

## Track & Field & Sportshall 2017/18 season report

### Track & Field – 2017 Season – Report

The 2018 T&F season seems a long time ago, but what do we remember?

Well, in the world of the Notts Mini-League:

- We fielded over 300 athletes
- At our home fixture in Bingham we fielded 106 RAC athletes! That must be a club record.
- We had over 50 first time competitors proudly, but perhaps a little nervously, earning their club colours.
- RAC came a superb 2nd in the 2017 Track & Field Mini-League.
  - But do not fear, this year we'll be aiming for the top as we want that trophy back.
- PB's, Club Records, tears and fears were all overcome.
- *Louis Hallam, Isabel Wynne, Callum Findlay, Arabella Findlay, James Wardle & Jess Rimmington.* were our TOP Mini-League point scorers in the 2017 Track & Field season.
- We got 16 people - yes 16! Into the Country Team for the Inter-Regional Final. A wet and windy day at the Pingles Stadium was endured and whilst not everyone got the results they wanted they nevertheless sealed their great seasons wearing County colours.

I really want to give a huge thanks for all those that never said no. Whether it's an athlete that was so nervous they were sick, or someone who despite really really not wanting to do an event did it anyway when asked to. I cannot emphasize how wonderful you all are to turn up time and time again and racing your hearts out.

Away from the Notts Mini-League over the course of summer 2017 dozens of you strutted your stuff in blue at Loughborough University for the Charnwood Opens. Many of you attended open meets at Harvey Haddon, Moorways in Derby, Pingles Stadium in Nuneaton, Alexander Stadium in Birmingham, Sport City in Manchester and many more. Young and old all enjoyed an absolute medal fest at the County Champs back in May, with the club taking home a massive haul of 54 medals.

I always go on about the friendship, support and comradeship that I witness at these events. However, what was so lovely to see last summer was the way it spreads across clubs and despite being rivals the athletes still encourage each other. You guys make or break the season. You are the important ones as without you RAC wouldn't be as great as it is.

### Sportshall – 2017/18 Season – Report

Wow and wow again: 5 months, 6 sportshalls, over 160 competitors, 3rd place overall and 1st place for the U13 girls, laughter, tears, snow, friendship & spreadsheets. It's was once again been a fantastic season that we're sure everyone thoroughly enjoyed. The massive stars of the show are of course you athletes, so please accept this big thanks. We also need to thank all the parents that have

helped out during the winter. The show simply wouldn't go on without you so round of applause for the mums and dads.

So during this season:

- We've fielded over 160 athletes.
- We had 16 first timers earning their Rushcliffe colours.
- 14 people were selected for the county team.
- The U13G came 1st!
- The U13B & U11B came 2nd.
- The U11G came 3rd.
- Phoebe & Amy Clayton, Megan Davis & Callum Findlay did all 5 Mini-League sportshalls.
- Trixie Davies (1st) & Robin Morgan (3rd) both podiumed at the U11's Octathlon in Nov.
- Callum Findlay & Lucas Parnell have both won Athlete of the match this season.
- Dylan & Nathan have flown the U15 flag alone all winter, but with the welcome addition of Zadie & Laura on the last match.
- We literally had tears when athletes haven't been able to attend, and that's saying something. They just love it.

Train to your best, commit to the club, encourage others, smile and you'll be a winner!

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