

LAMBETH GLL SPORT FOUNDATION UPDATE

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GLL Sport Foundation (GSF), in partnership with Lambeth Council's Gifted and Talented Programme, supports talented athletes who live, train, or are educated in the borough. 2018/19 saw 94 supported athletes, with many using Better facilities, whether that is for their sports sessions or their strength & conditioning and fitness training.



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ATHLETE OF THE MONTH – JANUARY 2019

Due to the festive period and end of year celebrations, only a few athletes competed during December. The first Athlete of the Month winner for 2019 was awarded to Kace Bartley. Kace reached the semi-finals at the Internazionali D'Italia 2018 PSA challenger tour event. In the 2nd round she beat her Polish opponent 3-2, before comfortably dispatching an Italian in the quarter-finals. Kace eventually lost to the Swiss runner up. Only a couple of days later, Kace then competed at the Remeo Ladies Open where she lost in the 2nd Round to an Englishwoman. These results have helped her reach a World ranking of 82.



OTHER RESULTS

INTERNATIONAL: Rhys Smith was part of the England hockey squad who came 4th at the World Championships in India. England beat Argentina (3-2) and Ireland (4-2), drew with China (2-2), and lost to Australia (3-0) during the group stages. This was enough to qualify for the semi-finals where they drew Belgium. Unfortunately, Belgium, the eventual World Champions, were runaway winners, winning 6-0. The three week competition ended with an 8-1 defeat to Australia in the third place play-off.

Four GSF funded athletes competed at the Bratislava Ice Skating Grand Prix, all representing Great Britain. The sibling pairing of Natalie and Peter Nicoll finished 8th in the Advanced Novice event. Whilst Frank Roselli and Natalia Pallu-Neves did one better to finish in 7th place in the Junior Ice Dance event.



NATIONAL: Former British boxer, Chris Bourke, enjoyed a winning start to his professional boxing career in the super-bantamweight category. Chris only needed two rounds to defeat his opponent at the London Hilton in Mayfair. Jules Dang Akodo scored 22 points in three games for the London City Royals in December; winning one and losing two, one of which to the current league leaders London Lions.

Best of luck to all our athletes at their upcoming events. Please visit www.gllsportfoundation.org for more information about GLL's Sport Foundation. Please remember to reapply to the GLL Sport Foundation to be a supported athlete through 2019/2020. Applications are open until 20th February – <https://www.gllsportfoundation.org/application-form>.