

It was a weekend that saw the best Rugby players in Wales kicking off their summer tour 12,000 miles away against the All Blacks, and the best Footballers in Wales making a huge impact across the channel in their first major championships for half a

century. But **Llantrisant Leisure Centre** was the place to

be to see the best Squash players in Wales pouring their guts out, in tight, technical, 50+shot, knee busting rallies for the coveted Llantrisant Open 2016 Title!

Continuing on from the success of last year's first ever Llantrisant Squash Open, this year's tournament has proven that there's a huge appetite across South Wales clubs for players to play competitive squash outside of the standard seasonal league period.



From input of much appreciated sponsorship and gratefully received donations, some healthy prize pots we're allocated to the draws, giving more impetus to the top players to get involved, and allow Llantrisant Leisure Centre, with its 3 excellent (but toasty) glass back courts, to host and showcase some of the best players in Wales.

But more than just attracting most of the Welsh Squad to compete, the breadth of entrants spanned men, women and children of all ages and abilities, from a long list of South Wales based clubs, and to whom we are very grateful for their support and participation in this Welsh Ranked event.

Held over 3 days with 4 main draws and plate competitions, 58 competitors took part in a total of 73 matches!





Having come through his semi-final against **Rob Luke** first thing Sunday morning, **Joel Makin** went on to defeat **David Haley** (who beat **Elliot Morris** in the other SF) in front of a packed house on Sunday afternoon. All grades provided great entertainment with **David Godfrey** defeating **Liam Corrigan** to take the B event by storm, and reigning champion **Rob Griffin** had his C grade title snatched off him by **Dave Robertson**. Despite home advantage, veteran Llantrisant club secretary **Wynne Owen** came a cropper to the youthful pace of junior **Josh Audsley**, completing the main draw's final results. For full results and scores of every round, please visit the **Llantrisant Squash Club** website.

A massive thank you goes to this year's sponsors and prize money donors: Jordan Civils, Merch Asylum, Harlequin, St Clare's School and Mark Loder.



A further thank you goes to Llantrisant Leisure Centre, tournament organiser Jason Jones, and Mike Workman and Mike Howe for their help to plan and run the tournament. Lest we forget participants, volunteer refs and general supporters for making the whole event such a success. Until next year...

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