

SPECIAL EDITION

OUR NATIONAL SUMMER GAMES

BIRMINGHAM 2026



Team SOSA together in Birmingham

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SWIMMERS IN RESULTS

10

SWIMMING GOLD

4

SWIMMING SILVER

2

SWIMMING BRONZE

What a Games! Our St Albans athletes brought determination, friendship and brilliant team spirit to the Special Olympics GB National Summer Games in Birmingham. Every start, finish, personal challenge and podium moment made us enormously proud.

A message to our SOSA family

To our athletes: congratulations. You trained hard, competed with courage and represented St Albans superbly. Your smiles, support for one another and willingness to give your very best captured everything that Special Olympics stands for.

To our parents and carers: thank you for making the journey, managing the early starts, cheering from the stands and giving such patient, practical and emotional support throughout the Games. Your encouragement made these achievements possible.

To our coaches and volunteers: thank you for your preparation, calm guidance and countless hours behind the scenes. The team's success belongs to every person who helped our athletes feel ready, confident and included.



Proudly joining the athlete parade



Friendship and smiles at the Games

The SOSA swimming medal table

Athlete	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
Imogen Brown	2	2	0	4
Mark Johnson	3	1	0	4
Joe Edwards	2	1	0	3
Philip Nicholls	3	0	1	4
Nicholas Badinski	0	0	1	1
George Patterson	0	0	0	0

Team total: 10 gold • 4 silver • 2 bronze | Relay medals are included for each SOSA athlete in the winning team.

Results and achievements

The table below brings together the SOSA results recorded across the five supplied swimming result sheets. Placings are within the stated division or final. DSQ results are shown openly as part of the full competition story - every athlete's effort and courage matters.

Athlete	Event	Result
George Patterson	25m Freestyle	5th
George Patterson	50m Backstroke	DSQ
George Patterson	50m Freestyle	4th
Imogen Brown	100m Individual Medley	Gold
Imogen Brown	100m Freestyle	Silver
Imogen Brown	50m Freestyle	Silver
Imogen Brown	4x50m Freestyle Relay	Gold
Joe Edwards	100m Individual Medley	Silver
Joe Edwards	100m Freestyle	4th
Joe Edwards	200m Breaststroke	Gold
Joe Edwards	4x50m Freestyle Relay	Gold
Mark Johnson	100m Breaststroke	Gold
Mark Johnson	100m Individual Medley	Gold
Mark Johnson	100m Freestyle	Silver
Mark Johnson	4x50m Freestyle Relay	Gold
Nicholas Badinski	25m Butterfly	DSQ
Nicholas Badinski	50m Freestyle	Bronze
Philip Nicholls	50m Breaststroke	Gold
Philip Nicholls	25m Breaststroke	Bronze
Philip Nicholls	50m Freestyle	Gold
Philip Nicholls	4x50m Freestyle Relay	Gold

Athletes in action

Across athletics, swimming and boccia, our athletes competed with focus, determination and joy. Every performance was cheered on by a wonderfully supportive SOSA crowd.



Anna on the podium



Niall in action



Celebrating at the stadium



Fantastic crowd support



Athletics medal celebrations



Proud SOSA athletes

Podium pride

These brilliant medal moments capture the pride, excitement and sense of achievement shared by our athletes, coaches, families and friends.



Immy on the podium



Joe celebrates gold



Phil on the podium



Another proud medal moment



Millie with her medals



Swimming success

Teamwork across the Games

The Games brought together athletes from different sports and celebrated every placing. The friendships, encouragement and team spirit were every bit as important as the medals.



Athletes and supporters



Volunteer team spirit



Emre with his medal



Boccia team celebration



Boccia awards



Robbie celebrates

More than medals

The numbers tell only one part of the story. The Games were also about independence, confidence, new friendships, supporting teammates and creating memories that will last long after the final event.



Together with Perry at Alexander Stadium



Support, smiles and special memories

Moments to remember

From the excitement of the athlete parade to the focus of competition and the joy of celebrating together, Team SOSA embraced every opportunity. We hope every athlete feels proud of what they achieved - whether that meant winning a medal, completing an event, overcoming nerves or cheering on a teammate.



A proud podium moment

THANK YOU, TEAM SOSA!
Athletes • Parents • Carers • Coaches • Volunteers

We are incredibly proud of you all. Thank you for representing Special Olympics St Albans with such warmth, courage and team spirit.