



**KENT COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS 2017- SESSION 13 & 14 AT QUEEN ELIZABETH PARK  
STRATFORD (OLYMPIC POOL )SUNDAY 11/2/17**

**SESSION 13**

The Last weekend at the Kent county Championships moved to the London Aquatics centre at the Queen Elizabeth Pk in Stratford East London.

Beachfield swimmers had a strong team good to go ,bagging 9 personnel bests in session 13 and 14 at Today's Kents ,Brandon Harris kicked us off in the boys 14 yrs 200 individual Medley storming to fifth place and a one second personal best. Daisy Richards continued to shine in her first County champs showing no nerves to take half a second off her 50 Backstroke in the girls 10/11 yrs age group. Lily Durnford joined the party for her first outing at this year's championships with a very strong swim taking a long course pb in the 13 yrs 50 Backstroke. Beachfield swimmer Lois Duchesne shaved half a second off her long pb to secure a place in the 14 yrs 50 bk in third spot .

The final of the girls 14yrs Backstroke and Lois was well placed with 10 meters to go, and in a blanket finish she was just touched out finishing in Fifth place with a gut wrenching two tenths of a second between 5<sup>th</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

Sam Dickinson who swam in the boys 13 yrs butterfly was quickly followed up by big brother Ed, sprinting to a one second pb in the boys 16 and over Fly making him the 13<sup>th</sup> fastest 16 yr old in the County .

**SESSION 14**

Freddie Dolman swam an excellent 50 breaststroke enjoying a one second personal best but also a six second long course pb moving up the Kent county rankings from 26<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Ed Dickinson was soon back in the water in the boys 16 + snatching a half a second pb and finishing 13<sup>th</sup> fastest 16 year old.

Beachfield swimmer Brandon Harris swam a solid 50 breaststroke in the boys 14yrs qualifying for the final in fourth place , Brandon confirmed his heat swim in the final finishing in a hard fought fourth place.

The last event of the second session and Beachfield s/c fielded 5 swimmers in the form of Genny Hunter adding to her collection of gold medals, Daisy Richards in the 10/11 yrs slicing over a second off her pb, Lois Duchesne in the 14 yrs age having to find a replacement hat after the referee called the swimmers to their marks, Tilda Durrant just off pb in the 15 yrs age group and lastly Leigha Mitchell making the final of the 16 and over 50 freestyle. After a 20 minute wait at the blocks caused by presentations and an amazing two swim offs between two girls from Beckenham and Bromley for the 12 yrs 50 free, after which both girls dead heated an incredible two times before the Beckenham girl managed to get her hand on the wall before the Bromley girl.

Leigha finally got to swim, slugging her way to a hard fought eighth place Contributing to Beachfield's best day of the 2017 counties so far, Earning 14 points in one day ,added to the 12 points from the previous sessions totalling 26 points,11 points more than the of 15 combined points of the 2016 campaign. Well done all

Pete - Head Coach