

Well Done Freya

Freya Moody is 10 years old; she moved to Milton under Wychwood in September 2012 and is in her final year at Wychwood Primary School. On moving to The Wychwoods, Freya and her younger sister Eva both joined Witney and District Swimming Club. Freya has shown great potential and was recently awarded the Girls' 'under 11' 2013 Club Championship trophy for achieving the most points in these competitions.

Not content with that, she went on to win a further six 1st place trophies/shields and broke a 28 year club record for the under 11 girls' 100m freestyle which she did by an impressive 1 ½ seconds.

Both Freya and Eva are competing in the County finals in March, held in Aylesbury. They are extremely dedicated to swimming and do not bat an eyelid at being woken at 5.15am to go training



twice a week, on top of the other regular swimming sessions they attend.

Michelle Moody

Shipton Charity Ball 14th December 2013

A new Committee comprising Peter and Anne Hilling, Chris and Sue Fitzpatrick, Charles and Pauline Marshall, John and Mary Miskin and Ian and Mary Drainer has been formed and is already planning this year's event in the New Beaconsfield Hall.

The charity we shall be supporting is the Thames Valley and Chiltern Air Ambulance which covers Oxfordshire, Berkshire and Buckinghamshire. It is an independent charitable trust receiving no funding from central Government or the National Lottery and relying entirely on donations, fundraising, legacies and sponsorship. It costs about £3 million annually to operate our Air Ambulance. Our Air Ambulance is a key emergency asset, particularly for rural communities such as ours; it is frequently scrambled to

attend equestrian, farm, walking and biking accidents as well as major road incidents. In 2012 the Air Ambulance attended eight calls in the Wychwoods and eighty three incidents within a seven mile radius of here in the last three years.

We are confident that this year's Ball, which will follow a similar format to those in the past, will prove to be another enjoyable event and will raise a significant sum for this worthy charity. For those new to the village, it is Black Tie, a bubbly reception, three-course meal, live music, with attractive raffle and auction prizes all at £40 per head. So contact Sue Fitzpatrick, email: sueislost@aol.com, to reserve your places as the Charity Ball is always very popular.

Peter Hilling