

Editorial.

1976 has proved to be another busy year for the Club but one in which it has gone from strength to strength and achieved deserved successes on the way. Let us hope that 1977 will be even better!

As the year closes it would be amiss not to thank the countless people who do so much for the Club either on the coaching or social side. Without your generous help Camp Hill SC would not function - many thanks for your continued support.

Finally congratulations to FGT on being selected as the England Team Manager for 1977 - an honour richly deserved.

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Christmas Break.

The last session will be on the 23rd. December and the next after that will be on Sunday, 2nd. January. This will give us just under a week to work-off the Christmas pudding before the first League Galas commence on Saturday, January 8th.

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MATCH REPORTS.23/10/76. WML Round 2 - Halesowen.

Coventry 'A' 246, C/Hill 'A' 227, Orion 158, C/Hill 'B' 125, COSSACS 123.  
Notts. Leander 86.

The drawing of both our teams at Halesowen ensured our 67 swimmers of plenty of support. Coventry took a slight lead over our A Team in the early stages of the gala, and held on to it, but we never gave up trying and they had to make full use of their strong line-up. Our B Team, not to be outdone, took 4th. place in the gala (now 11th= in the league) pulling ahead of COSSACS 'B' in the last event when our 6 x 2 Men's F/S Team did 4.01.9 (average 40.3), a time that our A Team would have settled for not long ago. Amongst many good performances I pick out: I.M. Chris Tainty 92.6, F/S Carol Brown 42.7, Gaynor Simper 43.7, Derek Allen 41.5, Laura Barrett 21.1, Debbie Allen 22.6, John Austin 20.8. BR. Gavin Cameron 53.5, Austin Swain 57.1, Karen Gurney 28.0, Julian Swain 28.6, Lynn Starling 86.5, Debbie Baker 86.9, BK. Katie Long 52.6, Paul Woodall 49.6, Stephen Marroidi 52.6, Stuart Gatland 76.2 Fly Sara Cheesbrough 72.5, Wendy Leach 83.0, Mandy Jefferson 23.3, Sharon Bush 25.3, Frank Edwards 23.0, Rosalind Fox 47.4, Katie Long 50.9, Paul Woodall 47.0, Gary Whitson 50.0.

There was also many good team 'splits' with our 11/U Teams getting their revenge for the Coventry wins at Blackpool, and our Men showing a clean pair of heels to Orion's much fancied F/S Team.

F.G.".

24/10/76. Burmah Oil Swimming Trophy.

In high spirits after the previous day's good results at Halesowen, a team of 48 swimmers travelled to Leeds, accompanied by a Supporters Coach. The thirty relays all over 50m produced some exciting swimming - particularly when we won the Open F/S (Adrian Griffiths 28.0, Paul Tainty 26.6, Nicky Green 25.7, Trevor Clark 26.2) - a vintage swim from Nicky gave Trevor a slight lead over David Parker (Coventry) and to the delight of our vociferous supporters refused to be caught. Trevor was in good form and he also produced a fine 58.2 in the cannon relay. Our 14/U Boys Medley Team (Graham Brookhouse 35.0, Andrew Ceaton 35.4, Glenn Moreton 29.8 and Nigel Sabell 28.9) also won as did the Girls 13/U Medley Team (Judith Robson 35.6, Linda Brown 41.6, Ros. Fox 33.6 and Carol Brown 31.1).

There were very many good swims including Wendy Leach (F/S 31.0), Paul Rogers (BR 33.8), Jonathan Earl (F/S 33.3), Judith Robson (F/S 30.4), Jimmy Gallagher (F/S 27.7), Katie Long (Fly 36.2).

Result: Leeds Central 263, Coventry 225, C/Hill 202, Paisley 175, Liverpool 164, Junction 10 161, Warrington 111, Bradford 97.

Two blemishes on an otherwise excellent day 1. Three late withdrawals from the Supporters Coach cost the Club a total of six pounds, 2. I had the unpleasant task of informing the driver that there was chewing gum on three of the seats in the Team coach.

F.G.T.

29 & 30/10/76. ESSA Championships-Gateshead.

The Club had 4 representatives in this year's championships. The best performance came from Paul Tainty who swam excellent relay splits (F/S 35.0 Fly 39.0) and took 4th place in the 110yds Fly 62.0.

Not to be outdone Glenn Moreton produced a p.b. with 65.6(5th) and he should be a strong contender in the same group next year. Paul Rogers' lack of breaststroke training showed up in his individual event but he too had a good swim in the medley team race. Carol Brown, our only 'lady' selected, did a creditable 66.4 F/S with 42.2 in the Team race.

Next year the Championships are at Coventry, so let's have plenty of Camp Hill representatives in the Division 6 team.

A.P.

6/11/76. Piranha Trophy.

For the first time ever this Diddy Gala was held at the School pool which was packed with close on 100 supporters. The 8/U, 9/U and 10/U swimmers did not disappoint them, swimming with their usual enthusiasm and determination. Out of 42 events Camp Hill won 27, were second in 9 and third in 4.

Many thanks to all the helpers and officials who made the afternoon a great success - be prepared for we shall need you again on January 22nd.

Points...Camp Hill 187, Rugby 130, Halesowen 127, Coventry 103, W/Handsworth 85.

A.D.

20/11/76. B'nam and District Ladies League Final - Walsall.

The Ladies League Annual Junior Final proved to be a long drawn out affair but our girls gave a good account of themselves by retaining the Championship trophy.

Good swims were recorded by K. Gurney 26.7 BR, L. Brown 56.1 BR, L. Starling 85.5 BR, K. Long 50.5 BK, M. Jefferson 23.5 Fly. (Ros Fox swimming for Stourbridge also produced a creditable 73.5 Fly.)

My thanks to the girls who came into the team at the last minute and contributed to a successful team effort.

A.P.

6 & 27/11/76. Green Shield Inter-Counties.

Preliminary Round..S/Coldfield Nov. 6th.

John Austin, Frank Edwards, Laura Barrett, Karen Gurney, Philip Woodall, Kevin Cameron, Derek Allen, Andrew Coaton and Sarah Cheesbrough were the Club's contribution to the Warwickshire ASA team that won this first match. Staffordshire were the nearest challengers but valuable points were taken by Joy Beasley and Keith Cradock for Worcester.

The final was held at Nuneaton on Nov. 26th with only two changes in the team. James Radford replaced Kevin Cameron and 'Kung Fu' Woodall had damaged his hand. A brilliant display of swimming gave Lancashire the trophy with Warwickshire second. Although the majority of the Camp Hill swimmers improved on their first round times it was disappointing that the excellent opposition did not provide the springboard to achieve personal best times.

A well-deserved appointment was that of Fred Sharp as Team Manager. A bundle of nerves was Fred, willing each swimmer to go faster and in some instances I feel he wished he could jump in with them, but his enthusiasm went a long way to bringing the County to the second position in age-group competition.

From the Warwickshire Championships and Age-Group Committee we wish all competitors a Merry Xmas and a successful New Year.

G.T.

27/11/76 v. Cardiff.

Camp Hill 177 Cardiff 143

Our team, depleted by County demands, had little difficulty in beating a similarly weakened Cardiff team. The match lacked real interest but, despite this, it proved to be well worthwhile in view of the number of p.b.'s set up.

Fly. Katie Long 76.9, Gary Whitson 77.5, Sharon Bush 92.8, BK. Ruth Tanner 85.6, Katie Long 80.1, Stephen Matroidi 80.5, Gary Tonks 82.8, BR. David Beavan 2.39.8, Lynn Starling 3.00.7, Linda Brown 85.9, Austin Swain 84.8, Mandy Jefferson 93.2 F/S Ruth Tanner 73.6, Debbie Allen 76.8, Jonathon Earl 75.4, Julian Swain 73.5, Gaynor Simper 69.2.

4/12/76. W.M.L. Final.

Coventry 236 Camp Hill 196 COSSACS 177

The above teams were the main participants in this Gala, though Coventry B Leicester and Derby played their part. I was pleased with the business-like way in which our swimmers applied themselves to their races: we did well to push a very strong Coventry team in the first part of the gala while maintaining a comfortable lead over the other clubs that were competing. It was obvious too that our girls are again becoming a more effective force in the team:- for example all the BR's did well, with Lynn Starling rounding off the year with an 84+.

The U/12 boys and girls maintained their usual high standard in the individual events while the two F/S teams were in a class of their own. There were good team splits by Judith Robson 42.5, Rosalind Fox 42.3 and Jane Tonks 42.7, while Nicky Green doubled his normal output with two 37's. Mandy Sharp swam a sound 73+ Fly and Glenn Mbroton, although showing a marked reluctance to leave his block, did one of his best Fly swims in 65+ and David Beavan produced a powerful 75.2.

F.G.T.

4/12/76. W.M.L. Gala 2.

Orion 199 Leicester 182 Camp Hill 176 Halesowen 152

The 'B' team gave a good account of themselves and chased Orion and Leicester all the way home. The Under 12 girls swam exceptionally well and gave the team a good start with an impressive win in the F/S team race.

Good swims by... BR. A. Swain 54.5, A. Johnson 28.4, BK S. Mavroidi 52.5, I. MacDougall 71.4, A. Thompson 26.8, Fly I. MacDougall 69.1, W. Leach 81.4, S. Bush 24.6, K. Long 49.5, F/S P. Davies 47.0.

A.P.

9/12/76. John Sadler Trophy.

For the third year in succession Camp Hill again won the John Sadler Trophy. The 'A' Team... John Austin, Katie Long, Gary Whitson, Laura Barrett... and the 'B' Team.... Paul Denny, Karen Gurney, Frank Edwards, Gaynor Simper... both qualified for the Final from an original entry of 22 teams and it was the 'A' Team who touched first in a closely contested race. The 'B' Team were a very creditable second and Warley finished third.

R.J.

11/12/76. v Leicester Neptune.

Full details of this 'B' Team match are not yet available but one thing we are sure of and that is the result.....a convincing win for Camp Hill.

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In the next edition of the Newsletter I shall have final details of the 5 Club League plus a resume of all the Water Polo news during the past few months.

Until then my thanks to all the 'reporters' for their valuable contributions and a Happy New Year to you all!

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DATE FOR YOUR DIARY.

FRIDAY - 25TH FEBRUARY. SKITTLES AND BUFFET AT KEMPSEY.

WATCH NOTICE BOARD FOR DETAILS.

CAMPBELL EDWARDS SWIMMING CLUB - 1977 FIXTURES

	"A" TEAM	A.S.A.	"B" TEAM	"DIDDY"
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	8	EAST MIDLAND LGE.		SWIMMING LEAGUE
	15	W.WALES (H) 2-30pm.	M.D. A.G.M.-LEICS.	
	22	CARDIFF MEET		MANSFIELD (A) 6-00pm
	29	SWIMMING LEAGUE		WARLEY (A) 6-30
	5			
	SUN 6	W.WALES (A)		
	12	EAST MIDLAND LGE.		
	19		M.D. SHORT COURSE	
	26			PIRANHA TROOP
	5			
	12	EAST MIDLAND LGE.		
	19	SWIMMING LEAGUE		
	26		NATIONAL SHORT COURSE	BROMSGROVE (A)
	2			
	9		COUNTY CHAMPS.	
	16		COUNTY CHAMPS.	
	23		COUNTY CHAMPS.	
	30			
	7		COUNTY CHAMPS.	
	14			
	21			MANSFIELD (H) 2-30pm
	28			TENKSBURY (A)
	4		M.D. CHAMPS.	
	11		M.D. CHAMPS.	
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	9		M.D. AGE GROUPS	
	16		M.D. AGE GROUPS	
	23		NATIONAL CHAMPS	
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	27		GREEN SHIELD AGE GROUP	
	3			
	10		BOYS + GIRLS CLUB CHAMPS	
	17		DIV. 6 SCHOOLS - WORCS.	
	24		M.D. INTER COUNTIES	
	1	WEST MIDLAND LGE.		
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	22	WEST MIDLAND LGE.		
	29		E.S.S.A. CHAMPS	
	5		GREEN SHIELD KNOCK OUT	
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	26		GREEN SHIELD KNOCK OUT	
	3	WEST MIDLAND LGE.		
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