

ORBIT TRAMPOLINE CLUB

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Dear Member,

HAPPY NEW YEAR! Let's begin with a big thank you for all the generous Xmas hamper donations – we have enough left over to form another one for Easter.

From that we raised £70.0

From the soft toys £06.50

From the cake £08.0

From sweets, drinks £25.20

That totals £109.70p which will go towards a new trampoline bed, so that the next time one needs a re-stitch we won't have to be a machine down.

As can be seen some items barely paid for themselves, but one can never be sure what will be a seller at any one time.

We would like new registration forms completed and returned if you receive one, but we must have a mobile number from every family as this did prove problematic last year when trying to get a parent to a waiting or injured child.

For any one in doubt, our club does do the British Gymnastics Star Awards, so if you want your child to pass any of these please tell his or her coach, but don't expect an unlimited flow of passes as they do get progressively more difficult.

We haven't yet decided on a date for our annual competition in 2007, but will give plenty of warning when we know.

We have taken on new coaches during the year, some ex-performers like Verity Sullivan who coaches on Monday at Bletchley and Tuesday at Woughton. Others who still actively compete, like Rebecca Gladwin who coaches on Tuesday and Wednesday at Woughton, and Ho Kwan Chik who coaches on Thursday at Stantonbury Campus. Andy Fisher recently qualified and coaches on Monday at Bletchley, and Thursday at Stantonbury.

On the competitive side we always need more judges, so if any one among you has an interest please tell Russ or Genny. If there are any jumpers who would really like to compete and be in the squad, also please let us know.

Every competition or event that the club enters is always entered in the Citizen, not always promptly, but always there, so please keep your eyes on the pages.

We do have our own web-site, which has information and some news items included;
www.orbit-trampoline.co.uk

Results:

In 2005 we re-claimed the MK Open shield for a 4th time, but lost it in 2006. We entered the MK Open Synchronized competition where we had some very good results, but unfortunately there was not a cup or shield for the highest scoring club. These, and our own Club Competition appeared in the Citizen with a photo' and full results can be read there, or from your own clippings!

There has been a big shake-up in the judging standards in our sport, to rapidly bring us into line with international standards and with a thought to the next two Olympic Games.

This has made it more difficult for performers to move up through the grades and even to retain their existing grades. However, if it makes us better prepared as a competitive Nation then it can only be good.

There are too many individual achievements to mention them all but some individuals should have a mention for their achievements;

Glyn Dickinson has gone from grade 3 last January to 7th. place in the National Grade 2 Championships in November. He has also qualified for grade 1.

Hugh Sullivan retained his place at grade 1 and although he did not have a great final, he had some good results during the season.

Lewis Wheeler has gone from grade 4 last January, to grade 2 in October. We look forward to his season at grade 2.

Emily Young came 11th. in the British Championships, and with her partner Rebekah Edge from Kingston Kites was 5th. in the National Synchronized Championships. To end the year, Emily competed in the English Schools first round where she was 3rd. and goes on to the next zonal round.

We look forward to another even better year, and a lot of young people having fun and getting fitter on a trampoline – and some not so young!

Yours in Sport,

Gen & Russ.