

Kent Masters Distance Championships – 2018

Four of our older Masters went to the Erith Masters Event on the 20th May 2018, which incorporated the Kent Masters Distance Events Championship. They competed with good success enabling Hythe to be placed in 8th place (1st of the E. Kent clubs) in the overall Masters Championships. We are hopeful of getting a good Hythe Masters team for the sprint events at the (usual) Championships. If we have enough individual entries we can also field at least a couple of relay teams to repeat our relay success of last year. Relay events now count in the overall points score.

Our results at the Distance Champs were:-

- Tom Richardson (55 59yrs) 2nd in 1500 metres.
- Phil Moo (65 69yrs) 1st in 200m Back.
- Fred Parker (70 74yrs) 1st in 200m Breast.
- David Staveley (75 79yrs) 1st in 200m IM & 200m Back. (All the 1st places were EBT's since this was the first time they'd been held for Kent Masters).

Fred and David also gained firsts in the two other shorter events for the Erith gala that they each competed in. It was all quite hard work for everyone as the pool had unfortunately been over-heated. Poor Tom had to do his 1500m in a 32-degree pool and it had only cooled down a couple of degrees later in the morning when the rest of us go going. Fortunately, the baby/teaching pool was significantly cooler where we swam down.

Well done to the Hythe swimmers.