

PRESS RELEASE

Tivvy took 4th place at Exeter Imps Gala

Six teams competed in the Exeter Imps Gala at the Pyramids pool on Saturday 20 February 2010. Twenty four young Tiverton members competed in the forty nine event competition and took 4th place overall.

The team achieved an incredible twenty five personal best times with some excellent performances. Jade Clarke aged 12 years took first place in the 200m individual medley with a personal best time of 2:56.40 and the 50m freestyle with a time of 33.82 seconds.

There were further great performances achieving first place in their races by Jake Stoneman (9) in the 50m breaststroke, Emily Abraham (9) in the 50m butterfly, Josh Gunn (11) in the 50m butterfly, Jamie Price (11) in the 50m backstroke and Lucy Abraham (12) in the 50m Breaststroke.

Finn Stoneman aged seven years knocked 9.26 seconds off his personal best time in the male nine years and under 50m backstroke and eight year old Tiegan Sime knocked 9.64 seconds off her PB in the female nine years and under 50m backstroke. Sophie Whittle aged 10 years took second place in the female 11 years and under 50m butterfly with a new PB of 43.37 seconds. Ten year old Libby Morton took 8.71 seconds off her PB in the 11 years and under 100m individual medley.

It was an exciting time for our five new competitors, Rachael Gunn, Charlotte Prentis, Charlotte Revolta, Lauren Aitchison and Lucy Clist. Ten year old Lauren Aitchison had a good start in her first competitive gala taking third place in both the 10 years and under 50m breaststroke and the 11 years and under 50m breaststroke. Charlotte Revolta also achieved third place in the nine years and under 50m breaststroke.

Sixteen of the Tiverton team swam a strong final race in the 400m Freestyle Canon narrowly missing out on first place which went to Oddicombe Swimming Club.

Tiverton Swimming Club Head Coach, Steve Carder, said "It was a great result for the team and it was good to see some of our younger swimmers competing for the first time. The twenty five personal best times are a testament to the squad's hard work and commitment."

Tiverton Swimming Club will next be competing in the Devon County Championships being held at Central Park, Plymouth next weekend. For results and more information about Tiverton Swimming Club, please visit www.tiverton-swimming.co.uk.

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