

## **Carmarthen Harriers Athletics Team Honours Board**

**It is an honour to have been the chairman of Carmarthen and District Harriers Athletics Club for a period of 37 years ( 1981 – 2018) and to have been one of its team managers at pretty well all its inter club matches.**

**This report is a tribute to the very many hundreds of Carmarthen Harriers athletes I have been involved with and travelled thousands of miles with in Harriers team coaches to matches all over Wales and England in the last forty years.**

**Inter club competition has been and should still be the base of all clubs. Athletes train in order to compete and there is nothing better than being a member of an athletics club on the day of a League match.**

**I have not been a person to keep a personal diary and therefore in this report have relied on my Carmarthen Harriers Annual Reports to put together as comprehensively as possible a record of the Carmarthen Harriers team results in its many inter club competitions.**

I have no records of the excellent Kate Williams and Young Glamorgan Athletes Leagues that were so popular in the 1980's and 1990's.

**Carmarthen Harriers had a very good and successful senior teams in the 1970's with many outstanding Welsh international members.**

**In the period 1994 to 2009 the Carmarthen Harriers junior team (11-20) was pretty well unbeatable in Wales and in that period the Club won the Welsh Junior (11-20) League Cup Final sixteen times in seventeen years.**

**This event was held in the middle August at the end of a very busy inter club season. Carmarthen would every year qualify for the Final by finishing in the top two positions of the West Junior (11-20) League (3 matches). The Welsh Cup Final would be a key match for the Harriers team. We would always have a full team of 75 members with reserves on standby.it was run like a military operation with the Harriers team travelling to Brecon or other venues in two coaches, one for the boys and one for the girls.**

In the same period Carmarthen Harriers competed in the UK Midlands Young Athletes League (11-17) Division One or Premier League.

**Many of our U20 members, both male and female were medalists at Welsh schools and Welsh championships and regular members of Dyfed schools , West Wales inter regional and Welsh teams**

**Sadly, both Leagues came to end. The excellent Welsh Junior League (11-20) ended in 2009 when a new Welsh Junior (9-15) League replaced it. The proposal for the new Welsh Junior (9-15) League went to a vote at a meeting at Rhayader and it was voted in by seven votes to six with the Hereford Club supporting the proposal. This resulted in four fewer junior (11-20) inter club matches in Wales as the new Welsh Junior (9-15) League effectively replaced the old Louise Arthur (9-15) and South East Wales (9-17) Leagues.**

In the last ten years Carmarthen Harriers has had many fewer U17 and U20 members as there has been far fewer competitions for them and the opportunity to compete for Carmarthen Harriers in inter club events.

Carmarthen Harriers has been fortunate in the last 30 years to have had annual Carmarthenshire and Dyfed primary schools indoor sportshall athletics, cross country and athletics championships with up to 4000 Dyfed primary school pupils taking part each year in the competitions organised by Hedydd Davies on behalf of Carmarthen Harriers.

Not only have these events been an introduction to the sport of athletics but an invaluable source for Dyfed secondary schools ( winners of the Welsh schools overall inter district team cup 28 times since 1980) and Carmarthen and District Harriers Athletics Club and other Dyfed athletics clubs.

At present there are no definite plans to hold these primary school events in the future. It will be a sad day if these events disappear as have so many other athletics and cross country competitions in Wales in the last 10 years.

There are proposals now for a new Welsh inter regional athletics championship and Welsh under 15 junior development competition . Both involve fewer competitors and a reduced programme. Welsh Athletics will not be involved as much in these new competitions as they were with the old ones

The Covid- 19 pandemic of the last two years has had an enormous effect on all sport.

Youngsters will now become more involved in other sports like football and rugby as Wales are now doing very well in these two sports.

I am now too old to be an active administrator or organiser in Welsh athletics in 2022.

Hedydd Davies  
Chairman Carmarthen and District Harriers Athletics Club 1981 – 2018  
2 April 2022

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Year	Achievement
1974	Welsh Mens League Champions
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1983	Welsh Women's League Champions
1987	Golden Wonder (11-15) overall team champions
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1992	UK McDonalds Midlands Boys (11-17) Division One Champions Golden Wonder (11-15) overall team champions

1994	<p><b>Won the Welsh Junior (11-20) League Cup Final</b>  <b>Won the West Junior League (11-20). All three matches</b></p>
1995	<p><b>Won the Welsh Junior (11-20) Junior League Cup Final</b>  <b>Won Golden Wonder (9-15) Trophy</b>  Second Louise Arthur (9-15) overall  Sixth UK YA Midlands Premier Girls League  Fifth UK YA Midlands Premier Boys League  Sixth Welsh Senior Ladies League  Golden Wonder (11-15) overall team champions</p>
1996	<p><b>Won the Welsh Junior League (11-20) Cup Final</b>  <b>Won all three West Junior League (11-20) matches to qualify for the Welsh Cup Final</b>  <b>UK McDonalds Midlands Boys (11-17) Division One champions</b>  <b>Louise Arthur (9-15) overall team champions</b>  <b>Golden Wonder (11-15) overall team champions</b></p>
1997	<p><b>Won the Welsh Junior League (11-20) Cup Final at Brecon (day of Princess Diana's death)</b>  <b>Won all three West Junior League (11-20) matches to qualify for the Welsh Junior Cup Final</b>  Louise Arthur League (9-15) overall team champions  Golden Wonder (11-15) overall team champions</p>
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1999	<p><b>Won the Welsh Junior League (11-20) Cup Final) for the sixth year in succession</b>  <b>Won all three West Junior League (11-20) matches to qualify for the Welsh Cup Final</b>  Louise Arthur League (9-15) overall team champions  Golden Wonder (11-15) overall team champions</p>
2000	<p><b>Won the West Junior League (11-20) to qualify for the Welsh Junior League Cup Final</b>  <b>Second by 89 points to Cardiff in the 2000 Welsh Junior (11-20) League Cup Final at Brecon</b>  Louise Arthur League (9-15) overall team champions.  Gerald Codd (9-15) overall team champions</p>
2001	<p><b>Won the Welsh Junior League (11-20) Cup Final at Brecon</b>  <b>Won the West Junior League (11-20) to qualify for the Welsh Junior Cup Final.</b>  <b>Won the Louise Arthur League (9-15) overall team champions</b>  <b>Gerald Codd (9-15) overall team champions</b></p>
2002	<p><b>Won the Welsh Junior(11-20) League Cup Final at Connah's Quay by 169 points</b>  <b>1 Carmarthen 1822 2 Wrexham 1657 3 Cardiff 1150 4 Menai 626 5 Brecon 501</b>  <b>6 Bridgend 428 7 Cwmbran 78</b>  <b>Won the Louise Arthur (9-15) overall team title for the eight year in succession. Also, the overall boys and girls team trophies</b>  <b>Won the UK Midlands YAL Division One Girls League (won all three matches)</b>  <b>Boys were sixth in the UK Midlands Premier Boys League</b>  <b>Won the Welsh Senior Division Two League</b></p>
2003	<p><b>Won the 2003 Welsh Junior (11-20) Cup Final at Brecon by 239 points (ninth win in last 10 years )</b>  <b>1 Carmarthen 1980 2 Cardiff 1741 3 Wrexham 1130 4 Swansea 1030</b>  <b>5 Newport 1020 6 Deeside 983 7 Brecon 724 8 Aberdare 632</b></p>

	<p>Won the Louise Arthur (9-15) team trophy for the ninth year in succession. Also, the Boys and Girls overall team trophies.</p> <p>Won the Gerald Codd (9-15) team trophy</p> <p>16th in the UK Girls YAL Midlands Premier League Boys were 16<sup>th</sup> in their Midlands Premier League</p> <p>6<sup>th</sup> in Welsh Senior League</p>
2004	<p>Won the Welsh Junior (11-20) League Cup Final at Brecon for the eighth time. Won by 389 points.</p> <p>1 Carmarthen 1721 2 Cardiff 1332 3 Wrexham 1117 4 Deeside 1039 5 Newport 1034 6 Swansea 861 7 Cwmbran 754 8 Bridgend 641.</p> <p>Won the 2004 Louise Arthur League (11-15) overall team trophy for the ninth year in Succession. Also won the boys and girls team trophies. Retained the Gerald Codd Trophy Fourth in UK Midlands YAL Division one</p> <p>Sixth in Welsh Senior Division One League</p>
2005	<p>Won the Welsh Junior (11=20) League Cup Final at Brecon for the ninth time. Won by 354 points.</p> <p>1 Carmarthen 1756 2 Cardiff 1402 3 Wrexham 1146 4 Swansea 1065 5 Deeside 944 6 Brecon 755 7 Bridgend 693 8 Newport 394</p> <p>Won the UK Midland YAL (11-17) Division one Team Title</p> <p>Won the Louise Arthur (9-15) Overall Team Trophy and the Gerald Codd Team trophy</p> <p>Won the Welsh Athletics Wilkinson Sword Trophy (club winning most gold medals (30) in the 2005 Welsh all ages Athletics Championships)</p>
2006	<p>Won the Welsh Junior (11-20) Junior League Cup Final at Brecon. Winners for the 12<sup>th</sup> time in 13 years. Won by 419 points</p> <p>1 Carmarthen 1794 2 Cardiff 1375 3 Cwmbran 1165 5 Wrexham 1106 5 Swansea 967 6 Deeside 801 7 Pembrokeshire 640 8 Brecon 592.</p> <p>Won the Wilkinson Sword Trophy (Most gold medals -33 in the 2066 Welsh all age athletics championships.</p> <p>Won the Louise Arthur (9-15) League and the Gerald Codd (9-15) trophy</p>
2007	<p>Won the Welsh Junior League (11-20) Cup Final by 186 points in Brecon (14<sup>th</sup> time in 15 years )</p> <p>1 Carmarthen 1644 2 Cardiff 1456 3 Swansea 1271 4 Cwmbran 999 5 Wrexham 946 6 Deeside 891 7 Brecon 762 8 Pembrokeshire 575.</p> <p>Louise Arthur League (9-15) overall team champions</p> <p>Won Gerald Codd (9-15) Team Trophy</p> <p>Won Welsh Boys and Girls Clubs Athletics Team Championship</p> <p>15 UK YAL (11-17) Midlands Premier League</p> <p>4 Welsh Senior (15+) League</p> <p>Won for the third year in succession the Wilkinson Sword Trophy for winning the most gold medals (28 ) in the 2007 Welsh Athletics Championships</p> <p>Top UK Field Events Club (all age group) in 2007.</p>
2008	<p>Won the 2008 Welsh Junior (11-20) Junior League Cup Final at Brecon by 109 points.</p> <p>1 Carmarthen 1640 2 Cardiff 1531 3 Swansea 1348 4 Deeside 1009 5 Wrexham 875 6 Cwmbran 841 7 Newport 655 8 Bridgend 607</p> <p>Won the 2008 Uk Midlands YAL Division one title.</p>

	<b>Won for the Fourth year in succession the Wilkinson Sword Trophy (The Club winning the most gold medals (30 in 2008) in the 2008 Welsh junior and senior athletics championships.</b>
2009	<b>Won the 2009 Welsh Junior League (9-15) Cup Final at Brecon by 139 points. Winners of the first Welsh U15 Cup Final. 1 Carmarthen 1154 2 Swansea 1015 3 Pembrokeshire 939 4 Cardiff 748 5 Deeside 724 6 Newport 598 7 Hereford 590 8 Menai 555.</b> Second in the 2009 Wilkinson Sword Trophy (23 gold medals with Cardiff 29 gold medals) in the 2009 Welsh all age championships.
2010	<b>Won the 2010 Welsh Junior (11-20) League Cup Final at Brecon (16<sup>th</sup> time in 17 years). 1 Carmarthen 1632 2 Cardiff 1574 3 Swansea 1425 4 Pembrokeshire 1029 5 Wrexham 899 6 Cwmbran 898 7 Newport 530. Won the 2010 UK Midlands (11-17) YAL Midlands Division South West title (won all four matches)</b> Second in the 2010 Louise Arthur (11-15) team title Third in the 2010 Gerald Codd (11-15) team title Fourth in the 2010 Welsh Senior League
2011	Second in the 2011 Welsh Junior U15 League Cup Final at Brecon 1 Swansea 1168 2 Carmarthen 1016 3 Pembrokeshire 989 4 Cardiff 799 5 Colwyn Bay 697 6 Cwmbran 613 7 Wrexham 572 8 Newport. Third in the 2011 Louise Arthur League/ WJL U15 League Third In the Gerald Codd Cup Trophy Fifth in the 2011 Welsh Senior League
2012	Third in the 2012 Welsh Junior (9-15) League Cup Final at Brecon. 1 Swansea 1083 2 Pembrokeshire 1029 3 Carmarthen 1007 4 Cardiff 892 5 Wrexham 671 6 Newport 567 7 Cwmbran 420 8 Colwyn Bay 400 First in the 2012 UK McCain Midlands West YAL (11-17) Division one Third in the 2012 Louise Arthur/Welsh U15 League Third in the Gerald Codd Trophy match Sixth in the 2012 Welsh Senior League
2013	5 <sup>th</sup> in the 2013 Welsh Junior (9-15) League Cup Final at Brecon. 1 Swansea 1238 2 Cardiff 1143 3 Cardiff Archers 1094 4 Pembrokeshire 879 6 Newport 677 7 Wrexham 259 3 <sup>rd</sup> in the Louise Arthur (9-15)/WJL West League and the Gerald Codd Trophy 5 <sup>th</sup> in the 2013 Welsh Senior League (15+) League 7 <sup>th</sup> in the UK Midlands West (11-15) YAA League
2014	Second in the 2014 Welsh Senior (15+) League Cup Final at Brecon 1 Swansea 1007 2 Carmarthen 713 3 Pembrokeshire 523 4 Cardiff 491 5 Brecon 483 6 Neath 291 7 Llanelli 179 8 Barry 80 Third Overall team in the Louise Arthur (9-15) League and the Gerald Codd Trophy Fifth in the 2014 Welsh Junior (9-15) Junior League Cup Final at Newport 1 Swansea 1151 2 Cardiff Archers 1089 3 Cardiff 983 4 Pembrokeshire 892 5 Carmarthen 723 6 Neath 636 7 Newport 568 8 Menai 446
2015	Third in the 2015 Welsh Senior (U17/20) Senior Cup Final at Swansea 1 Brecon 853 2 Swansea 831 3 Carmarthen 705 4 Cardiff 620 5 Pembrokeshire 580 6 Neath 460 7 Run4All Neath 460 8 Barry and Vale 203 Third in the Louise Arthur/ WJL West (9-15) League

	Third in the Gerald Codd (9-15) Trophy Fifth in the Welsh Junior (9-15) League Cup Final at Newport 1 Cardiff 1108 2 Cardiff Archers 1058 3 Swansea 1057 4 Pembrokeshire 787 5 Carmarthen 701 6 Newport 590 7 Blaenau Gwent 570 8 Wrexham 218.
<b>2016</b>	Third In the 2016 Louise Arthur (9-15)/WJL Junior League Third In the 2016 Gerald Codd (9-15) Trophy. Fourth in the 2016 Welsh Senior League Cup Final at Swansea 1 Swansea 1189 2 Cardiff 900 3 Brecon 728 4 Carmarthen 526 5 Neath 460 6 Run4All Neath 431 7 Pembrokeshire 423 8 Newport 208. Fifth in the 2016 Welsh Junior (9-15) League Cup Final at Newport 1 1 Cardiff 1192 2 Cardiff Archers 1082 3 Swansea 990 4 Pembrokeshire 875 5 Carmarthen 606 6 Rhymney Valley 587 7 Newport 542 8 Neath 532
<b>2017</b>	3 Gerald Codd Trophy at Haverfordwest 1 Pembrokeshire 594 2 Swansea 538 3 Carmarthen 442 4 Llanelli 5 Neath 107 3 Louise Arthur League (9-15) 1 Swansea3749 2 Pembrokeshire 2856 3 Carmarthen 2688 4 Bridgend 2370 5 Brecon 2457 6 Barry and Vale 1619 7 Neath 1761 8 Llanelli 1589 7 Welsh Senior League 1 Swansea 4143 2 Brecon 2806 3 Cardiff 3011 4 Neath 2056 5 Pembrokeshire 2048 6 Aberdare1870 7 CARMARTHEN 1361 8 NEWPORT 1362 8 Welsh Junior League Cup Final at Newport 1 Cardiff Archers 1131 2 Cardiff 1092 3 Swansea 1074 4 Rhymney Valley 781 5 Newport 644 6 Bridgend 589 7 Pembrokeshire 577 8 Carmarthen 402
<b>2018</b>	3 Gerald Codd Trophy (9-15) 1 Swansea 1070 2 Pembrokeshire 3 Carmarthen 659 4 Neath 360 5 Llanelli 311 6 Bridgend225 5 Welsh Junior League (9-15) up Final at Swansea 1 Swansea 1070 2 Cardiff Archers 1060 3 Cardiff 937 4 Newport 884 5 Cardiff 826 6 Pembrokeshire 616 7 Bridgend 442 8 Rhymney Valley 441
<b>2019</b>	2 in Louise Arthur/WJL (9-15) League 5 In Welsh (9-15) League Cup Final at Swansea 1 Swansea 1087 2 Cardiff 1012 3 Cardiff Archers 989 4 Newport 931 5 Carmarthen 840 6 Rhymney Valley 579 6 7 Pembrokeshire 573 8 Brecon 464
<b>2020</b>	<b>No Events Covid- 19 Pandemic</b>
<b>2021</b>	No Events Covid -19 Pandemic
<b>2022</b>	

**Hedydd Davies 4 April 2022**  
**President Carmarthen and District Harriers Athletics Club**