



Essex Schools Cross Country Championships – Writtle Sat 21st January

There were four medals for club youngsters at Saturday's Essex Schools Cross Country Championships held at the Writtle University, with others sealing selection for the National Schools Champs.

Freddie Rowe maintained his unbeaten record in Essex this winter as he struck gold in the **Junior Boys** race. Findlay McLaren bounced back after his recent county championships fall to win silver and will join Freddie in the English Schools Championships at Nottingham in March. Stevie Reynolds repeated his 12th place finish from last year and Liam Battrum placed 17th.

There was an exciting end to the **Senior Boys** event as Dan Peters' strong finish won him silver in a three-way battle for the minor medals. Charlie Burgess was next club athlete home in 17th with Shane Hart two places back in 19th and Owen Fisher 24th.

Maddie Barker was the only club athlete in the **Senior Girls** event and signed off with an excellent bronze medal in her final Essex County schools cross country championship event. Rosie Warner's sixth place in the **Inter Girls** event won her English School selection, and Charlotte and Hannah Evans came back from illness to place 12th and 18th, with Abi Swan back in 21st.after two falls.

Emmie Lole was seventh in the **Junior Girls** missing out on automatic selection for the national event placing seventh but will contest the Schools Inter Counties in Sussex in a few weeks. Orla Friel was next club finisher in 16th with Jessica Page and Ruby Price 23rd and 24th, Jasmine Asmal 33rd with Poppy Vines and Scarlett Woods 41st and 43rd.

Results

Senior Boys: 2nd Dan Peters 21:55; 17th Charlie Burgess 24:18; 19th Shane Hart 24:33; 24th Owen Fisher.26:40

Senior Girls: 3rd Maddie Barker 17:42;

Inter Boys: 16th Jack West 19:23; 27th Toby Johnson 20:06; 39th Sean Langan 21:03;

Inter Girls: 6th Rosie Warner 16:24; 14th Charlotte Evans 17:13; 18th Hannah Evans 17:26; 21st Abigail Swan 17:33; 45th Maggie Smith 20:09

Junior Boys: 1st Freddie Rowe 15:56; 2nd Findlay McLaren 16:07; 12th Stevie Reynolds 17:32; 17th Liam Battrum 17:44;

Junior Girls: 7th Emmie Lole 13:07; 16th Orla Friel 13:28; 23rd Jessica Page 13:56; 24th Ruby Price 14:02; 33rd Jasmine Asmal 14:34; 34th Shalomie King 14:35; 41st Poppy Vines 15:12; 43rd Scarlett Woods 15:21



