

# Cyclist Nick gets south east call-up

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SHOREHAM-based cyclist Nick Smith has been selected to represent the south east at the UK School Games in September at the Newport Velodrome.

He will also compete in the Southern Mountain Bike Championships, the National Track and Road Race Championships in the next few months, and has also qualified for a national championship race after a fine time saw him ease to victory in the district heat.

Smith, 16, won the London South District Heat of the GHS National Championship Time Trial in Lewes last month with a time of just 12mins 46secs.

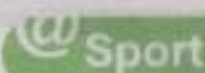
The VC Jubilee Club Brighton Excelsior cyclist finished first on the 5.7 mile course, to qualify for the Championship Final in Warwickshire on September 12, which will be a 10-mile course. His personal-best for 10 miles is 22mins 12sec but he often wins club time trials at that distance.

VC Jubilee coach Sally Page said: "Knowing this was a target for Nick this year, along with the other national level competitions, he just keeps on getting faster. It looks good for the final."



■ **SOUTH EAST CALL:** Shoreham cyclist Nick Smith will represent the south east in September

Other riders to qualify for the GHS Championships were 14-year-old Amy Jacobs, 13-year-old Matthew Hill and 12-year-old Mark Jacobs.

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