Competition report – March 2017

From the 3rd to the 5th March the club attended the Jewel of the South competition in Pipers Vale. This competition is now well established as a test event for the forthcoming national & compulsory grades comps.

Eleanor Cox competed on the Friday in the compulsory 2 event. She had a good day, showing some nice improvements in her work in preparation for her grade at the end of April. As this was just a prep comp she sat bars out on this occasion.

On Sunday it was the National grades. First up were the National 4 girls. Amy Cook with our highest scorer here with a score of 57.20, followed by Enya Lloyd with 54.5 putting this girls well on track for the regional competition. In the national 2 section we were represented by Florence Self, Sophie Moss & Tilly Mitchell. All the girls gained valuable experience here, however the girls had a few mistakes and it took them out of contention for any high placings. Last up were Poppy & Sydney in the national 1 section. These two scored well over the pass mark even with a few errors so this will hopefully be a good indication of how they will perform in their grades.

The competition also gives out certificates that reward good execution of routines and several of the girls received these so well done to all of the competitors.

The regional grades take place on the 18th / 19th March where we hope that all the girls will have a successful competition. In each grade the top four gymnasts will be selected to represent the region at the national finals which take place at the end of May.

This weekend, the 12th March Kirsty Cracknell competed in the regional grades finals. She had a fantastic competition to place 4th overall, picking up the silver on bars & bronze on the beam. Congratulations to Kirsty. It’s always hard to compete on your own and she did a brilliant job.

Vicki