

Thrilling on-court action as the 35th ESF European Club Championship begins

An action-packed 35th European Club Championship kicked off with some late summer sunshine welcoming players and spectators to Roehampton Club for the first day as the reigning men's champions, Paderborn SC (GER), defeated Edinburgh SC (SCT).

Paderborn (GER) beat Edinburgh (SCO) 4-0

Raphael Kandra 3-0 Chris Leiper 11-3, 11-6, 11-3

Nicolas Mueller 3-0 John Meehan 12-10, 11-4, 11-1

Simon Rösner defeated Ross Mchoul 3-0, 11-4, 11-1, 11-5

Rowan Damming 3-0 Jamie Henderson 11-9, 11-5, 11-4

Nicolas Mueller, representing Paderborn (GER), said: 'I am thrilled with my performance. The road to gold will be difficult, but I'm ready. I am happy to be here; I can feel the positivity. The next couple of days will be very interesting.'

Roehampton Club women's team, who are looking to win the tournament for the third straight year, mirrored the same success for their opening bout. Roehampton Club dominated the game stopping Heriot-Watt Uni (SCT) 3-0. Wins for Satomi and Jasmine Hutton were backed up by Kace Bartley who was determined not to let the match slip away and made constant strategic adjustments throughout winning 3-2.

In the men's group stage matches, Austria's Squashunion Wiener Neudorf Mödling defeated Luxembourg's TS Sandweiler by 4-0 in Group A. Meanwhile, Paderborner SC of Germany defeated Top Squash Sandweiler 4-0. Additionally, SU Wiener Neudorf Mödling lost 1-3 to Scotland's Edinburgh Sports Club later in the day.

In Group B, Associação Desportiva GaloMar (POR) defeated Spain's Club Squash Algemesi 4-0, while Roehampton Club (England) defeated Ireland's Sutton LTC 3-1. Also in Group B, Roehampton Club defeated Club Squash Algemesi 4-0, while A D GaloMar and Sutton LTC shared a 2-2 draw. Group C, Leamington (ENG) and SRCV (LI) showcased a masterclass performance from the get-go against Herlev/Hjorten, with matching scores of 4-0.



In the women's group stage matches earlier on in the day, Sutton LTC suffered a 1-2 loss to Wiener Neudorf Mödling, while SC Modry Svet defeated S C Sandweiler (LUX), 3-0. Surbiton (ENG) achieved the same success in their match against Heriot-Watt University (SCT), winning 3-0.

The final two bouts took place at 18:30 (BST), with the Sutton LTC women's team losing out to Surbiton 1-2 and Wiener Neudorf Mödling defeating SC Modry Svet 2-1.

Day one lived up to expectations, with a crowd of spectators watching top-tier squash. The final men's group stage games resume on Thursday 5th September at 11.30am (BST), with the Roehampton Club women's team taking on Sutton LTC (IRL) in the opening game at 10am.

[Link to timings, teams, live scores and more](#)

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