

Swimming Sophia is records smasher

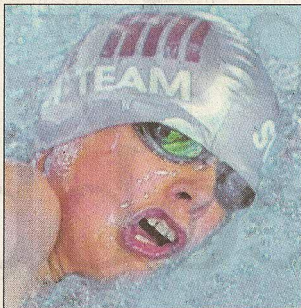
BOX HILL club youngster Sophia Hodgson smashed three club records as she swept up the top girl trophy at the Leatherhead meet.

Consistency was the key at Dorking Sports Centre as the 10-year-old finished in the top six in all of her seven events which included three silver medals.

Toby Everden, 12, also had a great meet winning two silver and two bronze medals. His best swim came in the 200m freestyle with a 20-second improvement.

Fast-improving Gabriela Horn-Montoya stormed to silver medal position in both 50m and 200m freestyle.

Overall, Box Hill scooped 18 medals with the lion's share going to Fergal Marrett. The 13-year-old picked up



Everden: Four medals.

six and smashed the 100m and the 200m individual medley club records by eight and four seconds respectively. With 13 clubs taking part Box Hill did well to finish sixth.

Other medal winners included Felicity Everden with gold in the 200m IM plus bronze in 50m back and

Molly Colbert a bronze with a six-second personal best in the 200m free.

New squad member Florence Niemy a recent product of the Box Hill Academy, swam the perfect race to snatch 50m breaststroke gold later adding silver in the 200m IM.

It wasn't all good news though as the team also recorded four disqualifications. Head coach Steve Cryer said: "We must work on our weaknesses and eradicate these errors which cost the club valuable points."

The records continued to fall as the Box Hill swimmers competed in the first ever club Championships. In all, 18 records were set with most coming in the longer 800m and 1500m freestyle events.