DEVON COLTS – 2021-22 UPDATES (06/02/22 to 12/03/22)

Devon v Somerset (27/02/22): at Tiverton (Mid Devon)

<u>Under 18's two rink triples – Nationals</u>

Devon's 2nd match in the under 18's two rink mixed tripes took place against Somerset. Rink 1 – Andrew Moore, Brady Bolt & Connor Fielder. Rink 2 – Maddison Pyper, Christopher Moore & Leanne Evans. Travelling reserve Louise Matthews.

It was a slow start on one rink for Devon but that soon changed when Devon started taking the lead between the two rinks and by end 10 were holding the lead at 24-18. Devon went onto beat Somerset 38-31. (Rink 1 - 25-11 / Rink 2 - 13-20).

Even though Devon won the match, due to a "complaint" being raised, we were downgraded to a loss by EIBA rather than the win. Devon did appeal against the decision & later received the points as a "Draw".

Devon v Dorset (12/03/22): at Taunton Deane

<u>Under 18's two rink triples – Nationals</u>

Rink 1 – Andrew Moore, Leanne Evans & Brady Bolt. Rink 2 – Maddison Pyper, Christopher Moore & Connor Fielder. Travelling reserve Sebastian Wearing.

At 5 ends it was 6-8, followed by 17-18 at 10 ends with the score constantly nip & tuck at every end. Rink 1 finished first with a score of 21-15 leaving the overall score at 38-40 with the last end to play for.

Everyone was watching the last end on Rink 2 and Devon were currently holding 2 shots, Dorset bowled their last wood and Devon had all the pressure on their last wood to try & win the game. Everyone was sat watching Connor Fielder's last wood come in & it looked like Devon had just picked up 3. The Umpire was called over to measure and sure enough Devon took it to the last end to win by 1 clear shot. Overall total – 41-40.

To say that Devon were elated was understated. To think that when we recall back to the start of the season, we didn't even think that we had an under 18's squad. Next stop the semi/finals at Nottingham!!



Devon Colts v Honiton – (20/03/2022): at Honiton

Rink 1 – Caitlin Retallick, Connor Fielder, Brady Bolt & Tyler Fielder. Rink 2 – Sebastian Wearing, Leanne Evans, Liam Bolt, Luke Fisher. Rink 3 – Maddison Pyper, Nick Moore, George Taylor & Ella Crouch. Rink 4 – Andrew Moore, Ryan Seers, Jim Evans & Chris Dolmore.

As Devon were 4 players short we called upon some of our honorary "Colts" to make up the numbers along with Liam Bolt making his debut for Devon. Across the rinks we only one on one. The overall score being 61-68

This was also the last game of the season and the trophies were presented by George Taylor on behalf of the County and Adam Fielder (Devon Manager) for the following:-



Maddison Pyper – Under 18's player of the year – Congratulations



Connor Fielder – Players player of the year – Congratulations



Connor Fielder – Players player of the year – Congratulations



Connor Fielder – Devon County badge and Liberty wings – Well done!

Thank you to all of the squad this year for making Adam & Myself feel at ease and without your support and the support of your parents/guardians the Colts wouldn't be able to achieve what they have this season – well done to you all. Enjoy the outdoor season and see you all in October!

Heidi & Adam Fielder Devon Colts Team Managers