CTTA SENIOR CLOSED CHAMPIONSHIPS 2014-15

This year the tournament was again held at the YMCA, Cheltenham TTC's venue, on Sunday 22nd March. What follows is a brief report and the results of each event.

OPEN SINGLES

This event produced two high quality semi-finals, with first Jaspreet Singh beating serial champion and no. 1 seed Dave Harvey 3-0, followed by Luke Moffat narrowly prevailing against current holder and no. 2 seed Matt Hartwell, having been 2-0 up and then match point down in the 5th. The final produced another outstanding match, which saw Luke lift the title after three very close and exciting sets.

Semi-finals

Jaspreet Singh beat Dave Harvey 11-4 11-7 13-11

Luke Moffat beat Matt Hartwell 11-9 14-12 6-11 9-11 12-10

Final

Luke Moffat beat Jaspreet Singh 12-10 12-10 11-9

OPEN DOUBLES

An evenly-balanced match between the top two seeds predictably went the distance, with the more experienced pairing eventually coming through to win.

Final

Dave Adamson & Dave Harvey beat Matt Hartwell & Craig Norledge 11-5 12-14 15-17 11-7 11-6

MINOR SINGLES

There was the usual good entry for this event, which eventually saw Keith Ferguson come through in five hard-fought sets against Chris White.

Final

Keith Ferguson beat Chris White 8-11 10-12 11-7 11-8 11-4

MINOR DOUBLES

Last year Chris White won this event with Paul Singh and won it again this year with Barrie Pope. For the historically-minded Paul and Barrie won the Minor Doubles together in 1992-93.

Final

Barrie Pope & Chris White beat Ottakar Klempt & Gabriel Podsiadlo 11-8 12-10 11-8

SENIOR SINGLES

This was a new event for the 18 and under 40 age group, designed to complement the existing events for the Veterans (40+) and the Masters (55+).

Final

Jaspreet Singh beat Matt Hartwell 11-8 11-6 11-5

VETERANS SINGLES

In some respects this was a low-key event this year, with the majority of the matches resulting in straight-sets victories for the winners.

Final

Dave Harvey beat Nick Mytton 11-3 11-4 11-7

MASTERS SINGLES

Back after a year's absence, this event - always well-supported - saw the no 1 seed Dave Adamson regain the title he last won in 2007-08.

Final

Dave Adamson beat Mike Dodwell 11-5 11-7 11-8

DIVISION 1 HANDICAP SINGLES

Jaspreet Singh made a valiant attempt to retain this title, winning each of the three rounds preceding the final, 11-9 in the 5th. In the final however Dave Harvey reversed the result of their earlier match - but only just, as the scores show.

Final

Dave Harvey beat Jaspreet Singh 1-11 12-10 4-11 13-11 15-13

DIVISION 2 HANDICAP SINGLES

Final

Tom Cutler beat Neil Penny 11-8 11-8 11-2

DIVISION 3 HANDICAP SINGLES

Congratulations to Richard Comley on winning this event in consecutive years - a feat rarely accomplished in the Handicap Singles.

Final

Richard Comley beat Daniel Crook 5-11 11-3 13-11 11-7

Finally, the CTTA would like to express its thanks to all those involved in the organisation and running of the tournament, both before and on the day - to the YMCA for the venue, to those CTTC members who helped in setting up the hall, to the volunteer umpires and, not least, to the players themselves.

We hope to see you all at the Presentation and Quiz Evening on Wednesday 29th April.