

ROBEY RALLIES TO WEST GLAM CHAMPS 2012

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Swansea Lawn Tennis and squash rackets club hosted the West Glamorgan Tournament in September. More than 50 of West Glamorgan's finest squash players battled it out in various events including the Ladies, Mens A event, Mens O35/B, Mens O45, Mens O55.



The Ladies event, littered with internationals, was dominated by Jo Dark the reigning champion who won through to the final without dropping a game, where she met Wendy Norris. Again in a hard fought match Jo came out on top winning 3-0 keeping her record intact.

The Men's final saw Paul Robey winning for the first time, defeating Arnaud Marotin in a classic clash of styles that saw racket skills, ball control, and positioning trump quickness and never-say-die determination. The pair treated the crowd to a spectacular match with exhaustingly long rallies and unbelievable retrieving, Paul coming out on top 3-0.

Hugh Griffiths, record six times O45 winner, succumbed to newly-45 Richard Williams of Pontardawe in a case of pace over grace, Richard's relentless driving proving to be decisive in the outcome.

Alan James won the O55, beating Phil Monaghan in a final between current O55 internationals. Alan used all his guile and experience to not allow Phil to settle into any sort of rhythm.

Stuart Watts won the well-contested B/35, beating Richard Marks in the final.
3 Juniors, Daniel Kennedy, Kristian Sully and Kathryn Field, made their debut.

Many thanks for those players who travelled large distances especially the 5 players from Cardigan, which made the Ladies event viable.

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