

BRITISH INTER COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS  
PREMIER DIVISION

ESSEX vs GLAMORGAN

Another disappointing result as Essex went down 26-13 at the Penyardarren Social Club.

The **Ladies 'B'** lost out 5-1 with Kelvedon's Dawn Kennedy (17.37) winning 3-1 our only victor; Ann Farmer and Steph Hewson lost out 3-1 and Kerry Rudd, Sharon Wakeling and Leanne Peetoom all losing out 3-0.

The **Men's 'B'** won the opening two sets from Tilbury's Wayne Gleed winning 4-1 and Southend's Ben Adams (26.72) winning 4-0. Brightlingsea's Allan Mathieson lost 4-3 after leading 3-0, before Rayleigh Rascals Lennie Holmes (28.23) claimed the man of the match award winning 4-0. Chelmsford's Craig Vickers was beaten 4-0 and Brightlingsea's Alan Collins lost another tight contest 4-3. Glamorgan won the next 3-sets with Shaun Fox (Clacton Railway), Danny McIntyre (Kelvedon) and Steve Laybourn (Kelvedon) all going down 4-2. Chelmsford's Simon Monk (27.83) stopped the rot winning 4-0; this was followed by Collier Row's Bradley Halls (26.78) winning 4-3 on his recall to the team; Brightlingsea's Mike Hancocks (23.44) secured the draw winning 4-1.

Going into Sunday 11-7 down, the **Ladies 'A'** lost the opening 3-sets with Chelmsford's Sue Baker and Pauline Donat suffering double trouble losing out 3-2, and Kelvedon's Stacey Ellis lost 3-1. Chelmsford's Wendy Collins (20.35) got a point winning 3-2; however, Springfield's Donna Gleed lost out 3-2 and Colchester's Karen Breen was beaten 3-0.

With the **Men's 'A'** up against it, needing to take 11-sets to avoid a weekend defeat, lost the opening set, with Canvey Starr's Phil Halls battling out a 4-3 loss; Chelmsford's Andrew Kateley (27.96) won 4-2 before 40-0 and 4-2 defeats from Brentwood's Steve Johnson and Collier Row's Joe Russell respectively. Jamie Peetoom (27.48) played extremely well to record a 4-2 victory; Tilbury's Richie Howson suffered a rare defeat going down 4-1; Cressing's Steve Haggerty (27.31) won 4-1, then team manager Tony Osborne was beaten 4-1. Kelvedon's Phil Brewster (26.38) won a closely fought contest 4-3; followed by defeats for Southend's John Costigan 4-0 and Paul Marsh 4-3, after leading 3-0. Collier Row's Darren Peetoom (29.79) won the final set 4-3 and claimed the man of the match award.

Essex are bottom of the Premier Division, 3-points from safety in the table and with Cornwall visiting Chelmsford Social Club in our next fixture, is a must win game.