

# ESAA REGIONAL COMBINED EVENTS

## MIDLANDS REGION

### DERBY 2026

This year's Regional English Schools Combined events took place in Derby. Eight hardy individuals set out to represent the County. Zac Coulson (Abingdon AC), Sam Lyne (Swindon AC) and Max Wyness (Radley AC) formed our only team in the Junior Boys' Pentathlon. All three are relatively new to most of the disciplines but they pushed themselves in an attempt to gain a team place in the National Finals at Bedford in September. Zac finished 7<sup>th</sup> overall with a host of PBs. Max finished 13<sup>th</sup> and Sam was 17<sup>th</sup>. The guys thoroughly enjoyed a great day in sweltering weather conditions. It was a great endeavour by all three boys and we should see them progress into the Octathlon in 2027.

Our only other male entrant was Senior Boy Toros Esen (Oxford City AC). Toros came with a good number of events well-rehearsed and some he was trying for the very first time! He really liked challenging himself in his first Decathlon and was rewarded with a 3<sup>rd</sup> place and a spot at the Nationals.

Our only Minor Girl was Tresaray Coddington (WSE&H) who finished 5<sup>th</sup> and just missed out on a national spot. Her skillset will lend itself to the Heptathlon which she will enter next year.

In the Inter Girls we missed Elysia Chilvers (WSE&H) who was on duty at the U18 EURO trials. This meant our two surviving team members would be left to fight for an individual spot in the finals. Molly Lyne (Swindon AC) and Lola Williams (WSE&H) fought through, with Molly getting five pbs and Lola two. Molly finished 3<sup>rd</sup> and Lola 6<sup>th</sup> and without doubt Elysia would have won, so we just missed out on the team winning.

In the Senior Girls, making her CE debut was Georgia Bower (Bicester AC) – she managed four pbs and competed well in unfamiliar events, finishing 6<sup>th</sup> in her first Heptathlon.

A review of athletes across the Country in the other five regions may result in Georgia and Molly gaining wild card entry to the Nationals, but we will need to await the judges' view on allocation of the nine wild card entries.

For full results, see: <https://esaa.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2026/06/Midland-Combined-Events-Championships-Full-Results.pdf>

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