



Left to right: The boys' 9/10 year freestyle relay team of Archie Langston, Ben Campbell, Joel Cunningham and Ben White plus Jenny Fowler and the boys' 11-16 medley relay team of Phil Hewitt, Josh Winnicott, Joey Stanger and Bradley Lynch. Picture by STEVE HARLOW

A record day for young swimmers

BOLDMERE Swimming Club made another big splash in week two of the 2010 Warwickshire Championships.

The club's swimmers increased their individual medal tally by a massive 38 with 16 gold, 13 silver and nine bronze plus an additional four relay medals.

They also produced 12 more club records and a staggering 114 long course personal best times.

The Boldmere SC girls dominated first and third podium spots in the 200m IM with Givenchy Sneekes and Alice Dearing picking up gold and bronze respectively in the 11/13 age group.

Emma Smith and Katie Richardson (13 year) and Jenny Fowler and Kristie Hackett in 14+ age group also claimed gold and bronze with Fowler also taking home the Junior Twigg Trophy.

The latter two also qualified for the senior and championship final where they repeated their places, Fowler in a new personal best.

In the 50m breaststroke event, the girls cleaned up again taking gold in the same four categories.

It was a 1-2-3 by Caitlin Meade, Gina Luckett and Givenchy in the 11/12 age group with Meade winning in a new age club record of 39.59secs.

That secured qualification for the overall senior final where she was placed seventh.

Emily Gordon took the honours in the 13

Swimming

year age group, also qualifying for the overall final where she picked up a further bronze in another age club record of 37.71secs.

Alix Swinhoe claimed the 14 year+ gold as well as the overall final to be crowned county champion.

For the boys, Josh Winnicott (year 13/14) won two silvers in both the 400m IM and 50m breaststroke where, in the latter, he set a new age club record of 34.49secs after reaching the senior final.

Adam Kelly qualified for the senior final of the 100m backstroke, setting a club record to take bronze.

Jake Dixon also set an 11-year club record, winning the 10/11 100m backstroke time trial.

In the morning session, Penny Whittingham picked the first of her four gold medals of the day in the (11/13 year) 100m freestyle, which qualified her for the main final where she then picked up bronze.

Likewise in the 11/13 category, Emma Smith claimed second, which also qualified her for the final.

In the longer 800m freestyle event 12 year old Whittingham's personal best time of 9.36.40mins not only won the 11/13 age group gold but was also the fastest girl overall on the day. That earned her the Gala Cup and the county champion title.

Katie Richardson took the silver and then senior bronze while Alice Dearing sliced 17 seconds off her personal best to claim the 11/13 year bronze medal, as did Lucy Gale (14+) and Charlie Payne (11/13), whose personal best was also a National Championship qualifying time.

Joel Cunningham swam a superb 200m freestyle (9/10 year), taking nine seconds off his best to claim gold in 2.35.35mins.

Charlie Payne picked up another bronze (11/13 year) while Bradley Lynch had the fastest 13/14 age time taking gold in a new club record of 2.03.01mins.

In the 15+ age group, Joey Stanger set a new club record while Jake Dixon cruised home in the 11/12 200m fly to take gold, with Charlie Hackett in second place.

There were further medals in the event for Bradley - bronze in the 13/14 year event and Phil Hewitt, who claimed silver in the 15+ age group.

Towards the end of the afternoon session, Whittingham picked up her fourth gold in 11/12 age group 200m backstroke in a time that placed her second overall.

Emma Smith won the 13 year gold and Kristie Hackett grabbed the 14+ silver.

The boys won three relay medals - gold for the 9/10 year freestyle and 11-16 year medley team while in the open medley squads claimed silver and bronze.

For the girls, the 9 and 10 year medley quartet came home second to receive silvers.

Sutton hit three for draw

BodyKraft Midlands Division One

Sutton Coldfield Men First XI	.....3
Burton	.....3

SUTTON'S run of good form continued on Saturday as they secured a draw with third-placed Burton.

They took the lead when Ashton opened the scoring with a cool flick.

Burton levelled things up. But Sutton went back in front when Nicholls scored from a corner before.

Owens hit Sutton's third. However, Burton battled back well to claim a draw.

Cannock	.....12
Sutton Coldfield Men Second XI	.....1

THE Second XI failed to build on a bright start as they lost heavily to the newly-crowned champions.

They opened the scoring through man of the match Alex Johnson after just 50 seconds.

But Cannock stormed back to win in style.

Sutton Coldfield Men Third XI	..... 2
West Bridgford	.....6

A HOME defeat at the hands of West Bridgford summed up Sutton's season.

They started the game brightly, and for the first 20 minutes the team moved the ball about with ease and looked in control.

However, for all of their possession, Sutton were not able to convert that into

Ladies still in race for title

Slazenger EHL Women's Conference North

Sheffield	.....2
Sutton Coldfield Ladies First XI	..... 5

SUTTON stayed in the race for the title with an excellent win at Sheffield.

They took the lead through player of the match Vicky Woolford.

And Sutton dominated the rest of the half, with Celia Butler adding a second.

Woolford went on to complete a first-half hat-trick to put Sutton in total control.

Sheffield pulled two goals back after the break, but then Woolford converted a penalty stroke to finish 5-2 in front.

Slazenger EHL Women's Conference North

Sutton Coldfield Ladies First XI	.....4
Belper Ladies	.....0

THE Ladies produced a fine

Hockey

chances or goals - and they were punished.

They eventually lost 6-2, with Jayson Jordan scoring their goals

Andy Coultard was named man of the match.

Sutton Coldfield Men Fifth XI	.....6
Barford Tigers	.....3

SUTTON claimed an excellent win thanks to doubles from Mike Nicklin, Tom Evans and Ian Harding.

West Bridgford	.....2
Sutton Coldfield Men Sixth XI	.....3

THE Sixth XI came from 2-0 down to secure victory thanks to goals from Guest (2) and Norton.

Wolverhampton	.....1
Sutton Coldfield Men Eighth XI	.....1

TAD Forris scored for Sutton and excellent performances from Gary Poulton and George Wright kept the score level.

Sutton Coldfield Men Over-50s	..... 4
Rugby	.....1

GOALS from Peter Edmunds, Andy Lane, Peter Westbrook and Chris Hendon helped Sutton reach the last four of the England Hockey Masters National Plate.

The semi-finals are on Sunday at Tunbridge Wells, in Kent.

victory over Belper to maintain their good run of form.

The home side's lead came through Jane Sixsmith flicking in a penalty corner, before Mel Ball made it 2-0.

Second-half goals from Sixsmith and Vicky Woolford sealed the win, while Charlene Mason was player of the match.

Goalkeeper Alex Wadeson celebrated her league debut with a clean sheet.

EH Mixed Trophy Round Three

Sutton Coldfield Strollers	.....2
Banbury	.....3

STROLLERS were knocked out of the cup after an up and down game.

Having fallen behind, Sutton stormed into the lead with goals from Matt Taylor and Clare Florida-James.

However, Banbury then hit back with a brace of their own to seal an impressive win.

Frosty final awaits Harris

Darts

THE Four Oaks and District League's Individuals Singles competition - the Derek Masters Trophy - took place this week.

In the first semi-final at Aston Social, J West (Aston Social) was beaten 2-1 by L Harris

(Sutton Sports). The second semi-final saw K Shorthouse (Oscott Social) lose 2-0 to J Collins (Sportsman's Rest).

In the final, Harris beat Collins 2-0 though the latter recorded the only 180.

Meanwhile, at the Red Lion G Gaughan (Anvil Nomads) lost 2-0 to T Colley (Red Lion Flights).

The second semi-final saw T O'Kereke (Cross Keys PPA) lose 2-0 to T Frost (The Fox).

Frost then beat Colley 2-0 in the final. Frost and Harris will meet in the singles final on April 27 at the Red Lion.

Appeal for new members

NEW Inns Ladies Bowls Club, pictured right, are looking for new members. The club play matches on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons at their base in Lichfield Road, Mere Green. For more details about the club, call Mrs Jones on 0121 311 2957.

