

Jonathan Stocking

Age: 17

Hometown: Killwinning

Climbing since: 2004

I got into climbing by going to a friend's birthday party at Glasgow Climbing Centre, after that I was hooked and started going more regularly. I train around 5 days a week at Glasgow and Ratho and in the gym. I really enjoy comp climbing but my main passion is outdoors.



Competitions:

I've been climbing for about six years now and been in the British Team for three and a half of them. I've been ranked 4th in the Youth World Cup in 2008 and 4th in The European Youth Series. I've been the British Lead Champion for three years running (2008, 2009 & 2010) and British Bouldering Champion for two (2009 & 2010).

All Photos: Luckasz Warcheka

Photo (Below):

Jonny Stocking (right) route-reading at the EYS at Ratho 2010



REALrock:

Outside I have red-pointed up to 8b+ on sport routes and on-sighted 8a. I've also climbed Trad' routes up to E7. I've done a lot of travelling around to different climbing destinations in England and Wales as well as Scotland.

I've travelled around Europe going to different crags which has really helped my climbing. I climbed *Rollito Sharma 8b+* on a recent sport climbing holiday in Spain with Alan Cassidy, Tom Bolger, Lynn Malcolm and a few others from Glasgow. I climbed at 8b level almost non-stop on this same holiday and on-sighted my first 8a.

The two Trad' E7's I climbed were *Natural High* at Dunkeld with Neil McGeachy and *Ring my Bell* at the Graves Stones in North Wales with Adam Hughes. A trip to the Dolomites in 2009 with Neil and Adam saw us complete the *Brandler Hass route (E5 / 7a)* on the Cima Grande.

I'm sponsored by Evolve, Metolius and Prana. I also get funding from Asda (Irvine), the Birnie Trust and the Mountaineering Council of Scotland.



Jonny with Neil McGeachy and Adam Hughes



The Brandler Hass on the Cima Grande with Adam Hughes

On Gogarth's The Moon (E3) Yellow Wall

