



Annabel Chaffey, on the podium at Lillehammer, Norway following her 2nd position finish in the monobob race.

Newbury Bobsleigh driver, Annabel Chaffey selected for international competition.

Following an impressive 2nd place finish in the first ever FIBT* international monobob race held in Lillehammer, Norway just before Christmas, Annabel Chaffey of Hamstead Marshall, has been selected to represent Great Britain again in the remaining two races of this inaugural season of competition. As the name suggests, monobobs are smaller bobsleighs designed to be pushed and driven by a single athlete and will be the only type used in next year's Youth Winter Olympic Games.

Commenting on her selection, Annabel, a Year 12 student at Park House School, said; "The trip to Norway was a great experience and it was really exciting to drive the monobobs for the first time. I was delighted with my second place finish and hope to improve on that in the next two races. I am training hard at the gym to improve my strength which is key to getting a fast push start." Whilst at Lillehammer, Annabel set a world record for the Ladies' Monobob start time for the track. All being well she hopes to return to the track and defend this record in February 2016 at the Youth Olympics.

Annabel, a Sports Aid, funded athlete will travel out to Konigsee, Germany on February 8th, for training on this challenging track and then following the second round of races on the 13th, will travel with the rest of the GB Bobsleigh youth team to St Moritz, Switzerland for the final competition.

Park House School and local IT company Ntegra have played a key role in supporting Annabel who only started in this tough sport just over a year ago. Annabel along with fellow Newbury slider, Codie Burnett has also been nominated

for the Best Team in the forthcoming Get Berkshire Active Awards and Annabel also has received an individual nomination.

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