



NOVEMBER 2011 – NEWSLETTER

Dear Pupils, Members and Parents

Firstly, Russ and I would like to thank everybody for the support shown to both of us and to the running of the Club in general. It is a small club and we value those volunteers who help out, be it Transport, Coaching, Judging or helping put away the Tramps on a Saturday afternoon, Thank you.

Christmas closure: the last session at Canford is: Thursday 15th December, due to the floor there being refurbished. The last session at QE will be Monday 19th December. We will return to regular training on Thursday 5th January 2012 at Canford; although it seems like a long time, in reality it is only 3 sessions more than our usual break. I will be arranging sessions at other venues for those who have competitions in January. Further details will be given out later to the individuals concerned.

The first competition of the year is in Bath for those at **Regional G, F, E, & D and is on Sunday 22nd January** and in **Hatfield, Hertfordshire on Saturday 28th January for Fig B, and Sunday 29th January for Nat C.** As the closing dates will be during the break we will be doing the Entries before we close. Russ will be handing out the intention to compete slips very soon so please check your diaries. For those who are competing for the first time, competition kit will need to be ordered very soon if you don't already have it, please see myself or Russ to arrange this.

The Prize giving this year was a huge success and it was good to see some new faces so many of the younger ones there, some of them receiving awards for their hard work, well done all of you. During the evening I made an announcement that one of our Parents (Gina Broadbent) was running 5K along Bournemouth seafront the next morning in aid of Julia's' House. Gina would like to pass on her thanks to all of you as within about 5 minutes you contributed £45.00 towards her final total of £150.00 for the Charity. She also ran a PB of 30 minutes!!

During October four of our National Level competitors, Joe, Bailey, Jess and Emily travelled to Cardiff to take part in the inaugural Welsh Cup or Cwpan Cymru. Well done to all of them for their preparation and taking part. Congratulations to Emily who took 1st place in 9 – 10 age group and Bailey who took 2nd place in the 15 – 16 age group.

The World Championships are being held in Birmingham this year, if you can't get to the competition then log on to the British Gymnastics website and follow the links for live streaming of the competition, it will be worth it as it is also a qualifying event for the Olympics and the best in the World will be competing. The week after is the junior event, World Age Championships and there are a few competitors from the Poole & Bournemouth area competing. You can keep track of this through the British Gymnastics site as well; it is quite a spectacle with Trampoline, DMT and Tumbling going on.

I will end with my normal plea for volunteers to train to be Judges, at the Regional competitions. The more competitors we enter into competition the larger the number of officials the club has to supply. If we could get a large enough number of qualified Judges then it would mean that we could split the comps so you wouldn't have to do it every time. (4 competitions a year). There is a course in January so if you are interested please speak to either myself or Russ. Please keep an eye on the website as I will be updating it shortly with articles, dates and photos.

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