PSUK v Scotland

On Thursday 8th February 2024, PSUK travelled to Glasgow to compete against Scotland Under 17's at the Scottish National Badminton Centre in Scotstoun. The facilities were excellent.

In the men's single's, PSUK debutant Phil Lawrence (Hampshire) won in 2 straight sets for PSUK. In the other men's singles, Gordon Thomson (Scotland) showed his experience and quality winning in straight sets despite this being his 1st game in around 2 years.

Scotland juniors proved too strong for the PSUK ladies in the singles, winning both games against Una Hunter (Scotland) and another PSUK debutant Mhairi Deuchar (Scotland).

In the men's doubles, it was a family affair with Graeme Smith (Scotland) partnering Gordon Thomson to play against a strong Scottish pair including his nephew. Graeme and Gordon's experience showed with them winning the game.

Ashley Gibson (Lancashire) and Oliver Morris (Scotland) also showed their experience and won the other men's doubles for PSUK.

In the ladies doubles, Una Hunter (Scotland) partnered Paula Wilson (Nottinghamshire) and Mhairi Deuchar (Scotland) partnered another PSUK debutant Hannah Burgess (Lancashire) but Scotland won both ladies doubles to tie the match at 4 – 4.

It was all down to the mixed doubles and all 3 mixed games went to 3 sets.

Oliver Morris (Scotland) and Paula Wilson (Nottinghamshire) won at top mixed for PSUK. Graeme Smith and Una Hunter (both Scotland) won at 2nd mixed and Phil Lawrence (Hampshire) and Hannah Burgess (Lancashire) came agonisingly close but lost closely in the 3rd set.

Overall an excellent 6 -5 win for PSUK and debuts for 3 players.