

Bradford & District A.S.A. Gala 4 – 2014/2015

On Saturday fifteen of our Skipton SC swimmers headed over to Shipley Pool, for the fourth of the 2014/2015 Bradford & District Amateur Swimming Association Gala series.

Boys Open 200 metres Freestyle

In this first event of the night we had swimming for Skipton SC, Fenn Curran who did 50 split times of 38.88, 43.08, 43.65 and 43.25. Overall Fenn's 200 metre time was 2.48.86 finishing in 14th out of the 21 swimmers who competed in this event. Next to swim was Matthew Housley doing 50 split times of 35.14, 39.72, 40.96 and 38.68 finishing with an overall time of 2.34.50, giving him a finishing position of 11th. Declan Sequeira was next to swim with 50 metre split times of 35.45, 41.95, 43.21 and 39.90 with an overall time of 2.40.51 and 12th overall. Ben Housley, our boys club captain was next to swim with an overall 200 metre time of 2.16.43 which gave him 3rd fastest for the final. Ben swam the final with 50 metre split times of 30.32, 33.68, 33.96 and 34.04 with an improved time of 2.12.00 and an improved finishing position of 2nd place overall. Well done to the boys who swam this race and Ben for securing a silver medal.

Girls 14 yrs 100 metres Breaststroke

Swimming this event was Kat Rose who did a 49.63 coming back on her second 50 metre time of 51.88 overall her 100 metre breaststroke time was 1.41.51. Unfortunately Kat just missed out on a final position coming 7th place out of the 10 who competed.

Boys 15 yrs and Over 100 metres Backstroke

This event was a straight final, Skipton had two swimmers competing this event Michael Bowers and Ben Housley. Michael did 50 split times of 38.46 and 41.10 overall his 100 metre time was 1.19.56, Michael came 6th overall winning a pennant. Ben did a 34.51 coming back on a 31.60 giving him a winning time of 1.06.11. Ben came 1st in the event retaining the G. Mattocks Trophy that he also won at last year's gala. Well done boys in this straight final.

Boys Open 50 metres Butterfly

Five of our Skipton boys swam this event trying to make it to the final. In the heats Fenn Curran did a time of 48.58 finishing 14th out of 17 who competed. Ben Housley did a time of 32.59 finishing as 3rd fastest in the heats. Matthew Housley did a time of 36.95 making the final in 6th place. Michael Bowers did 39.22 giving him 10th place overall and Dec Sequeira did a time of 37.64 finishing in 9th place. Both of

the Housley brothers then swam the final with Matthew improving both his time and finishing position, coming 5th with a final time of 36.94. Ben like he did in the 200 metres freestyle improved both his position and time, finishing with a silver medal in 2nd place with an improved time of 30.37. Well done to all five of our Skipton boys.

Girls Open 50 metres Breaststroke

Six of our Skipton girls competed in this event, in the heats Hermione Roe did a time of 45.42 finishing in 12th place of the 31 who competed. Mia Douglas did a time of 46.76 finishing in 16th place. Jessica Van Beek did a time of 49.07 finishing in 23rd place. Rosie Guest did a time of 45.28 finishing in 11th. Megan Baines did a heat time of 43.98 making the final as 6th fastest and Ellen Wright who did a time of 44.23 finishing as reserve finalists in 7th place. Megan in the final did a time of 44.93 coming 6th and was awarded with a pennant. Well done to all six girls that swam the heats and Megan who made it to the final.

Boys 14 yrs 4 x 50 metres Individual Medley

This event was a straight final swimming for Skipton was Ethan Camsey. Ethan's 50 butterfly was a 32.26 followed by backstroke which was 38.34, breaststroke 46.11 and finally freestyle 34.25. It was close race for 1st and 2nd place and Ethan on this occasion had to settle for 2nd place with a time of 2.30.96. Well done Ethan on securing a silver medal.

Boys 15 yrs and over 4 x 50 metres Individual Medley

Again another straight final swimming for Skipton was Boys Club Captain Ben Housley. Ben did split times in butterfly 32.87, backstroke 36.13, breaststroke 46.84 and finally freestyle 35.68. Ben held first position for the first 100 metres but lost the lead on the breaststroke leg and was unable to pull it back on the freestyle. Ben came 2nd place with a time of 2.31.52, well done Ben on winning his third medal of the evening.

Girls 14 yrs 100 metres Freestyle

Kat Rose swam this event in the heats she did a time of 43.97 coming back on her last 50 metres with a time of 38.85 her overall heat time was 1.22.82. Kat made it to the final as 6th fastest and swam her first 50 metres of 39.17 coming back on her last 50 metre with a time of 44.15 giving Kat a time of 1.23.32. Kat came 6th in this event winning a pennant. Well done Kat for making the final.

Boys 14 yrs 100 metres Freestyle

Lewie Fitton and Ethan Camsey swam this event. In the heats Lewie swam a split time of 35.16 coming back in 40.33 his overall time was 1.15.49. Ethan in the heats did split times of 32.20 coming back with a 33.31 his overall heat time was a 1.05.51, Ethan made it to the final and he did an improved time of 1.04.05. Again this final was very close between 1st and 2nd place, Ethan again had to settle for 2nd place, but must remember not to breath in the last 5 metres. Well done to both Ethan and Lewie.

Boys Open 50 metres Breaststroke

Swimming this event we had six of our boys, Matthew Housley who did a time of 44.14 finishing in 14th place out of the 29 who competed, Lewie Fitton did a time of 44.64 finishing in 15th, Michael Bowers who did a 41.26 finishing in 8th, Bradley Brennand did a time of 51.72 finishing in 21st and Declan Sequeira did a time of 45.70 finishing in 18th place. Fenn did a time of 53.48 finishing in 23rd place, just remember to concentrate on the leg movement. Unfortunately none of the boys made it into the final,

Girls Open 50 metres Butterfly

Seven of the Skipton girls swam this event. In the heats we had, Hermoine Roe who did a time of 42.38 finishing in 18th out of the 30 who competed, Kat Rose did her 50 metre time of 43.40 finishing 20th, Rosie Guest did her time of 41.23 finishing 14th, Ellen Wright who did a time of 47.09 in 29th, Jessica Van Beek did a time of 46.52 in 26th, Megan Baines did 37.93 and came 8th and Mia Douglas who did a time of 41.09 finishing in 13th. Unfortunately none of our seven girls made it into the final but well done some good swims in this open event.

Boys 14 yrs 100 metres Butterfly

Last event of the night was a straight final, swimming for Skipton was Ethan Camsey. Again it was a very close race with Ethan racing for 1st place, he did his first 50 metre split time of 33.79 coming back on his last 50 metres in 37.22, overall his 100 metre butterfly time was 1.11.01. Ethan came 1st, winning the Macaley Trophy. Well done Ethan.

Well done to Ben Housley and Ethan Camsey for both winning one gold medal a trophy and two silver medals each. Also well done to Megan Baines and Matthew Housley for making a final in the open events against much older swimmers and Michael Bowers and Kat Rose for making a final in their age group. Well done to all other Skipton swimmers who swam on the night.

The next gala is the Grassroots meet on Sunday 22nd March 2015, Becky will be on poolside to cheer you all, let's hope for some great swims.

A big thanks to Juliette Groves and Roy Housley (Team Managers), Paul Curran (Timekeeping) and Tony Sequeira (Judge) whose help on poolside was much appreciated.

Swimmers are reminded that entry cards at the Bradford & District Gala's should be posted by 5.45pm. Please ensure you arrive at the gala prior to 5.45pm to post your cards otherwise you may not be able to swim.

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