

Scunthorpe Anchor took their squad 58 miles to Grantham for the Lincs Senior league meet.

Coach Dave Leeman had picked his squad and was hoping they would make an impressive mark against the tough competition.

With son Aisley Leeman starting the proceedings in the Boys 100mtr open free. From the outset the swimmers from Boston, Scunthorpe, South Lincs and CADS, were neck and neck, Aisley kept in the front three up to the 75 metre mark and finished strong in the last 25 bringing in a respectable Pb and a fourth place. Scunthorpe knew from this result that every point had to count, and DQ's were not to be even on the score sheet. Katie Riley making her first competitive swim in four years showed little sign of nerves and was disappointed to finish in the lower end of the 100 mtr free but still managed to swim a good race, and coach Leeman was not disappointed with her performance.

The 10/u boys and girls relay teams were not phased by the high level swimming in this league and the boys Alex Zimmerman, Joshua Jones, Axel Schygiol and Aiden Fijalkowski swam an excellent relay and brought the points for second place behind Boston.

But it was an excellent round for Rhiannon Haber who was the first swimmer to take maximum points on the day in the 12/u 50 mtr backcrawl and obtain a Pb in an excellent swim to lead from beginning to end. Rhiannon also took first in the 50mtr free and was part of the winning 12/u free relay squad of Rebecca Moore, Emma Wilkinson Grace Conlon and in the final leg Rhiannon Haber. She also obtained 6<sup>th</sup> place in the 14/u 100 front crawl swimming to her district time. Finally taking part of the 5<sup>th</sup> place girls 14/u free relay squad with Jasmin Kirk, Claire Snowden and Emma Wilkinson, to then head for the starting blocks to be part of the girls 12/u medley relay and take the points for second place. The girls 12/u relay squads in whatever formation they swim are very strong and always seem to manage to obtain near maximum points for the squad.

Other first places came from Keiran Skinner in the boys 10yr 50mtr fly a stroke which Keiran keeps improving on each time he swims taking another 0.82 seconds from his time, although William Dale seems to have reduced his training hours it was still a good first place in the boys 12/u breast stroke and a Pb.

Visiting supporters were loud, and cheered the swimmers on which added to the excitement spurring the swimmers on to gain vital points. Scunthorpe Anchor Squad finished a respectable 5<sup>th</sup> place with other pbs going to

Grace Conlon girls 12/u 50 mtr brst 1.29 sec  
Elenore Pacey girls 10yrs 50 mtr free 1.89 sec  
Thomas Spencer boys 14/u 100 mtr brst 1.06 sec  
Axel Schygiol boys 10yrs 50 mtr brst 0.31 sec  
Molly Newton girls 10yrs 50mtr brst new time.  
Becci Foster girls 10 yrs 50mtr back 1.84 sec

Final Scores were

CADS 227, South Lincs 216, Boston 204, Grantham 139, Scunthorpe 129 and Trenton Dolphins 85.