

Junior all-stars

SWIMMING

MARTIAL ARTS



FISTS UP: From left to right, trainer Rob Fulton, Ben Fahey, Barney Wain, Scott Carlile and Aaron Robinson (coach). **PICTURE:** Carl Gac

Fab five put on a super show

SCUNTHORPE-based martial arts gym 7KS Chikara hit the road when they travelled to Leicestershire, with all five students putting in great displays. The most notable victory came from the impressive Ben Fahey, when he secured all three judges votes at the end of three rounds. But he was not the only one to shine, with youngest member of the squad, Barney Wain, gaining a stoppage win over Tom Parsons. The 13-year-old, after feeling out his opponent in the first round, stepped it up a gear and left Parsons flagging as he landed solid body shots in the second and third rounds to end the contest early. Sam Kenny was also in red-hot form, landing fast punches and hard kicks on his opponent Brandon Barrett, before, in the second round, landing a hammering left hook to the body that saw Barnett fall. This victory was followed by another for Mark Hudson, in the final fight of the night. The 17-year-old showed a ruthless streak, starting quickly with some venomous kicks and heavy punches before dominating Daniel McKee for long spells and sealing a unanimous decision. Although Scott Carlile was the only fighter not to secure victory, he put in a dogged performance before going down on a judges call to Nabil Ali. After the fights, coach Aaron Robinson was full of praise for a superb set of performances. "I was impressed with all of them," he said. "They all showed good heart. People don't realise just how much of a big thing it is to get into the ring, let alone get in there and do your thing really well like they all did."

QUIZ TIME

- 1 Football - Manchester United beat Spurs by what scoreline?
 - 2 Motorsport - Who won the Bahrain Grand Prix?
 - 3 Football - Which side were the latest to be promoted from League One?
 - 4 Rugby Union - Who finished top of the Premiership?
 - 5 Tennis - Who won the Barcelona Open?
 - 6 Football - Which Scunthorpe United player was named in the PFA League One team of the year?
 - 7 Snooker - Defending champion Ronnie O'Sullivan crashed out of the World Snooker Championships at what stage?
 - 8 Cricket - Andrew Flintoff played for which IPL side?
 - 9 Golf - Who won the Zurich Classic?
 - 10 Football - Who is England boss?
- Answers - see page 8**

Smooth sailing for Anya as she scoops accolade

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ANYA Snow has won the 'Young Girls Sports Achiever of the Year' award at North Lincs Council's 2009 Leisure and Culture Awards.

The 10-year-old Scunthorpe Anchor swimmer received her award from Scunthorpe United manager Nigel Adkins at the Awards ceremony at Ancholme Leisure Centre.

Anya's mum, Claire, was thrilled that her daughter had been chosen for the award.

"It was really lovely and we were very surprised as well because she was up against some great kids," Claire told Junior all-stars.

"It was a nice moment when she was given the award and I was really proud of her.

"She was nominated by her school (St Bernadette's) for how committed she is to her swimming and for how much time she spends in the pool.

"She has only just started competing really because you can't compete until you are nine.

"But she went to the Yorkshire County Championships in March at Ponds Forge and she set a new personal best.

"It was an under-10 front crawl race when she was still nine so she finished a bit down the field but had it been her age group, I think she would have done pretty well.

"She spends a lot of time in the pool and just really enjoys her swimming, which she would have to, to enjoy training for two hours four times a week.

"But she just enjoys playing sport really, anything so that she is not sitting around.

"She will be out in the garden playing badminton or something and she plays football for the App-Frod under-10 girls team as well."

Anya's coach at Scunthorpe Anchor, Dave Leeman, was also



ON THE UP: Swimmer Anya Snow (10) has won Young sports Achiever of the Year award. **PICTURES:** Carl Gac

pleased to see one of his students get the recognition she deserves.

"It's all down to hard work," Leeman said.

"She trains four times a week and I think she has got the ability to be a good swimmer.

"She is a strong girl with broad shoulders and she set some county times this year as well.

"If she continues to work hard then I don't see any reason why she can't be setting district times

for the north-east of England next year.

"At the moment she is too young for district but she has done okay at a county level too but it is difficult competing in Yorkshire because there are some big clubs.

"However her training reflects well on her other sports as well because it is such good exercise."



KARATE KIDS: Pictured are the winners from John Turner's Black Belt Academy who entered a Patterns competition held at the Academy in Brigg. Front row (left to right): Gareth Hales (Black Belt Training course runner up), Ashley Simson (Leadership Training course winner), Brandon Knowles (Leadership Training course runner up), Fiona Reid (Black Belt Division runner up). Back row: Tim Corlett (Black Belt Division winner), Master John Turner 6th Dan, Justin Elliott (Black Belt Training course winner).