

Hampshire Athletics

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Track & Field Championships report to AGM – 4 March 2016

Although we failed to achieve the record number of entries that we had in 2014, the 706 entries in the Track & Field Championships was only 18 fewer than last year and the highest for any other year since 2003.

Entries	U13B	U15B	U17M	U20M	SM	U13G	U15G	U17W	U20W	SW	Total
Track & F	39	85	93	50	87	74	119	84	35	40	706
competing*	35	76	85	48	76	70	108	78	30	34	640
2014 entries	46	86	91	56	97	69	119	71	40	49	724
M-Events	15	6	4	1	7	19	17	6	1	0	76
competing	13	6	4	1	6	17	16	6	1	0	70
2014 entries	11	8	6	4	3	31	18	6	2	3	92
Mile		2	2	1	5		6	6	2	2	26
competing	n/a	2	1	1	4	n/a	3	4	1	1	17
2014 entries		5	2	1	9		4	7	4	3	35
3000m		4	0	1	7		2	4	1	1	20
competing	n/a	4	0	1	7	n/a	1	4	0	1	18
2014 entries		3	0	3	12		4	2	0	2	26
	U10B	U11B	U10G	U11G	Total		I.	l	l	<u>I</u>	
QuadKids	20	19	17	26	82						
competing	18	19	16	25	78						
2014 entries	20	22	21	26	89						

^{*} in at least one event

Improvements to the online entry system during 2015 included the ability for athletes to update their PBs on their entry so that performances declared up to the day before the Championships were used for seeding.

The prototype computerised seeding system developed in 2014, which had required semi-finals and finals to be seeded manually, was extended so that these rounds were seeded automatically in accordance with the EA and SEAA Seeding Guidelines.

These Championships were given extra emphasis on the Hampshire Athletics website with a more prominent position on the home page and using action photos from last year's Championships. Various mailshots were made by email leading up to the Championships, and all entrants from 2013 and 2014 who hadn't already entered were sent a reminder a few days before the closing date.

Full results were displayed on 'Power of 10' on Monday 25 May. Athletes appreciated being able to see their performances on the website within an hour of their competition; also parents and friends of the 113 Channel Islands competitors back home in Jersey and Guernsey.

Eight young Officials were at the Multi-Events and QuadKids Championships, of whom five were in their first season of Officiating; another seven officiated at the Track & Field Championships, most of whom were also competing athletes (and another six officiating at our other events). These cover all four disciplines (2 Track, 2 Timekeepers, 3 Starter/Marksman and 12 Field).

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