

Junior team report - 2022

2022 has seen a full programme of junior team competitions.

The first competition of the year was the **Compass Sport Cup**. 15 juniors ran in the NW heat which was hosted by WCOC at Hawse End, with 8 juniors counting towards the overall score. The club just missed out on the win.

March saw the **British Relay Championships** take place in Haslemere. Only one team was entered, due to long distance involved, taking 2nd place in the junior ad hoc category.



In April we travelled to South Wales for the **JK**. On relay day there were 3 junior teams running. We took the win in the W48- category, 4th in the M/W40-, and 6th in M48- class. Two of the juniors ran in adult teams.



May was the **Yvette Baker Trophy** heat where a team of 13 juniors travelled to Tockholes Wood near Blackburn. We came first out of the 3 teams competing in the trophy competition, winning by 5 points. 11 juniors then made the long journey to Wellingborough in Leicester in July for the final where we were very pleased to come 3rd.



In June we had the **British Mixed Sprint Relay Championships** which were held in Leeds. WCOC entered 2 teams in the 16- class, but unfortunately both managed to mis-punch. Two juniors ran in the mixed ad hoc class though and were rewarded with 1st place.



2022 saw the return of the **Peter Palmer relay**. WCOC took 2 teams down to Sutton Park in Birmingham stopping off for squad training at Arnside Knott on the way down. With many making their PP debuts, everyone had great runs with the Wildcats coming 2nd in the Peter Palmer competition and the Whippets coming 4th in the Joan George competition.



Only the one retiring junior this year – Herbie.

Well done to all the juniors for the hard work they've put in this year, and a big thank you to all the parents who have helped with transport and organisation.

Janette.
Junior Team Captain.

(All photographs courtesy of the newsletter)