

## Warwickshire Champs 2012 - Week 3 - 17/3/12

After the final weekend of the Warwickshire Championships, Boldmere SC's total of medals rose to a record haul of 147, a massive increase of 65 on the previous year. A further 18 Gold, 15 Silver and 18 Bronze were won on the back of a whopping 170 PB's and which also produced seven more County Champions.

The first of week three's County Titles went to Joey Stanger in the 100M Freestyle. His winning time in the 15+ age group qualified him for the championship final where he won in style with a PB, a new Club Record and a National Qualifying Time. Jake Dixon won the silver in the 12/14 age group.

Next up was 15 year old Emma Smith in the 100m Backstroke who like wise won the 15+ age group gold and then duly won a closely fought championship final, edging away in the last 5 metres winning both Junior and Senior County Title.

Kristie Hackett added another County Title to her name with a new Club Record in the 400m Freestyle with Alice Dearing taking the silver with the second fastest time overall but the gold in the 10/14 age group by some 15 seconds.

Seven medals were won in the boys 50m Fly with Leo Karski (9/10) earning himself a bronze as did Ben Stanford in the next 11/12 age group with Matt Price fastest for gold. In the 13/14 age group there was a mirror result for Jake Dixon with gold and Steve Wilson bronze. Phil Hewitt also picked up a bronze in the 15+ but turned up the heat in the Championship final to take the gold and County Title by just 0.14 seconds.

Backstroke specialist Adam Kelly retained his 50m Backstroke title by initially winning the 15+ age group gold and then the main championship final with Adam Hall picking up bronze in the 15+ age group. There were two further silvers for Matt Price (11/12) and Steve Wilson (13/14) while Roan Griffiths returned from a school skiing trip to take bronze in the 9/10 age group.

Roan added another bronze to his collection in the 200IM as did Matt Price (11/12) who was pipped by Ben Stanford for the silver, the same colour Jake Dixon claimed in the older 13/14 age group. In the older 15+ age group Luke Davies took the bronze in a new PB and then lowered it again in the championship final to take silver.

Luke continued his excellent form in his form stroke the Breaststroke, by winning silver in the 15+ and championship bronze which was a National Qualifying Time - his first ever! Leo Karski showed good form by winning the 9/10 age gold by some 6 seconds with Taleb Givans taking the bronze, the same medal colour for Ben Stanford (11/12) and Jake Dixon (13/14).

In the shorter 100m Breaststroke Aristeia Knight (9/10) and Alex Dolan (13/14) won gold each in new PB's with Gina Luckett taking silver behind Alex. Both qualified for the championship final along with Emily Gordon who picked up the silver in the 15+ age group. In the final Emily set a new PB and CR with her 1.17.81 time while Alex claimed the bronze.

The final County title was won by Kristie Hackett in the 200m Fly where she also won gold in the 15+ age group. Alice Dearing set an age group Club Record in finishing second to take silver in the 13/14 age group which was third fastest overall to take the championship bronze. Rachel Wilson set a seven second PB to earn herself the 13/14 bronze while nine year old Alex Bartley tackled this event for the first time setting two Club Records along the way (100m split) and win the 9/10 silver.

There was yet another medal for Steve Wilson, this the top honour of gold in the 10/14 age group in the 400m Freestyle. Finally in the girls 50m Sprint 10 year old Hannah Turnbull finished 3rd for bronze in the 9/10 while Jenny Fowler rounded off her championships with a silver in the older 15+ category.

In the two 11-16Yrs Relay Events, the Girls team of Morgan Harlow, Alex Dolan, Gina Luckett and Kristie Hackett took bronze in the 4 x 50m Medley while the Boys (Dixon, Wilson, Davies and Josh Holsey) fought a close race with Coventry to take Silver in the 4 x 50m Freestyle.

Finally, to top the championships off there were FOUR Bagcat (highest FINA points from five event) Age Group Champions: Ben Smith (9Yrs), Leo Karski (10 Yrs), Ben Stanford (12Yrs) and Alex Dolan (14 Yrs)

