

Another fine performance by

Hoddesdon Team

HODDESDON Team finished 2nd in the second round of the Herts Major League Gala on Saturday 28th January, 2012 at The Venue, Borehamwood.



Competing against Watford, Potters Bar, Harpenden, Stevenage and Berkhamsted Barracudas, Hoddesdon Team wanted to finish in the top three, however with several swimmers unavailable, consistently good performances were needed in order to achieve their goal. Seven swimmers were also competing at the Central Zonal Meet in Corby and Team Manager Mary Wright was hoping they would have a clear run back down the A1M in order to do both competitions.

There were fourteen first places: Georgina Pryor in the under 16 and under 14 100 Butterfly, Max McCusker in under 14 Butterfly, Karl Batorski in the open 100 Breaststroke, Kane Hagley-King in the under 16 100 Backstroke, Georgina Fisher in the under 14 100 Freestyle, Hayley Warrington and Chris Smith in the under 16 Breaststroke,

Georgina Fisher and Oliver Perry in the under 14 Backstroke.

Winning Relay teams were the under 16 boys medley and freestyle relay: Josh Whelan, Chris Smith, Kane Hagley-King and Sam Longden. Girls under 14 Freestyle Relay: Amy Godsave, Kaitlyn Walsh, Georgie Pryor and Georgina Fisher and under 14 Medley relay: Kaitlyn Walsh, Becky Freestone, Georgie Pryor and Amy Godsave.

There were twelve second places and seven third places. Personal best times were achieved by Daniel Cole, Georgie Pryor, Georgina Fisher, Joel Crouch, Kane Hagley-King, Max McCusker, and Jack Freestone.

Swimmers of the gala were awarded to Kane Hagley-King and Georgina Fisher. Team Manager, Mary Wright, told the *Mercury* "I am so proud of the team spirit of the Hoddesdon Team, yet again. Their performances showed great skills and the results then came through". Hoddesdon Team are now looking forward to the final round on Saturday 25th February.

Final positions: 1st Watford 128; 2nd Hoddesdon 140; 3rd Potters Bar 175; 4th Harpenden 181; 5th Stevenage 195; 6th Berkhamsted Barracudas 220.