

# ST24 SPORTS NEWS

Once again, what a terrific summer term it was, and one which ended a magnificent academic year as we wished our leavers every success.

As we begin to think about the 2024/25 season, here is a moment to enjoy reading about the College, house, termly awards, and Old Eastbournian achievements from the summer. With 92% of pupils competing in fixtures this year, and more than 700 school fixtures with more than 300 house fixtures, we see a great view on the engagement our pupils have with

the sporting opportunities at the College whether at participation or performance level. It is a joy to read about some unrivalled success on our hugely competitive schools sporting circuit. My personal thanks, as always, go to the huge number of people and departments for everything they do to support sport: from grounds staff to admissions, bursary, catering, house, marketing, medical and transport, and, to our wider community, through the <u>Eastbournian</u>

Society.

Great credit goes to all our staff who go the extra mile as coaches to give such a broad and engaging experience for our pupils. Competition, engagement and enjoyment are at the forefront, and the staff energy is so vital to this.

September will be a special time in rugby as we celebrate 125 years of rugby at the College. Keep an eye out for 'Rugby Week' from 16 to 21 September with events and matches taking place.

Mike Harrison, Director of Sport

# ATHLETICS

The athletics team continued to show their talents in the very successful Sussex Independent Schools Diamond League (SISDL). There were six gold, two silver and four bronze medals won in the diamond league along with personal bests, new College and new diamond league records. We had 17 athletes also qualify for the Sussex championships, with Eliza Williams-Thomas competing for Sussex in the national schools event.

Lisa Price, Head of Athletics

#### Junior girls

Lilah Medlycott won GOLD in the high jump and BRONZE in the 100m

B-Belle Gorrill came 4th in the 1500m

We came 4th in the 4×100m

### Junior boys

Justin Kelso – SILVER in the shot put Milo Deniz – 4th in the long jump

#### Inter girls

Eliza Williams-Thomas – 4th in the 100m

#### Inter boys

Ben Fellows – GOLD in the long jump Lucas Gorrill broke the 1500m record in a time of 4.17

#### Senior girls

Evie Clayson came SILVER in the 200m Lati Akinyemi came SILVER in the shot put

#### Senior boys

Jasper Simpson came GOLD in the 800m Fin Hill GOLD in the javelin, high jump and long jump







## CRICKET

This year, the boys 1st XI have had a fantastic summer, seeing them reach the South East Final in the National T20 vs Cranleigh after beating Ardingly, Bede's, King's Canterbury and Tonbridge, having also secured a win over Whitgift in the longer format of the game too. Junior boys had a good cup run, with the U15As reaching the Sussex semi-finals of the Blackshaw Bowl and the U14As the Sussex semi-final of national Lord's Taverners.

Congratulations to Alfie Hunter (Y13 C), Sean Foster (Y13 W), Harry Jordan (Y10 C), Will Mclean (Y9 W), Will Daniels (Y13 G) and Freddie Russell (Y11 C) for recording centuries this summer; a fantastic feat for them all. George Coulter (Y9 W), Jack Jordan (Y9 C), Eddie Anderson (Y12 R) and Thomas Van Rensburg (Y10 C) all impressively took five wicket hauls too.

We also hosted Lashings World XI for a charity T20 game. The 1st XI took on ex-professional and international cricketers such as Michael Carberry, Nicky Boje, John Embury and many more, with special guests Sir Gordon Greenidge and commentator Henry Blofeld. It was a great day and a really good experience for the players and the supporters.

A special mention must go to U15B team and Simon Norris who put on a masterclass in winning close matches and ended with a 100% win record, winning all five of their matches.

The season ended with our annual festival, hosting the boys U18 and U15 tournaments with our friends from Seaford College, Framlingham College and Stamford School competing in a three-day festival; a great way to end the season, and with the 1st XI vs OEs on Speech Day in the sunshine. We hope everyone has a great summer continuing to play club and representative cricket or watching some OEs play for counties or in The Hundred!

Matilda Callaghan, Director of Cricket













## CRICKET

Our girls cricket has continued to go from strength to strength as we fielded six teams this year in some wonderfully competitive games. The 1st XI played their first-ever fixture against the MCC, which they won by five wickets. The 1st XI saw two juniors make their debut this year: congratulations to Georgie Pedley (Y10 B) and Emma Valks (Y10 B). Congratulations to Georgie too for making some cricket history by becoming the first girl at the College to score a century as she scored 101 off 65 balls vs Ardingly.

All teams had a variety of success in the cups. The 1st XI made their way over to Hampshire to play Barton Peveril in a tightly contested third round of the national T20 cup after a convincing win against Bede's. The U15s also made it to the third round after beating Brighton College on a cold and wet day game on Links. They were then toppled by a strong Bromley High School side, away. The U14s won half of their eight fixtures this term and played some superb cricket. There is much to look forward to next year with this group.

Finally, the girls enjoyed their U18 and U15 cricket festival too with Seaford, Stamford and Framlingham. They stayed in Lincolnshire for the three days, playing some great matches. A brilliant way to end the season.

Matilda Callaghan, Director of Cricket















## EAST BOURNE COLLEGE 100'S

A. HUNTER 1ST XI 167\* VS ARDINGLY

W. DANIELS 2ND XI 162 VS BEDE'S

S.FOSTER 3RDXI 117\* VS SEAFORD

A. HUNTER 1ST XI 114 VS SEAFORD

H. JOPDAN U15A 109 VS SEAFORD

H. JOPDAN U15A 108\* VS STAMFORD

F. RUSSELL 2ND XI 103\* VS TONBRIDGE

9. PEDLEY U15A 101\* VS AFDINGLY

W. MCLEAN U14A 100\* VS ARDINGLY

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# EASTBOURNE COLLEGE 5 WICKETS

T. VAN RENSBURG U15A 5-17 VS FRAMLINGHAM

9. COULTER 114A 5-19 VS kIN9'S

E. ANDERSON 1ST XI 5-20 VS FRAMLINGHAM

J. JORDAN U14A 5-39 VS SEAFORD

INSTAGRAM: EBCSPORT

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# **TENNIS**

The tennis teams continue to dominate and perform the highest level in the county, regionally and nationally. There have been county titles won again by the U16 and U18 girls. The 1st team girls retained their Sussex County title, won their regional final, and fantastically finished 7th nationally, having impressively beaten Millfield. This is the seventh time in eight years that the senior girls have won through to the national finals.

There were block fixtures with some Saturdays seeing all 25 College courts in action and over 100 boys and girls competing, and we were able to field a large number of boys teams as many have been enjoying tennis and competing hard. The boys 1st VI had a very good season, reaching the last rounds of the County Championships and beating most local opposition.

At Eton, in the National Independent Schools Tournament, the U18 girls Becky Fisher and Gaby Pacheco-Lagoda won through to the semi-finals and lost a close match to Repton 6-7 4-6 with Annabel McKenna and Emma Grantham placing sixth too.

In the U18 boys Youll Cup, we beat Brentwood but lost in a shoot-out to Radley in round two. Nazarii Dmyterchuk and Toby Timlin reached the quarter final of the U15 competition. Another great year of tennis.

Simon Gent, Head of Tennis





Congratulations to St Andrew's Prep for winning the national IAPS U13 tennis title vs Repton. Having had the girls win the annual Mayfield U13 pairs tournament, which Sienna and Katie won with Maddie and Alejandra finishing third too, it took great determination to take a national title.

# SWIMMING

We are thrilled to announce the most successful year for swimming in the College's history. This has been marked by outstanding performances and selections for prestigious championships throughout the year. Our talented swimmers have excelled in individual and team events and have set a new standard of excellence for the school.



Representing Eastbourne Swimming Club and contributing to the Club's significant success this year:

- Amelie Hunt (YII) competed at the Welsh Nationals. She competed in three events: the 50m and 100m breaststroke, and the 100m freestyle. She won the 50m breaststroke title and also gained a silver medal in the 100m breaststroke. An outstanding achievement from the school's swimming captain. She also gained a personal best in her 100m freestyle event.
- Hattie Stone (Y9) and Stanley Yeats (Y9) performed in the English Nationals. Hattie qualified for the 50m butterfly final and gained an excellent fourth in the country. Stanley gained personal best times for his 100m and 200m freestyle and secured 20th in his 50m freestyle event.



Nate Cahill also competed in Dublin at the Irish Open / Olympic swimming trials where he made the final in his 200 fly and placed well in his 50 fly against the Paris 2024 Irish hopefuls. Additionally, he also had a great return to 800m running on the track at the Sussex AA Open Events Champs with a time of 2m0 Is and a PB bringing him closer to the English Schools entry time.

# **SWIMMING**

### Exceptional Performances at National Schools Competitions

Our swimmers shone brightly at the National Individual Independent Schools Swimming Championships. Eastbourne College secured an impressive haul of eleven gold, six silver, and nine bronze medals, alongside twenty three personal bests.

#### Triumphant Relay Teams and Team Competitions

Earlier in the season, the Eastbourne College boys relay teams performed superbly, winning both the Medley and Freestyle relay titles at the Independent Small Schools Bath Cup competition at the Olympic Park.

### Comprehensive Training Programme with Elite Athletes and Coaches

Our swimmers have had the unique opportunity to participate in training workshops with Ed Baxter, an ex-Commonwealth Youth Games Champion, British Record Holder, and multiple British National Champion in the 200m Breaststroke. These sessions have provided invaluable insights and inspiration to our pupils.

We are grateful for our strong partnership with Eastbourne Swimming Club, which has had an outstanding year too. With Dan Wright as the director of swimming and a coach at Eastbourne College, and Claire Bryant from Eastbourne Otters, our pupils are benefitting from top-tier coaching and support. Thank you to the unwavering encourgement and support from parents too.

We are very much looking forward to seeing what next year will bring which includes a tour to Dubai at Easter 2025.



Jess Simmonds, Head of Swimming

# In Other News

### Rugby

In May this year Theo Summers was selected for the Sweden Rugby U18 squad to play against Norway. Theo scored a hattrick and was invited to train with the 7s squad hoping to gain a place in the squad for an upcoming tournament in Poland at the end of July. Having been selected, Theo played in the Rugby Europe Trophy Tournament in Warsaw. Over two days, the team played against Luxembourg, Turkey, Moldova (twice) and Bulgaria, winning three matches. At the start of August he also played Latvia in the U18XV again winning 33-26 and beating Lithuania 52-12

Congratulations on the fantastic experience and achievement Theo!





Congratulations to Sam Hamilton who was selected for the England Rugby London and SE divisional side. This follows on from the experience in which Sam has gained playing for Sussex over the last two seasons.

Well done Sam.

# In Other News



### Golf

The golf team qualified for the ISGA National Golf Finals for the third time in 2024 with 2019 and 2023 the other occasions. Freddie Jones, Ross Seavill and Aman Shah played their best in very difficult conditions on a very hard course at The Players GC in Bristol. Finishing in the top 20 in the country from over 130 schools entered, plus the regional title once again, it was another great acheivement.

Congratulations to Archie and George Shakespeare who finished joint seventh in the U16 Scottish Open out of a field of 144. George shooting an 8 under 64, one shot from a course record, in round 2. They also qualified for the prestigious McGregor Cup, the England U16 international event with top players from all over the world. Both boys made the cut after two rounds and after round three and four, impressively George tied 13th and Archie 36th again from 144 players. We wish them well in their future golfing journey.



# In Other News

### Hockey

Congratulations to Rosie Hill, Sophie Fellows, Bertie Cooke, Will Fellows and Sam Bordass for competing in the England Hockey Talent Academy for East Grinstead TA with whom they have been training with all year. A great few days hockey at Nottingham playing with and against the best young players in the country.





### Tennis

Congratulations to Daisy Barrow who won through to both the singles and doubles finals at the U18 regional competition at Devonshire Park. Despite carrying an injury, she managed to take runner-up in both competitions.



# In Other News



### Triathlon

Lucas Gorrill and staff members of Eastbourne College Sesh Govender, Hayley Fry, Peter Fellows, Tyrin Smit, Emma Wingfield Digby and Monique Burton competed in the annual Eastbourne Triathlon this term. A big well done to all the staff involved.

Congrats to Lucas Gorrill who took home the crown in his event.

### Equestrian

Congratulations to Lola Woollard who had a brilliant outing at Hickstead, winning the 80cm show jumping and qualifying for the National Finals at Addington. She and her horse, Comanche Dreamcatcher, had a quick and clear round and rightly topped the table of 46 competitors.

At Felbridge, Lola Woollard, Darcy Dumas and Darcy Walton (St Andrew's) put in a really good team effort in the 80cm show jumping qualifier. Despite being a rider down, with only four faults each, they still managed to secure third place. While disappointing that this was outside of qualification, it was a stellar effort. Alice Dixon-Thompson (St Andrew's) also gained valuable experience competing as an individual.



# In Other News



### **Fencing**

Izzy D'abbraccio competed in the British Youth
Championships U16 women's epee, in Sheffield, she came
fifth (from 55 competitors) winning all her poule bouts and
was seeded fourth going into direct elimination (DEs). She
won her first two DEs and lost in the quarter finals 12-15
to the eventual winner, which is closer than anyone else
and she was one of the youngest competitors!
Congratulations Izzy.



#### **Fives**

At the start of the summer term the U14 and U18 girls Fives players competed in the Schoolgirls National Rugby Fives Competition at Oundle School. It was a great experience for all involved, especially for those in Year 9 who have only started playing this year. All the girls played several singles and doubles matches with some fantastic results.

Ella Helm - U14 singles plate finalist
Izzie Steed - U18 singles plate semi-finalist
Daisy Dunkley and Daisy Barrow in an all-Eastbourne U18
singles plate final, with Daisy B winning 12-10
Daisy D and Daisy B - U18 doubles plate finalists

Well done to Ella, Scarlett, Annie L, Annie H, Daisy B, Daisy D, Izzie and Sophie for representing the College.

## Simon Green Cup for Endeavour

With normally one or two winners in each term there is often no recognition for pupils who have been shortlisted or recommended by staff for the award. This term, for their endeavour in sport, the following pupils deserve special recognition for their contribution to Eastbourne College school sport:

#### Sam Hamilton

It has been discovered that Sam has made a total of 46 1st XV rugby appearances in the last three years, not including 7s. He has not missed a single match and progressed to the Kent U18 and London and South East U18s. This is likely to be a 1st XV record and will no doubt stand for a very long time.

### **Becky Fisher**

As the tennis captain, Becky has been a role model on and off court and been a vital character in the Women's National Premier League and the senior girls playing in the national finals, the seventh time in eight years. A personal achievement for her is to have been offered a full scholarship to the US next year.

### Simon Green Cup for Endeavour ST24 Winners

#### Finn Hill

Finn Hill's endeavour as athletics captain has been clear for all to see this year. He has dedicated his time to training and competing over a number of years as well as this summer in Y13. He has won gold medal in three events, high jump, Javelin and long jump, including a best of 1m88, in the Sussex Schools Diamond League, which is a rare achievement by anyone competing from any school. He has been selected to represent Sussex Schools in the high jump and will compete at the nationals too as the only Sussex competitor to qualify. His hard work, competitive spirit and desire to compete has meant he has been a role model to those around him.

#### Millie Bonnar

Millie Bonnar has demonstrated consistent commitment for five years at the College often going under the radar but really is the glue in any team she plays in. She has played over 140 matches for the College including 46 this year in five sports, the most by any pupil in Y13 this year. This term she has played in the 1st XI cricket for a second year, being the first to score 50 in both years, and competed for the girls senior tennis team in fixtures too. She has balanced training across two sports, is always positive and encourages those around her no matter the position or situation she is in herself. She brings out the best in everyone around her. For the staff who know her, and there were many who put her forward, she is fully deserving of this award in recognition of her endeavours.



### **Full Colours**



### **Athletics**

Finn Hill (C), Evie Clayson (C) and Lati Akinyemi

### **Tennis**

Luca Dumas, Alexander Davies, William Allen, Eliza Jones, Millie Bonnar, Rebecca Fisher (C), Annabel McKenna, Selena Brathwaite and Lola Dutton

### Cricket

Alfie Hunter (C), Jack Greig, Paddy Cooper, Tom McDonald, Ed Nolan, Kayla Ginger, Kirsty Williams, Izzy Pedley (C), Millie Bonnar, Milly Bateman and Alice Pepper.



## Half Colours



### **Athletics**

Jasper Simpson and Max Crowther

### **Tennis**

Sergio Vieira, Oliver Bearcroft, Reha Akinlosotu, Struan Dunlop, Oliver Tutt, Daisy Barrow, Emma Grantham, Tiggy Tutt and Sophie Fellows

### Cricket

Ollie Kirtley, Jimmy Hall, Eddie Anderson, Ridley Flind, Will Daniels, Alex Bailey, Evie Ginbey and Kitty Seavill

### Golf

Aman Shah, George Shakespeare and Archie Shakespeare



## Triple Colours



Triple colours are awarded in recognition of those pupils who have achieved full colours for their efforts and involvement across three terms of College sport; for some this may have been across more than one year. The following two individuals have epitomised what it means to be a part of College sport and perform at the highest level with the highest of values and character. Triple colours do not come easily and arguably are the pinnacle for Eastbournian sport as very few ever achieve this extraordinary accolade. Pictured our the recipients this year with their triple colours shirt. Congratulations to them all and thank you for your service to sport.

Kirsty Williams - hockey, netball and cricket Millie Bonnar - hockey, tennis and cricket Eliza Jones - hockey, netball and tennis Jack Greig - rugby, hockey and cricket

Mike Harrison, Director of Sport



### TRIPLE COLOURS

2012-2013

Sam Hyne (Rugby, Hockey, Cricket)

2013-2014

Madeleine Mann (Hockey, Netball, Athletics)

Alex Goble (Rugby, Hockey, Cricket)

2014-2015

Hebe Williams (Hockey, Netball, Tennis) 2015-2016

Natasha Gale (Hockey, Netball, Tennis)

Phoebe Gale (Hockey, Netball, Tennis)

Augusta King (Hockey, Netball, Swimming)

2016-2017

Jess Lamb (Hockey, Netball, Athletics)

Ben Hughes (Rugby, Hockey, Athletics)

2017-2018

Amy Goble (Hockey, Netball, Athletics)

Prue Barnes (Hockey, Netball, Tennis)

2018-2019

Annie Wilson (Hockey, Tennis, Netball and Swimming)

Izzy Mcintosh (Hockey, Netball, Tennis, Swimming)

Eliza Houchin (Hockey, Netball, Tennis)

Joe Pocklington (Rugby, Hockey, Cricket)





### TRIPLE COLOURS

2019-2020

2022-2023

Brett Hounsell (Hockey, Cricket, Tennis)

Finn McKeown (Cricket, Tennis, Football)

2020-2021

Caitlin Milbourne (Hockey, Netball, Tennis)

Toby Lock (Rugby, Hockey, Golf)

2023-2024

Amelia Dipper (Hockey, Equestrian, Fives)

Jack Greig (Rugby, Hockey, Cricket)

2021-2022

Kirsty Williams
(Hockey, Netball and Cricket)

Tilly Fox (Hockey, Netball, Tennis)

Millie Bonnar (Hockey, Tennis, Cricket

Sasha Hood (Hockey, Netball, Tennis)

Eliza Jones (Hockey, Netball, Tennis)



GIRLS HOUSE SPORTS DAY RESULTS









Victrix Ludorum - Evie Clayson

Junior Cricket

I. Blackwater

2. Watt

3. Nugent

4. School

Year 9 Tennis Year 10 Tennis Senior Tennis

I. Watt

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2. Nugent

2. School

2. Nugent

3. School

3. Blackwater

3. Watt

4. Blackwater

4. Nugent

4. Blackwater

**Overall Tennis** 

I. Watt

2. School

3. Nugent

4. Blackwater

Y9 Sports Day

Y10 Sports Day

YII Sports Day Senior Sports Day

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GIRLS HOUSE RESULTS - ST24 FINAL STANDINGS









GIRLS HOUSE RESULTS - 2023/2024









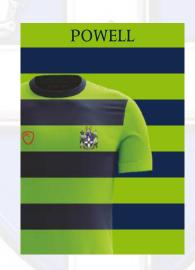
**BOYS HOUSE SPORTS DAY RESULTS** 













Victor Ludorum - Finn Hill

Junior Cricket

I.Wargrave &

Craig

2.Reeves

3.Gonville

4.Powell

5.Pennell

Overall Golf

I.Pennell

2.Craig

3.Reeves

4.Gonville

5. Wargrave

6.Powell

Year 9 Tennis

I.Craig

2. Wargrave

3.Pennell

4.Powell

5.Reeves

6.Gonville

Year 10 Tennis

I.Powell

2. Wargrave

3.Gonville

4.Pennell

5.Craig

6.Reeves

Senior Tennis

I.Gonville

2.Powell

3. Wargrave

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5.Pennell

6.Craig

**Overall Tennis** 

I.Wargrave &

Powell

2.Gonville

3.Pennell and

Craig

4.Reeves

Y9 Sports Day

I.Gonville

2.Craig

3. Wargrave

4.Powell

5.Reeves

6.Pennell

Y10 Sports Day

1.Craig &

Reeves

2.Gonville

3. Wargrave

4.Powell

5.Pennell

YII Sports Day

I.Wargrave

2.Reeves

3.Gonville

4.Pennell &

Powell

5.Craig

Senior Sports Day

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6.Powell

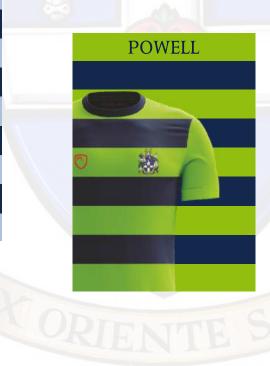
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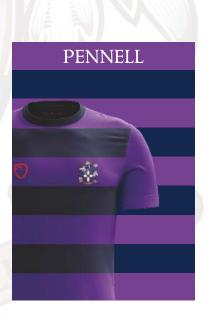












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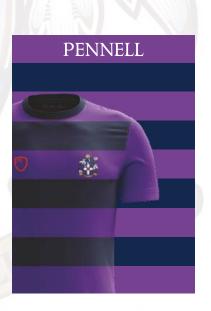












## Old Eastbournian news

There has been plenty of Old Eastbournian sport news to report too. We always enjoy hearing about and celebrating ex-pupils and their endeavours. Here are some recent summer ones.







Cricket

Tawanda Muyeye - Playing for Kent CCC and playing for the Oval Invincibles again in The Hundred

Joe Pocklington - Captaining the Leeds/Bradford UCCE Squad to the final at Lord's

Tom Hinley - Securing a professional contract with

Worcestershire CCC and representing the Loughborough UCCE Squad

Oli Carter - Playing for Sussex CCC

Harry Finch - Playing for Kent CCC





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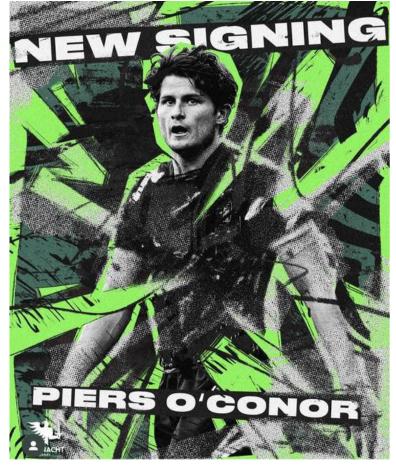


### Hockey

Congratulations to Annie Wilson for signing for Reading hockey club this season.

### Rugby

Congratulations to Piers O'Conor for signing for Connaught Rugby and continuing his professional rugby career after a hugely successful six years at Bristol Bears and 137 appearances and 175 points or 35 tries!



## Old Eastbournian news



### Ironman

Congratulations to Will James for not only competing in the Ironman 70.3 championship in Denmark in June, but qualifying for the World Championship in New Zealand in December! Go well, Will, we will be following your progress.

