

Saturday 10th March saw 7 Harlequin gymnasts travel to Bracknell to compete in the Southern TeamGym qualifier, against teams from all across the south of the country. Competing as 2 Micro teams, the gymnasts had been working hard since December to perfect their runs which certainly paid off on the day. Gymnasts compete 3 streamed runs on tumble and then move to trampette and vault. The Harlequin Diamonds were up first in a very tough group of 16 teams, aged 10-14. They held their nerve and competed solidly as a team to score 11.85 on for their tumble run and 11.75 for their trampette and vault run, with this being the 2nd highest score for their respective age group. Their overall score totalled up to 23.6, just edging them out of the medals by 0.15 to finish in 4th place. This was a great finish for their first competition as a team and in such a large age group.

Next up was the turn of our junior team, the Harlequin Pearls. Again, in a very tough group of 6 teams with some very strong clubs in the mix with the ages ranging from 13-17. A nerve wracking start being first up and opening the competition on tumble, but an excellent series of runs saw them score 12.35, the highest tumble score in their respective age group. Feeling confident from tumble, they moved on to trampette and vault. Continuing their strong performance, they competed another series of great runs scoring 11.10, giving them an overall score of 23.45. After a solid competition from the girls, they came away with 2nd place and a silver medal. Again, a great competition for their first competition as a team.

Overall, an amazing competition for both teams, showcasing Harlequins ever growing strength as a club. Well done to all the gymnasts and coaches for your hard work!

