

BOYS U11's County Cup Report

The team of Noah, Saam, Joshua, Logan, and Sam travelled with Captains Chris and Rosie to Boston for the U11's county cup, division 2a.

Day 1:

The boys knew they faced a tough task on day 1, matches against Buckinghamshire and Berkshire who were tipped to be the two teams playing off for the top spots overall. However, the boys set about trying to cause an early upset against Bucks, with Joshua just losing out in a 3rd set 10-12 at #3, Noah also falling to his opponent in a 3rd at #1 7-10! In the singles of match 2 vs Berkshire, Joshua again pushed his opponent hard, but lost out in a second set tie break. Noah, Saam and Logan all working hard and listening to their captains but were unable to get the wins during this round. Our solitary win came in the final game of the afternoon against Berkshire in the doubles, Noah and Joshua getting Norfolk up and running at the event.

Norfolk lost 0-6 to Bucks and 1-5 to Berks

Day 2:

The boys arrived first on day 2 to warm up, knowing that possible thunderstorms were on their way that could upset the days play. Saam starting the team off with a big win at #2 against Bedfordshire in two tight sets, backed up quickly by Joshua who had to go the distance again but winning in his 3rd set 10-2. The great start to the day was capped by Noah who got through a tricky opening set to cruise to victory 4-0 in the second. The Norfolk camp well supported by teammates and also parents who had come to watch. With the mood in the camp now a lot more positive, all 4 boys went into their singles matches with Lincolnshire looking to further improve the weekends fortunes. However, the Lincolnshire team, with home advantage, edged out Saam, Joshua and Logan in 3 very well contested matches with two more tie break set deciders which could have gone either way. Noah stepping up to give us a glimmer of hope going into the doubles. Doubles wins for Sam on his Norfolk debut with Noah against Bedfordshire, and Joshua with Noah against Lincolnshire added to our total for the weekends event.

Norfolk beat Beds 6-0 and lost to Lincs 2-4

4th overall

Overall captains Rosie and Chris found a lot of positives for the boys in the way they had performed over the weekend. Players who supported each other on and off court and showed their genuine love for the game and competing within it. 8-10 key points won in our favour in front of a large crowd could have changed our overall finishing position up to 3rd in the table. Plenty for the boys to work on and develop for next years events.