



## **WILTS. COUNTY AMATEUR SWIMMING ASSOCIATION**

**Founded 1907**

**Affiliated to the A.S.A. South West Region**

**President Mrs. Margaret Smith**

### **2008 OPEN WATER COMPETITION**

**THIS EVENT WAS HELD ON WEDNESDAY 16<sup>th</sup> JULY  
AT COTSWOLD WATER PARK, LAKE 32**

67 swimmers had entered, 38 female and 29 male aged 12 to 71, with 60 taking part on the day, 50% of the swimmers being in the Junior age group 12 to 15.

A taster session had been held on the previous Wednesday when 30 swimmers tested the conditions in atrocious weather around a shortened lake circuit. However, better weather prevailed on the main day with a water temperature of 19°C / 66°F. Brian Bewley, ASA South West Region Open Water Secretary, gave the briefing with the first race of 30 junior swimmers commencing at 7.15pm. There was one retirement efficiently dealt with by the safety boats and the winners, both in new County record times, were:

- Boys - Jack Crow, Chippenham, 20.13.14
- Girls - Rosemary Broad, Tigersharks, 20.13.15

Seniors 15+ years and Masters U40 and 40 & over, totalling 30 swimmers, commenced their race at 8.00pm. Again there was only one retirement and the winners were:

#### Senior 15+

- Boys - Kieron German, Tigersharks, 19.01.14
- Girls - Rebecca Carling, Bradford on Avon, 20.41.45

#### Masters U40

- Men - Paul Kirk, Swindon Dolphin, 23.19.11
- Ladies - Helen Hanks, Swindon Dolphin, 24.00.64

#### Masters 40 & Over

- Men - Chris Hamilton, SAMS, 24.32.30
- Ladies - Helen White, Wotton Bassett Otters, 29.26.80

The better weather enabled spectators to encourage the swimmers from various vantage points. All the swimmers are to be congratulated on their performance, many undertaking open water swimming for the first time.

Now open water swimming is an Olympic event and attracting more ASA and swimmer interest, the Open Water Committee hope to provide events in the County and also publicise events in the South West Region, National and other Regions and areas so swimmers are aware of open water events well in advance.

Our thanks to Brian Bewley and Les Debenham from ASA South West Region, both experienced open water officials, who acted as Course and Meet Officers; to our own band of officials on the jetty; the Mosses for their splendid catering; and Pete and Jo Pendlebury of Waterland, and their staff from whom we hired the lake and facilities; and St. John Ambulance Brigade.

**The 1500 metres event has been booked at the same venue  
in 2009 on WEDNESDAY 15<sup>th</sup> JULY.**

The full results for 2008 are as follows.

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## RESULTS OF THE 2008 OPEN WATER COMPETITION - COTSWOLD WATER PARK

### JUNIOR 12-15 years BOYS

<i>PLACING</i>	<i>SWIMMER</i>	<i>CLUB</i>	<i>TIME</i>
1	Jack Crow	Chippenham	20.13.14 (record)
2	Timothy Newcombe	Tigersharks	20.16.39
3	Kieran Hill	Trowbridge	20.30.33
	Liam Tubb	Swindon Dolphin	21.26.50
	Max Hazell	Bradford on Avon	23.12.58
	Chris Chapman	Tigersharks	23.21.15
	Thomas Ryczanowski	Tigersharks	23.29.09
	Matthew Chapman	Durrington Otters	25.51.50
	Robert Preece	Chippenham	26.30.83
	Harry Wells	Devizes	27.45.36
	Nathan Romano-James	Tigersharks	27.48.75
	Theo Tipping	Marlborough Penguins	27.54.95
	Rory Stephens	Tigersharks	29.32.58
	Max Benning-Batstone	Melksham	30.25.50
	Adam Davis	Durrington Otters	31.55.17

### JUNIOR 12-15 years GIRLS

1	Rosemary Broad	Tigersharks	20.13.15 (record)
2	Emily Weston	Tigersharks	22.03.88
3	Evangeline Preece	Chippenham	22.05.28
	Rebecca Healey	Tigersharks	23.09.91
	Alissa Johnson	Tigersharks	23.10.80
	Abbie Moss	Marlborough Penguins	23.32.14
	Colette McCambridge	Bradford on Avon	23.36.22
	Josie Hunt	Bradford on Avon	23.38.70
	Sophie Flower	Bradford on Avon	24.09.57
	Ellie Shepherd	Marlborough Penguins	26.25.00
	Lauren Henley	Marlborough Penguins	26.59.45
	Lilian Bridges	Melksham	27.49.99
	Kathleen Parkinson-Hill	Marlborough Penguins	29.27.25
	Rachel Keye	Tigersharks	29.52.54
	Annabelle Britten	Melksham	31.42.22

### SENIOR 15+ years MALE

<i>PLACING</i>	<i>NAME</i>	<i>CLUB</i>	<i>TIME</i>
1	Kieron German	Tigersharks	19.01.14 (record)
2	George Viner	Chippenham	22.02.08

### SENIOR 15+ years FEMALE

1	Rebecca Carling	Bradford on Avon	20.41.45 (record)
2	Alice Baker	Melksham	21.13.33
3	Stephanie Millin	Tigersharks	22.06.67
	Nicola Wheeler	Tigersharks	26.12.33
	Beccy Tipping	Dauntseys	29.04.54

### MASTERS U40 years MALE

1	Paul Kirk	Swindon Dolphin	23.19.11 (record)
2	Stuart Gibbs	Corsham	23.29.30
3	Ian Merritt	SAMS	25.26.27
	Tristan Best	Devizes	25.29.74
	David Bethune	Corsham	27.26.33
	Matthew Griffiths	Wootton Bassett	29.30.02

### MASTERS U40 years FEMALE

1	Helen Hanks	Swindon Dolphin	24.00.64 (record)
2	Bethan Smith	Bradford on Avon	24.22.74
3	Kirsty Mason	Wootton Bassett	26.13.80

### MASTERS 40+ years MALE

1	Chris Hamilton	SAMS	24.32.30 (record)
2	Tim Wells	SAMS	25.21.33
3	Stuart Hazell	Bradford on Avon	27.27.54
	Malcolm Humphreys	Devizes	29.00.14
	Nicholas Dolman	Devizes	29.14.08

### MASTERS 40+ years FEMALE

1	Helen White	Wootton Bassett	29.26.80 (record)
2	Angela Johnson	Devizes	30.56.89
3	Susan Harding-Morris	SAMS	31.46.30
	Glenys France	Swindon Dolphin	31.58.08
	Fiona Burke	Devizes	33.32.11