

2016 under 11 Sportshall Athletics – Regional Finals

4 teams of Somerset athletes gave their all at Sunday's Regional Sportshall Athletics Finals. The Spartan girls' team was very strong and they were so unlucky not to have clinched the title - just 7 points behind the winners Avon! The boys teams performed extremely well - they weren't the strongest boys' teams we have had, but they all stepped up to the mark and raised their game hugely. All teams were very impressive and were healthily competitive!! They were good to be with and the support from parents was fantastic.

The Team Managers of Chloe Hunt & Lauren Rousell (who coach with me at SSDC Junior Athletics Academy - also YOAC athletes), Simon De Wilton (TAC) and Andy Rumley (MAC) did an amazing job of organising the athletes and supporting them throughout the competition.

Hopefully we will have inspired some of these youngsters to take up athletics and I will shortly be sending them details of the 4 main T & F clubs in Somerset.

Thanks to our T-shirt sponsors: YOAC, TAC, MAC.

Results Analysis Overall:

Girls Somerset Spartans 2nd out of 6 teams, with a score of 474 points (444 last year), just 7 points behind the winners from Avon.

Girls Somerset Saracens 5th out of 6 teams, with a score of 394 points (367 last year), just 4 points behind Glos in 4th place.

Boys Somerset Spartans 3rd out of 6 teams, with a score of 445 points (466 last year), just 5 points behind Glos in 2nd place.

Boys Somerset Saracens 5th equal out of 6 teams, with a score of 383 points (373 last year).

Out of 17 events:

Spartan Girls: 1st = 8; 2nd = 6; 3rd = 2. Top 3 places in 17 out of 17 events. Of these they had top 3 places in 9 out of 9 track events, winning 4 of them.

Saracen Girls: 3rd = 1. Of these they had top 3 places in 1 out of 9 track events.

Spartan Boys: 1st = 3; 2nd = 6; 3rd = 7. Top 3 places in 16 out of 17 events. Of these they had top 3 places in 9 out of 9 track events.

Saracen Boys: 1st = 0; 2nd = 0; 3rd = 0.

Top 3 places:

Girls:

Ella Turner 1st in target throw with a score of 16.

Grace Fielder 1st in javelin with a throw of 15m.

Seren Rogers 1st in standing long jump with 1.65m & 2nd in speed bounce with a score of 61.

Eloise Jones 3rd equal in target throw with a score of 9.

Lucy Acott 3rd equal in balance test with a score of 50.

Milly McKenna 2nd in javelin with a throw of 14m.

Boys:

Ben Jones 3rd in standing long jump with a distance of 1.95m.

Charlie Porter 1st in standing triple jump with a distance of 5.70m.

Joe Keaney 3rd in standing triple jump with a distance of 5.38m.

Nathan Yarde 2nd in balance test with a score of 49.

Tom Winter 2nd in target throw with a score of 12.

Freddie Margetts 2nd in javelin with a throw of 16m.

Louis Stokes 1st in chest push with a throw of 7.25m.

Analysis of athletes who applied to do the selection event:

ACE – 3

BOS Tri – 1

Frome – 2

MAC – 16

No club – 37

SSDC Junior Academy – 1

TAC – 17

WCH - 0

YOAC – 4

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