Octopush

## Talented kids dazzle Devon!



Harry Thompson receives his medal.

TAMESIDE under 11s' Octopush team secured third place in a tournament played at Dawlish Leisure Centre, in Devon.

In the biggest Junior Underwater Hockey tournament outside the National Championships teams assembled from all around the Country.

The Tameside team, known as Xarifa, won two games to secure third

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place and included seven-year-old Harry Thompson, who has only been playing for a few months.

Harry was the youngest player in the competition and he even managed to score one of his teams winning goals.

Harry is following in his father Phil's, footsteps in playing the sport.

Phil is a coach and a player with the Manchester Octopush team, which is one of the top sides in the country, and

he's also one of the founders of the junior team.

The competition proved to be real success for the club and although only four members of the squad travelled they were able to make the numbers up by borrowing players from other clubs, making their third place finish all the more remarkable.

The club are constantly on the look-

out for new players.

If you would like to join the Octopush squad you can contact the club via www.xuwh.org.uk