

MCofS Youth 2010 Climbing Series



P l e a s e K e e p T h i s P a g e

Scotland North Area		
27 th Feb 2010	Climb @ Inverness	Inverness
20 th March 2010	The Ice Factor	Kinlochleven
1 st May 2010	Transition Extreme	Aberdeen
British Final: EICA: Ratho, on the 12th June 2010		

The MCofS Youth Climbing Series is a fun event organised by the MCofS in Scotland with hosting walls for young climbers born between 1993 and 2001 inclusive (see Rough Guide for details). Climbers get a chance to attempt boulder problems as well as routes. There are three age groups with separate male and female categories. The age groups are 1) those born in 94, 95 and 96; 2) those born in 97, 98 and 99; and 3) those born in 2000, 2001 and 2002. Only those in the eldest age group lead their routes. Entry to the British Final is free and the best 3 climbers in each category per region qualify. All three results count when deciding who qualifies for the British Final. However, climbers may enter individual rounds if they choose.

Registration for the event is done through the MCofS. This must be done one week prior to the event at the latest. In **exceptional circumstances** entry may be accepted on the day of the event. You will be sent venue specific information on the competition when we receive your application. Competitors will normally be expected to arrive at 9.30am on the day of the event, climbing will start at 10.00am. **Note: CLIMBERS MUST ENTER MCofS YOUTH CLIMBING SERIES IN THE AREA THAT THEY LIVE.**

Rough Guide to MCofS Youth Climbing Series Rules

The following is a brief summary of the Youth Climbing Series regulations. It is intended to help people gain a quick appreciation of the structure and rules of the series and should not be regarded as a replacement for a full understanding of the official regulations. Full details are available at www.mcofs.org.uk/y/cs

<p>The Series:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11 regional series take place simultaneously and climbers may only enter one series only Entrants must enter the series in or nearest to the region in which they live The top 3 climbers in each category qualify for the British Final event <p>The Climbers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are 3 age categories: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Those born in 1994, 1995, and 1996 Those born in 1997, 1998 and 1999 Those born in 2000, 2001 and 2002 There are separate male and female categories All entrants must have climbing experience All entrants are responsible for providing their own climbing equipment, i.e. harness, rock shoes, chalk bag and helmet. There may be some available from the host venues but remember to check first <p>The Competitions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Each event comprises 3 routes and 3 boulder problems for each category There is no isolation (competitors can watch each other climb) but there may be for a super final or climb-off All routes will usually be demonstrated Those born in 1994, 1995, and 1996 will LEAD routes. Other categories will TOP ROPE routes Competitors will have one attempt at each route Competitors will have up to 3 attempts at each boulder problem There may be time limits set on each attempt at a route or boulder problem The highest (furthest) hold used, held or touched will determine the points awarded An attempt ends when a competitor: steps back down to the ground, falls off, rests on the rope, uses prohibited holds or features, the side edges or top edge of the wall, runs out of time, fails to clip a quickdraw appropriately Boulder problems and routes are not finished until the last hold is held with both hands Scores for all climbs are totalled to give an overall score for the round Regional changes to the format and rules may apply 	<p>Conduct:</p> <p>Each regional round is run by volunteers such as parents, local climbers. They are supported by the host climbing wall staff. Certain regulations (applying to everyone involved including competitors, spectators, parents and guardians) help ensure a smooth running, good natured and FUN event:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The instructions of the Category Judge and Chief Judge must be followed at all times Any disagreement with judging decisions must be taken up with the Chief Judge, NOT the Category Judge Unsporting or abusive behaviour at any time will not be tolerated Competitors must be ready to take their turn on time A competitor who is preparing for, or in the process of attempting a climb, should, not be distracted or interfered with <p>Technical Considerations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Judging will follow broadly similar lines to the British Lead Climbing Competition events (see the BMC website for more about the BLCC's) The climbing order for the first climb is random For subsequent climbs the order is rotated so the same climbers do not go first again All holds will be marked with tags or tape to aid identification The case of a tie at the end of the round, the following 'countback' calculations will be considered: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The number of 1st, 2nd 3rd places etc. The total number of maximum scores (Tops) The total number of attempts at boulder problems If a tie still exists after countback, a superfinal will be held <p>Prizes:</p> <p>There will be trophies or awards for the overall winners in each category in each region. There may be additional prizes</p> <p>The British Final:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Entry to the British Final is free The best 3 climbers in each category qualify from each region All three results count when deciding qualifiers for the British Final Qualifiers must have attended at least 2 rounds Climbers may enter individual rounds if they choose
<p>Safety:</p> <p>Parents are reminded that wearing helmets in competitions may prevent head injuries that may result from a fall or from being struck by falling objects. Inexperienced climbers should normally wear helmets and even experienced climbers should consider their actions carefully before deciding not to wear a helmet.</p> <p>Risk & Responsibility</p> <p>Parents and young participants should be aware that climbing, hill walking and mountaineering are activities with a danger of personal injury or death. Parents and participants in these activities should be aware of and accept these risks and be responsible for their own actions and involvement. The MCofS publishes a wide range of publicity and good practice advice and provides training opportunities for its members.</p> <p>A parent, or an adult that a parent has arranged to be responsible for their child, must remain at the event to look after their child.</p>	

APPLICATION FORM

Please Send This Page To The MCofS

MCofS Youth Climbing Series 2010	1 event	2 events	3 events	Includes
Member (MCofS)	£8.50	£15.00	£22.00	
Non Member	£11.00	£20.00	£28.00	Includes 3 month membership to the MCofS which automatically includes free civil liability insurance for all events
Climber whose parents are on income support or family credit. Supported by MCofS.	£4.00	£7.00	£10.00	

*NB To receive the £3 entry, parents must return evidence of receipt of income support or family credit with the application.

First Name Last Name.....Year of Birth.....Male Female (tick)

Address

Post Code

My MCofS membership number is Tel

Email

Please note: in order to increase the speed of communication & save costs, the MCofS makes the maximum possible use of email. If you do not check your email regularly and would prefer to have information by post please tick this box , otherwise information will be sent out by email only.

MCofS Area: Scotland North

I would like to compete in (please tick appropriate boxes) - Round 1 - Round 2 - Round 3

The following details to be completed by your parent/guardian:

Signed parental consent must be received from participants before they may compete.

PARENTAL CONSENT I confirm I am the parent/guardian of the above named child and that I consent for him/her to take part in the MCofS Youth Climbing Series. I also confirm that I am aware that climbing is an activity with a danger of personal injury or death and that I am responsible for providing appropriate personal safety equipment for the above named child to undertake this competition. I have read the MCofS "Rough Guide to MCSYCS Rules" and understand the nature of the competition activity.

Signed (parent or guardian only) Date

Name of adult responsible for child on the day of the event.....(if none is provided please provide on the day of the competition to Event Coordinator. Please note: without this information the child will not be allowed to take part in the event)

Emergency contact number..... (you may pass this to Event Coordinator on the day of the event if necessary)

PLEASE ENSURE PAYMENT DETAILS ARE COMPLETED WHEN SENDING IN YOUR APPLICATION.

(PLEASE NOTE that MCofS's preferred method of payment is by cheque).

You can pay on-line by Paypal to finance@mcofs.org.uk

By Cheque: A cheque for £ payable to the 'MCofS' is enclosed.

**Please return THIS PAGE to: MCofS, the Old Granary, West Mill St. Perth PH1 5QP
ONLY POSTAL APPLICATIONS WITH PARENTAL/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE WILL BE ACCEPTED**