

Jubbly 667

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White Rose Novices

A team from Plymouth Diving travelled to Leeds for the White Rose Novice Competition, very similar to the National Skills Finals. And what an epic journey – the team unfortunately got stuck on the M5 after some 27 miles was shut due to an earlier accident. So a good 11 hours later they finally drove into Leeds to start the weekend.

Ross Sinclair dived well in his age group to finish in 4th place in his final. Ross has not been diving competitively very long and has made some great improvements. Diving for an even shorter amount of time is **Michael Duggan**. Michael started diving with us at Easter and has come through really fast having just started in C squad. He finished in 9th place in his event having never competed before and his coach Claire was very impressed with this start after such a short time in the sport. Another diver who impressed was **Charlotte Boyle** who was diving in the very competitive girls 10-11 age group and she was unlucky to miss the final by only 4 points with four dives that scored at least one 9 from the judges.

Charlotte is gaining confidence now and should see some results coming her way in the future. In the same age group **Alice Avens** was competing in her first competition and finished in 13th with **Jessie Hawker**, another fast improver, just behind her in 14th. In her first competition **Meirwen Jenking-Rees** did some lovely skills which were not reflected in her 33rd place – 35 divers in total in this event.

In the boys 10/11 group **Tom Rowland** was unlucky to miss the final by 5 points after diving well finishing in 8th and **George Burdon**, a new recruit to the Novice squad also dived well to finish in 10th. In the girls 12/13 group, another tough event Plymouth fielded four divers. **Lucy Allan** was unlucky to miss the final finishing in 8th place. **Emily Deakin** another diver in her first event finished well in 10th a couple of points behind Lucy. Emily is another diver who has only been with us a short time. **Abbie Braddon** finished in 12th place and **Iona Weaving** in 15th – a good showing in this high standard age group. In the girls 14-16 age group Plymouth's three divers finished together in 12th, 13th and 14th places. **Tierney Figg**, **Jade Walker-hall** and **Jamie Stewart** all had to compete on 1m and 3m boards in this challenging event and I'm sure some hard work in training and some more experience will help to improve their results in the future.

AND A BIG THANKS TO THE GENEROUS **AVENS FAMILY** FOR PROVIDING THE MINIBUSES AND PETROL AND MANY THANKS TO **JANE GLYNN AND ANDREW AVENS** FOR DRIVING THE MINIBUSES – WHAT AN EPIC JOURNEY!!!

ALSO THANKS TO **RHONA JENKING-REES** FOR CHAPERONING!!!! **FRIENDS OF PLYMOUTH DIVING** PAID FOR THE CHAPERONE COSTS OUT OF THIS YEARS FUNDRAISING – BRILLIANT STUFF!

★STAR OF THE WEEK!★

Shanice Lobb – Shanice, aged 11, is one of our rising superstars and has recently come on leaps and bounds. Her two newest skills are an inward 2 ½ and a back 2 ½ somersaults from the 7.5m board and she is hoping to use these at the CAMO Invitational competition in Montreal in December! Good Luck Shanice and keep up the good work!

Fito's Marathon Fundraiser – For all of you who generously sponsored Fito to run his first marathon in aid of Plymouth Diving – thanks! Fito finished in a respectable 4 hours and 27 minutes over the tough Dartmoor Vale course! Thankfully he has now recovered fully from his antics! Any sponsor money can be returned to the office!

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TOM DALEY and TONIA COUCH HAVE BEEN NOMINATED IN THE PRIDE OF PLYMOUTH AWARDS FOR 'YOUNG SPORTSPERSON OF THE YEAR'

FROM MONDAY 2ND NOVEMBER THE FINALISTS WILL BE AVAILABLE ONLINE AND YOU CAN VOTE!

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Friends of Plymouth Diving

The Friends are responsible for all the fundraising for our trips away and other special projects. This last year they have subsidised the new club tracksuit so that the divers have only paid £10! They are constantly working hard under the Chief Fundraiser, Becky Lidstone, to help out with expenses and nearly always have some event on the go! Just recently they helped to raise over £1000 for Jade Thurley, a former diver who is currently battling Leukaemia. Jade has to travel to Bristol for her treatments and the club have helped to support her family so they can be with her when she goes away.

Another recent fundraiser was Race Night, which raised nearly £500! All of this goes back to the divers in one way, shape or form so it's all good stuff! So much so, that the Friends will have their own section of JUBBLY so they can promote their events and strategies!



THE ONE SHOW AND CHILDREN IN NEED PRESENT...

THE LEAP OF DOOM CHALLENGE at Central Park, Friday 30th October, 6.30-8pm

Come along and watch it's all a bit of fun!!! PLUS, it's for a very good cause!

LEVEL 7 PASSES!

CONGRATULATIONS TO **OLIVER GREEN** WHO PASSED HIS LEVEL 7 DIVING – THE FINAL BADGE, IN AUGUST!

FRIENDS OF PLYMOUTH DIVING

BAG PACKING FUNDRAISER 31ST OCTOBER 1-5PM

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