

KENWARD AND TAYLOR TAKE TITLES IN CARDIFF

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On the weekend of the 15th and 16th September juniors came to the capital for the first junior squash event of the season in South Wales, Cardiff Squash Club were the hosts of the CardiffCars.com Junior Open.

Over 50 juniors took to the courts at Cardiff Squash Club to compete in their first event of the season, juniors from as young as 7 and as old as 21 played their way through different rounds.

In the Under11 boys event Harri Pugh took the spoils beating Tino Sidoli Williams in the Final, Harri winning it with an epic 14/12 in the third game, also in the event were Matthew Evans, Owen Evans, Ben Hughes and Morgan Jones as well as others.

In the Girls U11 event Lucy Jones won the round robin group of four players beating Phoebe Marshman, Olivia Stephens and Eliza Lewis on the way to glory.



In the Under13 boys event a marathon final between Lewis Poole and Lewis Clements ended 11/8 to Poole in the fifth game with two of the games going to tie break. Also in the event was Macaulay Mallet, Will Powell, Samay Metha and Canaan Brown.

In the girls combined group of Under13 and 15 Ciara Richards won through the group and to the final to play Kathryn Field, Ciara raced to a 3 – 0 win in the final to add another title to her ever growing collection. Ayesha Khan, Ceri Burgis, Bethan Gammon and Chloe Thomas.

In the Boys Under15 the 3 and 4 seeds made their way all the way to the final after beating the number 1 and 2 seeds respectively earlier in the day. Jordan Williams was taking on Josh Lee in the final that went to 4 games and finished with Josh Lee winning 11/5 in the fourth, also competing were Lewis Potter, Joe Rhys Curtis and Tom Pompeus amongst others.

In the boys Under 17 event Dan Bergin won the event as well as some new fans as he kept his cool to get passed Dan Cope of Cardiff, the pair have met many times in junior events all over the country and after results earlier in the day Bergin and Cope were almost neck and neck on points in the final group. Bergin took the match 3 – 2 in what was the final match of the event, 11/8 in the fifth games.



In the girls Under17 and Under23 combined event Nia Kenward was in imperious form only dropping one game on her way to an unbeaten round robin group. Coming second with 9 points was Emilia Korhonen, third was Lauren Evans followed by Georgia Jones and Llionos Evans.

In the Under 19/23 boys event the Taylor brothers dominated the event, both made the long trip from Essex to Wales for the event and it was their final match that decided the round robin group. Rhys beat his younger brother Owain in the final group game to secure the title, well done to the brothers on their successful event as well as Frazer Richards, Louis Randle and Callum Davidson.

Well done to all the juniors who took part on the weekend, playing and refereeing, thank you to Cardiff Squash Club for hosting the event and CardiffCars.com for supporting the event once again. We look forward to seeing you at the next event.

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