



Jacob Holmes, one of a number to break out on the Serpent's Tail.

Christies gather trophies



Regan Toop, prior to breaking out.

Welsh Open

The Dee was at its best for the Welsh Open, regardless of the miserable weather. The level was well up but not covering the rocks of the Serpent's Tail. As a result there were a number of competitors who broke out on the Tail and various collisions with the overhanging rock at its crux, including Crowhurst/Sandercock, who swam here on sprint first runs so that there were no C2 results initially.

On the first runs the women were more consistent than the men. Other than Lucy Guest, who swam, the other five had a spread of just 5 seconds, Kerry Christie in the lead.

Huw Singleton was in the open lead, just 0.13 sec ahead of Freddie Brown, but there were several breakouts, Jacob Holmes, Regan Toop, Selwyn Richards and Jamie Christie in K1 and Andrew Crowhurst, the only C1.

The second runs saw Kerry Christie swim although her first run was



Jamie Christie takes the scenic route on the Tail.



Emma Christie, 3rd in the classic women.



Crowhurst/Sandercock fending off the bottom of the Tail.



Huw Singleton won both sprint and classic categories.



Freddie Brown, 2nd in the sprint.



Laura Milne, 2nd in her sprint.