



Thrilling weekend at the U15/19 Lanarkshire Junior Championships

By Lanarkshire Badminton

The Lanarkshire U15/19 Junior Open was hosted by Lanarkshire Group and supported by BASE. The 10 events were complimented by 72 entries and played at John Wright Sports Centre EK.

On Saturday the 7 courts were never empty for approx. 10 hours taking the boys singles, girls singles and all level doubles events to the final stages.

Sunday was a little less hectic playing mixed doubles in the morning with the finals in the afternoon. The support of court officials at the final stages was also much appreciated.

Lanarkshire were delighted to report that 2 Lanarkshire boys won both singles namely Alfie Martin U15 and Mathew Waring U19. Ingrid Wang put up a good fight in U15 girls singles before losing in 3 sets to her doubles partner Qing Xioa. They then won the U15 girls doubles. Katrina Chan won the U19 girls singles and the U19 girls doubles with Ishbell McAllister.

Alfie Martin and Arnav Sarasvat won the U15 boys doubles and Alfie narrowly lost out on a treble losing his mixed doubles to Luke Parkinson and Ingrid Wang 21 – 18 in the 3rd set.

U19 boys doubles was a thrilling game with Lanarkshire's Anthony McGuire and Lewis Coghill (Glasgow) winning 21 – 19 in the third and final set over Josh Taylor

and Evan Kenny. The U19 mixed doubles turned into an equally nail biting second set when Josh Taylor and Katie Stewart beat Finlay Jack and Sophie Barrie 30 – 29 in the second set.

The standard of play and sportsmanship throughout the weekend could not be faulted leading to an enjoyable event for all. Also again a big thank you to our committee who ran a fantastic event including a top notch cafe!

