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Sidmouth Swimmers Smash Fundraising Target

OVER 40 swimmers from ages 11 to 71 years young, took part in Sidmouth's annual Swimathon recently. Collecting over £1,300 for Marie Curie Cancer Care to date and already smashing last year's fundraising total, organiser Chris Duchenski was delighted with Sidmouth's effort.

"The Swimathon brought people of all ages and abilities to the pool. There was a really great atmosphere throughout the three days, and the fact that we've helped raise so much money for Marie Curie is just fantastic."

Regular swimmer Susan Ashby and her family swam 2.5k each day, whereas 11-year-old Molly Spalding and Frankie King-Keast tackled 1.5k each. Local all-girl team H20 managed the whole 5k in 1hour 17minutes, and 71 year old Ian Skinner completed his 1.5k in an impressive 44 minutes.

Sidmouth is currently ranked 12th in the regional fundraising league table and it's not too late to help them raise even more, just visit www.swimathon.org to donate.

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Notes to editors:

1. Leisure East Devon Ltd was established on 1 January 2006. East Devon District Council's leisure facilities and equipment assets are leased to it. www.ledleisure.co.uk
2. The facilities are: Axe Valley Leisure Centre; Broadclyst Leisure Centre; Colyton Leisure Centre; Ottery St Mary Leisure Centre (Colin Tooze Sports Centre); East Devon Tennis Centre; Exmouth Swimming and Leisure Centre; Exmouth Pavilion; Exmouth's Phear Park; Honiton Swimming and Leisure Centre; Seaton's Seafeld Gardens; Sidmouth's Coburg Road; Sidmouth Leisure Centre and Sidmouth Swimming Pool.

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