



8th February 2014

Warrington Dolphins LDSC 1500m Championships 2014

Results

Section: Male Senior

Christopher Rix	Warrington Dolphins LDSC	M	18:11	1st Senior
Mark Jones	Everton	M	19:34	2nd Senior
Richard Taylor	Warrington Dolphins LDSC	M	20:23	3rd Senior
Marek Dynda	Barrow LDSC	M	22:52	
Gerry Kelleher	Warrington Dolphins LDSC	M	23:06	
Graham Rands	Howe Bridge Marlins LDSC	M	23:11	
Steve Elliot	Warrington Dolphins LDSC	M	23:12	
Steve Connor	Warrington Dolphins LDSC	M	23:13	
Chris Green	Ashurst Bike Club	M	23:25	
Richard Collins	The Endurance Store	M	23:44	
Tony Couling	Barrow LDSC	M	24:43	
Matt Shillabeer	Ashurst Bike Club	M	25:16	
Mark Hadland	Warrington Tri	M	25:17	
David Cleghorn	Barrow LDSC	M	25:20	
John Handford	Stockport SC	M	25:37	

Michael Smith	Barrow LDSC	M		25:49	
Paul Hamilton	Warrington Tri	M		26:14	
Gavin Smith	Barrow LDSC	M		26:17	
Liam Southall	Chester Tri	M		26:42	
Chris Scholes	Howe Bridge Marlins LDSC	M		27:03	
Andy Sherratt	Warrington Dolphins LDSC	M		27:09	Handicap Winner
Dave Reason		M		27:29	
Craig Bradbury	Howe Bridge Marlins LDSC	M		27:49	
Peter Todd	Howe Bridge Marlins LDSC	M		29:09	
Robert Waterhouse	Warrington Dolphins LDSC	M		29:13	
Chris Green	Barrow LDSC	M		30:18	
Stuart Ainsworth	Warrington Dolphins LDSC	M		31:01	
Steve Knowles	CSA	M		31:04	
Alexander Anderson	Barrow LDSC	M		31:56	
Robert Saile		M		34:44	
David Bowker	Warrington Dolphins LDSC	M		37:04	

Section: Female Senior

Judy Brown	Warrington Dolphins LDSC	F		20:22	1st Senior
Jenny Zwijnen	Chester Tri	F		22:52	2nd Senior
Kate Mansfield	Stockport	F		24:46.1	3rd Senior
Jennifer Sutton	Warrington Dolphins LDSC	F		24:46.9	
Sally Chapman	Barrow LDSC	F		24:48	
Stephne Douglas	Warrington Dolphins LDSC	F		25:12	
Pam Kay		F		26:01	
Anita Dodd	Warrington Dolphins LDSC	F		27:48	
Julie Trevor	Warrington Dolphins LDSC	F		28:07	
Emma Shillabeer	Ashurst Bike Club	F		28:15	
Katie Benson	Warrington Dolphins LDSC	F		29:15	
Alison Wilson	Warrington Dolphins LDSC	F		30:06	
Bev Thomas	Halifax SC	F		30:19	
Sarah Blunt	Warrington Tri Club	F		31:12	
Brenda Williams		F		31:31	
Tarja Barnes		F		32:02	
Zoe Dobson	Barrow LDSC	F		32:22	
Vicki Thompson	Barrow LDSC	F		33:37	
Sue Beesley	Warrington Tri	F		35:50	

Section: Male Breaststroke

Robert Seton	Barrow LDSC	M		28:58	1st Breaststroke
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Section: Female Breaststroke

Irene Meikle	Barrow LDSC	F		28:47	1st Breaststroke
Joan Steel	Barrow LDSC	F		32:51	
Barbara Harding	Warrington Dolphins LDSC	F		33:02	

Section: Male Junior

Joe Mannion	Halton SC	M	14	23:59	1st Junior
Alex Southall	Chester Tri	M	15	33:54	2nd Junior

Section: Female Junior

Lisa Bazley	Halton SC	F	15	22:34	1st Junior
Megan Kerridge	Warrington Dolphins LDSC	F	13	30:47	2nd Junior



Warrington Dolphins 1500 metres Championships – Orford Jubilee Hub, 8th February 2014

This was the third year that the 1500m event had taken place. The event was better attended than ever, with 58 out of our 62 entrants competing. A strong team of 13 swimmers from Barrow LDSC made the journey down to Warrington, and it was great to see such a range of swimmers – Long Distance, Triathlete, Juniors and Masters, all meeting up and enjoying the same event. With such a variety of experience there was clearly much to discuss! It's also interesting to see that 3 generations of one family attended the same event – another indication of its wide appeal.

The event was efficiently refereed by our ASA referee Claire Dickinson whose vast experience in this field enabled the event to run smoothly. Prizes were awarded to male and female seniors, plus awards for juniors, fastest breaststroke swimmers, and a handicap award for the swimmer closest to their predicted time.

Heat 1 saw Warrington Tri Club member Sarah Blunt get off to a flying start by posting a time of 31:12 – nearly 6 minutes faster than her predicted time. Dave Bowker became the early leader in the race for the Handicap championship with a 1 min 6 seconds difference.

Heat 2 saw Pam Kay coming in first almost 3 minutes ahead of her predicted time with an impressive 26:01. Megan Kerridge, just 13, demonstrated excellent improvement with 30:47, and Alison Wilson took over the lead in the Handicap race with just 6 seconds outside her predicted time.

Heat 3 was dominated by Joe Mannion from Halton, who swam an impressive 23:59 – amazingly knocking almost 2 minutes off the time that he did in this event last year – well done Joe! Andy Sherratt pulled off an incredibly accurate swim to put himself in prime position in the handicap race with a time of 27:09.4 – only 0.4 secs off his prediction! Irene Meikle's excellent breaststroke swim was good enough to win her the breaststroke award with 28:47, her club mate Robert Seton winning the men's breaststroke title.

Heat 4 saw a fine swim by Jenny Zwijnen, who won in 22:52 – a swim that earned her second place in the senior ladies section. Jenny, whose Mum and son also swam in the event, was over a minute faster than expected. The third place senior ladies finish was all down to the fingertips, with Kate Mansfield (Stockport) edging it from Jennifer Sutton (Warrington Dolphins) and Sally Chapman (Barrow). Jennifer was only 1.9 seconds outside her estimated time but still not quite accurate enough to win the handicap trophy!

The final heat was dominated by the brilliant swimming of Chris Rix, silver medallist at the recent ASA National Masters Championships in Sheffield. Chris dominated the race from the start, to finish in a Championship record of 18:11. Mark Jones, runner up in this event last year, finished second again, this time with a time of 19:34. Richard Taylor was the third place male senior swimmer with 20:23. Judy Brown swam 20:22 to claim the senior ladies trophy, whilst Lisa Bazley had a superb swim to finish in 22:34 – over one and a half minutes faster than last year!

To complete the evening, the younger family members of the 1500m swimmers all enjoyed themselves with an 800m (max) event. Ami-Lee Mannion swam a time of 12:41 – remarkably exactly the same time as she did for 750m last year! It was great to see such improvement from all the other young juniors who swam last year with all of them swimming further and faster. There were also some great efforts made by some very

young swimmers swimming in an event for the first time, and managing to complete an impressive number of lengths. Undoubtedly more to come in the future!

After the swimming, the competitors and their families enjoyed a buffet and presentation in the Jubilee suite.

Our thanks go to all the staff at the Orford Jubilee Hub, helpers on the day, and of course all our competitors for contributing to an enjoyable and successful event.

Judy Brown (Gala Organiser)

Photos below courtesy of Billy Dutton:-

Chris Rix receives the Senior Men's Trophy from Jim Nurse



Judy Brown wins the Senior Ladies Title



Junior Gold for Lisa Bazley



Junior Boys Champion Joe Mannion



Breaststroke Champions from Barrow – Irene Meikle and Robert Seton



Handicap Champion Andy Sherratt

