

Lothian's quality shuttle service in railway setting

Lothian under-18 badminton team excelled when finishing runners-up to the hosts, Yorkshire, in the Railway Institute Octagonal team competition at York.

Lothian were the sole Scottish representatives in a competition played in converted railway sheds and featuring strong English counties Hertfordshire, Lancashire, Warwickshire, Surrey and Leicestershire as well as two sides from Yorkshire.

The team featured players from Edinburgh and all the Lothians – Mid, East and West – and comprised Callum Jack, Jacob Glass, Lingyun Xiao, Fraser Banks, Ben Ross, David Campbell; Sophie Walker, Lucy Degg, Tushara Senthilrajaram, Amy Hunter, Qing Yang Xiao and Deepti Vijayakumar.

Irene Blair coached the team who were also accompanied by Sethu Vijayakumar who said: *"It was an excellent performance by Lothian especially fielding a very young team."*



The Lothian under-18 badminton squad with coach Irene Blair (centre).