

Peterborough City Games
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A number of Corby AC members came away with successes in the annual Peterborough City Games.

Gabby Bangay added 20cms to her lifetime best when she cleared 2.40m to take the Under-15 pole vault from Boston's Chelsea Brockett (2.00m) and also putted 9.22m to place third in the shot behind Southend's Chelsea Coker (10.66m) and Lauren Samual (Cambridge) who won with 11.26m.

Charlotte Bowling also won for Corby in the same age group when she ran a new best of 43.4 over 300m to beat Lincoln's Dea-Anna Davey. She then clocked another new best when coming third in 12.1 over the 75m hurdles behind Norwich's Victoria Williamson (11.7) and runner-up Georgia Atkins of Southend (12.0). Atkins also got the better of her in a good class long jump contest in which Charlotte leapt 5.03m behind the winner's mark of 5.25m. Charlotte Cotter (2.31.5) picked up a bronze award in the U15 800m when she was placed third - behind Charnwood's Lucy Arkinstall - in a race which was impressively won in 2.16.9 by Melanie Wood of Milton Keynes.

Lauren Boyd registered a double success in the Under-17 Ladies age group when she putted 10.13m in the shot, with Vicky Copperthwaite lifting the bronze. Her other win came in the 80m hurdles with a clocking of 13.1 which defeated Boston's Hannah Boyes (13.3) while she also came third in the javelin – the same position as Copperthwaite in the long jump.

In the corresponding male age group Rory MacGregor clocked 12.0 (100m) and 24.3 (200m) to finish third in both while National Champion Harry Hollis (51.28m) found himself up against an in form Sean Bond (Peterborough) who defeated him in the javelin with a throw of 53.74m.

Simon Franklin followed up his fine 800m run of 2.00.9 in a BMC race at Coventry with another solid run of 2.01.9 but unfortunately he was just pipped by Nene Valley Harrier Josh Reed after the pair clocked the same time. Seb Goodall smashed his lifetime best with a fine run of 2.08.3 for fifth place.

In the U13 age group Bethany Smyton, who clocked 2.31.3 took silver behind Thurrock's Hayley McLean in the 800m, Kyle Bowling, who putted 7.61m took silver in the shot behind the Isle of Wight's Nick Percy (9.87m) and Scott Kendall, whose leap of 4.56m gave him bronze in the long jump behind the Peterborough pair of Louis Tierney (4.65m) and Joel Grenfell (4.77m).

Veteran Tony Wells warmed up for the forthcoming World Masters in Italy with victories in the 100m hurdles (16.3) and the 400m hurdles (68.0).