

NER Youth and Senior Championships
3,4 May 2008 at Ponds Forge, Sheffield

Three youth swimmers from DASC attended the NER Youth and Senior Championships in Sheffield. **Helena Teague, Chloe Coates** and **Iain Rossington** all managed Personal Best long course times, and Chloe Coates made the finals in the 50m, 100m and 200m Breaststroke. This was the first year that both Chloe and Helena have been old enough to swim in this gala and the first time Helena has swum 400m freestyle in a 50-metre pool.

Fiona Miller thinks that next year the club will have more youth swimmers attending these events. This will firstly be due to the growth of the club and that new swimmers will be ready for this level of competition. Secondly swimmers that should have competed this year will be available as there was a clash of exams and competition this year. Fiona said, "We are a long way yet from producing our best times but I know that once we hit next season's training the squad and swimmers' level of commitment and attitude to competition will change. I know that the club will be on the way to producing National level swimmers in most age groups"