

N.E PRIMARY SCHOOLS BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS

This tournament, held at Banchory and Kemnay Academies, attracted a record entry with 100 boys and 40 girls, from 21 Primary schools competing for their places at the National Championships at Bell's Centre Perth in April.

One of the highlights of the competition was captured in the final of the Girl's Doubles when Fiona Craigen and Emma Buchanan both from Mill of Forest Primary in Stonehaven beat Mintlaw primary pupils, Lindsay Howie and Nicola Findlay with the following scores 15-14, 7-15, 14-15. Fiona Craigen also beat Lindsay Howie in the Singles 21-11.

Jacob Reynolds, Mill of Forest was also a double winner taking the Singles from Liam Robertson (also Mill of Forest) 21-8. Jacob and his partner Mark Leith beat Mintlaw pupils Hamish Burr and Stuart Mair 21-7 in the boys doubles final.

RESULTS

Girls Singles

Quarter-finals:

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| F Craigen (Mill of Forest) beat Megan McMillan (Mill of Forest) | 15-1 |
| Nicola Findlay (Mintlaw) beat E Buchanan (Mill of Forest) | 15-10 |
| K Murray (Arduathie) beat J Stein (Peterculter) | 15-6 |
| L Howie (Mintlaw) beat K Andrew (Mill of Forest) | 15-0 |

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| Semi-finals: F Craigen beat N Findlay | 15-9 |
| L Howie beat K Murray | 15-4 |

FINAL: F Craigen beat L Howie 21-11

Girl's Doubles

Semi-finals:

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| L Howie and N Findlay (Mintlaw) beat M Reynolds (Mill of Forest) | 15-7 |
| F Craigen and E Buchanan (Mill of Forest) beat K Dalton and N Robertson (Milltimber) | 15-5 |

FINAL:

F Craigen and E Buchanan beat L Howie and N Findlay 15-14, 7-15, 14-15

Boys Singles

Quarter-finals:

J Reynolds (Mill of Forest) beat M Leith (Mill of Forest) 11-2
C Carmichael (Arduthie) beat S Mair (Mintlaw) 11-4
L Robertson (Mill of Forest) beat R Ellis (Alehousewells) 11-4
E Johnston (Mill of Forest) beat H Burr (Mintlaw) 11-6

Semi-finals: J Reynolds beat C Carmichael 11-6
L Robertson beat E Johnston 11-3

FINAL: J Reynolds beat I Robertson 21-8

Boys Doubles

Quarter-finals:

J Reynolds and M Leith (Mill of Forest) beat R Powell and J Donachie
(Milltimber) 15-7
J Coutts and A Fisher (Peterculter) beat C Fraser and D Ritchie (Mintlaw)
15-11
E Johnston and L Robertson (Mill of F) beat A Williamson and R Ellis
(Alehousewells) 15-4
H Burr and S Mair (Mintlaw) beat R Borland and H Malcolm (Mill of F)
15-8

Semi-finals:

J Reynolds and M Leith beat J Coutts and A Fisher 15-3
H Burr and S Mair beat E Johnston and L Robertson 15-10

FINAL:

J Reynolds and M Leith beat H Burr and S Mair 21-7

Schools entered were Albyn, Arduthie, Alehousewells, Banchory, Catterline, Crimond, Cults, Dunnottar, Finzean, Inverurie, Kellands, Laurencekirk, Lumphanan, Mill of Forest, Milltimber, Mintlaw, Oyne, Peterculter, Newburgh, Longside, and Lairhillock.

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