

# Midweek Sport

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## Oliver takes first place

### SKIING

AVON Ski Club took 18 racers, including 16 under the age of 20, to the latest round of the inter-club competition at the Gloucester slope - and had its most successful meet so far this year.

Eight-year-old Oliver Mathew set a stunning time of 12.83 seconds to take first place in the under nines and found himself racing much older skiers in the head to heads that followed, having a creditable win/draw and loss from his three races.

George Case, in his first year in the under 12s, came fourth in 12.23 seconds, with two wins and a loss in the afternoon. Callum Black, aged six, came 13th in the under nines but, along with 15-year-old Becky Penman, was one of only two racers to win all three of their head to heads in the afternoon.

Nick Bell, guesting for the Harlequins team, was a very creditable ninth in the under 20s, and it was good to see a fleeting cameo from Rory Penman in the under 20s. The Avon team came a well deserved fifth, having by far the lowest average age of all the teams and outshining Gloucester and Exeter.

Sixteen members are travelling to Landgraaf in Holland to race train alongside the Swiss World Cup (ladies) Team and an Austrian FIS Team at the world's largest indoor ski centre. The experience to train in close proximity to some of the world's best skiers should be a real eye opener, and should hold the children in good stead when Weston's own planned Leisuredome opens.

Avon Ski Club can be contacted via [www.avonskiclub.co.uk](http://www.avonskiclub.co.uk) - new members are always welcome.



Oliver Mathew.

Callum Black.