

McCain Young Athletes League Match 1

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A small number of young "Gold Tops" braved the cold windy conditions at Corby to open the 2010 McCain Young Athletes League season for Boston and District A.C.. Despite the poor weather conditions there were some outstanding performances with a couple of Sprinters really showing excellent form. In the Under 17 Mens 100 metres Hurdles Joshua Walker produced a really slick performance to win the club "athlete of the match award". He maintained good rhythm throughout and in spite of the blustery, bitterly cold weather recorded 14.3 secs. just one tenth of a second outside the English Schools A.A. Championships Entry Standard. He added value in the 100 metres sprint with a 12.1 secs. effort and also won the Long Jump with a leap of 5.10m.. In the Under 15 age group Oliver Smith confirmed his early season promise in three events in very poor conditions at Corby. In the 100 metres he clocked 12.5 secs. and went on to record 25.7 secs. running into the teeth of the strong wind in the 200 metres. A leap of 5.07m. in the Long Jump added another good achievement to Oliver's McCains Under 15 league debut.

In field events Marc Bradbury followed his good results at Derby the previous day with another series of good performances in the throwing events at Corby. He achieved 12.45m. in Shot, 41.00m. in Discus and threw the Hammer 29.97 m. for a trio of achievements to secure the first league field event club "Athlete of the match award" in 2010. Aidan McClure defied the conditions to clear 1.60m. in the Under 17 Mens High Jump and also ran the 3,000 metres in 10 mins. 56.9secs.. In the Under 15 Girls section Becky Locking recorded 14.2secs for the 100 metres and 31.1secs. for 200 metres but struggled to get her run up right to record a meaningful jump in the Long Jump. Under 17 Emma Penniston clocked 15.6 secs. in the 100 metres, 33.4 secs. in the 200 metres and 5mins. 45.0 secs. in the 1500 metres.

Four representatives in the youngest age group produced some encouraging results in the less conducive conditions. Sarah Jane Price ran the 70m. Hurdles in 16.9secs. and in blustery conditions recorded 2.31m. in the Under 13 Girls Long Jump. A putt of 3.90m. in Shot gave her third place. Luke Macleod ran 800 metres in 3 mins. 18.1 secs., recorded 2.88m. in Long Jump and 1.05m. in High Jump and Christopher Fitzpatrick clocked 17.4 secs for 100 metres, 40.1 secs. for 200 metres and an improved to 3.20m. in the Long Jump.

The next McCain Young Athletes League match is at Derby's Moorways Stadium next Sunday (May 16th) when Boston and District A.C. Under 13, Under 15 and Under 17 will hope for better conditions to build on their start to the league season.