

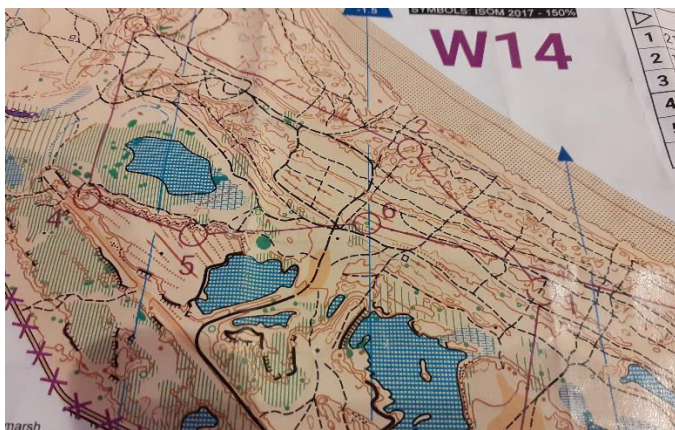
SWJS at the JIRCS



WIM/WSX had 7 juniors who took part in this years JIRCS up in Middlesbrough, on the sand dune at Redcar beside the old British Steel site. The weather was glorious which made the weekend even more enjoyable.

On Saturday were the individual races and not only did our WIM/WSX runners have great performances, they also contributed to the SWJOS coming 2nd overall for Day 1.

This was the best performance the SWJS had had in nearly 20 years.



Harry came 3rd on M14 and Lyra took 1st on W14 with Grace taking 4th place. Our 2 newest members, Esk and Monty had commendable runs which all helped towards the point tally (especially as there was only 1 point in it). Lizzie and Agnes, both W18's had a 5th and 18th place respectively.

There was then a great deal of excitement about Day 2 to see whether we could pull something equally special out of the bag.

And we did. The girls' team of Emily, Lyra and Rebecca came in in first place although we had a little bit of a wait before the other 2 girls teams appeared.

And then the boys came in first, Guy, Harry and Jim. It was not long until our second team came in, in 6th position (which became 4th due to several mis punches) and then it was a waiting game until all the runners were back and the points tallied.

Overall SWJOS came 3rd and the trophies will be doing the rounds of the squad members.

Ecstatic does not describe the amazing feat of all the squad, with this being the last JIRCS event for a few of the runners. What a way to go – out on a massive high.

All this, however, could not have been done without the support of the parents (for driving the kids to the events) and especially the coaches who have given so much of their time, especially over lockdown, to keep the team motivated and inspired.

We are looking forward to Northern Ireland next year.



