

LEVERKUSEN CUP INTERNATIONAL FOR WOMEN 2012

England entered a Women's Team for the Leverkusen International held on 7th September, 2012.

Gymnasts

Jasmin Reed-Yang (The Academy)

Maisie Dodds (The Academy)

Iona Theobald (Horsham)

Team Coach

Nia Edwards

Judge

Chris McLaughlin

Head of Delegation

Barry McLoughlin



The gymnasts were amongst the youngest competitors at this International event, but this did not hold them back! The Team won by nearly 5 whole marks, from two German Teams. The results are attached along with the Team Coach and Judge Reports. Iona won an Individual Silver medal on Beam and a Bronze on Bars and she was placed 4th in the All-Around Individual competition. Jasmine won Silver on Bars and Bronze in the All-Around. Maisie won Gold on Asymmetric Bars. Congratulations and well done to our England Team of Gymnasts and what better than to gain International recognition and European medals for England in this Olympic Year.

See YouTube Clip.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3NtWpXIoTAc>

See Jasmin Routine <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jmHw-Fu0n1A&feature=relmfu>

See Maisie Routine <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o9iAriCHQx4&feature=relmfu>

See Iona Routine <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oOKpHpHWZQQ&NR=1&feature=endscreen>

England Team Coach Report

England 2012 – Gymnastics Gold in Europe!

England's Senior Team represented their country in style at the Senior Women's Artistic Gymnastics Leverkusen Cup 2012 in Leverkusen. The competition was held at the Smidt Arena, Germany this weekend. Iona Theobald (15), Maisie Dodds (16) and Jasmine Reed-Yang (15), were amongst the youngest competitors at this international event but this did not hold them back!

England pulled off an incredible first for the National Team and proudly took away Team Gold. Their victory was almost five clear points ahead of the nearest team, with England beating (for the first time in 36 years) two German Teams, the Netherlands and South Africa. In addition to the all-important Team place, Jasmine put in clean and powerful performances on all four pieces, earning the Individual Silver medal on Bars and the Bronze medal in the All-Around Individual competition.

Iona, despite a recent injury, completed her round with grit and determination, taking away an Individual Silver medal on Beam and Bronze on A-Bars. She placed 4th in the All-Around Individual competition.

Maisie excelled in her favourite piece and completed a clean round too. She took away the Individual Gold medal on Asymmetric Bars and placed 5th in the All-Around Individual Rankings, giving England a third, fourth and fifth place to clinch the Team Gold.

Nia Edwards (Senior Coach) said 'I am immensely proud of the girls' performances; they have worked incredibly hard and what better than to gain International recognition and European medals for England in this Olympic year'.

Leverkusen Cup Judging Report – WAG - Leverkusen, Germany, 5th – 7th September 2012

Team England

Gymnasts

Jasmine Reed-Yang
Iona Theobald
Maisie Dodds

Coach

Nia Edwards

HOD

Barry McLaughlin

Judge

Chris McLaughlin

Friday 05/09/12

Travel and arrival - Germany

The England delegation met in Birmingham on Thursday evening ready for a very early flight to Germany on Friday morning. I travelled later in the day from Manchester.

Training

The gymnasts had a short training session in the afternoon on very different equipment (blue!) than what they were used to. This went reasonably well however Iona came with a slight injury to her finger and so had to cut content in her UB routine. There was a notable lack of gymnasts training at this session due to Lufthansa being on strike and some of the teams not arriving! In fact, there were only the English and South African teams present. Training was followed by a very pleasant buffet for the officials, gymnasts and coaches.

Orientation Meeting and Judges Assignments

At the meeting it became evident that due to the early date of the competition this year (it is normally October/November), there were only 5 teams competing. Absences were from last year's winners – Italy who were still on summer holiday; and teams from Russia and Uzbekistan who had both had problems attaining Visas.

Competing teams were therefore from: - England, South Africa, The Netherlands and two teams from the host nation – Germany.

The judge's assignments were already selected. Due to the shortage of teams, there were only 4 judges per apparatus. The D(and E1/E2) panel judges were all Brevet, and the E3 and E4 judges were all National. Apart from a Brevet judge from The Netherlands who was D1/E1 on FX, all the other judges were from Germany. I was D1/E1 on UB.

Saturday 06/09/12

Judges meeting

The judges' meeting was a very short affair with the Head Judge asking if I objected to the meeting being held in German. Only 2 words were spoken to me that I understood, and these were - Dismount - D. I suppose that was all I needed to know.

Competition

The competition was held in the evening and due to the small numbers competing, was drawn out as long as possible with each gymnast competing one at a time.

Floor

England started on Floor and produced three good clean routines without major errors. Routines as follows:-

Iona – double tuck; double twist; 1½ twist; front to twist; change leg ring to change leg ½; split leap full	12.30
Jasmine – double pike; 2½ twist; 1½ back twist punch front; double twist; change leg to Johnson ½ ; change leg ½	12.05
Maisie – 1½ back twist punch front; single twist; double twist; change leg to split leap full; Johnson; double spin; illusion turn	11.30

Vault

This went well and without incident for both Jasmine and Maisie, but Iona couldn't control her power and height and after a great battle to stay on her feet, finally fell.

Jasmine – Straight Yurchenko	13.00
Iona – Straight Yurchenko	12.25 (fell)
Maisie – Piked Tsukahara	11.85

Bars

The England team were very secure with their UB routines with all content counting. Iona's injury restricted her D score by a full mark but many of the other gymnasts fell. As a result they took the first 3 placings and all the UB apparatus medals.

Maisie – Shap, Tkatchev, shoot down to Mo, giant full, blind, forward top, double twist dismount	13.00 (1 st)
Jasmine – Shap to shoot down to Stalder Mo, toe on to handstand, Tkatchev, giant full, blind, forward, front away dismount	12.90 (2 nd)
Iona – Hecht mount, Geinger, shoot down, Stalder Mo, clear to handstand, double pike dismount	11.85 (3 rd)

Beam – all stuck

Iona – Silivas mount, flick layout, Johnson, free walkover side somi, full twist dismount	13.20 (2 nd)
Maisie – Healey mount, double spin, change leg, Johnson, free cartwheel flick, back tuck, gainer pike dismount	12.85
Jasmine – Healey mount, flick layout, free walkover (large wobble), tucked front from 1 foot, Johnson, change leg to back tuck, gainer pike dismount	11.70

Overall results

1 st place – England	101.55 – and winner of the Leverkusen Cup
2 nd place - Germany 2	96.20
3 rd place – Germany 1	95.80

This was the first time that England has ever won the Leverkusen Cup. With an excellent performance from all three England gymnasts who were a pleasure to be around. The Leverkusen Cup was a fantastic experience for me and a big thank you goes to English Gymnastics for giving me the opportunity to go.

Chris McLaughlin



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Mannschaftsplatzierung (Gesamtergebnis)

	Mannschaft	Nation	Vault	A-Bars	Beam	Floor	Abzug	Summe
1	National Team (ENG)	England	25,25	25,90	26,05	<u>24,35</u>	0,00	101,55
2	Auswahlteam 2 (GER)	Deutschland	26,95	<u>21,05</u>	23,60	24,60	0,00	96,20
3	Auswahlteam 1 (GER)	Deutschland	26,55	<u>21,45</u>	24,90	22,90	0,00	95,80
4	Flik-Flak Den Bosch	Niederlande	25,00	20,45	<u>23,75</u>	24,85	0,00	94,05
5	National Team (RSA)	Südafrika	<u>25,15</u>	17,50	21,30	22,05	0,00	86,00

Einzelplatzierung

PL	Name	Nr	Verein	Vault	A-Bars	Beam	Floor	Summe
1	Annabelle Hölzer	2	Auswahlteam 2 (GER)	13,75	11,35	13,10	12,60	50,80
2	Anja Rheinbay	14	Auswahlteam 1 (GER)	14,35	10,80	13,50	11,15	49,80
3	Jasmine Reed Yang	6	National Team (ENG)	13,00	12,90	11,70	12,05	49,65
4	Iona Theobald	4	National Team (ENG)	12,25	11,85	13,20	12,30	49,60
5	Maisie Dodds	5	National Team (ENG)	11,85	13,00	12,85	11,30	49,00
5	Evie Schellens	8	Flik-Flak Den Bosch	13,00	10,20	11,50	12,40	47,10
7	Dana de Groot	7	Flik-Flak Den Bosch	12,00	10,25	12,25	12,45	46,95
8	Sarah Sonnenschein	15	Auswahlteam 1 (GER)	12,20	10,65	11,40	11,10	45,35
9	Denise Bressers	9	Flik-Flak Den Bosch	11,55	9,90	11,25	12,05	44,75
10	Isa Maasen	10	Flik-Flak Den Bosch	12,50	9,50	11,90	10,70	44,60
11	Christina Kuhn	3	Auswahlteam 2 (GER)	12,85	9,70	10,50	10,95	44,00
12	Ryan Bloy	11	National Team (RSA)	12,60	8,70	11,00	11,35	43,65
13	Sarah Voss	16	Auswahlteam 1 (GER)	11,80	8,10	11,20	11,75	42,85
14	Jukie Potgieter	13	National Team (RSA)	12,55	8,80	10,30	10,60	42,25
15	Lizandi Broodryk	12	National Team (RSA)	11,80	4,65	8,25	10,70	35,40
16	Hannah Thives-Kurenbach	1	Auswahlteam 2 (GER)	13,20	0,00	0,00	12,00	25,20

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