

## **SOMERSET COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS – May 2010**

Members of the Taunton Athletic Club hauled in a massive 50 medals at the Somerset AA County Championships last weekend. There were 18 county champions and gold medals spanning the age groups from under 13 years to Seniors, with a further 19 silvers and 13 bronzes.

It was a particularly good day for the club's sprinters who in spite of the less than favourable cold and windy conditions, nonetheless managed to set a number of personal best performances. The squad's dedication to winter training under Taunton AC's Head Sprints Coach, Norbert Rosser clearly paid off. Phoebe Bryant (U15) secured gold in both the 100 and 200 metres finals. Luke Reynolds (U15) doubled up in the 200 and 400 metres, winning both of his finals. Rosie Coles (U17) and Ross Stephenson (U15) won their respective 100 and 200 metre finals. And Josh Bristow made a welcome return to the sport after a couple of years out picking up gold in the senior men's 100 metres.

In addition to the 7 gold medals there were two silvers a piece for Maisie Brown (U13) and Joe Macconnell (U15) at both the 100 and 200 metres in their respective age groups. Abigail Barton won a well deserved bronze at the sprint double, whilst Rosie Coles added a bronze in the 200 metres to her gold in the 100 metres. Matt Tailby (U17) finished the day with a second in the 200 metres.

Other areas of strength for the club were in the endurance events, javelin, high jump and triple jump. In the middle and long distance events members of Taunton AC collected 5 golds, 5 silvers and 5 bronze medals. There were 3 county champions for the club at javelin, plus one runner up spot. Whilst the jumpers collected 1 gold, 4 silvers and a bronze.

Picking up four individual medals on the day was multi-eventer Ben Thompson (U20) who had a busy day accumulating three silvers at hurdles, discus, javelin and one bronze at high jump, whilst Maisie Brown (U13) and Phoebe Bryant (U15) both finished the day with three medals a piece.

Amongst the many [medal winners](#) (table below) from the day was a delighted Beth Lincoln (U13) who picked up bronze in the high jump, a tremendous achievement for one of the youngest members of the team and a relative newcomer to the sport.

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### CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF OUR MEDAL WINNERS

60 medals in total by members of the club. 15 of these were entered through their schools and so don't count on the team results on the Somerset AA website, but nonetheless a highly impressive tally which would have seen us top the medal table. Full results available in the track and field section of [www.somerset-athletics.co.uk](http://www.somerset-athletics.co.uk)

'Medalling' TAC members included :

GOLD MEDALS (23)			SILVER MEDALS (20)			BRONZE MEDALS (17)		
event	name	age	event	name	age	event	name	age
100m	Phoebe Bryant	U15G	100m	Maisie Brown	U13G	100m	Abigail Barton	U15G
100m	Rosie Coles	U17W	100m	Joe Macconnell	U15B	200m	Abigail Barton	U15G
100m	Luke Reynolds	U15B	200m	Maisie Brown	U13G	200m	Rosie Coles	U17W
100m	Josh Bristow	SM	200m	Joe Macconnell	U15B	800m	Emily Ruffell-Hazell	U17W
200m	Phoebe Bryant	U15G	200m	Matt Tailby	U17M	800m	Oliver Ager	U20M
200m	Ross Stephenson	U15B	400m	Harry Hall	U17M	1500m	Rachel Langbein	U17W
400m	Luke Reynolds	U15B	1500m	Elen Falkingham	U13G	1500m	Rowan Preece	U17M
800m	Holly Brown	U15G	1500m	Archie Walton	U13B	3000m	Ben Hawkins	U15B
800m	Simon Cooper	U17M	1500m	Connor Banks	U17M	110m H	Ben Thompson	U20M
800m	Charlie Maclean	U20M	1500m	Isla Ness	U17W	HJ	Beth Lincoln	U13G
800m	Catherine Blew	U20W	3000m	Tom Bloodworth	SM	HJ	Ross Stephenson	U15B
3000m	Harriet Rogers	U17W	HJ	Maisie Brown	U13G	HJ	Josh Searle	U17M
3000m	Luke Scott	SM	HJ	Owen Stephenson	U13B	HJ	Ben Thompson	U20M
2k chase	Charlie Maclean	U20M	LJ	Alicia Bryant	U13g	LJ	Phoebe Bryant	U15G
HJ	Callum Mitchell	U13B	HJ	Megan Toon	U20W	LJ	Harry Hall	U17M
HJ	Evie Grogan	U17W	TJ	Josh Searle	U17M	TJ	Rachel Langbein	U17W
TJ	Megan Toon	U20W	PV	Ross Stephenson	U15B	Shot	James Slipper	U13B
PV	Sam Leitch	U17M	Javelin	Ben Thompson	U20M			
Javelin	Charlie Granville	U15B	Javelin	Oliver Heal	U15B			
Javelin	Robin Danaher	U17M	Discus	Hayden Tyler	U17M			
Javelin	Izzy Jeffs	U20W						
Discus	Charlie Granville	U15B						
Shot	Hayden Tyler	U17M						