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A Cornwall online boutique owner and mother of three has been nominated as a finalist in a national digital award scheme.

Sam Taylor, 36, has been named as one of ten finalists in the Lifestyle category for the UK Blog Awards for her blog, Sofa Dodger.

Sam, from Cardinham, started her website as a way of finding fun activities for her children in the school holidays.

Then she set herself the target of taking part in 100 different sports and activities within 12 months and blogs about how she gets on.

They have ranged from golf to go-karting to cheerleading, and last week she completed her 63rd activity - Kettlercise - an exercise using kettlebells.

Sam, who describes herself as unfit and gym-phobic, and who enjoys a glass of wine or two, has travelled across Cornwall to take part in the majority of the activities.

"I've also been as far as Watford and Bedford to do activities, and soon I plan to travel to Scotland to try curling," she said.

She said she enjoyed most of the activities she had sampled.

"It's been fun and a real adventure, but I must admit I didn't enjoy roller skating. I found that really hard. I discovered I lacked any coordination or balance, which made it pretty difficult."

"I'm really pleased to get to blog awards and would like to thank those who voted for me," said Sam.

A record-breaking 42,000 public votes were cast to shortlist the 2,000 entrants of 2015's awards, which will be presented a ceremony at [Montcalm, Marble Arch](#) in April.

The UK Blog Awards has been created to recognise viral style and creativity across a variety of 12 UK industries.

Fellow finalists include Liza Urla of GEM-A-PORTER; Hero Brown of Muddy Stilettos



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and Daisy Amodio of The Proposers

Judges include Elaine Stocks, deputy editor of BBC Good Food Magazine; Lisa Hogg, director of The Wedding Affair and Serena Guen, founding editor-in-chief of SUITCASE Magazine.

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