

## **HYTHE AQUA SWIMMING CLUB – AWARDS/PARTY NIGHT – 27<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2023**

Hythe Aqua Swimming Club felt it would be a good idea to kick off 2023, with a party and to also celebrate some swimming successes. It had been over two years since the last awards night due to covid and the lack of competitions in 2021 and 2022.

The Swimming Night was held at Hythe Cricket Club and was a packed house, attended by a very large number of Hythe Aqua members and parents, enjoying the first awards nights for several years.

During 2022 there had been tremendous effort across the club to rebuild the club to a more competitive level, after the impact of Covid. Thanks to all our volunteers who give up many hours every week to support the club, including teachers/coaches/officials/ club administrators and not forgetting our band of junior young volunteers, that help with the Swim School and Squads under the Swim England young volunteer programme. All these individuals do many hours a week at the pool and many also spend hours at home. Thanks to them all.

The evening started with the presentation of the medals from the autumn sprint championships. After the medals for the championships there was a presentation to all those Hythe Aqua Swim School pupils that had a go at the sprint championships.

### **Teaching Awards**

The following Swim School members were brave enough to take part in the championships and were awarded Swim School merits for having a go at competitive swimming. Well done to:

### **Girls**

Ella Mills, Bobby Box-Moisan, Florrie Mowl, Laurel Scott, Emi Duffy, Beth Creeden, Katherine Brown, Faye Newman and Lauryn Lomax,

## **Boys**

Spencer Parris, Harrison McCalden, Ollie Hall, Freddie Gidalla, Samuel Smith, William Wright, George Peoples & Beau Hall.

## **Squad Awards**

The following squad members were nominated by the Head Coach for their hard work in training and commitment to competitive swimming.

## **Junior Squad**

Congratulations to:

Oscar Simmons, Eva Clark, Jessica Robb, Oliver Richley

## **Senior Squad Awards**

Congratulations to:

Kyla Alecks & Sebastian Robb

## **East Invicta Award**

The East Kent Swimming Championships were held late last year, and Hythe Aqua had several squad swimmers who achieved the qualifying times and swam well in the championships. The East Invicta award is given to the highest points scorer and this year the award has been won by **Sebastian Reid**.

The awards were followed by a buffet with “Altitude Events” providing large scale electronic games and “Summer Faces” providing excellent face painting. The electronic games got very competitive during the evening!