

ACE RaceRunning - Autumn 2023



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The nights are drawing in and getting chilly as we head towards the end of our first year at the Riverside Sports Arena. What a difference it has made to have such easy access to the track, facilities and storage.

At this time of the year, we say a huge thank you to our volunteers without whom we could not operate – in particular our coach David assisted by Olivia and Lynne. We very much appreciate that they give their time and enthusiasm to us. Thank you as well to our club sponsor "Blue Rock Insurance" whose support helps us to keep providing this wonderful activity.

Frame Running Hub

SCOTLAND'S first Frame Running Hub was opened at Scotstoun in August. The pioneering facility, foundation funded by children's rugby charity Wooden Spoon, will help young people with limited mobility to access frame equipment and foster independence through sport. The hub is a collaboration between a number of partners and ACE was delighted to be one of those supporting the development. For more information, take a look at Frame Running Scotland's website www.frscotland.org.

Ayr Seaforth Commitment to RaceRunning Award to be awarded posthumously

This year's "Commitment to RaceRunning Award" has been awarded posthumously to Jackson Chambers.

Jackson joined the club in 2012 travelling to Perth for his very first competition in September that year where he captivated everyone with his smile and enthusiasm on winning his first medals. He continued to attend sessions over the years when his health allowed. With the support of his PE department, Jackson was able to use Frame Running as one of his sports for his PE syllabus. He was on his frame earlier this year collecting data for his Higher PE exam. Sadly, this was to be Jackson's last session and it was with great sorrow that we learnt of his passing in July, aged 17.

Jackson had a very gentle personality and a huge smile and it was our gain that he was part of our community.

In memory of Jackson.

Finally....

We have taken the decision this will be the last ACE newsletter. The first newsletter was issued in Summer 2011. We were the first frame running group in Scotland, everything was new and developing and we were working hard to promote the activity. Twelve years on we are now at the stage where frame running is: established nationally in Scotland, internationally up to World Para Athletics Championships level, a new world leading evidence-based classification system has been introduced (T71/T72) and still pushing for inclusion at the Paralympics in 2028. We will update our website with local news - to read all about news on a national level please visit www.frscotland.org. I know you will find it very interesting.

Thank you very much for reading over the last 12 years......and best wishes to you all from ACE

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