

SOUTH CENTRAL ORIENTEERING ASSOCIATION JUNIOR SQUAD

REPORT TO SCOA COMMITTEE MEETING SEPTEMBER 2017

HIGHLIGHTS

- The squad has held one training session during the period. A number of athletes attended GB and Junior Regional Orienteering Squad (JROS) camps; some reports are attached:
 - JROS Lagganlia Camp: Hazel Williams, Frank Townley
 - JROS Deeside Camp: Thomas Howell
 - JROS Stockholm Camp: Bethany Kippin, David Bunn
 - JWOC 18 GB Team Hungary Camp: Fiona Bunn
 - GB Summer Talent Camp: David Bunn
- A number of parents and athletes supported the TVOC/SCJS Urban Fundraising event.
- Fiona and David Bunn have been selected for the GB Talent Squad 17/18. The format of the squad has changed this year and increased personal contributions are required due to reduced Sport England funding. David has joined Tier 1 which “includes primarily the 15-18 (School) age group and aims firstly to identify and induct promising juniors into the Talent squad and then assist in progressing them from the 'Learning to Train' to the 'Training to Train' phase of development. The juniors will be supported by Sport England funding... with athletes making a yearly financial contribution to allow this support to be maximised.” Fiona is now part of Tier 2 which “includes primarily the 18-20 (University) age group and aims to continue the development of the older junior athletes in their final stages of their junior careers before progressing into the senior ranks”. Athletes will make financial contributions to coaching, sports science and medical based on their personal requirements.

ACTIVITIES JUN-SEP 17

Date	Location	Coach/Comments
1 Jul 17	Bloom Wood, High Wycombe	SCJS were joined by 5 WMJS juniors. Activities were focussed on route selection and navigation across contours.

LOOKING FORWARD

- 11 athletes to represent SCOA at the Junior Inter Regional Championships on 23-24 Sep 17 at Winterfold and Blackheath. The event is being planned by SEJS.
- The JROS 'Open Weekend' being planned by Laurence during October half term has not been taken any further due to clashes with school holidays. Another date will be investigated.
- 3-4 athletes are planning to attend the JROS M/W16 training weekend at Hawkshead in November.
- East Midland Junior Squad is interested in joining our training on 16 Dec, with the aim of staying in the area overnight.
- Squad to run junior activities at British Middle Distance event at Wendover Woods.

PLANNED ACTIVITIES

Date	Location	Coach/Comments
23-24 Sep 17	Winterfold and Blackheath	JIRCS – hosted by SEJS
23 Oct 17	Leith Hill	
18 Nov 17	Ambersham	Invited to join SEJS training
24 Nov 17	Hawkshead, Lakes	JROS M/W16 training camp
16 Dec 17	TBD	Potentially joined by EMJOS
13 Jan 18	TBD	
24 Mar 18	TBD	