

Kincardineshire Tournament 2010

The Kincardine Primary Schools competition, sponsored by Davids Fashion Sports, took place on Saturday 27 February at Mackie Academy.

Nine teams from the area took part: Arduthie; Catterline; Dunnottar; Johnshaven; Kinneff; Laurencekirk; Luthermuir; Newtonhill; Mill O' Forest. The players played singles and doubles and some very exciting games were watched by a number of parents, grandparents and friends.

After some hard fought preliminary matches, the girls semi finals saw Catriona Holley (Dunnottar) play Lisa Porter (Johnshaven) with Catriona winning 21-13 and Eilidh Mitchell (Dunnottar) play Marie Stenhouse (Kinneff), where Eilidh won a very exciting match 21-19. Therefore the girls final was an all Dunnottar contest. Eilidh started confidently and soon built up an 11-6 lead. However, Catriona kept her composure and began to win points with her excellent long serve which pinned Eilidh to the back of the court. This play tired Eilidh and Catriona ran out winner by 21-12.

In the boys semi-finals, Stuart Holley (Dunnottar) beat Calum Lawrence (Arduthie) 21-10 and Rory Adamson (Arduthie) won through against Owen Plummer (Catterline) 21-7. The final provided a tight and exciting game of badminton. Stuart and Rory provided the crowd with an excellent display of drop shots, clears, and everyone's favourite the smash. The boys showed good agility and stretched their opponent to all areas of the court. The game was very close throughout. However, Stuart's nerve held out and he took the title by 21-19 points.

Both boys appeared again in the doubles final. Rory and his partner Kristopher McCullough, from Arduthie, were competing against Stuart and his partner, Arran Prothero representing Dunnottar. Again another hard fought match with the Arduthie pair triumphing 21-19.

Dunnottar Primary ended off a fantastic day with also winning the Large School's Team Shield. Dunnottar scored a total of 292 points, 2nd were Arduthie with 262 pts and 3rd Mill O'Forest 247 pts.

The Johnshaven team (Lisa Porter, Murray Dunbar, Hamish Wright, Katy Townsend) won the Small School's Shield with 237 points. Catterline 2nd with 214 pts and 3rd Kinneff 169 pts.

A big thank you to Davids Fashion Sports who kindly provided all the shuttles, trophies and shields. The Children enjoyed a full afternoon of fun.