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in the performance of their routine in front of a large audience and 2 long panels of judges! Their efforts resulted in a very good 10th place. This is an excellent result for their first nationals, as the scores of all the pairs were so close to each other. Many congratulations and well done, girls!



This Year **City of Newcastle Gymnastics Academy** sent 13 boys to the Pipers Vale Challenge & Cup Competition in Ipswich. With 341 competitors performing 2046 routines over the 2 days it was our biggest Pipers Vale competition to date. First to compete were our Under 8 gymnasts, and this was their first competition representing the club.



Elliot finished 41st with a score of 60.40, Jake finished 39th with a score of 60.45. It was another close contest between Luca who finished 18th with a total score of 65.20 and Dylan who finished 17th with a total score of 65.40.



The second round of competition was the Under 9s. With 70 boys competing, Tyler finished in 13th place with a total score of 69.55; Will scored 65.40 to finish in 36th place; Fin scored 62.00 and finished 53rd,

Stuart scored 61.20 for 56th place and Koby scored 61.05 and finished 57th overall. The final round of Saturday was the Under 10 competition with 77 gymnasts competing. Jack finished in 57th place scoring 65.65; Thomas scored 72.45 and finished 19th.



European Championships

Amy Tinkler and Rachael Wright were selected to represent Great Britain at the European Championships for Women's Artistic Gymnastics.

They travelled to Montpellier for the Senior Europeans after two weeks of intense training with the GB team at Lilleshall. Amy, who was recently crowned British Champion in only her first year at senior level impressed with her excellent all-around performance totalling 54.958 point. Sadly, however with only two gymnasts per country allowed to make the finals she just missed out despite placing sixth overall. Amy went on to qualify for floor final in a superb third place!!



Amy had to wait from Wednesday until Sunday before she got the chance to compete again and in her debut major championships she did an excellent job revelling in the atmosphere of a full house to score a 14.000 for sixth place.

National Finals



Northern Gymnastics Academy attended its first ever NDP National Finals at Fenton Manor, Stoke, on 17th May.



As Regional Champions, our Grade 1 Women's Pair, Faye Yellowley and Eve Murphy, gave 100%

On Sunday we moved to the under 12 competition and representing CNGA were Kurtis & Freddy. Kurtis put on an excellent performance improving 11.6 marks on his English Championship results finishing with a total score of 56.40 and 22nd overall. Freddy finished the weekend off with 4th place overall with a score of 67.30 (only 0.2 from the Bronze medal) and placed 3rd on vault. Well done to all the boys from City of

Newcastle!



On the way home Misha & Kyle were tired from a hard weekend of Judging..... While the



happy coaches were taking a 'selfie'!!



What a fantastic **day South Durham GC** had at Ipswich on Sunday 24th May. Three girls Frankie Ryman, Leah Greenland and Lydia Collins were all representing South Durham at the National Finals of the WA Compulsory Levels 2 and 1. Frankie, Leah and Lydia all passed their levels with flying colours!! Congratulations to Frankie on passing Level 1 and Leah and Lydia passing Level 2 and with Leah (pictured) finishing in an amazing 2nd place!!!

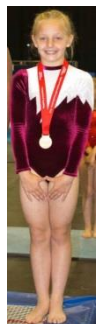


More good news for **South Durham** came at the Compulsory Level 4 National Finals at Stoke. Mercedes Moore, Ellie Potts & Isobel Gosling had an excellent competition and finished in 4th place as a team. Individually Mercedes finished in 4th place all round, Ellie 16th and Isobel in 28th place. Hopefully the girls will go on to represent the North again in November at the Voluntary National Finals.



Congratulations to **GymWorld** gymnast Erin Boyle who competed in the NDP Tumbling Semi-finals in Peterborough recently and finished joint 3rd position.

Well done to the **Gymworld** representatives who attend gymnasts Macmillan Academy who travelled to Stoke on Trent to compete in the British Schools Finals. A great experience for Eve Robson, Domenica Botham, Isobel Westcott, Mary Gallacher, Amelia Brynn & Billie Illingworth who performed their routines well in the Acrobatics and Floor & Vault Under 14 competitions.



They placed 7th in Acro and 9th in the Floor & Vault so very well done.

Congratulations also to Harry Larkin also from **GymWorld** who represented his school, Whinstone Primary and came 6th in the Under 11 Tumbling competition.

Clubs News



Berwick Gymnastics Club continues to expand at a great pace, having increased membership from an average of 50 over the last decade, to around 170 in 2014 -2015. Berwick now has two satellite clubs, is looking at two other possibilities and offers more 'disciplines' than ever, with GfA sessions such as MyClub, Adults, FreeG, GymFusion and Team Gym (plus a return to Women's Artistic) driving demand. As an essential add on to this growth Berwick is really pleased to welcome to its club multiple new coaches in General and TeamGym, plus nine completing Core Proficiency very soon. 2014 - 2015 has been a busy year.



Congratulations to the gymnasts from the **City of Newcastle GC** who have gained places in the North Zone National TeamGym Squad after attending trials in Scotland and Scarborough. Good Luck to all the teams from the North that have qualified for the British Championships in Liverpool in August.

GymWorld gymnasts really enjoyed the Floor and Vault Competition organised at City of Newcastle. Lots of medals won and a good experience for everyone.



Wansbeck Gym Club have recently become **Wansbeck Gymnastics and Trampoline Club**. In October the club made the decision to make some changes including the introduction of Trampoline, Pre School and recreational boys.



The Club are celebrating the addition of trampolining to the club in style with 5 first places, 2 second and 2 third places along with a team gold at their first regional graded qualifier.



Fresh from competing in the National Schools competition in Birmingham where he came 5th in the Intermediate Section, Wansbeck bouncer **Chris Bell** qualified for Regional NDP finals in Peterborough. A fantastic start to our squad! At Regional Finals on May 30th Chris competed with the rest of the North team in Peterborough.

Back in the gym we nervously watched via live link on BG score. After 2 fantastic routines from Chris he won NDP 13+ by 2 whole marks! Next stop National Finals in Telford in July. Well done Chris!

Alongside this success Wansbeck's other competition squad the Women's Artistic, celebrated success in the North Regional and National Grades. Notably 6th place in North G5, 5th in North G4, a 4th in North G3, a

5th in Regional Grade 1 and a pass at National Grade 3 - a first for Wansbeck.

New logo, new discipline, new leotards and a new era for Wansbeck!

TC News - General TC



Two more dates for the GGTC Calendar – The **Partner Challenge Competition** date has been confirmed on October 18th at Hartlepool GC. There will also be a second **Regional TeamGym Competition** at Hartlepool on September 27th, following the success of the first event hosted by Northern Hope.

Well done to the candidates from eight different Clubs who attended the **Floor and Vault Level 2 Judging** course and exam recently and thanks to Deerness GC for acting as hosts.

Other News



Development Team Changes – British Gymnastics Development

Team has been undergoing some restructuring over the last few months. We have not received firm details of how the North Region will be

affected as yet, but any news will be circulated as soon as we have more information. Tracey Power, our Regional Officer has accepted a new job as part of the BG Events Team so she will be leaving us. Lyndsay Madden has been offered a full time role working across the North and North Yorkshire.



AGM: The NEGA AGM is being held at Deerness Valley GC on Wednesday, July 8th from 7.00pm. Nominations for Office should be sent in writing to arrive by July 3rd.



Affiliations 2016: Thank you to the Clubs who replied to the email discussion around how we manage Affiliations to NEGA in 2016 and beyond. The majority of respondents favoured option 3 based on the number of members in a club. Two replies were in favour of option 2 linked to competition entries. A final decision will be taken at the AGM.



Floor and Vault Level 2 Judging: A further course has been planned in Cumbria in July – contact Vanessa Foster for details at pe@vanessafoster.com

North Dates 2015

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June 14 th	TeamGym	City New	Newcastle TeamGym Open	Newcastle	
June 28 th	General	Region	Apparatus Recreation Level	Hartlepool	June 1st
June 28 th	Acro	Region	Regional Open Acro	South Tyneside	
July 12 th	General	Region	Apparatus Club and Competition	South Durham	June 1st
September 27 th	TeamGym	Region	TeamGym L 6,5, 4	Hartlepool	September 1st
October 4 th	Tumbling	Region	Team Tumbling Competition	Hartlepool	
October 16-18	Artistic	City New	Spooky Spectacular – Men & Women Art.	Newcastle	
October 18 th	General	Region	Partner, Group and Team Challenge	Hartlepool	Sept 18th
October 25 th	Women's	Region	Voluntary Levels 5-2	Hartlepool	September 25th
November 7-8	Women's	Region	Voluntary Club Levels 7-1	Newcastle	October 2nd
November 22 nd	Women's	Region	Voluntary Team Championship	South Durham	October 23rd
November 29 th	Acro	Region	Pre-Grades	South Tyneside	