

Daventry Dolphins Swimming Club news by Lesley Sharp: Round up of the end of Season events

Northampton Swimming Club Summer Festival

A large contingent of Daventry Dolphins swimmers attended the Northampton Swimming Club Summer Festival Open Meet held at East Midlands International Pool at Corby recently. This gave the swimmers the opportunity to swim in the 50m Olympic long course format. There was a massive total of 64 personal best times (pb), loads of top placings and a New Club record set by Emma Bond aged 13yrs. She smashed the previous 13/14yrs girls 400m freestyle record of 4.52.48 set by Nichola Smith in 1995 (2 years before Emma was born!) in setting the new record time of **4.49.19**.

Results in event and age group order. Top 3 places in bold:

200m freestyle

9yrs Rachel Coates 7th pb: Aleicia Smith 11th pb: 11yrs Ellie Davies 14th: **Joseph Iacovides 3rd**: 13yrs **Emma Bond 2nd**: **Jack Bond 3rd**: Rachel Sullivan 8th pb: Kimberley Mann 9th pb: Charlotte Mann 12th

100m butterfly

13yrs Emma Bond 4th pb: Sophie Iacovides 5th

50m back

9yrs Keely Saville 5th pb: Rachel Coates 5th pb: Caitlin Hanna 14th pb: 10yrs Ellie Riddle 12th pb: Libby Ward 16th pb: **11yrs Emily Sharp 3rd**: Joseph Iacovides 5th: 13yrs Jack Bond 4th pb

200m Individual medley

11yrs Emily Sharp 11th pb: 12yrs Alex Gibbons 11th pb: Ellie Davies 17th: 13yrs **Jack Bond 3rd pb**: Emma Bond 6th: Sophie Iacovides 8th: Rachel Sullivan 10th

100m backstroke

11yrs Emily sharp 5th: 13yrs **Jack Bond 2nd**: Rachel Sullivan 5th: Emma Bond 6th

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200m Backstroke:

9yrs Aleicia Smith 9th pb: 13yrs Rachel Sullivan 4th pb

100m Breast stroke

9ys Caitlin Hanna 2nd pb: 10yrs Katie Cox 9th pb: **12yrs Alex Gibbons 2nd pb**: **13yrs Kimberley Mann 3rd pb**: 13yrs Charlotte Mann 8th pb.

50m freestyle

9yrs Keely Saville 6th pb: Rachel Coates 7th pb: Caitlin Hanna 12th pb: Isobel Smith 15th pb

11yrs Joseph Iacovides 1st pb: 12yrs Alex Gibbons 4th pb: Ellie Davies 6th pb: **13yrs Jack Bond 1st pb**: **Sophie Iacovides 1st pb**: Emma Bond 4th pb:

400m Free

10yrs Annabel Murphy 8th: 11yrs Emily Smith-Williams 13th pb: Grace Webber 17th pb: 12yrs Ellie Davies 11th pb: **13rs Emma Bond 1st pb**: **Jack Bond 3rd**: Rachel Sullivan 6th:

50m breast stroke

9yrs Rachel Coates 2nd pb: Keely Saville 5th pb: Isobel Smith 10th pb: 10yrs Ellie riddle 10th pb: Libby Ward 12th pb: **11ys Anya Bennett 1st pb**, **Emily Smith-Williams 3rd pb**: **Joseph Iacovides 3rd pb**: Kian Saville 11th pb: Grace Webber 14th pb: 12yrs Ellie Davies 7th pb: **13yrs Sophie Iacovides 3rd pb**: Kimberley Mann 4th: Charlotte Mann 6th:

200m breast stroke

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10yrs Katie Cox 10th pb: **11yrs Joseph Iacovides 1st pb**: Grace Webber 17th pb: 12yrs Ellie Davies 10th pb: **13yrs Emma Bond 1st pb**: Jack Bond 2nd: Sophie Iacovides 4th pb: Rachel Sullivan 8th pb: Charlotte Mann 13th pb

Round 3 - 2011 Leicester and District Diddy League

The Daventry Dolphins Diddy team travelled to Hinckley for the 3rd and final round of this years competition. Ranked the weakest team on paper for this gala, because of the 1st round non-event and the 'virtual gala' being based on round 2 results, the Team were out to prove that this was not the case. They showed great effort and determination to **WIN** the Gala in what was a really exciting close run event between the Clubs.

Result

1st Daventry Dolphins SC 158

2nd = Corby / Leicester Penguins 'C' 140

4th Burton 123

5th Braunstone 'B' 103

In theory, the club should field a team of 16 girls (4 per age group) and 16 boys (4 per age group) but because of prior commitments or lack of depth in certain age groups, the Team had 12 girls and 8 boys. All the performances were noteworthy but ALL the boys were tremendous, with them having to swim so many events between them and also the 9 years girls who won EVERY INDIVIDUAL AND RELAY EVENT

The VICTORIOUS Team were;
9yrs girls: Aleicia Smith / Keely Saville / Rachel Coates / Caitlin Hanna
9yrs boy: Crawford Wright
10yrs girls; Annabel Murphy / Megan Browne / Hannah MacCaig / Bea Bridge
10yrs boys: Austin Evans / Mungo Bridge / Lewis Putland
11yrs girls: Emily Sharp / Emily Smith-Williams
11yrs boys: Joseph Iacovides / Chris D'Agostino / Kian Saville
12yrs girls: Alex Gibbons / Ellie Davies
12yrs boys: Alex Newton

There were 24 individual personal best times recorded.

1st places:

Rachel Coates 9yrs 25m fly: Bea bridge 10yrs 25m free: Joseph Iacovides 11yrs 25m fly & 25m free; girls 9yrs free relay & medley team of Caitlin Hanna / Keely Saville / Rachel Coates and Aleicia Smith: Megan Browne 10yrs 25m breast: Aleicia Smith 9yrs 25m back: Girls 10yrs medley & free relay team of Hannah MacCaig / Megan Browne / Annabel Murphy and Bea Bridge: Girls 11yrs free relay team of Emily Sharp / Emily Smith-Williams / Bea Bridge and Megan Browne: Hannah MacCaig 10yrs 25m back; Emily Smith-Williams 11yrs 25m breast & 25m fly; boys 11yrs medley team of Chris D'Agostino / Mungo Bridge / Kian Saville and Joseph Iacovides; Alex gibbons 12yrs 50m fly: Keely Saville 9yrs 25m free: Emily Sharp 11yrs 25m back: Boys 12yrs med relay team: Alex Newton / Joseph Iacovides / Chris D'Agostino / Austin Evans

2nd places:

Girls 12yrs free relay of Ellie Davies / Alex gibbons / Emily Sharp / Emily Smith-Williams; Boys 11yrs free (as medley); all ages mixed 8 x 25m breast relay: Crawford Wright / Rachel Coates / Mungo Bridge / Megan Browne / Joseph Iacovides / Emily Smith-Williams / Alex Newton / Alex Gibbons: Girls 11yrs medley team (as free): Joseph Iacovides 12yrs 50m fly:

3rd places; Emily Sharp 12yrs 50m back: Mungo Bridge 10yrs 25m breast; Crawford Wright 9yrs 25m back: Boys 10yrs medley and free relay: Lewis Putland / Austin Evans / Mungo Bridge / Crawford Wright: Alex Gibbons 12yrs 50m breast; Austin Evans 10yrs 25m back: Annabel Murphy 10yrs 25m fly

It seems that provisionally, 'Dave' is a favourite name of the new Dolphins mascot and he / she was proudly paraded around the pool with the Team for a well deserved lap of honour.

There is a fantastic team spirit and Head Coach Rob Sharp and all the coaching team are very proud of their achievement.

The Club also provided extra Technical Swimming officials in order for this gala to go ahead and the League organisers showed their appreciation of this.

The final Leicester Diddy League results have now been received and by winning the final Gala the Dolphins moved themselves up the League table from 16th place and finished in a respectable 12th place out of 21 teams.

The South Northants and Daventry Schools Sports Partnership [(SN&DSSP) in conjunction with the Daventry Dolphins Swimming Club] primary schools swimming festivals.

Before the end of term, Diane Parker of the SN&DSSP (in conjunction with the Daventry Dolphins SC) organised 4 primary swimming galas for the areas cluster schools. The 2nd and 4th galas were held at the Daventry Leisure Centre

The competition had a different format this year. All 4 individual events were swum over 25m which was felt fairer in order for the smaller schools to take part. In fact Harlestone School in gala 2 only had 7 swimmers and Sywell School 'lent' them some swimmers so that they could compete in the relays. There was great camaraderie.

Results Gala 1 Towcester Leisure Centre:

1st Nicholas Hawksmoor 40 / 2nd Brackenleas 30 / 3rd Helmdon 26 / 4th Harpole 20

Results Gala 2 at Daventry Leisure Centre:

1st Hackleton 59 / 2nd Welton 52 / 3rd Sywell 51 / 4th Walgrave 41 / 5th Brixworth 23 / 6th Harlestone 14

Results Gala 3 at Roade Sports College;

1st Blisworth 31 / 2nd Hardingstone 21 / 3rd Preston Hedges 20

Results Gala 4 at Daventry Leisure Centre:

1st Ashby Fields 57 / 2nd Badby 54 / 3rd Overstone 51 / 4th Weedon 35 / 5th Falconers Hill 31 / 6th The Grange 24

It was Gala 4 that produced a huge amount of excitement as the majority of competitors swim together for the Daventry Dolphins but in this instance they were up against each other and so the rivalry was extremely intense. Ashby Fields retained their Daventry title but it was oh so close.....

All swimmers received Certificates of Participation and the winning school of each gala received a Trophy.

The performances of the swimmers were of a very high standard and for those that are not already Club competitive swimmers, they have been invited for trials with the Daventry Dolphins and other County competitive swimming clubs. The Dolphins were proud to be of technical support to the SN&DSSP are very grateful for the monetary donation from them which will be used to advance the development of competitive swimming in the Daventry and District.

Northamptonshire Amateur Swimming Association (NASA) **County Ages Groups Presentation Gala**

The final Daventry Dolphins SC Team gala of the 2010-2011 Season was the NASA Presentation Gala competition which was held at the Waendel Centre Pool at Wellingborough. With many swimmers unavailable the Team was at a disadvantage from the start and it was unable to field swimmers in 13 individual and relay events....even Head Coach Rob Sharp donned his trunks to make the senior relay teams up.

Inevitably the team finished in 6th place but there were many positives to take from the event, the way that Sophie and Carey swam out of their age groups in the open events to secure valuable points and the 13 individual personal best times that were recorded.

2nd place: Darren Barber Open 100m breast stroke

3rd places: Megan Browne 10yrs 50m free: Emily Sharp 12/u 50m back: Jack Bond 14/u 100m free: Emma Bond 14/u free: Rachel Sullivan 14/u 100m back: Sophie Iacovides Open 100m free and 100m fly: Carey Davis Open 100m individual medley: Darren Barber Open 100m individual medley: Open mixed medley relay Team: Carey Davis / Darren Barber / Robert Sharp / Sophie Iacovides

Triathlon: Sarah Bennett aged 16yrs of the Daventry Dolphins SC Olympic squad has been in action recently competing in triathlons achieving the following results:

Duston 1st in age group and 2nd Overall: Mallory Park / East Midlands 2nd: Charnwood / East Midlands 1st: National duathlon elite 6th: Blenheim youth elite triathlon 6th: Youth elite triathlon at Porthcawl 14th.

2012- Everyone's getting excited with only a year to go to the London Olympics but.....

It's not just the Olympics happening in 2012, the Daventry Dolphins Swimming Club is now looking ahead to the 2011-2012 Season with much confidence and excitement as the Club approaches 50 years old in May 2012. Events are to be held to celebrate this landmark anniversary. The next Club Competition is the Annual Age Groups Club Championships in September.

The Club is continuing to attract new members in ALL age groups. For more information about the Daventry Dolphins Swimming Club, please visit the Clubs website: www.daventrydolphins.co.uk or telephone the Club Secretary Lesley Sharp on 01327 876873