



SPLASH! Newsletter of Worthing Swimming Club

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PRESENTATION EVENING

Our annual Championship Presentation took place at the GSK Club on Saturday 24th January. Club members enjoyed a delicious spread of food with a Chinese New Year theme prepared by Dawn Osborne and Fanny Chan.

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COLIN ELLIOTT

It was with sadness the Club heard of the sudden death of Colin Elliott. Colin had been involved as a teacher at the Club for over 20 years, the last 4 of which he was Director of Training, until he left the Club a few years ago. Club Chairman Peter McCallum attended his funeral and a donation from the Club was made to the British Heart Foundation.

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SMARTIES CHALLENGE

Thanks must go to Peter Higson for the donation of the Smarties Total raised to date is £160.

Please see Carol Tate if you wish to take part

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AGE GROUP COMPETITION

Saturday 8th May - Lancing College, 6pm

Saturday 15th May - Lancing College, 6pm

Entry forms are now available at the Club Shop. These must be returned, in the box, by Thursday 22nd April.

TIME TRIALS

Any swimmer wishing to do a time trial to get into lengths or for an Open Meet may turn up any Monday night at 8:30pm at Lancing College. No prior arrangement is necessary.

If you are a widths class swimmer and manage to do the qualifying time for lengths, you will be invited to attend Mondays session at Lancing College, first. To attend sessions Tuesdays and Thursdays you will need to obtain your ASA Competitive Start Award, be able to do all four strokes, tumble turn and finish your NPTS groups up to Level 12. The only exception to fast track through these rules will be any swimmer achieving County consideration times in their age group. If you require any further information I am available from 7pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Allan Tate, Chief Coach

ASSISTANT TEACHERS COURSE

The Club, in partnership with the council, will be running an ASA level 1 Teacher (Swimming) course, starting on Saturday 5th June. The course will be run over 5 Saturday mornings. If any parents are interested in gaining this qualification, please see Peter McCallum. Experience can be gained by working on the poolside before the course.

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S.W.A.N.

Since the last newsletter there has been much activity regarding the future of the Aquarena. Firstly, the Aquarena was 'saved', thanks to the tremendous support on the march to the town centre and the handing over to the council of the petition containing over 17000 signatures.

Looking to the future, S.W.A.N. has now become Support Worthing Aquarena Now and has been recognised by the council and Aquarena management as a group to support the future functioning of the Aquarena and involvement in plans for the 'new' Aquarena. Club Chairman, Peter McCallum is actively involved in this group and would like to encourage parents of members of the Club

to involve themselves as supporters of S.W.A.N. If you are interested please speak to Peter, who can give you details on how you can become involved in the future provision of swimming facilities in the town.

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SOFTWARE

The Club recently purchased new software to run Club galas and diving competitions. HY-TEK MEET MANAGER and TEAM MANAGER II modules can be linked to the Club's existing electronic timing system and will provide instant print-outs of results. The system was used at the Sussex League Gala on 20th March, with great success. Further trials will take place in the next few weeks to ensure it works well for the Age Group Competition, in May.

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SWIMATHON

Once again over a hundred swimmers took part.

The Club was well represented; Ziggy Tate completed 312 lengths achieving his goal to beat the existing record for the most lengths. Other Club swimmers did equally well, Naomi Humphreys 290 lengths, Claire Redman 260 lengths and Alastair Hardinge 250 lengths.

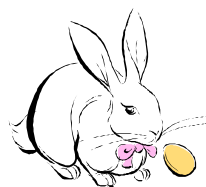
Please can those who took part collect and pay in their sponsor money as soon as possible.

The presentation of certificates and medals by The Mayor will take place at the Town Hall on Friday 7th May at 5pm. There will be a photocall on the front steps beforehand.

HELP

We require a parent to help on the Pay Desk on Tuesdays between 7pm and 8pm. Can you help? The job involves marking the registers for the 7pm, 7:30pm and 8pm classes.

EASTER DRAW



An Easter Draw will be held on Thursday 8th April at 8:00pm. Tickets priced at £1 per strip of 5 tickets are available from James Drage.

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RESULTS

The following swimmers took part in the County Championships and Age Groups during February and March:- Chris Luesley, Zoë Yeandle, Navada Phouang, Kevin Chan, Joshua Goldsmith, Jimmy Phouang, Alastair Hardinge, Nichola Gatland, Daisy Todd, Georgina Higson, Sam Maloney, William Hunt, Charlie Jones, Daniel MacDonald, Thomas Mendes, Jacques Williams, Matthew McClumpha, Matthew Groom, Richard Lintern, Catherine Helmer, Laura Joseph, Tara Osborne, Christopher Stoneham, Tuesday O'Brien.

Congratulations to the following who won awards:- Daniel MacDonald, Boys 9yrs 200m Breaststroke-1st, Boys 9yrs 50m Breaststroke-2nd & Boys 9yrs 50m Freestyle-5th, Navada Phouang, Girls 13yrs 100m Breaststroke-5th & Girls 200m Breaststroke-4th,

(Navada's time qualified her for the Southern Counties Age Group Championships at Crystal Palace in June) Kevin Chan, Boys 11yrs 200m Breaststroke-5th, Joshua Goldsmith, Boys 11yrs 400m IM-3rd.

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EMILY TILZEY



Congratulations to Emily attended a GB, training camp, at the Gala baths in Walsall, between 13th- 16th February. Emily took the opportunity to improve her goalkeeping skills, and hopes to be selected for the next squad session at Millfield School in the summer.

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CALENDAR FOR APRIL/MAY

Sat 3rd April - Havant & Waterlooville SC, Open Meet, Waterlooville.

Sat 18th April - Littlehampton SC Open Meet, Portsmouth

Sat 25th April - Haslemere SC 'B' Open Meet, Haslemere

Sat 8th May- Worthing SC Age Groups- Gala 1, Lancing College

Sat 15th May- Worthing SC Age Groups- Gala 2, Lancing College

Sat 22nd May- Rother League- Round 1, Fleet