



## **Juniors, Students and Adults success at Weekend**

By Lanarkshire Badminton

The 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> March provided to be another busy weekend of competition - hard to keep up with all that is happening.

Check out updates from the weekend:

## **2025 THORNLEE BADMINTON TOURNAMENT**

The **Langside Badminton League** annual Thornlee Tournament returned for 2025. Event took place on 15th & 16th March at the Sir Craig Reddie Centre in Glasgow, with total of 49 entries across 6 events. Again well done to the volunteer team led by Keegan Friel on organising a great weekend. As well as winning individual events, there was accolades up for grabs including The Thornlee Trophy (award the overall best performing club) and MVPs of the tournament ( competitors who earned the most points for their club towards the Thornlee Trophy). Well done to Ross Marscheider (Newton Mearns) and Lanarkshire's Myrna Crooks (Netherlee) on earning MVPs. Also congratulations to Newton Mearns who retained their title by the winning The Thonlee Trophy.

Check out a highlight of successes for Lanarkshire players:

- Myrna Crooks - silver in WS, silver in XD (B section) and won MVP for best performing female
- Rebecca Dobbin - gold in WS
- Ross Dick - gold in MD
- Sam Hume - gold in MD and bronze in XD (Balloted)
- Stephen Hendry - bronze in MS and bronze in MD
- Ella Mitchell - silver in WD and bronze in XD (Balloted)
- Carla Mackenzie - bronze in WD Graeme Cunningham - gold in MD consolation and gold in XD consolation
- Elizabeth McAuley - gold in WD consolation
- Susan Smith - gold in WD consolation
- Pamela Hodge - gold in XD consolation (Balloted)

## **SSBU PRIMARY INTER-AREA**

Lanarkshire Primary Inter Area team came 3rd at Wishaw Sports Centre on Saturday 15th March. They team gave it their best shot however lost to Lothian 8-3, Glasgow 10-1 and beat Borders 8-3 Some fantastic 3 setters and we are proud of the effort the kids displayed – well done everyone!

The team had some good wins with Lucie Sneddon winning Girls Singles and Girls Doubles (with Isla Black) ties against Lothian. Lucie also took the single game in defeat to Glasgow in a epic 3 setter, winning final set 21-19

## **MIDLOTHIAN U16's BOYS 'B' DOUBLES**

Lanarkshire's Chris Agnew and partner Atharv Sharma won Midlothian U16s Boys 'B' Doubles. In the semi finals, the pair beat Lothian's Will Hunter & Isaac Voang 21-11, 21-14, setting up a final with Lothian's Cyril Chim & Saathvik Karthik Saravanan. After their opponents getting the edge in

the first set with 22-20 win Chris and Atharv fought back, taking the match to 3 sets winning 21-12 and a nervy finish of 23-21 – well done Chris and Atharv!

Chris also performed well in the Singles event reaching the quarter finals in the 'A' Knockout, beaten by Nathan Wong 21-17, 21-11. Great effort Chris.

### **2025 SCOTTISH STUDENT SPORT (SSS) INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

At the 2025 Scottish Student Sport (SSS) Individual Championships, there were quite a few Lanarkshire players competing in the flagship event in the Scottish student badminton calendar. This included Toni Woods (UWS), Matthew Waring (UWS), Ella Haime (Glasgow Caledonian) and Sophie Ford (Strathclyde).

There was some medal success at event with Toni Woods continuing an impressive form clinching Gold in the Women's Doubles and Silver in the Women's Singles. It also two titles for Matthew Waring with double Gold in the Men's Singles and Mixed Doubles. Both players partnering with Brooke Stalker.

Well done to both players – great work.

A special thanks must go to all the tournament organisers, referees, officials and volunteers that make it all happen and ensure these events are a success!