Womens Report - AGM May 2020

This year seems to have been a great success for gymnasts and clubs in Sussex with many fabulous results and a consistently high number of competitors from County level through to National level in the Women's Artistic competitions.

The regional squad has again been selected for gymnasts with the continuation of an A and B squad running with each having approximately 40 gymnasts in them. The A squad has 13 Sussex based gymnasts in it and the B squad has 12 Sussex based gymnasts in it. These gymnasts are representing 4 different Sussex clubs (Uck, Wick, TAG and Hor)

The Rushmoor Rosebowl International once again had a Sussex team competing and although young they placed 5th and gained lots of valuable experience. There was also a Sussex gymnast representing the South East team who placed 2nd.

Dorset Inter County

This was the first year we have entered this competition. It was held in Poole, Dorset. Sussex sent 6 teams (29 gymnasts). Sussex managed to achieve the following placings:

8 1st place

7 2nd place

8 3rd place

10 4th-6th place

National Age group Finals - Level 3 team which included Amelie from Wickers won the bronze medal. At Level 2 Brooke (Horsham) placed a fabulous 6th on the day overall and therefore earning her GB ranking of 7th for this age group. Tabitha (Horsham) had the highest bar score of the day, effectively making her British Champion for this piece at this age group.

There were 6 Sussex based gymnasts competing at this competition across all 3 levels.

Sussex Championships this year saw over 100 gymnasts entered with different clubs represented. From this competition the County squad was selected with 40 gymnasts being involved.

Horsham GC travelled to Hungary to compete in the 1st Gyor Open. This was based in the National training centre where the Junior World Championships were held shortly after the visit. Horsham took 12 gymnasts and came home with 38 medals and 3 category champions. This was a great experience for the gymnasts competing against teams from Hungary, Czech Republic, Austria, Romania and Poland.

English B/S/G Championship

14 Sussex based gymnasts from Uckfield and Horsham competed at the Silver and Gold English Championships.

Notable results were:

Silver Seniors: Daisy Miller (Uck) 1st Bars and Overall, 3rd Floor, 4th Vault

Isabel Carr (Hor) 1st Beam

Silver Intermediate: Megan Smith (Uck) 4th Vault

Cissy Marlow (Hor) 5th Vault and Overall, 4th Floor

Lola McNaughton (Hor) 6th Beam, 5th Bars, 1st Vault, 2nd Overall

Silver Juniors: Betsy George (Uck) 4th Floor Elissa Parris (Uck) 6th Beam

British Challenge Cup 2019 - 3 Sussex based gymnasts competed in this competition all gaining valuable experience. This is a big achievement as your have to qualify through the region to be able to compete at this National event.

Brooke Stocker and Tabitha Lees both competed in February at Lilleshall and achieved a pass at Compulsory Grade 1. This means they have completed the compulsory pathway and have qualified to the British Championships. Brooke also placed a fabulous 8th overall and was the top scorer for range and conditioning.

Unfortunately many competitions have been cancelled. This included the English and British Championships, which would have involved 3 gymnasts from Horsham. South East Grades and National Grades competitions have also been cancelled.

Well done to all clubs, coaches and gymnasts involve in Women's Artistic for the last years results and high standard of gymnastics the county is managing to achieve. Fingers crossed we can all get back in the gyms soon and start rebuilding!!