

ICT 2023 Report



On the 4th April 9 members of the Hertfordshire County Badminton squad headed off to Nottingham University for the 2023 Under-18 ICT Tournament.

With this year's team being seeded 3/4 the expectations were high for a good performance. The team got off to an excellent start on day one with convincing wins against Norfolk and Suffolk. Day two brought further victories against Essex and Hampshire which confirmed a top four finish.

Despite good performances from our young team, we were unable to make a real impact in the final group stage and this left us with a fourth-place finish which everyone should be very proud of.

It was a great experience for all our players both first timers and those taking part again.

A special mention goes to one player who won a new award given in memory of one of Hertfordshire Badminton's finest.

As some of you may be aware Tony Clarke took the Hertfordshire team to an incredible thirty ICT's, sadly Tony passed away in 2022 so I felt it would be a fitting tribute to make this new trophy in his memory.



Congratulations to Sheng Hei Sy who is our inaugural winner of 'The Tony Clarke ICT Hertfordshire Player of the Year'.

Sheng Hei was exceptional and showed some real classy touches, maturity, and determination for one so young. A great start for the first of potentially many ICT's.

Finally, I'd like to thank all the players, parents and a special thank you to Graham Clarke for all your hard work and support over the four days.

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Under-18 Squad Team Manager

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