

BOLDMERE SWIMMING CLUB

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ORCAS RISING STARS GO NATIONAL

MIDLANDS JUNIOR LEAGUE FINALS: Making their 3rd successive appearance in the Division 1 final of the top Midlands league for junior swimmers, Boldmere's young Orcas A Squad produced their best ever finish to a season to take the runner's-up position in competition against the Midlands' strongest clubs in the final gala of the Nuneaton and District Junior League at Wolverhampton.

City of Northampton eventually ran out as winners, but Boldmere confirmed their status as one of the region's top clubs by taking 2nd place ahead of strong squads from Leicester Penguins, Nuneaton & Bedworth, Leamington Spa and City of Worcester - and in the process swimming 38 individual PB times which included 6 Club Records and 3 League Records for Jake Dixon (18.15 secs in the 9Yr Boys 25m Fly), Penny Whittingham (17.19 secs in the 9Yr Girls 25m Fly) and Jordan Youngman (31.06 secs in the 10Yr Boys 50m Free).

The highlights in ten top 3 relay finishes were the wins secured by Emma Buckroyd, Caitlin Meade, Jessica Westgate and Penny Whittingham in both freestyle and medley relays while Jacob Cross, Jake Dixon, Charlie Hackett and Elliott Walker almost matched them with first place in the freestyle and 2nd in the medley relay in the boy's events for the same 9Yrs age group.

In 18 individual events the Orcas produced top3 finishes with Kristie Hackett taking the accolades with first place in both 50 Back and 50 Fly in the 11Yr Girls age group. Elliott Walker took 2nd place in both 9Yr Boys 25m Free and Back, Hannah O'Brien 2nd in the 12Yr Girls 50m Free, and 3rd in the Backstroke, Katie Richardson secured 2nd place in the 11Yr Girls 50m Free, Caitlin Meade battled to 2nd in the 9Yr Girls 25m Free, Alix Swinhoe took 3rd in the 12Yr Girls 50m Fly, while Callum Kyffin and Peter Shipway finished 3rd in the 12Yr Boys 50m Free, and 11Yr Boys 50m Breast respectively. In addition to their league record individual wins Jake Dixon took second place in 9Yr Boys 25m Breast, Jordan Youngman took 2nd in the 10Yr Boys 50 Breast and 3rd place in 11Yr Boys 50 Free, and Penny Whittingham took another top spot in the 9Yr Girls 25m Breast.

Victoria Black, Karol Bukowski, David Carty, Luke Davies, Lucy Dixon, John Friend, Lucy Gale, Sarah Kelly, Gina Lockett, Givenchy Sneekes, and Steven Wilson, all made superb contributions to an outstanding team performance which has secured Boldmere a first time place in the Northern National Semi Final at Harrogate on October 7th.

GALA POSITIONS:

Northampton.....	230
Boldmere.....	189
Nuneaton & Bedworth.....	183
Leicester Penguins.....	178
Leamington Spa.....	167
Worcester.....	123