

Report for SERASA on June, July and August 2015

Members of the underpinning SEEDS camps (Camp B) did particularly well at National skills, held in Manchester held on 18th and 19th July. I will list results for the top 6 only.

In the youngest age group (8/9 year olds) Freya Kelly, Star took bronze in the girls event and Patrick Hanlon, Star, took silver with Bryn James, SDA finishing in 5th place in the boys event.

In the D1 girls event (10 year olds) Dulcie Wilson, SDA, took silver and in the D2 event (11 year olds) Isabel Bramsden, Star came 5th and Maya Kutty, SDA, 6th

In the boys D1 Leon Baker, SDA, took gold, with Robbie Lee, SDA, taking silver. In the boys D2 Nathan Bull, SDA, finished 6th.

In the girls C1 category (12 year olds) Anna Wilson, Star, took gold, Victoria Ward, SDA, took silver and Astrid Davis, SDA, finished 6th. In C2 girls (13 year olds) Megan Curtis, SDA, took gold and Ella Anderson, SDA took silver.

In the boys C2 event Eerik Cockin, Star, came 5th and Meurig Puerto, Star finished 6th.

The B+ age group is 14/16 year olds where Catherine Palmer finished 4th and Abbie Wilson came 6th in the girls event, and in the boys event Alfie Lakeman-Brown, SDA, was 3rd and Henry Middleton, Albatross finished in 6th place.

These are fantastic results and demonstrate how important it is for us to run the 'B' camps as well as the main camp.

Moving on to the International events where we were represented during the summer.

Alfie Brown, Star, dived for England in a meet in Rome, Italy in the boys 12/13 age-group, where he finished with 2 x silver medals and one gold medal – a fantastic result.

Emily Martin, SDA, travelled to Moscow, and dived for GBR in the Junior European Championships at the end of June. She competed in the girls 14/15 platform event and did extremely well to make the finals in her first event at this level, finishing in a very creditable 7th place.

Gemma McArthur, SDA, travelled to Bolzano, Italy to compete in the Grand Prix event, where she made semi-finals on the 10m platform, and beat a Chinese diver to achieve this, which is a great 'scalp' to have.

At the World Championships in Kazan, Russia, Chris Mears, SDA life member, took bronze with his synchro partner Jack Laughner in the mens 3m event – the first World medal for GBR in this event.

Gary Hunt, SDA, also competed in Kazan in the cliff diving and took Gold, becoming the first Briton to achieve this.

As you can see it has been a great summer for our divers! Many congratulations to them and their coaches and thank you to SERASA for their continued support.

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