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City of Oxford topped the medal table at the Swim England National Summer Meet at Ponds Forge. **Ollie Baker** reports  
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**C**ity of Oxford SC finished top of the medal table at the Swim England National Summer Meet. Thanks to multiple medals from Mimi Morley Iszatt, Toby Mackay-Champion, Kate Mills and Emily Ford, they powered to 11 podium places over the five-day event.

Overall the club's swimmers won seven gold, three silver and one bronze medal, solidifying their position as best performing club ahead of Northampton and Mount Kelly in second and third respectively.

The standout swimmer for City of Oxford was 14-year-old Morley Iszatt, who claimed two gold medals in her age group. She won both the 100m backstroke (1:05.83) and 200m backstroke (2:24.35).

Commenting on her 200m backstroke victory, Morley Iszatt said: 'I've been swimming for three years and this is my second time at nationals. Last year, I only had one event and I didn't get any medals. So this is the first time I've done both the events and I got medals.'

'I'm hoping for more in the future. I really want to qualify for the British nationals next year and keep getting faster.'

Northampton were just a single gold medal away from beating Oxford to the top spot. Their swimmers won more medals overall, taking away six gold, seven silver and one bronze medal.

Northampton's standout swimmer was 17-year-old Danny Savage, who took two gold and one silver medal in his age group. Savage, who also claimed three gold medals at the British Summer Championships the previous week, won the 17yrs 50m freestyle (23.61),



50m backstroke (27.27) and came second in the 100m backstroke (58.83).

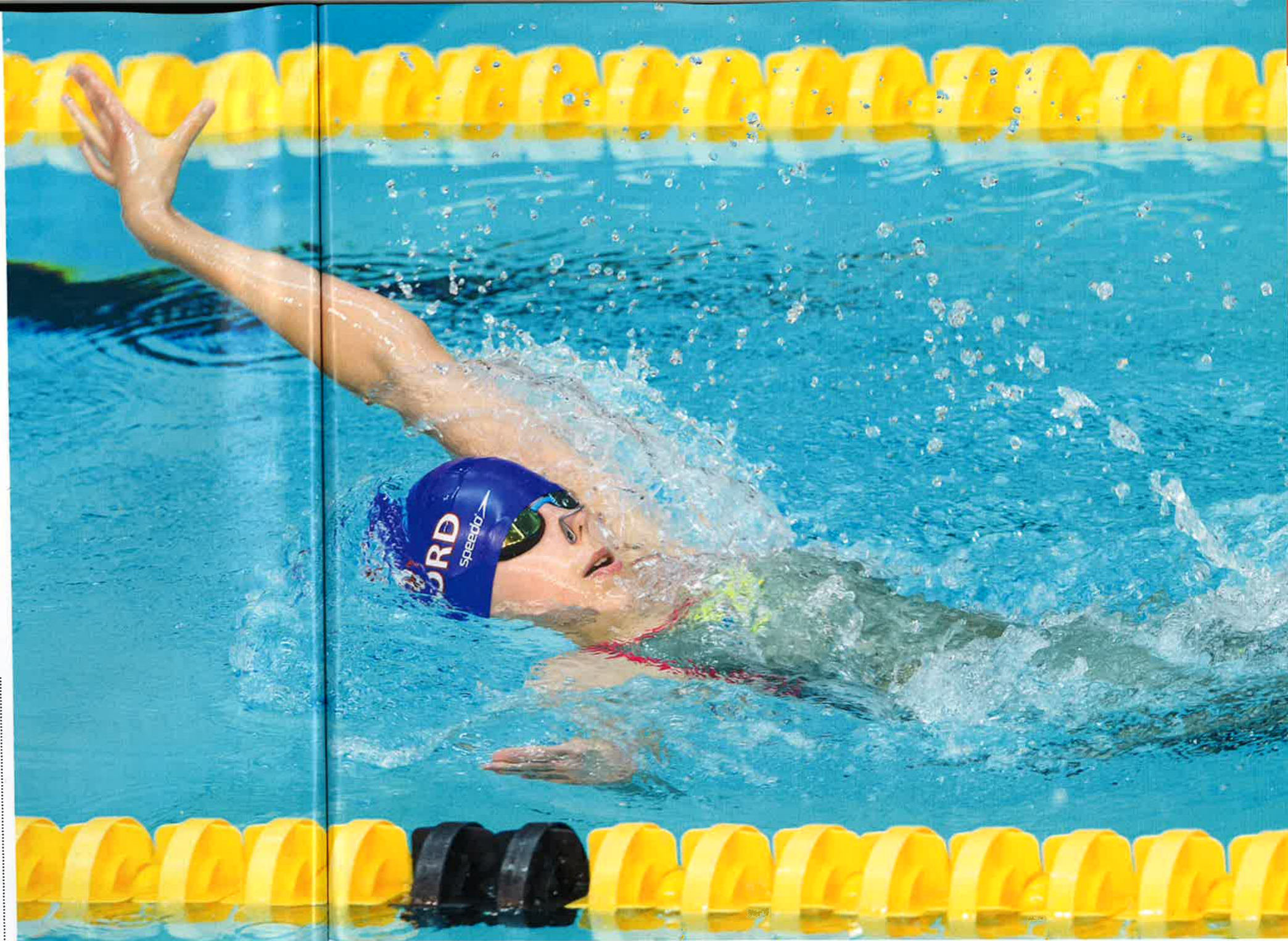
Commenting after a personal best to win the 50m freestyle, Savage said: 'It was a good swim. Unfortunately I didn't qualify for this event last week, I just wanted to come here and do a time which would have been up there last week.'

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### Bainbridge leads medal charge

Ella Bainbridge was by far the star in the girls' 12/13yrs age group, winning one gold and three silver medals.

The Cleethorpes and District SC swimmer took silver medals in the 200m individual medley, 100m butterfly and 200m breaststroke and looked as though she would



be taking home a hat-trick of silvers.

However, after an amazing swim in the 200m butterfly, the 13-year-old finally got her hands on a gold to end her competition. She was over a second faster than Emma Erkin of Nova Centurion, taking the title in a time of 2:23.72. Every single swim by Bainbridge saw her set new personal best times.

'I was shocked to get the three silvers to be fair because I was ranked fifth a lot. I worked so hard not to get silver again,' said Bainbridge. 'I really went for it and it paid off.'

'It's end of season for me now, and I have three weeks off and then back to training. I'm going to try and train one more session a week next season.'

Sophie Freeman of Colchester SC had a very similar competition, claiming one gold and three silver medals. She came second in the 200m freestyle, 200m IM and 100m backstroke, before eventually claiming the



The glint of gold for 17-year-old Danny Savage

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