

Worthing Swimming Club Press Release 23/08/2011

"Sea swim produces fast finish on a gorgeous day"

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The Worthing swimming club sea swim was held on Saturday 20 August, a month later than originally planned due to adverse weather in July.

The event has been held for more than 40 years with the ladies swimming one quarter mile and the men one half mile (from the Beach house/Lido to the Beach hotel).

The entry age has been relaxed this year from 14 to 12 yrs+. This has allowed a few younger swimmers to enter this year's sea swim - Ben Goddard (13), Jacob Nash (13) and Nick Savill (12)

The ladies race was won by Karen Chan (15) who was racing the event only for the second year.

The mens race was won by Ziggy Tate (20). Ben Goddard came second in his debut year.

John Matthews, who in his 71th year has continued the tradition since he won the event in 1967, enjoyed another year of racing in the sea.

Awards were presented by the Mayor, Councillor Ann Barlow assisted by WSC President Mr John Dommen and Chairman Mr Peter McCallum.

The sea was calm. The wind was light. The sun was out. This is the ideal condition for a very fast race as shown in the final placings.

Ladies: Karen Chan (4:35), Karen Wardley (No Time)

Men: Ziggy Tate (8:15), Ben Goddard (9:10), John Copping (9:43), Nick Savill (10:17), Neale Maloney (10:27), Jacob Nash (10:39), Jon Matthews (11:47)

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