

## Gala Report

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2017 saw the Warwickshire County Junior team (10-13 yrs.) competing in the Bedfordshire ASA Junior Intercounty Gala, at the Inspire Competition and Community Swimming Pool in Luton. The Competition was against 6 other county teams from Suffolk, Bedfordshire, Hertfordshire, Lincolnshire, Essex and Leicestershire. The whole evening was an enjoyable experience, and a fantastic opportunity for all involved. Every single one of the 31 swimmers who represented their county swam amazingly well, with several fabulous personal bests and a handful of regional times achieved.



Boldmere had 5 representatives in 13 events and produced some impressive results. Connie Palmer who represented the 10 year old girls, in the 50m Butterfly placing 3<sup>rd</sup>, the 50m freestyle winning in a of 32.44 as well as two individuals Connie also swam in two relays, swimming the fly leg in the medley relay and opening leg in the mixed

freestyle cannon, both races placing an impressive 3<sup>rd</sup>. Gracie Comyn swam for the 11 year old girls in the 50m backstroke placing 6<sup>th</sup> and swimming the backstroke leg in the girls medley relay which places 4<sup>th</sup> while Jude Denning represented the 11 year old boys also in the 50m backstroke where he achieved a convincing 4<sup>th</sup> place and the backstroke leg of the boy medley relay which came in 4<sup>th</sup>. Swimming a total of three races for the 12 year old girls was Lauren Knight, who places 3<sup>rd</sup> in her 100m Breaststroke and 4<sup>th</sup> in the 100m Butterfly. Finally Oliver Carless represented the 13 year old boys in the boy's medley relay, swimming the final freestyle leg finishing in 3<sup>rd</sup> place and in the mixed freestyle relay which also finished 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Finally, we would like to say a massive thank you the volunteers from Boldmere, who gave their time helping this Gala to run smoothly. Firstly, Joey Stanger who was chosen to be an assistant coach thanks to his wonderful work with the swimmers involved in the Warwickshire County Pathway 2017, Elaine Gale (Team Manager and Warwickshire ASA Development Officer) and Lucy Gale (Judge).



Boldmere would also like to congratulate the other local teams: Rugby, Nuneaton and Bedworth, City of Birmingham, Blyth, City of Coventry, Leamington Spa, Orion and Solihull who providing swimmers for the event. As well as the other Volunteers who offered there time. A huge congratulations to all who swam and represented their County.

Place	Team	Points
1	Essex	279
2	Warwicks	248
3	Suffolk	217
4	Herts	215
5	Leics	213
6	Bedfordshire	204
7	Lincolnshire	185

(If anyone would like to see the overall results and times for all swimmers including relay splits please follow the link below: <http://bedscountyasa.com/results/2017/InterCounty/index.php> )