

Friendly Gala Saturday 21st February

Friendly Galas are usually fun and an excellent introduction to competitive Galas.

Saturday 21st February's friendly hosted by Scarborough Swimming Club was no exception.

Five teams took part in this exciting, noisy and well supported event. The referee kept it moving at a pace to maintain interest.

For James Frankish, Christopher Smith, Natasha Tait, Katie Nicholson, Rebecca Keyworth and Charlotte Tait it was their first time representing Bridlington.

They were all nervous but with help and encouragement from older swimmers they quickly settled and all swam well gaining personal best (PB) times.

Individual races were won by Catherine Ansell (2), Adam Unsworth, Daniel Sewell, Georgina Marsh, Yasmin Brown, Amber Walker, Sarah Holmes and Charlotte Hornsey.

Freestyle Relay teams of Sarah Holmes, Rebecca Smith, Amber Walker, Catherine Ansell and Daniel Sewell, Jonathan Ansell, John Oakley, Philip Ansell won their events.

All the swims were keenly contested.

PB's were gained by Georgina Marsh, Adam Unsworth(2), Tom King, Charlotte Tait(4), Katie Haynes(2), Katie Nicholson, Yasmin Brown(4), Rebecca Witty(3), Natasha Tait(2), Phip Ansell(2), Daniel Sewell(4), Sam Shepherd(2), Jack Cowell, Christopher Smith, Rebecca Keyworth, James Frankish, Charlotte Hornsey(2), Sarah Holmes(2), Amber Walker.

Many of the other races were less than 1 second off a PB showing the determination and effort of all team members.

Coach Margaret Greenall was very pleased with the swimmers.

She felt they all swam well and shouted each other on leading to a good team spirit.

Some were nervous to start but once going they were fine.

Margaret has now got times to work on for the next Galas.

Well done swimmers.

Thank you to all who helped and supported the team.

Result: 1 New Earswick 186, 2 Pocklington 154, 3 Bridlington 130, 4 Scarborough 103,
5 Ryedale 101.