

## EASTBOURNE SWIMMING CLUB JUST KEEPS ON DEVELOPING!



On Saturday the 1<sup>st</sup> April saw Eastbourne Swimming Club enter its second development gala of 2017 at the Freedom Leisure pool in Crowborough.

This was a much smaller team for this event, with over 25% of the team never having competed before outside of Eastbourne Swimming Club's own events.

Amazingly they all took it in their stride and swan their hearts out, competing without wavering against two teams from Crowborough (Beacon) and one from Lewes.

The gala consisted of forty three races in total, over a two hour period, with points being awarded on a sliding scale down from first place to fourth. By the half way point Eastbourne were just in second place. There was all to swim for!

By the end of event forty Eastbourne Swimming Club had slightly slipped to third by a matter of a few points, but with the last squadron relays being worth double points the final result could be anyone's.

The last race was all just noise and splashing from the supporting swimmers and the crowd alike. Everyone was on their feet and the atmosphere was electric! The starter went and the young swimmers from Eastbourne gave all they had, what a performance, narrowly being touched out by less than a second.

Well done to all the other teams!

Out of the 31 individual events, 23 of the Eastbourne Swimming Club team achieved Personal Best times. There was a great team spirit and amazing support from all the parents in the stands.

GO TEAM EASTBOURNE.....

Please feel free to get in touch with the club if you're interested in becoming a team member or even learning to swim. If you can help with sponsorship or raffle prizes, why not help our great club represent Eastbourne in the best way possible.

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