

ESAA – GIRL CHAMPIONS AT ALL AGE GROUPS

This document highlights those girl athletes who have, as a minimum, won SAA/ESAA titles in each age group. The ESAA was known as simply the *Schools' Athletic Association (SAA)* till 1961.

111 girl athletes have won at least one title in each of the 3 age groups.

The majority of the athletes won all of their titles in the same event but there are many notable exceptions. I have mentioned a few of them below.

June Edgerley (Buckinghamshire) is the only athlete to have won titles in 4 age groups. Her schools' athletic career lasted from 1947 to 1950. She won her first title in 1947 in the then Under-14 age group. In 1948 the age groups became Junior, Intermediate and Senior although Senior events only started in 1950. June won a title at each of the 'new' age groups in addition to her Under-14 one.

Jo Sloane (Hereford & Worcs) is the only ESAA athlete, girl or boy, ever to win the 100m, 200m and 400m titles. She won the 100m Junior title in 1991, the 200m Intermediate in 1993 and the Senior 400m in 1995.

From 2003 to 2006 **Lucy Boggis** (Oxfordshire) completed an unusual Javelin, Heptathlon, and 100m Hurdles winning combination.

From 1997 to 2002 **Aileen Wilson** (Leicestershire and Cambridgeshire) won Pentathlon and Heptathlon titles and 6 high jump titles. Her 8 title wins means she shares the honour of most ESAA wins by a girl competitor with Emily Pidgeon.

Emily Pidgeon (Gloucestershire) was twice a 1500m champion, a 3000m champion and won 5 Cross Country titles from 2002 to 2006. As stated above, with 8 ESAA title wins, she shares the honour of most wins by a girl competitor.

Eight of those winning all their titles at one event did so with 2 titles in each age group. They are :

Fiona Condon (Berkshire) in the Discus from 1974 to 1979

Jane Parry (Cheshire) in the 200m from 1997 to 1983

Linda Knowles (Essex) in the High Jump from 1960 to 1965

Rebecca Mersh (South Yorkshire) in the Walks from 2002 to 2007

Emma Ward (Staffordshire) in the 1500m from 1995 to 2000

Donna Fraser (Surrey) in the 200m from 1986 to 1981

Emma Merry (Warwickshire and West Midlands) in the Discus from 1986 to 1981

Sarah Bennett (West Midlands) in the Walks from 1992 to 1998.

THE LIST OF CHAMPIONS

The athletes are listed in County order. The year range of their title wins is shown and the events and number of times the each event was won is shown. For race walkers only the number of wins is shown.

ATHLETE	COUNTY	YEARS	EVENTS (WINS)
KATRINA WOOTTON	Bedfordshire	2000-2003	CC (1), 1500m (2)
FIONA CONDON	Berkshire	1974-1979	Discus (6)
JACKIE ELSMORE	Berkshire	1968-1972	Discus (4)
LESLEY OWUSU	Berkshire	1993-1997	200m (1), 300m (1), 400m (1)
SIMMONE JACOBS	Berkshire	1981-1984	200m (3)
AYESHA JONES	Buckinghamshire	2021-2024	Javelin (3)
ELISE LYON	Buckinghamshire / Somerset	1980-1984	1500m (3)
JEAN EDGERLEY	Buckinghamshire	1947-1950	70yH (1), 75yH (1), 80yH(1), 80mH (1)
CHLOE EDWARDS	Cambridgeshire	2001-2005	Shot (4)
GOLDIE SAYERS	Cambridgeshire	1996-1999	Javelin (4)
JANE PARRY	Cheshire	1977-1983	200m (6)
NATASHA WILSON	Cumbria	2010-2013	Javelin (4)
REBECCA LEWIS	Cheshire	1992-1996	Long Jump (3), Heptathlon (2)
VALERIE WATSON	Cheshire	1973-1976	Discus (4)
OLIVIA MASON	Cumbria	2016-2020	1500m (1), CC (2)
ELLA RUSH	Derbyshire	2018-2021	Pentathlon (1), Heptathlon (2)
DANI BARNES	Devon	2000-2003	1500m (2), 800m (1), CC (1)
LESLEY MALLIN	Devon	1970-1974	Discus (4)
MANDY LIVERTON	Devon	1987-1990	Javelin (4)
HANNAH MOLYNEAUX	Dorset / Lincolnshire	2014-2018	Shot (4)
LOUISE WATTON	Dorset	2000-2005	Javelin (4)
ANN WILSON	Essex	1963-1968	High Jump (2) Long Jump (3)
GEORGIA TAYLOR	Essex	2011-2015	Discus (3)
HAYLEY McLEAN	Essex	2009-2013	Pentathlon (1), 300mH (1), 400mH (2)
KHAHISA MHLANGA	Essex	2014-2018	800m (4), CC (1)
LINDA KNOWLES	Essex	1960-1965	High Jump (6)
NATALIE HART	Essex	1986-1990	Discus (3), Shot (1)
RUTH RICHARDS	Essex	1976-1980	200m (2), 400m (1)
SARAH WILHEMY	Essex	1993-1997	Long Jump (1), 200m (3)
SUE MAPSTONE	Essex	1971-1974	75mH (1), Long Jump (2)
WENDY McDONNELL	Essex	1975-1979	75mH (1), 80mH (1), 100mH (2)
EMILY PIDGEON	Gloucestershire	2002-2006	CC (5), 1500m (2), 3000m (1)
JENNIE BATTEN	Gloucestershire	2007-2010	200m (4)
SHARA SPRAGG	Gloucestershire	1965-1969	Javelin (5)
HENRITTA KESSEBEH	Gtr. Manchester	1980-1983	100m (3)
PAULA COHEN	Gtr. Manchester	1985-1989	200m (3)
SOPHIE ASHURST	Gtr. Manchester	2017-2021	Pole Vault (3)
BARBARA JONES	Hampshire	1963-1966	150y (2), 220y (2)
LOUISE DAMEN	Hampshire	1997-2000	1500m (1), 3000m (3)
SALLY LUDLAM	Hampshire	1974-1978	1500m (1), 800m (3)
SAMANTHA CALLAWAY	Hampshire	2016-2019	Discus (3)
SOPHIE MERRITT	Hampshire / Wiltshire	2011-2016	Shot (5), Discus (1)
JO SLOANE	Hereford & Worcs	1991-1995	100m (1), 200m (1), 400m (1)
JANET SIMPSON	Hertfordshire	1959-1963	150y (2), 220y (2)

ABBI CARTER	Humberside	2007-2012	Discus (2), Hammer (4)
DEBBIE KERR	Kent	1967-1970	Shot (4)
DINA ASHER-SMITH	Kent	2010-2013	200m (3)
JULIE ROSE	Kent	1979-1982	1500m (3)
JUSTINE BUTTLE	Kent	1984-1987	Shot (3)
KIRSTY MORRISON	Kent	1990-1994	Javelin (5)
LILY MURRAY	Kent	2018-2023	Hammer (5)
LISA DOBRISKEY	Kent	1998-2001	800m (2), 1500m (1)
NICOLA PHILLIPS	Kent	1997-2000	Walks (3)
SABRINA SINHA	Kent	2013-2016	1500m (2), CC (2)
TATUM NELSON	Kent	1993-1997	100m (3)
AILEEN WILSON	Leicestershire / Cambridgeshire	1997-2002	High Jump (6), Pentathlon (1), Heptathlon (1)
JULIE HOLLMAN	Lincolnshire	1991-1994	Pentathlon, Long Jump (2)
SHARRON DAVENPORT	Lincolnshire	1984-1988	800m (3), 400m (1)
VIKKI HUBBARD	Lincolnshire	2003-2007	High Jump (4)
NANA GYEDU	London	2017-2021	Shot (4)
SOPHIE LEWIS WARD	London	2013-2016	Walks (3)
VALERIE WOODS	London	1959-1962	Javelin (2), Shot (1)
VERNICA JAMES	London	1997-2001	200m (5)
ALEXANDRA RUSSELL	Merseyside	2004-2008	Long Jump (3)
ANNA NICOLE ROWE	Merseyside	2013-2016	Pentathlon (1), Heptathlon (1), 400mH (1)
HELEN WILDING	Merseyside	1991-1995	Shot (5)
MARGARET CHEETHAM	Merseyside	1983-1986	Long Jump (4)
LAUREN WHELAN	Merseyside	2007-2010	Walks (3)
JADE SPENCER-SMITH	Middlesex	2015-2019	Pole Vault (3)
PIPPA BAKER	Norfolk	1976-1979	100m (4)
ELEANOR BROOME	Northamptonshire	2013-2017	Long Jump (3)
EMILY WILLIAMS	Northamptonshire	2016-2019	CC (1), 800m (1), 1500m (2)
CHARLOTTE McLENNAGHAN	Nottinghamshire	2012-2016	200m (4)
LUCY BOGGIS	Oxfordshire	2002-2006	Javelin (2), Heptathlon (1), 100mH (1)
NIKKI SLATER	Oxfordshire	1991-1994	1500m (1), CC (2), 3000m (1)
ZOE GILBODY	Shropshire	2020-2025	CC (3), 1500m (1), 3000m (1)
ISABELLE JEFFS	Somerset	2006-2010	Javelin (3)
NINA HOWLEY	South Yorkshire	1992-1995	Walks (3)
REBECCA MERSH	South Yorkshire	2002-2007	Walks (6)
ALICE LENNOX	Staffordshire	2005-2009	Long Jump (1), Heptathlon (2)
CLAIRE SUMMERFIELD	Staffordshire	1979-1982	High Jump (3)
EMMA HAMPLETT	Staffordshire	2012-2016	Javelin (4)
EMMA WARD	Staffordshire	1995-2000	1500m (6)
JO JENNINGS	Suffolk	1984-1987	High Jump (4)
SUSAN KING	Suffolk	1979-1983	Shot (4)
ANNABEL SOPER	Surrey	1986-1990	100m (3)
DONNA FRASER	Surrey	1986-1991	200m (6)
EMELIA GORECKA	Surrey	2008-2012	CC (3), 1500m (1), 3000m (2)
JEAN PEARCE	Surrey	1950-1955	High Jump (5)
JOY BOWERMAN	Surrey	1972-1975	75mH (1), Long Jump (1), 100mH (1)
LOUISE MANNING	Surrey	1981-1984	High Jump (3)
SOPHIE MACE	Surrey	2012-2017	Discus (4)
CLAIRE SMITHSON	Sussex	1997-2001	Discus (4)
ELIZABETH KORCZAK	Sussex	2017-2021	Javelin (4)
SARAH BROWN	Sussex	1979-1983	Walks (5)
SOPHIE HALES	Sussex	1999-2002	Walks (4)

EMMA MERRY	Warwickshire / West Midlands	1988-1993	Discus (6)
KAREN PUGH	Warwickshire	1980-1984	Discus (4)
MEGHAN BEESLEY	Warwickshire	2004-2008	Pentathlon (1), Heptathlon (2), 300mH (1)
SARA McGREAVY	Warwickshire	1997-2001	75mH (1), 80mH (1), 100mH (2)
CYNTHIA GREGORY	West Midlands	1978-1981	Shot (3)
JOANNA WICKHAM	West Midlands	1975-1978	Walks (3)
KAREN EDEN	West Midlands	1976-1980	Walks (4)
NIKITA CAMPBELL-SMITH	West Midlands	2009-2013	Long Jump (1), Heptathlon (1), Triple Jump (2)
SARAH BENNETT	West Midlands	1992-1998	Walks (6)
KELLY MORGAN	Wiltshire	1994-1998	Javelin (3)
ANN CHARLESWORTH	Yorkshire	1956-1959	70yH (1), 80mH (1), 100y (1)
ANNE GOODLAD	Yorkshire	1969-1972	Javelin (3)
BERYL E. WEAR	Yorkshire	1960-1964	150y (4), 220y (1)
SHEILA PARKIN	Yorkshire	1960-1964	Long Jump (4)
SUSAN MIDGLEY	Yorkshire	1966-1970	100y (1), 150y (1) 200m (2)