

Scarborough Swimmer Wins Sports Award

Tom Heaton, 16 year old former Scalby School pupil was awarded 'Scarborough & District School Sport Association Sportsman of the Year' at the annual Sports Awards last weekend. The award is presented to a pupil from a school within the District and has previously been won by students from Lady Lumley's, Whitby and Ryedale.

Tom who is a member of Scarborough Swimming Club and is now a student at Scarborough Sixth Form College was presented with this prestigious award by Olympian and BBC Commentator Paul Dickenson for his 'dedication and contribution to sport'.

Tom has been swimming competitively for 7 years and has accomplished numerous accolades in this time. He is ranked in the top tier of Yorkshire swimmers and often touches the top ranking for his favourite event the 50m butterfly. He is a North Eastern qualifier and is working hard with coach Sam Greetham in preparation for this Winter's North Eastern Championships in Sunderland.

Tom's qualities include a very positive attitude to his training which starts at 5am four mornings each week. His attention is now turning towards coaching younger swimmers at Scarborough Swimming Club and he is enjoying giving something back to the sport.

Tom was delighted to receive the trophy and said " I would like to thank my swimming Coach Sam Greetham for all his help and Mr Davis from Scalby School for the nomination".