## Avon Boys 12U County Cup – National Finals Qualifying (Poole) – Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2025

The Avon Boys U12 County Team travelled to Poole this weekend to compete in the National Finals Qualifying event, with a strong line-up of Harley (No. 1), Mathis (No. 2), Lucas (No. 3), Misha (No. 4), Charlie (No. 5), and Max (No. 6).



## Saturday – Group Stage Battles

Avon opened their campaign against Cambridgeshire, who would go on to reach the final. The tie was extremely tight, with several matches coming down to deciding match tie-breaks. Despite a spirited effort and some high-quality play across the board, Avon were edged out 4–2. The result could easily have swung the other way with a few points in our favour, showing just how close the contest was.

Next up was Hampshire, another strong county side. Once again, Avon showed their fighting spirit, but despite some great performances, the boys

narrowly lost 4–2. Back-to-back tough ties left the team just short of a semi-final place, but with plenty of positives to take away.

## **Sunday – Play-off Success**

On Sunday, Avon faced off in the 5th v 6th play-off. Determined to finish on a high, the boys came out firing. Harley, Mathis, Charlie, and Misha all delivered excellent wins in the singles to give Avon an unassailable lead. With momentum firmly on our side, the team moved into the doubles with confidence, capping off a superb day of tennis and sealing 5th place overall.

## Reflections

The weekend was a fantastic showcase of teamwork, resilience, and county pride. Every player contributed, both on and off the court, and the boys can be proud of their performances against some of the best young players in the country.

A huge well done to Harley, Mathis, Lucas, Misha, Charlie, and Max for representing Avon so brilliantly.