

# **Gloucester & Somerset Masters Championships 2009**

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2009  
Horfield Leisure Centre - Bristol

## **Club Performance:**

7 swimmers - Martin Duffy, Walter Syrett, Malcolm Wilson, Terry John (Relay only), Elaine Harrison, Hannah Jones, Allie Price

27 individual swims, 3 relay swims

## **Gala details:**

by Terry John

This was supposed to be a closed event, but they allowed us to enter on the basis that our results would not interfere with their internal results system – ie no medals! Malcolm picked myself and Allie up at a fairly respectable time on a Sunday morning and had a pleasant drive across to Bristol where we arrived in plenty of time. Therefore we had breakfast! The coffee machine was not working so had to settle for instant, the toaster obviously wasn't working either as the toast we had wasn't toasted, it was just warm bread! Anyway, we then proceeded to the warm up (I say 'we', but you have to realise I hadn't entered and only turned up to support and help out in a relay team if needed).

Well, it turns out, that this event was organised and run by a very nice (but extremely eccentric) fellow called Herbie who did just about everything including an at times very bizarre commentary.

The competition was good and events came thick and fast, and as soon as you finished one swim it seemed like you were walking down for the next. Everybody did really well (see results below).

The morning session (sensibly called Session 1) contained the 200s where we saw Walter power to victory and a new Welsh record in the 200BR. We also saw Malcolm comfortably and competently complete the 100 Fly which beforehand had been giving him a few (excuse the pun) butterflies! This session ended with 2 relays. The first being a previously agreed challenge – the four fastest male 50BR (this included Martin and Walter) would take on the four fastest female 50BK (this included Allie), with the backstrokers diving in. A strange but interesting event which the men won. The second was a mixed freestyle relay.

Lunch saw us sat outside enjoying the sunshine, when Herbie came along and had a chat. He apologised and explained why we were to receive no medals and proceeded to give us each an individual medal (much to Hannah's enjoyment as she had powered to a 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the 50BR). Even I got a medal (it looks very nice in my trophy cabinet), and all I'd done was buy the coffee. Anyway, it was very nice of Herbie.

The afternoon session (bizarrely called Session 3) went much the same as session 1 with everyone doing really well. This too ended with relays. The afternoon challenge was for the four fastest female 50FR to race against the four fastest male 50Fly. The girls one. We had a girl's relay team (we borrowed a swimmer from Gloucester masters) and won – well done girls. From all the men available, we decided to pick the strongest team available – this obviously included me. We also decided to keep the best till last – this obviously meant me. Anyway true to form we won, some people were beginning to panic when I went in, but I'm sure I don't know what the fuss was about. We had a 10m lead and I just let them catch up a bit so that they didn't look so bad. We won by about a foot! And we got medals for the relays!!!!

Name	Year of Birth	Age at time of swim	Age group at time of swim	Competition	Venue	Year	Date	Course	Distance	Stroke	Time	Position	Achievement	Splits
Elaine Harrison	01/01/1963	46	E	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	200	BK	03:34.11	1st		
Elaine Harrison	01/01/1963	46	E	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	50	BK	00:45.78	2nd		
Elaine Harrison	01/01/1963	46	E	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	100	FR	01:24.71			40.71
Elaine Harrison	01/01/1963	46	E	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	200	FR	03:03.97	1st		42.24, 46.81, 47.59, 47.33
Elaine Harrison	01/01/1963	46	E	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	100	IM	01:40.87	1st		
Elaine Harrison	01/01/1963	46	E	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	50	Fly	00:52.42			
Elaine Harrison	01/01/1963	46	E	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	100	BK	01:43.49			51.56
Walter Syrett	01/01/1959	50	F	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	200	BR	02:42.97	1st	Welsh Record	
Walter Syrett	01/01/1959	50	F	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	50	BR	00:34.29	1st		
Walter Syrett	01/01/1959	50	F	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	50	BR	00:33.74			Breaststroke challenge relay
Walter Syrett	01/01/1959	50	F	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	100	BR	01:16.16	1st		35.48
Martin Duffy	01/01/1978	31	B	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	200	BR	02:41.55	1st		
Martin Duffy	01/01/1978	31	B	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	50	BR	00:32.58	1st		
Martin Duffy	01/01/1978	31	B	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	50	Fly	00:32.06			
Martin Duffy	01/01/1978	31	B	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	50	FR	00:27.88			
Allie Price	01/01/1965	44	D	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	200	IM	02:45.93	1st		35.06, 42.99, 48.79, 39.09
Allie Price	01/01/1965	44	D	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	50	BK	00:36.68	1st		
Allie Price	01/01/1965	44	D	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	100	IM	01:16.48	1st		
Allie Price	01/01/1965	44	D	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	50	Fly	00:33.57	1st		
Allie Price	01/01/1965	44	D	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	50	FR	00:31.23			
Malcolm Wilson	01/01/1953	56	G	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	100	Fly	01:16.55	1st		35.44, 41.11
Malcolm Wilson	01/01/1953	56	G	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	100	FR	01:07.44			33.48
Malcolm Wilson	01/01/1953	56	G	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	200	FR	02:31.00	1st		34.75, 38.26, 40.08, 37.91
Malcolm Wilson	01/01/1953	56	G	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	100	BR	01:30.43	1st		42.98
Hannah Jones	01/01/1986	23	Senior	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	50	BR	00:42.92	2nd		
Hannah Jones	01/01/1986	23	Senior	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	50	Fly	00:43.12			
Hannah Jones	01/01/1986	23	Senior	Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	50	FR	00:34.35			
Mixed				Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	200	FR	02:06.88			Martin, (29.52), Malcolm (31.33), Allie (31.67), Hannah (34.36)
Womens				Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	200	FR	02:17.83	1st		Guest(31.92), Allie (30.86), Hannah (35.93), Elaine (39.12)
Mens				Glos & Som Masters	Bristol	2009	13.09.09	Short	200	FR	02:08.01	1st		Martin (28.27), Malcolm (30.64), Walter (31.32), Terry (37.78)