

Gloucestershire Sports Awards 2008 Adult Club Performance of the Year

This award recognises the achievement of outstanding competitive success in the adult section of a club.

Masters swimming enjoys a huge UK and International following and Gloucester Masters swimming club earlier this year celebrated its 20th anniversary by holding a reunion for many past and present members. However the year was not just an enjoyable social celebration. Some serious and committed training and coaching saw swimmers from the club securing a total of 67 medals at the National Masters Championships in Sheffield; the GB Masters Championships in Manchester; the Welsh Long Course Championships in Swansea; the Cardiff Capital Masters meet and the FINA World Masters in Perth, Australia. 14 of these were Gold Medals.

This impressive haul was matched by the achievement of many personal bests and podium finishes in other Masters events at club and regional level.

With over a hundred swimmers from 18 – 80 years training at least four times a week and a busy social programme the future of Masters Swimming in the county is in safe hands.

Dave Langley from Gloucester Masters

“We are all pleasantly surprised and delighted for the coach Mike Phelps and it’s a shame that he was not able to be here himself to collect the award. Gloucester Masters Swimming Club is like a family; we all absolutely love getting involved and get far more out of it than we put in.”

