

The Shropshire County Championships for swimming started last weekend at Market Drayton with a fantastic number of 86 Personal best times (P.B's) by Oakengates swimmers.

In their first county competition, Holly George, Bethany Hampshire, Jessica Kenny, Hannah Dodwell, Aiden Reynolds and Jordan Crook all had good swims gaining p.b's.

For the 10year olds Daniel Evans swam splendidly winning 200br with a midland district qualifying time (MDQT) and 100IM and 2nd in the 200ba (MDQT), James Boyd got 3rd in the 200br (p.b) and 100Im, plus 5th in the 200ba (p.b). The girls all got p.b's, Nicola Martin got 5th in the 200f/s, (p.b) and the 400f/s, Claire Bearman 6th in the 200f/s, Laura Roberts 6th 200 br and Jessica Tonks 6th 400f/s.

The 11year olds had excellent swims with Oliver Freeman 1st in the 200ba (p.b) and 1st in the 100Im and 4th in the 200br. Sam Adamson got 2nd in the 200br, 3rd 200ba (MDQT) and 2nd in the 200Im. Aaron Marsh 5th in both 200ba and 100Im, both p.b's. Nadine Stackhouse got a good 4th in the 400f/s (p.b), 5th 200f/s (p.b) and 6th in the 100ba. Rosie Stewart got 5th in 400f/s and a p/b in the 200f/s.

There were p.b's galore for the 12year olds, well done Amelia Reynolds, Chelsea Norris, Lauren Jones and Amy Brentnall. Alex Hooper was on form winning all her events – 100ba (MDQT), 200f/s (MDQT), 400f/s (MDQT), and 100f/c with a National Qualifying time (NQT) and even went on to better her time in the 'A' final getting 3rd overall against older swimmers. Zofia Houlston had improved performances getting 2nd in her events 200f/s (p.b), 100f/s, 200 br (p.b) and 400f/s (p.b). Christopher Reilly had a brilliant win in the 200br (p.b). Stu Linley got 3rd in the 100fly (p.b) and 6th in the 100Im. Nathaniel Linder Patton got 6th in the 200ba with a p.b. Ashley Simcox had a fine win in the 200br for the 13years. Ian Martin got a pleasing 3rd in the 100fly (p.b), 4th in the 200br and 200ba both with p.b's. Jennifer Adamson did well gaining 4th 100ba and 400im plus p.b's in the 100f/s and 400f/s.

Fay Jackson had pleasing results for the 14 years winning the 100ba (MDQT), 200f/s (MDQT) and 400f/s (MDQT) and 5th in the 100f/s (pb). Carol-Anne Woolley had a pb's in all her events. Victoria Reilly had a superb win in the 200br and had pb's in both the 100f/s and the 400f/s.

Brett Thompson produced excellent swims for the 15 year olds winning the 100fly (MDQT) comfortably, 2nd 100Im but then went on to win the 'A' final knocking 3seconds off his previous time. Simon Little got 4th in the 100fly (p.b) and went on to better his time in the 'A' final. Leigh-Anne Linley had a good win in the 200br.

Gemma Rawlings (16) had excellent wins in the 200f/s 400f/s, 400IM and 2nd in the 100ba (MDQT), 2nd 100f/s (p.b). Gemma Woolley was pleased to win the 200br (p.b), 6th 200f/s and 4th in the 400f/s.

Nicola Smith got 4th in the 100f/s and Amy Jackson got 5th in the 200f/s and 6th in the 100f/s.

In the 17 and over category Tessa Murphy had brilliant swims winning 100ba, 100f/s and 200f/s all with MDQT's. Sam Marshall got 3rd in both 100ba and f/s. Rudy Heywood was 2nd in the 200ba and 2nd in the 100Im (p.b). Pete

Morgan was 6th in the 100Im but then went on to swim faster in the 'B' final, which he won.

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