

2010 Radlett Closed Squash Tournament

This year's finals were held over the weekend of 23rd and 24th April with 51 entrants participating over the 9 competitions.

The semi-finals were again held on the Friday night with some great squash to be seen, including a hard fought classic between Duleep and Marvin with the former coming out the victor in 5.

On Saturday, it fast turned into the Danny Wolfson afternoon with him having reached the finals of no less than 3 of the main finals, coming out the victor in all 3 which must be an achievement not seen before, well done Danny Boy (although I did think you were lucky in the O35s!)

For those who did turn up to watch there were some fantastic matches with some new names on show which is great to see especially with the youngest supporter being under 5 weeks old, I believe

The Mens final was a hard fought match against 2 old foes in James and Duleep, with James coming out on top. As ever these guys show just how the game should be played with an extremely high standard of squash played by both. This gives us all something to aspire to

The highlight of the finals was the U19s boy's final which pitted Jack and Luke against each other once again but as these 2 mature the quality of their shot making and ability to pick up the ball from seemingly impossible angles defies belief, I think that they would have given many of the main draw entrants a very good run for their money, watch out James. We were privileged to see such a match and for all those who watched it were served up a real quality match. Well done to Jack who managed to squeak the 5th 16-14. Superb

The Ladies final was completed before the final day, only 2 entries this year but a new name on the cup in Emma

Nice to see Jeff in a final for the first time, but the wiley old Mr Skelding proved just too sneaky, I always thought there was more than one of him on court. He did, however get his come uppance against a very committed Dave Feldman in the Over 55s. Good effort Barry for 2 finals in the day

Kyri Costi, the mercurial multi finalist came up empty handed this year, Jim Murphy winning a very close Plate final and then against Danny it was too much and he was forced to retire with a niggling injury. Well done Jim for your first win and better luck next year Kyri

Great to see Ian Mawdsley in his first final, but he had no luck against the experience of Chris. Maybe a different result when your support grows up Ian and can cheer a little louder!

I was only recently back from injury in the Over 35s and faced a very late (shame one of the prizes wasn't a watch) and fresh Danny in his 1st final of the day, need I say more.....

Next year we'll have to give Jon a bigger handicap but he did have the accolade of being the only one to take a game out of Danny, even if it was with a 10 point start in Danny's 3rd final of the day! Jon was hampered by some comedy pink legs, must have been surprised by actual sun in England in April

I was a little disappointed by the numbers on finals day, perhaps we need to change the format or the day/time, I am always open to suggestions or offers of help to promote this next year to get more members and supporter to watch what is a great squashing spectacle

For the record, these are the full results followed by pictures from the finals day. Thank you to Craig for his help on the day and in helping to organise the draws, all of the markers including Derek who stepped in to take charge of the Men's Open match and especially to all entrants and the supporters on the 2 finals days, this is our own tournament, lets make it as good as we can next year

Competition	Winner	Runner Up	Score
Mens Open	James Ockwell	Duleep Adihetty	3-1
Ladies Open	Emma McNamee	Sharmini Chaytor	3-0
Over 35	Danny Wolfson	Ian Taylor	3-0
Over 45	Danny Wolfson	Kyri Costi	2-0 (ret)
Over 55	Dave Feldman	Barry Skelding	3-0
Over 65	Barry Skelding	Jeff Beatty	3-0
A Handicap	Danny Wolfson	Jon Sandford	2-1
B Handicap	Chris Robinson	Ian Mawdsley	2-0
U19s boys	Jack Fowler	Luke Stewart	3-2
Plate	Jim Murphy	Kyri Costi	3-2



James, Mens Open winner – don't be sad



Duleep, Mens Open
runner up



Luke, U19s runner up



Danny, O35 winner



Ian, O35 runner up



Danny, O45 winner



Kyri, O45 Runner up



Dave, O55 winner



Danny, A handicap winner



Jon, a handicap loser



Chris, B handicap winner



Jim, Plate winner



Kyri, Plate runner up



Did I mention I won 3
comps.....



A winners speech in
progress,