

Junior Report for meeting of NRC on Monday 15th April.

JIRR 2019

The Junior Inter Regional Regatta will be held on April 27th at the Peterborough City Rowing Club. This course is a shorter than usual at 1000m and only 4 lanes so the event will have a slightly altered format. The National Water Sports Centre was not available on the preferred date. Selection trials were held at Cambois Rowing Club on Sat. 9th February. My thanks go to the members of Cambois who took charge of all the marshalling and timing enabling the day to run as smoothly as possible.

The entry for the trials was good with most events having at least 2 entries except the J15 4+, WJ16 4-, J16 8+ and WJ16 8+. Selection for the team was made in all but 4 categories. The J15 4+ and WJ16 4- were considered acceptable and selected. The J16 eight was formed from boys from Durham School who had competed in other events without success apart from the winning J16 2x who decided to complete a full DUS eight. Their 2x slot was filled by the two J16 scullers who had come 2nd and 3rd in the J16 1x event. The WJ16 8+ was a bit of a problem when girls from CLS who had been entered in the eight for trials decided they did not wish to participate in the actual event. Two girls from TURC who had expressed availability for the eight also changed their minds so we were left with only 2 TURC girls. Tyne was approached and had three J16 girls who were happy to participate but this left no other girls in the region who had attended trials that were competent in sweep and available. Fortunately, DUS had three girls who were competent and available so they were recruited to complete the eight. This eight is training at Tyne ARC although sessions where all 3 clubs are available has been a problem. In 4 events the provisional selection was given to second placed crews when those in first place had also won another event.

A new development for this year is the fact that all the team have ordered a Team North burgundy sweatshirt to try to build the idea that they have been chosen to represent a team rather than individual clubs.

The selected team is attached to this report.

Indoor Rowing

On Tuesday 19th March the Regional Indoor Rowing competition took place at Durham University. Thanks, must go to the SGO's who run the local authority competitions and to staff and students at Durham University for their hard work in providing venues and well organised indoor events particular mention should go to Amy McCarthy (Henley SCT coach) who coordinated the Durham event.

For the Regional competition competitors were invited by British Rowing and the possibility of entering athletes with scores of over 90% of GMT which was introduced last year was not initially available. After the deadline however some clubs requested this and extra athletes were involved which created more participation. However, the entry was disappointing especially in the older age groups. Clashes with Mock exams and other school activities prevented some from attending during school hours. Obviously, there was a strong presence

of athletes from the local rowing clubs who in the main were representing their schools on this occasion. Hopefully next year they will open the event to those above 90% for all.

There were four new regional records equalled or set in Year 9 boys and girls (Isaac Hillicks-Tulip – St Cuthbert’s HS, Millie Forster – Biddick Academy), Year 11 girls (Caitlin Warren – Hermitage Academy), Year 12/13 boys (Harry Andersen – QEHS).

Results and records from the competition are attached to this report.

GB Junior Selection

Ergo Assessments

The following J18/JW18 rowers submitted the 5km third GB ergo assessment:

Harry Andersen (QEHS)

Jemima Furness (CBS)

Julia Gledson (DUS)

Emily Reilly- O’Donnell (SLS)

The following J16/WJ16 rowers submitted a 5km ergo score for Feb 2019 GB Water Trials:

Roman Bowery (CLS)

Matthew Cleugh (CLS)

Ben Norman (TTA)

Caitlin Warren (CLS)

Eve Wilkinson (CLS)

Fourth GB Ergo Assessment due 12 April 2019 2km free rate.

February Water Assessments (Sat 23 Feb – Sun 24 Feb)

Roman Bowery J16 1x event

Matthew Cleugh J16 1x event

Ben Norman J16 1x event

Eve Wilkinson WJ16 1x event

Caitlin Warren WJ16 1x event

Jemima Furness WJ18 1x event

Julia Gledson WJ18 1x event

Spring Assessments (Sat 23 March – Tue 26 March)

No northern rowers were invited to GB Spring Assessments

April 2019 J16 Sculling Camp (Sat 6 April – Mon 8 April)

Following results from February J16 Assessments Caitlin Warren (CLS) and Matthew Cleugh (CLS) were invited to the April J16 Sculling Camp.

Munich Regatta (Sat 4 May- Sun 5 May)

No northern rowers were invited to take part in this regatta.