



● Prizewinners of the youth tournament with David Bishop of the sponsors and John Mower of the SRA

Youth Tournament

THE Coca-Cola Youth squash tournament saw a series of long and closely fought finals at the Dubai Country Club recently.

In the eldest (16-17) age group, Jody Megson defeated Shabah Shariff 3-1. The longest game of the afternoon saw Nooman Khan defeat Alex Hepher 3-2 in the 13-15 years age group. Both players showed tremendous skill and fitness in the game that lasted nearly one hour with Alex almost winning it 3-0, having won the first two games and the third game going to 14-14.

The 10-12 age group final was another hotly contested five-setter which witnessed an astonishing turnaround.

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David Inman was 2-1 up against Michael Clerk and looking set for victory when the latter changed tactics and produced a series of excellent drop shots to win the last two games 15-5, 15-3.

Finally, in the 7-9 age group Gareth Rogers just got the better of Danny McGregor 3-1 with identical scores of 15-14.

Over 37 children took part in the tournament which featured a coaching exhibition by six times British Open winner Jonah Barrington.