

## Warrington Dolphins 5<sup>th</sup> 1500m Championships – 6<sup>th</sup> February 2016

Firstly, I would like to thank all helpers in yesterday's event, helping setting up the chairs, desk, carrying items into poolside, timekeeping and sorting out with the results. The event cannot go ahead without your support, many thanks to all who helped on the day.

Thank you also to Live Wire for letting us host the event at Orford Jubilee on the day.

Thank you to all swimmers who took part in the event, we had 57 entries, an excellent turnout. We had representation from a number of clubs, Warrington Tri Club, Warriors of Warrington, Trafford Metro, Barrow Long Distance Swimming Club, St Helens Tri Club, Howe Bridge Long Distance Swimming Club, Stockport Swimming Club and Warrington Dolphins.

We kicked off the event with our **Junior 800m** swim with 9 swimmers taking part. It was great to see young swimmers who all did a brilliantly. Thank you to Hollie and Thomas Saile, Alex Waterhouse, Oliver Taylor, Ben and Alex Rix, Lucy Trevor Connie Wilson and Freya Elliot.

**In the Junior Male 1500m** there was a closely contested race with Tommi Barnes from Warriors of Warrington taking 1<sup>st</sup> place in a superb time of 20:00s, closely followed by Adam Farini, Warrington Dolphins, in a brilliant time of 20:08s. Dominic Richard of the Warrington Dolphins took 3<sup>rd</sup> place in a great time of 21:43s.

**Kathryn Schofield** of the Warrington Tri Club took first place in the Female Junior 1500m in a fantastic time of 23:14. **Annie Leach** of Trafford Metro had a great swim to and took 2<sup>nd</sup> place in a time of 25.21.

Well done to all Junior swimmers, you all did brilliantly showing a tremendous high level of swimming at a young age.

**In the Senior Ladies 1500m Championships**, it was 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> for the Warrington Dolphins, with Jackie Carribine of taking first place in a fantastic time of 22:18, Michaela Richard in 2<sup>nd</sup> place in a time of 23:34 and third place to Alison Wilson in a time of 25:18.



**Michaela Richard taking 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in the Senior Female      Alison Wilson taking 3<sup>rd</sup> Place in the Senior Female**

**The Senior Male 1500m Championships** it was also 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> spot for the Warrington Dolphins with Chris Rix taking 1<sup>st</sup> place in tremendous time of 18:28s. Mark Jones took 2<sup>nd</sup> place in a brilliant time of 19:05s and Richard Taylor taking 3<sup>rd</sup> in a great time of 20:38s.



***Chris Rix taking 1<sup>st</sup> place***



***Mark Jones taking 2<sup>nd</sup> Place***



***Richard Taylor taking 3<sup>rd</sup> Place***

Irene Meikle from Barrow Long Distance Swimming Club won the Ladies 1500m Breastroke swim in a fantastic time of 29:51s.



***Irene Meikle – 1<sup>st</sup> place Senior 1500 Breastroke Swimmer***

**Most Improved Swimmer** for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year on the run went to Robert Saile who completed in 28:14s , 1minute 8 seconds faster than last year.



***Robert Saile – Most Improved Swimmer***

Our Handicap Champion went to Steve Connor who estimated 22:55s and finished in 22:51s (just 4s off!).

A warm buffet and chocolate cake was enjoyed by swimmers after the event where the presentations took place.

Thank you for your support and see you again next year!

**Rob Waterhouse**

**Championship Organiser**