



A TAMESIDE teenager is looking to be a knockout and make a splash as he seeks to boost his sporting profile.

Joe Moss, 15, of Lord Derby Road, Gee Cross, won the 67-70kg championship at the ABA's Junior Novice NW Championships.

Joe, who boxes for the Bredbury Stockport Boxing Club, claimed the title in only his fifth fight, 18 months after taking up the sport.

If that was not enough, The Hyde Tech student also plays underwater hockey for the Dukinfield-based Xarifa team, as well as the Manchester men's squad. That is a sport

which runs in the family as elder brother Sam is already on the Great Britain team.

Dad Steve said: "Joe was a bit asthmatic as a kid and a bit overweight, so boxing has been perfect for him. He's done really well for himself; he likes his training and it's proved very good for him.

"He's been doing the underwater hockey for three years. The kids have always done swimming and used to go twice a week, so when they found there was an underwater hockey club, it was a natural progression for them."