11-9)

#### **Men's Doubles**

#### Qualifying round two

Liam Pitchford & Tom Jarvis bt Kiryl Barabanov & Pavel Platonov (BLR) 3-2 (12-14, 6-11, 11-8, 11-7, 12-10) Alexandre Cassin & Joe Seyfried (FRA) bt David McBeath & Sam Walker 3-1 (5-11, 11-7, 13-11, 11-5)

#### Qualifying round three

Pitchford & Jarvis bt Ali Alkhadrawi & Abdulaziz Bu Shulaybi (KSA) 3-1 (6-11, 11-3, 11-8, 11-4)

#### Women's Doubles

# Qualifying round one

Emily Bolton & Hannah Hicks bt Angelika Janik & Julia Szymczak (POL) 3-1 (11-9, 11-9, 6-11, 11-9)

#### Qualifying round two

Renata Strbikova & Katerina Tomanovska (CZE) bt Tin-Tin Ho & Maria Tsaptsinos 3-0 (11-6, 11-9, 11-5) Kelly Sibley & Karina Le Fevre bt Marie Migot (FRA) & Andrea Todorovic (SRB) 3-1 (11-7, 8-11, 11-6, 17-15) Marharyta Baltushite & Daria Trigolos (BLR) bt Bolton & Hicks 3-1 (11-3, 11-4, 6-11, 11-3)

#### **Qualifying Round three**

Melek Hu (TUR) & Wenting Ma (NOR) bt Sibley & Le Fevre 3-0 (11-6, 11-5, 11-5)

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