The Orkney U15 Badminton team travelled to Shetland on Friday for the Annual Inter County match at the weekend which was being held on Saturday 24 February at noon in the Scalloway hall. Both, Orkney & Shetland teams had been training hard all season and a good match was anticipated on the day. The Orkney team were accompanied by coaches Eion Ballantine & Elaine Gray and the team staying in the Islesburgh Youth Hostel.

Girls Singles 1st round

6th Girls – Jenna Scott (O) lost 11-21, 7-21 v Alanoss Jamison (S); 5th Erika Poke (O) lost 16-21, 21-23 v Olivia Brown (S); 4th Isla Donaldson (O) lost 11-21, 13-21 v Eda Leask (S); 3rd Ann Lennie (O) won 21-16, 21-15 v Karin Leask (S); 2nd Nicola Sutherland (O) lost 13-21, 18-21 v Lindsey Sim (S); 1st Keira Stevenson(O) lost 14-21, 16-21 v Maria Hutchison (S)

Boys Singles 1st round

6th Erlend Ballantine (O) won 21-12, 21-12 v Jordon Leask (S); 5th Liam Barnett (O) won 21-16, 21-19 v Ross Fraser (S); 4th Aiden Foubister (O) won 21-12, 21-11 v Calum Fraser (S); 3rd Andrew Seator (O) won 21-17, 21-16 v Wayne Leask (S); 2nd Nairn Hall (O) won 21-4, 21-16 v Stephen Leask (S); 1st Tommy Ballantine (O) won 21-7, 21-7 v Thomas Calder (S).

Score after first round Orkney 7 - Shetland 5

Girls Singles 2nd round - swap over

Erika Poke (O) lost 13-21, 8-21 v Alanoss Jamieson (S); Jenna Scott (O) lost 13-21, 12-21 v Olivia Brown (S); Ann Lennie (O) won 21-6, 21-9 v Eda Leask (S); Isla Donaldson (O) lost 9-21, 12-21 v Karin Leask (S); Keira Stevenson (O) lost 16-21, 14-21 v Lindsey Sim (S); Nicola Sutherland (O) lost 13-21, 13-21.

Boys Singles 2nd round – swap over

Liam Barnett (O) won 21-5, 21-8 v Jordon Leask (S); Erlend Ballantine (O) won 21-10, 21-15 v Ross Fraser (S); Andrew Seator (O) won 21-7, 21-8 v Calum Leask (S); Aiden Foubister (O) lost 21-15, 19-21, 15-21 v Wayne Leask (S); Tommy Ballantine (O) won 21-5, 21-9 v Stephen Leask (S); Nairn Hall (O) lost 15-21, 21-23 v Thomas Calder (S)

Score after second round overall Orkney 12 - Shetland 12

Girls Doubles

3rd Isla Donaldson & Erik Poke (O) lost 14-21, 11-21 v Eda Leask & Alanoss Jamieson (S); 2nd Nicola Sutherland & Jenna Scott (O) lost 18-21, 18-21 v Olivia Brown & Karis Leask (S); 1st Keira Stevenson & Ann Lennie (O) lost 15-21, 19-21 v Maria Hutchison & Lindsey Sim (S).

Boys Doubles

3rd Nairn Hall Erlend Ballantine (O) won 21-13, 21-13 v Calum Fraser & Jordon Leask (S); 2nd Andrew Seator & Liam Barnett (O) won 21-15, 14-21, 21-14 v Thomas Calder & Ross Fraser (S); 1st Tommy Ballantine & Aiden Foubister (O) won 19-21, 21-12, 21-17 v Stephen & Wayne Leask (S)

Doubles score 3-3, overall Orkney 15 - Shetland 15.

Mixed

6th Jenna Scott & Aiden Foubister (O) won 22-20, 21-13 v Eda Leask & Jordon Leask (S); 5th Isla Donaldson & Erlend Ballantine (O) won 21-16, 21-17 v Alanoss Jamieson & Ross Fraser (S); 4th Ann Lennie & Liam Barnett (O) won 21-14, 21-15 v Olivia Brown & Calum Fraser (S); 3rd Erika Poke & Nairn Hall lost 12-21, 17-21 v Karis Leask & Thomas Calder (S); 2nd Nicola Sutherland & Andrew Seator (O) won 18-21, 21-17, 21-19 v Lindsey Sim & Stephen Leask (S); 1st Keira Stevenson & Tommy Ballantine (O) won 21-4, 21-11 v Maria Hutchison & Wayne Leask (S).

Mixed score 5-1 to Orkney. Overall Score 20-16

This was a great team performance by the Junior Orkney U15 badminton team who were competing away from home. The Orkney Junior Badminton would like to thank Aurora Jewellery for Sponsoring the U15’s Orkney team for this match. Also, the badminton team are indebted to the team coaches for preparing the team and provided invaluable coaching – Eion Ballantine, Stuart Slater, Mark Clouston, Elaine Gray.