

Swimming County challenge looks all Boxed up



Golden girl: Niemy.

READY to take the Surreys by storm - that's buoyant Box Hill.

The club stacked up their qualifiers for next year's county championships to an impressive 29 during Sunday's Dorking meet.

And add those stats to a medal tally of five golds, two silvers and four bronzes and coach Steve Cryer's delight is understandable.

Joanne Farley, 12, led the way with wins in two of her

four events - finishing third in the other two - clocking a pair of club records in the 100m backstroke and 100m butterfly.

But Farley's successes were just the start of it.

Josephine Truelove, 14, set a new personal best (PB) and club record on her way to 100m breaststroke gold while 13-year-old Fin Ring-Hrubesh swam to two lifetime bests in the 100m back (bronze) and 100m breast (silver) adding a

further bronze in the 100m butterfly, the latter like his breaststroke swim breaking Box Hill records.

Patrick Lynch, 12, raced to a well-deserved silver in the 100m breast.

Meanwhile his 14-year-old sister Rebecca set club standards in the 100m free and back.

There was a pair of bronze medals for nine-year-old Freya Johnson in the 50m fly and 50m breast while

Florence Niemy struck gold in the 50m breast, gaining a county qualifying time in the process.

Head coach Cryer raved: "You always measure a swimmer's improvement on their personal best and at this meet we've had 35 plus 13 club records."

Others to star included Felicity Everden, Lorcan Marrett, Charlie Bennett, Isabelle Veasey and Fergal Marrett.