



CROYDON BOROUGH SWIMMING ASSOCIATION 2018 CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 2018 Croydon Borough Swimming Association Championships (4 galas) took place during March, April and June at Whitgift School this year it is encouraging to see that the standard of swimming in the Borough continues to improve and that all galas were extremely well attended with swimmers from all the clubs in the Borough represented and enjoying some impressive Personal Bests, many tightly fought races and five New Croydon Borough Records.

9/10 yrs

Matilda Purnell (CASC) was very strong in the 9/10 girls age group winning the 50 free, 50m breast, 50 back with Leilani Berry winning the 50m fly. A similar result was recorded in the boys 9/10 age group with Harry Chaudhury (Bromley) showing his long term swimming experience in the boys event to win the 50 free, 50 breast and fly whilst Caleb Thompson (SCSC) had a great 50 backstroke to claim the top spot.

11/12 yrs

There was some promising swimming in this age group with London Regional Champion and English Summer Meet qualifier Ava Kelly (CASC) proving dominant in winning all her breaststroke events in a great time of 1.18.46 in the 100m winning her age group plus the Open Trophy. Kasia Titterton also 4 times London Regional Champion (SCSC) took the titles in the 50 fly, 100 free 1.02.39 and 100 back.

Regional swimmers Zain Lam (CASC) won the 50 fly, 100 breast and Jared Thompson (SCSC) 50, 100 Free & 100 Back showed their strength in their individual events and were dominant in the boys 11/12 age group.

13/14 yrs

Results were spread in this age group and each of the following girls showed strength in their individual strokes to take the trophy: Lucia Hooper (CASC) 100 fly, Sophia Lorke (SCSC) 100 breast, Ella Hardy (SCSC) 100 free, Amy Brown (CASC) 100 Back.

Arun Oelkers (CASC) took the 100 Butterfly, 100 freestyle & 100 Backstroke top spot and SCSC's breaststroker Christopher Finch was particularly dominant in the 100 breaststroke taking the age group title as well as the mens Open 100 Breaststroke.

15/16 yrs

National swimmer and Surrey County Record Holder Amy Davies (SCSC) who swam at the British Swimming Championships in April this year took the title in the 100 Butterfly & 200 Backstroke, 200 Butterfly, 15/16 & Open 100 Backstroke, 200 Freestyle along with 1st places in the 50 & 100 free Open whilst breaking numerous CBSA records along the way. CASC swimmer Tay Blair won the 100 breast & Junior 200 IM.

Luca Barretta was dominant in the freestyle and backstroke events taking the titles in the 50 free, 100 free, 100 back, 200 back Junior 200 IM There was a close race in the boys 100 fly with Brandon Vencatachellum (SCSC) just getting to the wall first ahead of Jules Rognan (CASC). Ronan Brennan (CASC) won the 100 Breaststroke.

Open

Impressive swims from Amy Davies (SCSC) secured titles in the 50 free (new CBSA record), 400 IM, 100 fly, 200 fly (new CBSA record), 100 Back, 200 Back & 400 free. Young Croydon Amphibian swimmer Ava Kelly (who also has achieved a National English Summer Meet qualifying time in the 100 Breast) won the 100 Open Breaststroke title. Ella Corby (18) who solely swam in Gala 3 this year and who has again qualified nationally for the British Summer & English National Champs 2018 (SCSC) took the title in the Senior 200 IM.

Brandon Vencatachellum (SCSC) was successful in the Mens Open events in the 200 Butterfly, 400 IM whilst Maciej Wicowska (CASC) won the 100 fly & 100 Free. Chris Finch from SCSC won the Open 100 breast and Alexander Dabysing the 200 IM. Stephan Bazhenov was the open 400 free winner and Luca Baretta took the 100 Back, 50 free and 100 IM titles.