

SUMMER SPORTS REPORT

It has been a really busy term with some excellent performances which, despite not always resulting in an overall victory, have been a pleasure to witness. Thanks to the commitment of Ali Kittermaster (Blush Photography), some of these moments can be shared by us all on the Cranbrook 2017/18 slideshow or through the galleries sent via Parent Mail. As a school, we can't thank her enough for this amazing support of our sport.

ATHLETICS

The Year 9 and 10 boys and girls have participated fully in the local meetings that were available to them at Benenden and Judd. Both teams competed well at the TSB Championships at the Julie Rose with standout results from Sam Ward in the 300m and discus and Elsie Christopher-Soares in the discus. The following athletes competed at the Kent Schools Championships – Josh Keene, Luc Duvoisin, Sam Ward, Cody Walsh, Maddie Rolls and Phoebe Jenkinson. Luc made the podium coming third in the Junior Boys Long Jump. Lizzie Clarke is taking athletics one step further and has qualified for the ESSA National Schools Championship for the 3K. We congratulate her on this selection and wish her every best for the event on the 14th July.



Sports day was a great success with many students involved in both the Track and Field Events as well as the Tug of War. It was great to integrate the Year 7's into the day houses and they competed well with much support from the rest of the school. We coped with the heat but sadly ran out of time to complete many of the fun events, although the boy's egg and spoon was possibly the funniest race witnessed in some time!



CRICKET

By Finn Piper

The 1st Team had a tough season as we suffered from a lack of availability, some due to exams and competing with men's sides but this did not stop us from picking

up a number of wins. I was fortunate enough to be able to captain the cricket this year and gain victory in our first match of the season mainly due to a strong batting performance by vice-captain Bill Betts.



Following this we came upon stronger opposition in the form of Simon Langton who knocked us down a peg, but we brushed ourselves down to go on to beat Judd and also qualify for the Finals of the local Tunbridge Wells men's 15 over league. I think the boys would agree with me that the final was one of the tensest matches we've had in our Cranbrook cricketing careers and to lose on the last ball was gutting. However, the team spirit and comradeship shown was a credit to the school.



Post-match, Freddie gave us some words of wisdom as he stated 'we go on the pitch together, we play together and we come off together, win or lose' and this is an attitude that I hope can be replicated in all forms of sport played at Cranbrook. This led us into our final match which was against a strong OC's team.



It was a competitive affair and although we had some strong batting performances from Betts and more surprisingly Will Farmer, we fell 20 runs short. I would like to thank and wish all the best to the following Year 13's who committed to the 1stteam in their final year: Carlin Smith, Henry Poole, Seb Cobbold, Alex Attwal and for one guest appearance, our U19 England representative Izzy Cloke. We hope to see her representing the successful England ladies team in the not too distant future. I'd also like to thank the year 10s who got involved such as Piers Townsend and Cameron Cummings and with any luck the new year 10s will be as keen to get involved too as they show a lot of potential. Most thanks must go this season to Jayden Hoare but even more so to a passion and knowledge instilled for the last four years by Freddie Hulbert as

without them supporting the team this report wouldn't be as positive. Freddie travels next season to play in Australia – we wish him well but cricket especially will miss him hugely.

ROUNDERS/CRICKET FOR GIRLS

We competed in the Tunbridge Wells Leagues for rounders this term for Year 7, 9 and 10 for the first time and this provided a range of fixtures with local grammar and state schools, as well as the traditional Saturday matches against our usual opposition.

Disappointingly due to resources or weather many of the scheduled matches did not take place. The most successful group were the U14's, who had a 50% win rate and also won the Benenden U14 Rounders Invitational tournament. Some excellent performances especially from Tatum on the batting front but a commitment and progress from all in the field provided regular solid performances. Issy B-F deserves a special mention as she led the U15's in every match as U15A Captain and demonstrated some outstanding catches in the field.

We played 3 cricket matches and the team was a mix of Year 7 and 9. The girls involved were inexperienced but made progress every game and learnt more – which was the objective this first season.

Evie Langham in Year 7 was voted MOM against Mayfield and the other year 7's Polly Brownlow, Chloe Jones and Millie Vinton fitted in seamlessly with the Year 9's. Special mentions to Imogen Linton and Lilly Simpson for their enthusiasm and performances across all 3 games.

TENNIS

The boys have stolen the glory this year with an 80% win rate which is outstanding. The U12's, U14's and U15's all won their local area league matches and represented Tunbridge Wells area at the Kent Schools. The U12A's finished 4th, the U15A's finished 3rd and the U14A's finished 2nd in the U15 competition. This result bodes particularly well for next year. The B teams also performed well and with more staffing/parental support we hope to offer them more matches next year. We would like to thank sincerely the parents for transporting and managing the teams this year – without you the away fixtures would not have happened.



The girls overall did not achieve such a great statistic overall but the girls that did play always played to a high standard, just

not always enough to win! Tennis scores often do not reflect the game. However Alex Turner and Emma Coleman should be congratulated for only losing one match the whole season against T Wells who, no sour grapes here, scored their end dubiously!! That's tennis!



Huge thanks as always to all the sports staff and especially this year the gappies. A huge thank you to Emma Riggs for extending her gap year to help with the Netball and Summer programme. She has been awesome in so many ways and we wish her all the best on her return to Oz. A final massive thank you again to Freddie for his unfailing commitment to hockey and cricket for the last four years.

Finally a well done to the following students for their exceptional commitment to school sport in 2017/18:

Year 7: 15 plus matches

Polly Brownlow
Chloe Jones
Evie Langham
Millie Vinton
Ed Cunningham
Theo Hunt
Cody Walsh

Barnaby Webster

Year 9: 30 plus matches

Afalabi Caulker
Max Wookey
Luca Rayment
Josh Keene
Oscar Roberts
Amelie Bottle
Tatum Du-Labh
Anna Lane
Imogen Linton
Maddie Rolls

Year 10: 30 plus matches

Ella Aitkin
Max Bright
Emma Coleman
Malachi Hallett
James Hammond
Natalie Kitchen
Maisie Mileham
Piers Townsend
Alex Turner

Year 11 – 25 plus

Ollie Addis
Ayo Ayomide
Ella Carter
Percy Christopherson
Bear Pearce
Belle Withnall
Bear Voegt

Year 12 – 25 plus

Elspeth Arscott
Ella Battson
Freya Black
Will Farmer
Ben Hillier
Finn Piper
Connie Turner

Year 13 – 25 plus

James Ansell
Josh Carter
Lucy Carter
Dan Mullis
Louisa Myrtle
Toby Olu Martins

EQUESTRIAN

The Equestrian Team have had a strong and successful 2017/18 competing in the National School Equestrian Association (NSEA) competitions.



The year started with a big win for the school when Issy Stephen, riding her talented little mare Tilly, won the Individual Show Jumping Championship 90cm title at Addington - the biggest of the school championships.



Issy also rode as part of our qualifying team at the championship along with Polly Hutton, Charlie Hilton and Georgie Estall. Our team members have gone on to qualify for number of national championships throughout the rest of the year. Georgie, Issy and Hannah Williams have qualified for the Elite Show Jumping

Competition which takes place at Hickstead next month.

The girls, along with Millie Seymour (pictured top right), Emily Freeman and Charlie Hilton, also qualified for the NSEA Championships Plate which takes place in December this year.



Georgie qualified for the Arena Eventing Championship at Hickstead as an individual and came 10th. Eva Wright and Hannah then joined Georgie for the Jumping with Style Class and all put in strong performances.

Issy, Georgie and Ewan Barbour travelled up to Bedfordshire to compete at the Bury Farm Champs earlier this year. Ewan also competed at the Horse of the Year Show and was selected for Team Scotland, and rode at the Mounted Games World Champions held in New Zealand.



Captain next year having qualified this year for six schools championships and six national championships outside of school.



Other riders have been out and about riding for the School; thank you to Katy Laver, Constance Andrews and John Gleave who have all put in great effort and ridden successfully at several shows throughout the year.

Sadly, we say goodbye to four members this year. Good luck and thank you to team captain Emily Freeman, Katy Laver, Issy Steven and Hannah Williams who have all been fabulous team representatives throughout their careers at Cranbrook. Georgie Estall will be team

As always, thank you to all the team parents who put in endless hours and pay for transportation, entry fees and championships accommodation.

Our team members compete in many disciplines including show jumping, dressage, arena eventing and jumping with style. If you would like to join the equestrian team please contact Lisa Estall in the Med Centre. The NSEA have competitions for every level and everyone with access to a horse and transportation is welcome.

INTERHOUSE SPORTS DAY, JUNE 2018

Girls Interhouse Sports Day Results

Winners: Allan and Webster

(12 points each)

Athletics:

3rd place Blubery

2nd place Webster

1st place Allan

Swimming:

3rd place Blubery

2nd place Webster

1st place Horsley

Tennis:

3rd place Horsley

2nd place Webster

1st place Allan

Boys Interhouse Sports Day Results

Winners: Allan, Webster and Cornwallis

(15 points each)

Athletics:

3rd place Allan

2nd place Webster

1st place Cornwallis

Swimming:

3rd place Cornwallis & Webster

2nd place Crowden

1st place Allan

Tennis:

3rd place Horsley

2nd place Cornwallis & Allan

1st place Webster



NOTABLE SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS Summer Term 2018

Afolabi Caulker	Year 9, School Lodge	Selected for basketball training with LA Laker NBA Star and ex-GB captain Steve Bucknall
Bella Armstrong	Year 13, Scott	Bronze medal at the Kent School Games Indoor Rowing Championships
Charlie Hilton	Year 11, Horsley	Qualifying for the National School Equestrian Association Championships Plate
Chloe Jones	Year 7	Selected for the Kent U13 Netball Squad
Cody Walsh	Year 7	4 th 100m and 6 th Long Jump at the Julie Rose Athletics Competition
Emily Freeman	Year 13, Blubery	Qualifying for the National School Equestrian Association Championships Plate
Ewan Barbour	Year 9, Horsley	Selected for Team Scotland at the Horse of the Year Show. Competed at the Bury Farm Championships in Bedfordshire, and the Mounted Games World Championships in New Zealand
Freya Black	Year 12, Allen	Selected for Team GB at the Youth Sailing World Championships
George Slack	Year 12, Rammell	Bronze medal at the Kent School Games Indoor Rowing Championships
Georgie Estall	Year 12, Horsley	Qualifying for the Elite Show Jumping Competition
Hannah Williams	Year 13, Horsley	Qualifying for the Elite Show Jumping Competition
Issy Stephen	Year 13, Horsley	Winning the Individual Show Jumping Championship 90cm title at Addington. Qualifying for the Elite Show Jumping Competition.
James Lee	Year 9, Horsley	Freestyling snowboarding competition
Lizzie Clarke	Year 12, Horsley	Selected for Kent to run 3k at the ESSA National Athletics Championships
Luc Duvoisin	Year 9, Horsley	3 rd place long jump at Kent Schools Athletics Competition
Martha Lewis	Year 9, Horsley	Rowing: Maidstone Head, winning in a 4 and a 2, qualifying for the Junior Inter Regional Regatta representing Thames South East. Competing in the National Junior Sculling Regatta, placing 6 th in the country. Competing at the Junior Sculling Head.
Matt Williams	Year 12, Horsley	Junior 1 st place cycling the Catford Climb, and 2 nd place in the London x Cyclocross Race
Millie Seymour	Year 9, Allen	Qualifying for the National School Equestrian Association Championships Plate