



In seven years boys, the medals winners were evenly distributed, with Nathan Lewis securing double gold the backstroke and butterfly, Lucas Curtis topping the backstroke and Alex Butson blitzing the breaststroke.

Silvers were won by Michael Mroczek and Harry Razor.

Ellena Lewis (8) came away with three gold medals in the backstroke, front crawl and butterfly, while Maddison Clark took gold in the breaststroke.

Never far behind them were Melar Stewart Jones, who came second in backstroke, frontcrawl and breaststroke, and Natasha Fraser-Corbridge, who finished just a fraction of a second behind Ellena to take silver in the butterfly.

Sophie Hawkes had a clean sweep in the 9-year-old girls' category, winning gold in all four races, with a particularly strong display in the front crawl.

The real race was for silver, with Naeve Poutney snatching second in breaststroke, Naomi Eldridge taking the butterfly, Jasmine Spradbery the front crawl and Karen Pickering finishing strongly for backstroke.

In the most competitive age group with three heats of swimmers, Anne de la Cruz (10) was the only girl to go ahead of regional qualifier Kate Baxter, who swept to victory with impressive displays in backstroke, front crawl and butterfly.

Anne won an unexpected but deserved breaststroke gold by a fingertip, just a fraction of a second ahead of Kate, with Ella Carstairs taking bronze in all races.

Winner of the skins eliminator, Isabella Fraser-Corbridge also dominated the 11-year-old girls' age group, setting three new club records in the backstroke, front crawl and butterfly.

Isabella was particularly impressive in the butterfly, swimming the fastest time of the evening in 16.98sec.

Neve Day and Nathalia Clark competed well, with Neve coming second in the backstroke, breaststroke and butterfly, and Nathalia taking silver in the front crawl.

Robbie Millard managed to crash the party with a bronze in the breaststroke.

Jack Sluman (8) achieved four top podium positions, with Freddie Sadler, Ethan Grundy, Zakhos Lekke and Cameron Overton jostling for second and third places.

Hampshire Champion Oliver Cook dominated in the 9-year old boys, securing four golds, with twin brothers Callum, Isaac Maddock and Harvey Maughan scrapping it out behind him.

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RACE TIME: Action in one of the breaststroke races at the Shirley Pool Annual Swimming Championship.

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