## National Youth Development League – Southern Division 1B, R1 Hornchurch 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2025

Posn	Team Name	Points
1	Croydon Harriers	580.5
2	Havering AC	530.0
3	Basildon AC	417.0
4	Victoria Park H & Tower Hamlets AC	397.5
5	Bexley AC	355.0
6	Newham & Essex Beagles AC	209.0

Havering's young athletes rose to the challenge on home turf, recording numerous personal bests on their way to placing second to a very strong Croydon team in their opening Youth Development League, Southern Division 1 fixture of the season at a warm and bright Hornchurch track on Saturday.

The **Under 15 Girls** performed strongly with five wins as Ayla Baker led the way with victory in the javelin, extending the club record for the third time in four weeks throwing beyond 40 metres for the first time, also adding a win in the B discus and a runners up spot in the shot. Dulce Smith-Rodriguez won the B shot and was second in the discus with a new PB and Abigail Adegite was third in the B javelin. Amelie Shearing won the B high jump, equalling her best with Ome Nwapa was third in the A, also equalling her PB. Brooke Lavey won the B hurdles in a new PB and improved her 300m best for third and Siobhan Etemadi was B long jump runner up and third in the A hurdles, both in new bests. More PBs came in the 800 as Isabelle Ridley and Megan Murphy were third A and second B strings and Megan Latham's 1500 PB earned B string third. Isabelle, Brooke, Siobhan and Scarlett Barclay combined for third in the 4x300m relay.

The **Under 13 Boys** were in good form recording four wins and nine second places. Euan Cheesewright starred winning the javelin with the eighth longest throw by a club U13 Boy, also setting news PBs to win the long jump and place second in the 75m. Teddy Madlin won the B hurdles and was second in both the B long jump and 1500m, all in PBs. There were full points in the shot as William Hiles and Billy Sheriden (PB) won A & B strings, with William third in the 150m (PB) and Billy adding another PB for third in the 800m B. Austin Broadhurst had a trio of second places in the 150m, hurdles and high jumps as Joseph Legg (1500m A) and AJ Gray (B javelin) were also second. The U13s ended a successful day with second place in the relay thanks to Austin, William, Teddy and Euan.

The **Under 13 Girls** team also scored well. Keira Attwood-Kelly and Sophia Karim won both javelin strings and there were four more B string wins as Ava McMillan won the 75m, Edie Smith the 800m, Lucy Tregidgo the B hurdles and Elsie Smith the high jump B. Ava was second in the shot and third in the 150m, Edie was second in the A hurdles and third in the high jump, and Lucy was 800m runner up and third in the long jump. Second places were earned by Mollie Jenkinson-Smith (1500 A) and Isla Hererra (B long jump) and Ina Johnson (B 1500m) and Thalia Hayes (B shot) were both third.

Tobi Oluborode Oluseye was the only A winner for the **Under 15 Boys** as his PB took the long jump honours, and he added a PB in third place in the 100. His twin Timi was second in the B, also in a PB, while Jeremiah Quamina smashed his PBs in both the 100m and 200m, finishing third and second in the B events. The trio were joined by Tobi Oloyede in the second placed sprint relay quartet. Stephen Hunt's strong finish won the 1500m B in a new PB as Callum Millard Jennings was third in the A. Third places went to Derin Okubanjo (hurdles), George Rogers (300m B PB), and Nathan Hathaway (high jump B) and they were joined by Timi Oluborode Oluseye in the third placed 4x300m squad.

Croydon's strength in the sprints set them on the way to a 50-point victory but a full-strength Havering squad could push them closer over the remaining three fixtures with only the top team winning promotion to the Southern Premier Division. The action resumes on 1<sup>st</sup> June at Mike End Stadium.