

The third and final weekend of the Leicestershire county swimming championships was another successful occasion for the swimmers of Market Harborough. The final weekend is all about speed with 50m races in each of the four strokes and the 100m individual medley to compete for.

For the second year in a row Jay Newman (11yr) collected a brace of medals in the breast stroke events, already the proud owner of a silver from the 200m, this year he went one better than last year's bronze by also taking silver in the 50m race. Ben Bekavac (10yr) deservedly collected his first county medal by winning bronze in the 100m IM. Harry Waddington (open) added to his ever growing collection of county medals winning two further bronze's in the 50m back and 100m IM.

In the Age Group events much sought after awards are given to the top ten swimmers in each age group. This year saw an incredible five Harborough swimming club members standing on of the podium. Mia Poole and Ben Wellicome both competing in their first championships finished 9th and 6th respectively, in the 9yr age group. Ben Bekavac (10yr) and Jay Newman (11yr) also finished in 9th with Olivia Weller completing the winning line up taking 8th in the 14yr age group.

This year's championships was one of the most successful ever, with the 19 Harborough swimmers competing collecting a total of 4 Gold, 8 Silver, 5 bronze and 5 age group medals, three county champions, 27 club long course records , one short course record, personal best times all around and a very enjoyable time.

The swimmers involved for Harborough were:-

Ben Bekavac, Lauren Bekavac, Kieran Flint, Alec Gibbs, Ebony Goddard, Candice Hall, Cristina Hall, Lara Haynes, Emily Kendall, Jay Newman, Alex Nicholson, Charlie Poole, Mia Poole, Rebecca Samandi, Harry Waddington, Ben Wellicome, Josh Wellicome, Georgia Weller and Olivia Weller