

East Midlands Sportshall Athletics Championships. Twelve Boston and District Athletic Club representatives competed for Lincolnshire in Sunday's East Midlands Regional Sportshall Athletics Championships at Grantham Meres Leisure Centre .

At Under 15 level Thomas Johnson and William Swain were members of the six strong Lincolnshire boys team that finished third with a total of 577 points behind winners Nottinghamshire 685 and runners up Derbyshire 653 points. In the individual events Thomas was placed third in the Shot competition with a putt measuring 11.36m. and also contributed ninth place points in both the Two Laps run recording 25.3secs and the Standing Triple Jump clearing 6.12m. William finished sixth in both Shot 10.09m and Standing Long Jump with a leap of 2.33m and recorded 24.6 secs for Two Laps to claim eighth place. In the overall rankings William finished joint thirteenth with 116 points and Thomas was fifteenth on 1143 points.

In the Under 13 Girls age group Alena Osbourne cleared 1.59m in Standing Long Jump to claim ninth position and Alicia Baxter's Vertical Jump of 38cm earning tenth place. Both "Gold Tops" played their parts in the County Relay and Paarlau combined contests contributing to Lincolnshire's joint fourth position in the Regional team championship.

Four B.A.D.A.C. representatives competed in the Under 13 Boys Championships with Lincolnshire three men short of a full team quota. Shane Canham produced a personal best performance in the Speed Bounce recording a score of 75 to finish in joint fourth position. Charlie James claimed one place higher in the Shot when his opening putt of 8.45m. earned him an impressive third. He also clocked 24.5secs for the Two Lap run for sixth place. Alex Riches achieved a height of 43cm in Vertical Jump to claim seventh position and added tenth place points in the Two Lap event recording 36.3 secs.. A Four Lap time of 55.3 secs placed Matthew Millington in ninth position and a Standing Long Jump measuring 1.81m added eighth place points to the Lincs total leaving the County in fifth team position in this age group.

Brothers Hallam and Hadley Bedford competed for Lincs.in the Under 11 Boys section. Hallam finished eighth in the Vertical Jump leaping 40cm and claimed joint twelfth position in the Balance Test. and Haddley achieved a distance of 4.00m in the Chest Push to finish tenth. Both lads made good contributions in team events and relays assisting Lincs to a team score of 401 in fourth position.

In the Under 11 Girls section Lucy Raywood scored ten points in the Target Throw to finish in joint sixth place and added a tenth position in the Balance Test. Malena Baxter scored 48 in the Speed Bounce to claim joint thirteenth position. and both Lucy and Malena showed determination in the relay nteam competitions.; The fifth match in the Boston & District A.C. series of 2014-15 Sportshall Athletics competitions is at the B Hive is on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> February. Registration for all age groups from Under 15 down to Under 7 boys and girls is from 9-15am with the first event at 10-00am followed by a range of running and jumping events.