

# ESAA – CHESHIRE ROLL OF HONOUR

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The *Cheshire Schools' Athletics Association* was formed in 1949.

It held its first County Championship on 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 1949 at the Oval, Port Sunlight. Seven district associations took part.

Only 3 weeks after the County Championship, Maurice Morrell became Cheshire's first ESAA champion when winning the Intermediate javelin throw. Maurice went on to win the AAA Javelin Throw title in 1954.

In 1950 Cheshire hosted the ESAA Championship for the first time when it was held on the Oval at Port Sunlight. A record entry of over 1,300 competitors from 32 counties took part and it was watched by 14,000 spectators.

## OLYMPIC GAMES MEDALLISTS

Michelle Probert                      1980 4 x 400m Bronze  
1976 I 200m-1, 1977 S 200m-2

Shirley Strong                        1984 100m Hurdles Silver  
1974 and 1975 I 80mH-1

## WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP MEDALLISTS

Hayley Jones                         2013 4 x 100m Bronze  
2007 S 100m-1

Seren Bundy-Davies                 2015 4 x 400m Bronze  
2012 S 400m-4

Allyn Condon (1997 4 x 100m-3) ran in the relay heat but not in the final.

## EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP MEDALLISTS

Seren Bundy-Davies                 2016 4 x 400m Gold  
2012 S 400m-4

Allyn Condon                         1998 4 x 100m Gold  
1991 S 400m-2, 1992 S 200m-1, 1993 S 100m-1

## COMMONWEALTH GAMES MEDALLISTS

Jannette Roscoe                     1974 4 x 400m Gold  
(nee Champion)                    1964 S 100y-2, 1965 S 220y-2

Shirley Strong                        1978 100m Hurdles Silver, 1982 100m Hurdles Gold  
1974 and 1975 I 80mH-1

Michelle Scutt (WAL)                1982 400m Silver

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(nee Probert)	1976 I 200m-1, 1977 S 200m-2
Jane Parry	1986 4 x 400m Silver 1977 and 1978 J 200m-1, 1979 and 1980 I 200m-1, 1982 and 1983 S 200m-1
Beverley Nicholson	1990 1500m Bronze 1985 S 800m-2
Kate Dennison	2010 Pole Vault Bronze 2001 S PV-1
Barry Williams	1970 Hammer Throw Bronze 1963 I HT-2, 1964 S HT-3, 1965 S HT-1
Allyn Condon	2002 4 x 100m Gold 1991 S 400m-2, 1992 S 200m-1, 1993 S 100m-1

### BRITISH CHAMPIONS

Margaret Francis	1955 100y 1952 S 100y-1
Jannette Roscoe (nee Champion)	1971 and 1973 400m, 1975 400m Hurdles 1964 S 100y-2, 1965 S 220y-2
Shirley Strong	1979-84 100m Hurdles 1974 and 1975 I 80mH-1
Michelle Scutt (WAL) (nee Probert)	1980 and 1982 400m, 1983 200m 1976 I 200m-1, 1977 S 200m-2
Beverley Nicholson	1987 and 1989 1500m 1985 S 800m-2
Kate Dennison	2007, 2009-10 Pole Vault 2001 S PV-1
Aimee Pratt	2020 3000m Steeplechase 2015 S 1500mST-1
Maurice Morrell	1954 Javelin Throw 1949 I JT-1
Barry Williams	1972 Hammer Throw 1963 I HT-2, 1964 S HT-3, 1965 S HT-1
Jonathan Wild	2001 and 2002 5000m 1992 S 3000m-10

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*Notes regarding the athlete details shown above :*

An entry for each athlete consists of the first line detailing their Major Championship medal win or their British Championship title win. Second (and subsequent) lines show their ESAA championship performances in the abbreviated format – *yyyy a eeee p* where :

*yyyy* Championship Year

*a* Age Group (I – Intermediate, J – Junior, S – Senior, pre-1948 the age groups were Under-16 (U16) and Under- 14 (U14))

*eeee* Event

*p* Place achieved (note an 'h-' indicates the performance was in a heat and 'r-' indicates it was in a preliminary round)

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## ESAA GIRLS CHAMPIONS

1952	S	100y	Margaret Francis	1989	J	HJ	Suzie Filce
1952	S	4x110y	Cheshire	1990	I	HJ	Suzie Filce
1953	S	LJ	P. Hatch	1991	I	HJ	Suzie Filce
1955	I	80yH	Jean Walker	1992	J	LJ	Rebecca Lewis
1956	S	80mH	Jean Walker	1992	S	400mH	Nicola Sutton
1965	S	4x110y	Cheshire	1994	I	HEP	Rebecca Lewis
1971	J	DT	Jane Pickering	1994	I	LJ	Rebecca Lewis
1972	S	400m	Paula Lloyd	1995	S	CC	Jane Groves
1973	J	DT	Valerie Watson	1995	S	HEP	Rebecca Lewis
1973	I	100m	Averil McClelland	1995	S	800m	Jane Groves
1973	S	400m	Paula Lloyd	1996	S	CC	Amy Waterlow
1974	S	CC	Barbara Schofield	1996	S	3000m	Amy Waterlow
1974	J	800m	Sue Parker	1996	S	LJ	Rebecca Lewis
1974	I	1500m	Ann-Maria Robinson	1997	S	1500m	Alex Carter
1974	I	200m	Averil McClelland	1998	I	200m	Jeni McCarthy
1974	I	80mH	Shirley Strong	1998	I	4x100m	Cheshire
1974	I	DT	Valerie Watson	1998	S	1500m	Alex Carter
1974	S	200m	Diane Heath	1998	S	DT	Elaine Cank
1974	S	400m	Tracey Doyle	2001	S	PV	Kate Dennison
1975	J	JT	Patsy Whelan	2005	I	300m	Hayley Jones
1975	I	80mH	Shirley Strong	2005	I	4x100m	Cheshire
1975	I	DT	Valerie Watson	2006	S	400m	Hayley Jones
1975	S	200m	Diane Heath	2007	S	CC	Heather Timmins
1976	I	200m	Michelle Probert	2007	S	100m	Hayley Jones
1976	I	400m	Liz Beton	2007	S	1500m	Stevie Stockton
1976	S	DT	Valerie Watson	2010	S	1500m	Rebecca Craigie
1977	J	200m	Jane Parry	2011	J	LJ	Amy Williams
1977	S	400m	Liz Beton	2011	S	400mH	Abi Fitzpatrick
1977	S	4x100m	Cheshire	2012	J	LJ	Amy Williams
1978	J	200m	Jane Parry	2013	I	TJ	Amy Williams
1980	I	200m	Jane Parry	2014	I	800m	Carys McAulay
1981	I	200m	Jane Parry	2015	I	300mH	Chloe Esegbona
1981	I	80mH	Ann Girvan	2015	S	1500m ST	Aimee Pratt
1982	I	400mH	Jillian Booth	2016	I	DT	Isobel Griffin-Morris
1982	S	200m	Jane Parry	2017	J	CC	Sian Heslop
1983	S	200m	Jane Parry	2017	J	PEN	Abi Pawlett
1984	J	1500m	Sue Parker	2017	I	JT	Emma Howe
1985	S	CC	Melissa Smith	2019	J	1500m	Holly Weedall
1987	J	100m	Jane Riley	2019	I	300mH	Emily Misantoni
1988	S	100m	Rebecca Bulpitt	2019	I	LJ	Abi Pawlett
1988	S	1500m	Sue Parker	2021	J	HJ	Thea Brown

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## ESAA BOYS CHAMPIONS

1949	I	JT	Maurice Morrell	1971	S	800m	Tony Settle
1950	J	880y	B. Fox	1971	S	DT	Guy Dirkin
1950	J	JT	D. Clarkson	1973	I	CC	Malcolm Plant
1950	I	880y	D. Anderson	1973	I	800m	Michael Naldrett
1950	I	JT	R. Williams	1973	I	PV	Rupert Goodall
1950	S	DT	R. Laverick	1973	S	400mH	Martin Ollier
1951	I	880y	D. Anderson	1974	I	HT	Andrew Sparks
1951	S	JT	P. Scott	1974	I	PV	Rupert Goodall
1952	S	880y	D. Anderson	1974	S	800m	Michael Naldrett
1952	S	JT	K. F. Clark	1975	J	JT	Nicholas Tearle
1954	S	880y	Anthony Day	1975	S	PV	Rupert Goodall
1955	S	880y	Anthony Day	1976	I	100m	Simon Norton
1957	S	880y	William Reid	1976	S	JT	Russell Good
1959	J	DT	W. Heggbotham	1976	S	PV	Rupert Goodall
1959	I	4x110y	Cheshire	1977	J	1500m	Philip Hicken
1960	J	DT	Dennis Roscoe	1980	S	2000mST	Andy Green
1960	J	SP	John Holmes	1982	J	4x100m	Cheshire
1960	I	HT	J. Taylor	1988	I	1500mST	Steven Hope
1960	S	4x110y	Cheshire	1989	J	1500m	Dominic Hopson
1962	I	DT	Dennis Roscoe	1989	J	HT	Mark Tully
1963	J	CC	David Brennan	1990	I	4x100m	Cheshire
1964	J	CC	David Buckley	1992	J	PEN	Scott Walker
1965	J	TJ	Christopher Allen	1992	I	OCT	Matthew Lewis
1965	I	CC	David Buckley	1992	I	1500mST	Ben Reese
1965	I	220y	John Harrison	1992	S	2000mST	Stuart Kefford
1965	S	HT	Barry Williams	1992	S	200m	Allyn Condon
1966	J	1M	Dave Dutton	1992	S	DT	Elliott Cole
1966	J	440y	John Vernon	1993	S	100m	Allyn Condon
1966	S	880y	John Davies	1993	S	200m	Matthew Bridle
1967	S	LJ	John Williams	1994	S	PV	Dominic Shepherd
1968	S	220y	John Harrison	2003	I	100mH	Craig France
1968	S	4x110y	Cheshire	2005	J	200m	Tony Corrigan
1969	J	800m	Paul Jackson	2006	I	200m	Tony Corrigan
1969	J	HJ	Keith Parkins	2008	J	800m	Sam Dykes
1969	J	HT	Bruce Sutherland	2010	S	CC	Harry Ellis
1969	S	110mH	Nick Winter	2014	J	CC	Matthew Willis
1969	S	400mH	Eric Frost	2016	I	CC	Matthew Willis
1970	I	800m	Tony Settle	2016	I	3000m	Matthew Willis
1970	I	HJ	Keith Parkins	2016	I	SP	George Hyde
1970	S	DT	Guy Dirkin	2017	I	SP	George Hyde
1971	I	HT	Bruce Sutherland	2018	S	CC	Matthew Willis

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## SCHOOLS INTERNATIONAL ATHLETICS BOARD (SIAB)

The SIAB hold 3 annual international meetings for school athletes from England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales. These are *Cross Country*, *Track and Field* and *Indoor Pentathlon Internationals*. A fourth championship, an *Indoor Track and Field International* meeting, was also held from 1990 to 2000.

### SIAB GIRLS WINNERS

1964	S	880y	Jane Perry	1992	U16	iLJ	Rebecca Lewis
1972	S	400m	Paula Lloyd	1994	U18	iPEN	Rebecca Lewis
1973	S	400m	Paula Lloyd	1994	I	LJ	Rebecca Lewis
1974	I	1500m	Ann-Maria Robinson	2000	I	PV	Kate Dennison
1974	I	80mH	Shirley Strong	2005	I	1500m	Stevie Stockton
1975	I	80mH	Shirley Strong	2005	I	300m	Hayley Jones
1975	I	DT	Valerie Watson	2012	U18	iPEN	Olivia Montez-Brown
1976	I	200m	Michelle Probert	2014	I	800m	Carys McAulay
1976	I	400m	Liz Beton	2017	U16	iPEN	Abi Pawlett
1981	I	80mH	Ann Girvan	2018	O16	iPEN	Abi Pawlett
1989	I	100m	Jane Riley	2019	I	300mH	Emily Misantoni
1989	U16	iPEN	Suzie Filce	2019	J	CC	Holly Weedall
1990	I	HJ	Suzie Filce	2019	I	LJ	Abi Pawlett
1991	I	HJ	Suzie Filce				

### SIAB BOYS WINNERS

1962	S	DT	Dennis Roscoe	1974	I	PV	Rupert Goodall
1966	S	880y	John Davies	1974	I	TJ	Leigh McGinley
1967	S	LJ	John Williams	1992	I	1500mST	Ben Reese
1968	S	220y	John Harrison	2003	I	100mH	Craig France
1969	S	110mH	Nick Winter	2003	I	SP	William Lowndes
1970	S	DT	Guy Dirkin	2016	I	CC	Matthew Willis
1971	S	DT	Guy Dirkin	2017	I	SP	George Hyde
1972	S	800m	Alan Mottershead	2022	I	CC	Robert Price
1973	S	400mH	Martin Ollier				

SIAB winning performances are shown in the abbreviated format *yyyy a eeee* where :

*yyyy* Championship Year

*a* Age Group (I – Intermediate, J – Junior, S – Senior, Under-16 (U16), Over-16 (O16) and Under-18 (U18))

*eeee* Event (preceded by an 'i' indicates at a SIAB indoor meeting)

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## WORLD JUNIOR / U20 MEDALLISTS - BOYS

1992 Allyn Condon 4 x 100m Gold

## EUROPEAN JUNIOR / U20 MEDALLISTS - GIRLS

1973 Janet Ravenscroft 4 x 400m Silver

1975 Diane Heath 4 x 400m Bronze

1977 Michelle Probert 4 x 100m Bronze

2007 Hayley Jones 200m Gold, 4 x 100m Gold and 4 x 400m Silver

## EUROPEAN JUNIOR / U20 MEDALLISTS - BOYS

1985 John Rigg 4 x 400m Gold

1993 Allyn Condon 4 x 100m Gold and 4 x 400m Gold

1999 Adam Buckley 4 x 400m Bronze

Allyn Condon (1991 4 x 400m-1) ran in the 4 x 400m heat but not in the final.

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## MULTI-SPORT ATHLETES

Many gifted young athletes who competed in the English Schools' Athletic Association (ESAA) Championships have become very successful in a wide variety of sports including Bobsleigh, Boxing, Cricket, Cycling, Darts, Football, Hockey, Modern Pentathlon, Netball, Powerlifting, Rowing, Rugby League, Rugby Union, Skeleton, Triathlon and Weightlifting.

Details follow of three of Cheshire's ESAA competitors who have gone on to have a successful career in other sports :

### **BOBSLEIGH - ALLYN CONDON**

Allyn represented Cheshire when winning the 1992 ESAA Senior 200 metres and the 1993 ESAA Senior 100 metres titles. He won 4 x 100 metres relay gold medals at both the 1998 European Championships and the 2002 Commonwealth Games.

Allyn moved to bobsleigh in 2006 after his athletics career ended and was 5th in the 2007 World Champs 4-man bob and 17th in the 2010 Olympic 4-man bob.

### **FOOTBALL – GLYN PARDOE**

Glyn was the 1960 Cheshire Schools 220 yards champion and represented Cheshire in the 1960 and 1961 ESAA Junior 220 yards. He was already playing for the Mid-Cheshire schools football team and attracting the attention of Everton and Manchester City.

He joined Manchester City as an amateur in 1961 and, in April 1962 at only 15 years and 314 days of age, became their youngest ever player. Glyn was a 'one club man' going on to play 380 times for City before retiring in 1976 to become a youth development coach at the club for a further 16 years.

He won the 1967-68 First Division title (only missing 1 game through injury); the FA Cup in 1969; the League Cup in 1970 (scoring the winning goal); and the UEFA Cup Winners Cup in 1970.

Alan also won 4 England Under-23 caps in 1969.

### **TRIATHLON - GEORGIA TAYLOR-BROWN MBE**

Georgia represented Cheshire when finishing 7th in the 2010 ESAA Inter Cross Country. In 2013 she won a team bronze medal in the World Junior Cross Country Championships. Incidentally her father, Darryl Taylor, was runner-up in the ESAA Intermediate 800m.

She combined athletics and triathlon very successfully winning the European Triathlon Junior Championships in 2012 and 2013. In 2013 she won the bronze medal in the World Junior Triathlon.

In the senior ranks Georgia won the World Triathlon Series (World Championship) bronze medal in 2018 and 2019. The 2019 bronze included her maiden World Triathlon Series event win in Leeds in 2019 which was followed up by a win in the 2020 World Triathlon Series event in 2020.

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In her greatest triumphs to date, Georgia won the silver medal in the 2020 Olympic Women's Triathlon and the gold in the Mixed Relay Triathlon.

She was awarded the MBE in 2022.