

Club Report - Christmas Fun Session and End of Year Awards



On Saturday 16th December, 24 members attended the annual Queensmead Christmas fun morning for charity. Participants' attendance to this event raised £345 for William's Fund, an amazing effort for which we thank all who came along and took part! William's Fund raises money for research into childhood cancer in memory of William Dodd, whose younger brother and sister were members of the club for many years. You can read more about the work they do here: <https://www.williamsfund.co.uk>

The session consisted of competitions, team challenges and the presentation of the Queensmead End of Year Awards.

After being divided into four teams, the morning began with an Individual competition where all participants presented two routines and were marked on their execution. For a number of individuals, this was their first time ever experiencing a trampoline competition, and so a huge well done to everyone who took part.

Following their Individual competition, the participants paired up and performed a Synchronised routine, where they were rewarded for synchronicity with their partner. Finally, all team members completed an individual trampoline challenge, contributing to their overall team score.

After totalling up the points, it was Team 1 who were crowned the Christmas morning champions!



After some free time, the day was concluded by awarding our 2023 club awards, recognising the successes and progress of 10 of our members.

A huge congratulations to the following individuals who were worthy recipients of awards this year:

Queensmead Superstar (awarded to unsung heroes who have made particular contributions to the club): **Freya and Theo**



Hard Work and Dedication (awarded by each coach to one of their gymnasts):

- Archie R
- Charlotte
- Vincent
- Emma
- Ruby R



Regional Competitor of the Year (awarded based on performances at regional competitions):
Phoebe



National Competitor of the Year (awarded based on performances at national competitions):
Emma and Rebecca

Emma and Rebecca were also surprised with gifts from everyone at the club to celebrate their retirement from competitive trampolining.



In addition, we recognised the significant contribution of Diane, a much-loved coach at the club. Diane started coaching at Queensmead when her daughter first joined and has enjoyed many happy years with us, including later coaching her granddaughter!

Thank you to all participants who attended the session and made it such a successful event.

An additional thank you goes to all of our coaches, officials and volunteers for their support across the year. We wish all of our members a very merry Christmas and a happy new year. Here's to 2024!