

# NORFOLK JUNIOR SQUASH GRAND PRIX REPORT

## SUNDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

It was a bit of a family affair in group 5 with Maisy and Sophie Fisher, sisters, playing in their first Grand Prix, as well as Oscar and Lucas Chamberlain, brothers, also playing in their first Grand Prix. It was great to see a group where it was all six players first grand prix. The first match up of the group saw Maisy and Sophie go head to head, with the two sisters playing each other this may have helped ease any first tournament nerves. The last round of matches saw the two younger girls of the group play off for 5/6th position. Lauren Walsh was able to take this 2-0 sneaking the second game 11-9. In the ¼ play off, Henry Smith the youngest player in the tournament couldn't quite do enough to get a game off Oscar Chamberlain with Oscar being a bit too strong he was able to take 3rd position. Sophie Fisher faced up against Lucas Chamberlain for first position in a wonderfully competitive match Sophie prevailed 2-0 with two very entertaining and nail-biting games 11-8 14-12.

Event: Grand Prix		Court		Group 5	
<b>Table A</b>					
Seeding					<b>Total</b>
1	Henry Smith		2	1	3
3	Lauren Walsh	0		1	1
6	Lucas Chamberlain	2	2		4
<b>Table B</b>					
					<b>Total</b>
2	Sophie Fisher		2	2	4
4	Oscar Chamberlain	1		2	3
6	Maisy Fisher	0	0		0

Venue: Wensum Sports Centre		Date: 24/02/2019	
All matches Best of 3 games PAR to 11. 2 Pts clear			
Winner A	Lucas Chamberlain	11/8, 14/12	Score 0
Winner B	Sophie Fisher		2
2nd place A	Henry Smith	5/11, 7/11	Score 0
2nd place B	Oscar Chamberlain		2
3rd Place A	Lauren Walsh	11/5, 11/9	Score 2
3rd Place B	Maisy Fisher		0

Final Placings	
1	Sophie Fisher (Barnham Broom)
2	Lucas Chamberlain (Heywood Sports)
3	Oscar Chamberlain (Heywood Sports Diss)
4	Henry Smith (EAT&SC)
5	Lauren Walsh (Broadland)
6	Maisy Fisher (Barnham Broom)



In group 4 the top 3 positions went to seeding. Places 4, 5 and 6 were taken by three Broadland players in the group. Jack and Edgar were able to top their groups without dropping a game to set up an intriguing final. James Walsh was able to get the better of his Broadland training partner Will Mack to set up a ¼ playoff against Max Ewing. Which saw another all Broadland match up for 5/6 between Will and Euan, this was a close match that looked like it could go either way going deep into the third. Euan was able to get small run of points to close out the game and take 5th spot. James Walsh after an impressive win over Will Mack earlier in the tournament was competitive against Max Ewing but Max just had a bit too much for James and took the match 2-0. Edgar and Jack were last to play in group 4 and both not having dropped a game so far in the tournament it looked like it could be a very close match. Jack was within touching distance of Edgar the whole match but Edgar had just enough to pull away at the end of each game to take the match 2-0 and first position without dropping a game.

Event; Grand Prix  
Group 4 Court

Seeding	Table A			Total	
	Edgar Alston		2	2	4
	Max Ewing	0		2	2
	Euan Fryer	0	0		0

Table B				Total
Jack James Harrow		2	2	4
Will Mack	0		1	1
James Walsh	0	2		2

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All matches Best of 3 games PAR to 11. 2 Pts clear

Winner A	Edgar Alston	11/8, 11/7	Score
Winner B	Jack James Harrow		0

2nd place A	Max Ewing	11/9, 11/6	Score
2nd place B	James Walsh		0

3rd Place A	Euan Fryer	9/11, 12/10, 11/7	Score
3rd Place B	Will Mack		1

Final Placings	
1	Edgar Alston
2	Jack James Harrow (Lowestoft)
3	Max Ewing (Fakenham)
4	James Walsh (Broadland)
5	Euan Fryer (Broadland)
6	Will Mack (Broadland)



Group 3 was our equal biggest group of the day with 8 players. The pick of the first round matches was Luc Davies v Alexander Harrison, with the first two games going 11-9 to make it 1-1. Luc was able to steal the third 11-5 being that slightly stronger. Only one match again went to a third game in the second round of matches in group 3. This being between Luke Greenard and Isaac Hacon. Luke took the first 11-7 this was looking close but it seemed as if Luke had the edge, in the second Isaac was able to make a good run of points and take the crucial game ball to take the game 13-11 and tie the match at 1-1, but Luke was able to find a bit more form in the third game to close out the match taking the third 11-7. In the final round of matches Tom Daley was able to complete his run of three victories without dropping a game in the final against his fellow Harleston junior Luc Davies. Ava Fox upset the seedings to finish Third just ahead of Max Chamberlain one of three Chamberlain Brothers playing the Grand Prix. Luke Greenard and Alexander Harrison both met their seedings finishing 5th and 6th. Tara Baxter had her third tough match of the day, but started to grow in confidence on court in her final game against Isaac Hacon, this time Isaac just had a little too much for her and was able to take the match 2-0.

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With Broadland and Fakenham players dominating the clubs being represented in group two it was the single representatives from Cromer and Harleston that took the group by storm. After the groups had been completed it resulted in a matchup between the two Broadland players for 5/6th position. The two Fakenham players in the 3/4 play off. With Fred North, Cromer's lone representative in the whole tournament and Ryan Jackson Harleston's only player in group 2 playing off to find the overall winner of the group. A very close match was in line between Mia and Millie of Broadland who would know each other's game very well. Millie was able to overcome Mia in three very intriguing games with the score line going back and forth all the time. It was a similar story in the 3/4 play off with two players who knew each other's games well, not going to three games but two games as close as you can get going Charlie's way this time. Frederik and Ryan who were the standout performers in the group battled it out in a close final going all the way to three games with Fred being able to pull through in the third, coming all the way from 6th seed to finish 1st in the group.

Group 2				Event: Grand Prix	Venue: Wensum Sports Centre	Date: 24/02/2019
				All matches Best of 3 games PAR to 11. 2 Pts clear		Final Placings
<b>Table A</b>						
1	George Pinkstone		0	2	2	1
3	Ryan Jackson	2		2	4	2
6	Millie Cunningham	0	0		0	
<b>Table B</b>						
2	Charlie Smith		2	0	2	
4	Mia Chase	0		0	0	
6	Frederik North	2	2		4	
Winner A	Ryan Jackson	9/11, 11/9, 5/11		Score	1	
Winner B	Frederik North			Score	2	
2nd place A	George Pinkstone	9/11, 10/11		Score	0	
2nd place B	Charlie Smith			Score	2	
3rd Place A	Millie Cunningham	9/11, 11/5, 11/7		Score	2	
3rd Place B	Mia Chase			Score	1	



With many familiar faces from previous Grand Prix's in group 1 we may have thought that results would have been more easily predictable, though this turned out not to be the case. With the first round of matches all going to seeding with 2-0 victories to the higher seeded player we started to see a few more tightly contested matches in the next round. With Seb Marsh-Feiley vs Logan Caffell and Jack Pritchard vs Alex Hagag being the pick of the match ups with Alex upsetting the seedings in a very powerful and fast encounter with Jack Pritchard. In the last round of matches there were seeding upsets and comebacks. William Riches came from one game down to win 2-1 against Logan with two very close games to finish. Jasmine Thirst was able to beat the higher seeded Seb Marsh-Feiley. With another upset in seedings coming in the 3/4 play off with Harvey coming back from one down to beat Jack Pritchard and in the final Alex Hagag was able to overcome the no.1 seed Kye in a very fast, physical and entertaining affair.

Event; Grand Prix		Venue: Wensum Sports Centre		Date: 24/02/2019	
<b>Group 1</b>					
Seeding		Best of 3		Best of 3	
Match D		Match H		Match L	
1	Kye McCourt-Hall	Winner G	Kye McCourt-Hall	Winner H	Kye McCourt-Hall
8	Logan Caffell	Loser G	Harvey Edmonds	Loser H	Alexander Hagag
Match C		Match G		Match K	
4	Harvey Edmonds	Winner A	Jack Pritchard	Loser G	Jack Pritchard
5	Seb Marsh-Feiley	Loser A	Alexander Hagag	Loser H	Harvey Edmonds
Match B		Match F		Match J	
3	Alexander Hagag	Loser B	Seb Marsh-Feiley	Winner F	Seb Marsh-Feiley
6	William Riches	Loser B	Logan Caffell	Loser F	Jasmine Thirst
Match A		Match E		Match I	
2	Jack Pritchard	Loser E	William Riches	Loser E	William Riches
7	Jasmine Thirst	Loser E	Jasmine Thirst	Loser F	Logan Caffell
<b>Final Placings</b>					
1	Alexander Hagag (Fakenham)				
2	Kye McCourt-Hall (Broadland)				
3	Harvey Edmonds (Rossis)				
4	Jack Pritchard (Harleston)				
5	Jasmine Thirst (Broadland)				
6	Seb Marsh-Feiley (Heywood Sports Diss)				
7	William Riches (Broadland)				
8	Logan Caffell (Broadland)				

