#### **NEWS AND INFO:**

HELLO! and welcome to the last Harlequin newsletter for 2018.

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#### **2019 EVENTS**

#### **Red Nose Week**

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 16<sup>th</sup>
March 2019

#### Squad Easter Sleepover

8:30pm Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April – 9am Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April

£15 per gymnast

#### **Fundraising Quiz Night**

7:30-10:30pm Saturday 4th May

£5 a ticket (Adults Only)

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#### **2019 COMPETITIONS**

#### **TUMBLE**

- o 17th March Regional NDP Prelims Kingston, MK
- o 27th/28th April British Series 1 Qualifiers, Telford
- o 11th/12th May English Silver Championships, Telford
- o 1st/2nd June British Series 2 Qualifiers, Sheffield
- o 8th/9th June National NDP Semi-finals, Birmingham
- o 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> July National NDP Finals, Nottingham
- o 29<sup>th</sup> July- 2<sup>nd</sup> September Tumble Camp, Revolution Birmingham – 1<sup>st</sup> JUL £260
  - o 28th/29th September British Finals, Birmingham

#### **ARTISTIC**

- 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> March Piper's Vale Grades Open, Ipswich
   31<sup>st</sup> March County Grades Qualifiers, Salto
  - 7<sup>th</sup> April Regional National & Compulsory Grades
     Qualifiers, Ipswich
  - 19<sup>th</sup> May Regional & Club Grades Final, Ipswich
     23<sup>rd</sup> June County Teams, Salto
- o 29<sup>th</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> July Artistic Camp, Revolution 1st JUL £75
- o 31stAug/1stSept Bury Teams Open, Bury St Edmunds
- o 15th September County 4-piece Qualifiers, Harlequin
- o 20th/21st October Regional 4-piece Finals, Ipswich
- o 3<sup>rd</sup> November Regional Inter-county Teams levels 4,3&2

#### **GENERAL**

- 24<sup>th</sup> March County Apparatus Qualifiers levels 1,2&3,
   Luton
- 31st March County Apparatus Qualifiers levels 4&5, Luton
- o 2<sup>nd</sup> June Regional Apparatus Finals level 1&2, Ipswich
  - o 9th June Regional Apparatus Finals level 3, Ipswich
- 30<sup>th</sup> June Regional Apparatus Finals level 4&5, Ipswich
   21<sup>st</sup> July County Floor and Vault Championships

#### **ACRO**

o 24th November – County Championships, Salto

#### **TEAMGYM**

o 27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup> July – British Championships, Liverpool

#### **CLUB**

30<sup>th</sup> March – Inhouse Club Grades

#### **ACRO REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

#### **20th January 2019**

With the Eastern Regional Prelims fast approaching 4 pairs from Harlequin's Acro Squad competed in the Regional Championships. This is a competition for gymnasts to focus their routines and get competition experience before the Regional Prelims in March.

It was a successful day with some important medals won.

In the Grade 1 Women's Pairs, Leia Hennessy & Lucy Stringer came in 4<sup>th</sup> place with a score of 22.600 narrowly missing out on a medal by 0.050. Elena Young & Enya Chong pip them to the post and took the bronze medal for their score of 22.650.

In the Grade 3 Women's Pairs, Madelyn Lacey & Isla Eldridge came in 7<sup>th</sup> place with their score of 22.060. Zoe Change & Darcy Sinclair took the bronze medal with their score of 24.020.

What a successful competition and a great start to the Acro season. Role on March.

#### **BEDFORDSHIRE COUNTY ARTISTIC SQUAD SELECTION 2019**

With a new year comes a new Bedfordshire county squad selection.

With 18 gymnasts trialling 13 were given a place in the full squad and 4 were selected for the development squad. These 17 gymnasts will now attend training sessions throughout the year with all selected gymnasts from other Bedfordshire clubs.

As part of gymnast's selection into full squad they receive a Beds County leotard to wear to county squad sessions. All 15 gymnasts received a beds county t-shirt to attend training in.

Well done to all those who were selected!

#### The 2019 dates are:

- Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March Harlequin
- Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May Harlequin
- Saturday 20th July Salto
- Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October Harlequin
- Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November Salto



#### **SOUTHERN TEAMGYM TOURNAMENT - BRACKNELL**

#### 24th February 2019

On Sunday 24th February, Harlequins Youth TeamGym squad competed at the Southern TeamGym Tournament in Bracknell, competing against teams from all over the South. Despite this being their first TeamGym competition, the girls held their nerve to produce 2 great runs on both Tumble and Trampette and Vault. Despite a few nervous wobbles, the team scored 11.6 on Tumble and 10.75 on Trampette and Vault, giving them a total score of 22.35 and the bronze medal. An excellent achievement for their first competition!

#### <u>BRITISH TEAMGYM QUALIFERS – BRACKNELL</u>

#### 9th March 2019

Continuing in the successful footsteps of our Youth Team, Saturday 9th March saw our Junior TeamGym squad compete at the Southern TeamGym qualifying competition, with a spot at the British Championships at the M&S Bank Arena in Liverpool up for grabs. This was the first time the girls had competed in the Junior age category and their first qualifying competition, so the team went into the competition with no expectations other than to enjoy the experience. With possibly the youngest team in the category, the girls stepped up to the mark to produce 2 exceptional runs on both Tumble and Trampette and Vault. With a few errors on Vault and Trampette, the team scored 11.00 but pulled it out of the bag to score a massive 13.05 on Tumble which was the highest score out of both the Southern and Northern Qualifying competitions. This gave the girls a final score of 24.05 and the silver medal which sails them through to the British Championships in 4th place. An amazing achievement for both the team and the club.

Well done to both teams and good luck to the Juniors for British!



Bronze Medalling Youth Team at TG tournament



Silver Medalling Junior Team at TG British qualifiers

## **HARLEQUIN GYMNAST OF THE MONTH.**

# HALL OF FAME

#### **JANUARY & FEBRUARY CHAMPIONS ARE:**

<u>Development:</u> Masie Lee – After being invited to join the squad Maisie has shown fantastic focus and very quickly picked up advanced skills to a good quality. Impresses the coaches every week



Artistic: Harriet Lugg – Harriet moved up from development squad late last year and has so far flourish in our junior artistic squad. Quickly picking up skills and improving her quality.



Acro: Eve Howe – Eve consistently works hard to pick up new skills and has transitioned well from the Advanced class to the Acro squad.



<u>General:</u> Amy Eldridge – for always persevering to correct her skills ready for her first external competition.



<u>Tumble:</u> Clare Stringer – Showing consistent determination and perseverance to achieve her runs for the FIG Performance Pathway.

