

The Sharks



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Herts Young Mariners come so close

Youngsters from Herts young Mariners Base in Cheshunt, were piped at the post by Hemel Hempstead Canoe Club for the Shark Summer Mini-Marathon League, missing out on the championship by just two points 99 – 97. The races which have been taking place on Tuesday evenings at Harefield, West London, have proved to be a popular battle between the two clubs with the lead swapping several times through the season.

Despite the disappointment of the overall title, many of the youngsters came away with individual medals. Matt Bishop teamed up with Grant Underwood, to take first in the Junior K2 6.4 mile in a time of 64minutes and 16 seconds, Matt was also the fastest Junior 14 in the 3.5 mile K1 event (28:02), Catherine Robinson was first Junior 18 Lady (42:29) with Emma Clarke taking the J16 prize in a time of 41:07. With Luke Robinson, who was unable to take part in the crucial last round, being the fastest J16 man (28:41), Nick Young was first J12 (33:37) and Danny Acquisto won the J12 1.5 mile race in a time of 11:41. Matt Baines J18 (34:47) and Simeon English J14 (37:06) also represented HYMB during the season.

If you want to learn to canoe and paddle for HYM then visit their website:

www.hymb.com

The next Shark series will be the Winter series, which will be held on the 2nd Saturday of each month from October through to March 2011, starting at 10:30am, timed to finish just in time to enjoy the roaring fire and good food at the Coy Carp, who kindly lend their car park to canoeists throughout the year. For more information visit:

www.thesharks.org.uk.

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For more information contact Neal on 07951 770241

K2 is the term for a double Kayak

Picture attached is of:

Neal Underwood (event organiser), Matt Bishop, Hillingdon Councillor Henry Higgins, Cabinet member for Sport, Leisure and Culture, Emma Clarke and Catherine Robinson receiving medals at the end of series prize giving.