



## PSC Celebration Evening 2019

On a rare night off from training or competition, PSC swimmers and their families donned their glad-rags and headed to The Royal Bath Hotel for the club's annual celebration and awards evening on Friday September 20<sup>th</sup>.

A hundred and eighty members and supporters were in attendance and enjoyed the red carpet entrance to the impressive Kings Hall, where Dawn's spectacular trophy table and the surprise PSC mannequin head centre-pieces awaited. Head Coach Barry, Chairman Russ and President Joe gave a round-up of the fantastic achievements of the 2018-2019 season, including our record number of County, Regional and National qualifiers as well as a huge number of club records broken, not to mention Jacob and Robbie's amazing British Records!



The night was also a chance to acknowledge and applaud our coaches. Barry's incredible Performance Coach of the Year award from Swim England was officially celebrated, as was Coach Jan's Swim England National Development Programme selection; her role as Head Coach for the Dorset County Pathway Programme, and her prestigious Swim England Level 3 Senior Performance Coach award. We also celebrated Becky Dowling's Regional Coach selection on this year's Swim England Development Camp.

Every swimmer was recognised for their highest level of achievement in competition this year, be-it at Novice League, or international representation for Great Britain!

A series of video montages punctuated the awards' presentations, showcasing not just our amazing swimmers, but also the tireless efforts of our volunteers, officials and supporters, without whom the sport would simply not function.

If you can get involved in any way this coming season, talk to anyone at the club, from coaches, to squad coordinators or The Support Squad to find out what you can do. Your club relies on your support.



To round off the awards, the coaches dry-land swim stroke demonstrations, which had been caught on camera by our covert PSC paparazzi, were set to music in a dance video. Thanks to the coaches for all their hard work over the season and for being such good sports and sources of amusement!

Lynette and Nicky ran another brilliant raffle and we were also grateful to have a representative from Asda in attendance, as part of their community funding top-up scheme, organised by Corinne.

The swimmers and parents enjoyed the services of Paul Carroll's passport photo booth and there was luckily some time to squeeze in a few disco moves with Coastal DJs black and yellow light show. Thanks must go to The Support Squad for fundraising efforts to help subsidise the night and for all the organisation behind the scenes.

