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NOAH GARGETT TAKES GOLD!

At the recent National Skills Finals in Stevenage, Plymouth diver **Noah Gargett** aged 9 came away with a fantastic gold medal in the boys 8/9 years category. Noah, who was the runaway winner of the Christmas Development Competition, dived excellently against tough competition from all over the UK and Ireland.

And it was also a fantastic day for **Jay Elliott** aged 8 who came away with the silver medal in the same event! Jay is one of the newest recruits to the TID squads having started diving just over a year ago and is doing amazingly well.

Well done to both boys and their coach, Claire Wonnacott!!

In the same event **Jake Reinecke** and **Tommy Woodward** from Plymouth dived well in their first major event to take 6th and 7th places.

In the girls competition, **Lacey Owen** who was spotted in the 2009 Schools Talent Search, did her school Beechwood Primary proud by finishing 11th in a very tough event.

In an enormous girls 10/11 event of 42 divers several Plymouth girls placed: **Jessie Hawker** (11th), **Blaise Fice** (15th), **Bethany Pulley-Blank** (22nd), **Meirwen Jenking-Rees** (36th), **Jessica Coombe** (38th) and **Aimee Fishleigh** (40th).

In the boys 10/11 event **Harry Rafton** dived excellently to finish in 7th place and **George Burdon** dived well to take 20th place in his first big competition.

Lucy Robinson, another diver from the Schools Talent Search was in the very competitive girls 12/13 years event and dived fantastically to finish in 9th place from 41 entries. **Iona Weaving** in the same event dived consistently to take 31st place. In the boys 12/13 years event, **Tom Rowland** was on his first outing with the Plymouth team and did very well to finish in 11th place. And finally, in the girls 14-16 years event **Tierney Figg** took 17th place.

Well done team and many thanks to **Rhona Jenking-Rees and Jacqui and Andy Woodward** who chaperoned and drove minibuses – taking teams away like this would not be possible without the help of parents and the fundraising of the 'Friends of Plymouth Divers'.

Star of the Week



Ashley Hendrick - Ashley has been steadily improving over the last year and his most recent new dive is the massive 207c (back three and a half somersaults with tuck) - well done Ash and keep up the hard work!

TONIA TAKES BRONZE IN SIZZLING PERFORMANCE IN FORT LAUDERDALE

Tonia Couch had been threatening a great performance after her two good performances at the World Series in Mexico.

Following on from a training camp in Canada, she flew down to Florida for a FINA Grand Prix event where she was diving individually and in the Synchro event with her new partner, Sarah Barrow (formerly of Plymouth).

Tonia made the individual final comfortably and was in sensational form as she fought off opposition for the bronze from Canada's Carol-Ann Ware, to finish third with 334 points! This will secure Tonia's place on the World Cup team (June).

In the Synchro event there was more success as she and Sarah took bronze behind China and USA.

Well done Tonia!

