



PRESS RELEASE FOR STAR DIVING CLUB – 24th June 2009

Albatross Inter-Club Competition

Twelve divers from the club's novice, regional and national squads took part in this year's Albatross Inter-Club Competition at Central Swimming Pool, Reading, on Saturday 20th June.

The friendly novice event, which this year celebrated its 20th anniversary, attracted around 70 competitors from clubs in the southern half of the country.

Star divers' performances yielded some fantastic results on the day, including three podium finishes: one gold and two silvers medals. Katie McArthur was runner-up in the girls' Group E, Chloë Silvey took silver in the girls' Group D and Kim Allen won the girls' Group B.

In the girls' Group D competition, Natasha Bennett and Zoë Dixon dived well and finished just outside the medals in fourth and 5th respectively. Regional squad diver Georgia Wright, whose first major competition this was, finished a creditable eighth in the girls' Group C event, closely followed by Katie Foster in 9th place and Claire Skinner in eleventh.

In the boys' Group C event, Josh Raine narrowly missed out on a bronze medal by just three points - finishing in 4th, and Lain Smith came ninth in the same event. In the girls' Group B competition, Hope Latham and Zoe Videan dived steadily to finish fifth and 7th respectively.

Head coach Jo Hewat said afterwards: "Albatross was the last novice club competition of the season. The team of 12 competed extremely well - all of the divers should be very proud of themselves. More promising results for the future divers at Star."

Results:

Katie McArthur	E – Girls	2nd	81.35
Chloë Silvey	D – Girls	2nd	101.00
Natasha Bennett	D – Girls	4th	96.85
Zoë Dixon	D – Girls	5th	83.30
Georgia Wright	C – Girls	8th	81.70
Katie Foster	C – Girls	9th	80.65
Claire Skinner	C – Girls	11th	74.60
Joshua Raine	C – Boys	4th	110.30
Lain Smith	C – Boys	9th	76.60
Kim Allen	B – Girls	1st	112.05
Hope Latham	B – Girls	5th	95.75
Zoe Videan	B – Girls	7th	86.90

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