

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

These are due in March. Polly Sheasby will collect them on several dates to be notified - watch the noticeboard. £15.00 for the first member of a family, £10.00 for the second and £5.00 for any others.

A.S.A. REGISTRATION

To be eligible to swim in Leagues, Meets, County events, etc in 1992, you have to pay the Amateur Swimming Association £6.00. As we are a competitive club, most of you will have to pay this. This, too, will be collected by Polly Sheasby.

RANKING LISTS

Mr and Mrs Hindson are keeping up-to-date ranking lists of the performances of our younger swimmers, 9-12 years. Extracts from these will be displayed regularly. Study them and try to improve your times and rankings.

MORNING TRAINING

I am pleased to note an improvement in the numbers attending, but still feel that the number could be doubled or trebled if more of you were really keen to do well.

MATCH REPORTS

Regrettably, I have mislaid certain results so am unable to draw attention to several good swims. There are, however, a large number mentioned below:

30 Nov/1 Dec - Staffs. Meet, Wolverhampton (25m)

This was a high-powered event with a large and strong 11-13 years Scottish squad. Here are a few of our many good efforts - Michelle Jennings 'came good' in the F/S with 1.06.18 and 1.06.63 (6th); Rachel Nock, FLY (1st) 1.14.45; Michael Hoare (3rd) 1.03.03; Andrew Brown, his first sub 60 F/S, 59.69 and BR (3rd) 1.14.20. We had several good BR swims - Raymond Watson 1.21.86; Jamie Hamer 1.18.93; Stephen Jones 1.21.63; Andre Sheppard 1.20.92; Sally Millard 1.25.21; Pam Schofield 1.36.12; Natalie Smith 1.33.94 and F/S 1.12.90; Stephen, F/S 1.05.92; Adam Edwards 1.07.98 and BK 1.15.87; Lucy Tubbs, F/S (3rd) 1.05.03; Jamie 1.03.91; Jo Potter 1.09.98.

7/12/91 - Two useful matches on the same day, providing an opportunity for many of our team to show their current form.

Inter-Club, Halesowen (36 yds)

Walsall 201, C/Hill 159, Avon Neptunes 137, Halesowen 124, Stourport 92.

Good swims: BK Lucy Wood 56.02; BR Pam Schofield 1.35.09; Debbie Farmer 1.28.24; F/S Rachel Nock 1.04.69; FLY Ben Darbyshire 1.13.65; Kevin Woodward 1.03.53; Georgina Lee 26.19.

Inter-Club, Wyndley (33-1/3m)

C/Hill 181, Triple S 164, Leicester Belgrave 107, Lichfield 85, Triple S 'B' 83.

I.M. Lydia Lee 1.44.34; FLY Raymond Watson 1.11.93; F/S Darren Dyke 55.48; Lucy Tubbs 1.04.86; Adam Edwards 1.07.81; Andrew Caves 1.02.26, BR 1.18.01.

8.12.91 Masters & 19/24 yrs - Milton Keynes (25m)

Lots of very good swims from our team in this 50m competition. Jo Seymour had her usual monopoly of first places (4) but had to cede the BK to Linda Beasley (33.70). Anne Bourne, in one of her rare appearances, had a 1st and 3rd and Kate Corran took 2 thirds. Judy Logan was third in the F/S (29.77) and the above with Debbie Fielding; Debbie Bees, Julia Cree and Chris Clarke were in winning relay teams.

Our men had similar success in the relays. Martin Atkins and Darren Dyke took 3 golds each, Paul Tainty 2, but Trevor Clarke was our undisputed 'Man of the Meet' with 4 golds. Simon Mason, called up from London to do the relays, earned his medals with a good F/S and a survival FLY leg. The last time he swam at Milton Keynes he had medals as an eleven year old.

11.1.92 East Midland League - Peterborough (25m)

Norwich Penguins 261, Northampton 192, City of Derby 181, Perry Beeches 164, Peterborough 147, C/Hill 102.

An appalling first round draw was considerably worsened by lack of swimmers, due to factors ranging from illness to burglary. We left Birmingham, despite frantic eleventh-hour phoning, with only 3 eleven year boys, thereby having to forfeit points in both their relays.

The start of the gala was delayed by heated discussion (not by us) over the depth of water at the shallow end. This resulted in officials' chairs, lane numbers, etc eventually being transferred to the deep end. Exasperation mounted and one swimmer threatened to go and find a pub.

However, following this unpromising start, there were several very good swims. We had 2 clear winners, both on BK - Lucy Wood 39.51 and Adam Edwards 1.16.84; Katrina Hebden had P.B.'s on BK, 1.20.50 and FLY 1.23.76; Mike Hoare improved his I.M. to 1.04.46; Michelle Jennings swam another 1.06 + F/S (65 seconds can't be far away). Good relay splits included F/S Andrew Caves 26.80, Michelle 30.68 and eleven year Emma McElwee 17.44; James Westwood BR 21.79.

Loss on coach hire £62.00.

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Derby (33-1/3m)

Bromsgrove 207, City of Derby 'B' 197, C/Hill 'B' 194, Leicester 142, Houghton Regis 120. The results sheet is one that I have mislaid, but I understand that we were unfortunate to miss second place.

Loss on coach hire also £62.00.

18.1.92 - Shrewsbury (33-1/3m)

We finished a close 2nd to Shrewsbury in this 4 club gala with a number of good swims. F/S Jo Hutton 1.12.96; Ian Potter 1.19.53; BK Lucy Wood 1.27.37; Lucy Tubbs 1.16.59; Ruth Payne 1.32.91; FLY Georgina Lee 1.00.00.

Results mislaid from the Coventry Meet, 25.1.92, and the Dudley Meet, 26.1.92 - if anyone has copies of these can I borrow them for my files?

1.2.92 - Two more matches

Haden Hill (25m) Woodchester Diddy Trophy

Stourbridge 179, Haden Hill 156, Oldbury 132, C/Hill 131, Shrewsbury 110.

A wet and noisy Diddy Gala with some excellent swims.

9 yrs 25m - Louise Morgan, in her first swim for the Club, BR 25.18; Leighton Smith F/S 19.66; Ruth Fraser FLY 24.69; Andrew Poole FLY 24.89.

10 yrs 50m - Gemma Hindson FLY 44.82, F/S 37.61; Hannah Loftus BR 49.81; Damien Freeman BR 47.90 (he MUST do something about his turns).

11 yrs 100m - Lucy Wood BK 1.25.57; Georgina Lee F/S 1.23.90.

12 yrs 100m - Claire McLaughlin BK 1.29.62. Well done Laura Flynn for winning the 12 yrs FLY after catching her foot in the scum trough. And THANK GOODNESS 9 yr old birthday boy Joseph Murray found his brand new Nike trainers - NEVER leave anything in the changing rooms unless locked in a locker.

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8.2.92 - E.M.L. Round II - Leicester (25m)

C/Hill 232, Norwich Swan 183, Knighton Fields 174, Swadlincote 154, Bedworth 130.

This fast pool produced several good swims. Almost everyone swam faster than in the previous round less than a month ago. On the negative side, there were 3 disqualifications, two at least by swimmers who should know better!

The 11/U girls' team consisted of 2 elevens, 1 ten and 1 nine year old, but still managed 31 out of a possible 36 points. 9 year old Ruth Fraser, undaunted at going first, managed 40.62 for the 50 F/S; Emma Hobbs took 3 seconds off to swim 37.69; Gemma Hindson came 2nd with a 36.49 F/S and Georgina Lee swam 41.01 FLY and 43.22 BK.

11 yr boys Ian Potter and James Westwood both improved their times considerably: Ian F/S 34.19; James 37.56 and BR 48.74.

There were P.B.'s on all the strokes in the 13/U BR. Michelle Jennings 1.27.38 and Toby Castles 1.29.22 (first time under 1.30.00); BK Katrina Hebden 1.19.94; FLY Jo Potter 1.22.25. Adam Edwards should get his act together; he is letting himself and the team down, instead of making the most of his considerable ability.

Other notable swims included Mike Hoare I.M. 1.03.56; BR 1.08.24; Sharon Morris BR 1.19.95; Tracey Collier FLY 1.16.72; Lucy Trubbs F/S 1.04.91. It goes without saying that Jo Seymour and Heidi Perry gained the usual valuable points as did Martin Atkins.

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Nottingham (25m)

Radford 'B' 221, City of Derby 'B' 211, C/Hill 'B' 182, Southwell 171, Trenton Dolphins 132, Daventry 124.

The lack of a complete 11/U boys' team (I seem to have commented on this in an earlier report) combined with 3 D.Q.'s (having won the races) and a shortage of men swimmers did not help us to our target of second place.

Best performances: Andrew Brown I.M. 1.08.72; David Tubbs BK 1.18.95; Kate Corran FLY 1.12.86 (we shall miss Kate when she moves to Glasgow shortly); Kevin Woodward FLY 1.03.17 - still a little cautious once beyond 50m - BR Rachel Nock a P.B. of 1.25.35; Sally Millard 1.23.94; Tom Green 1.24.95; F/S Debbie Farmer 1.05.97.

Loss on coach hire £14.00.

BUT I WAS DISAPPOINTED TO LEARN FROM THE COACH FIRM:

"The coach was left in a mess, having empty pop cans on the floor, empty crisp packets on the floor, sandwiches and

crushed biscuits on the seats, the coffee machine was swimming in water wetting the back seats, the toilet was used as a rubbish bin, also stopped up with crisp bags, etc. The numbers of the seats were taken off and stuck on the ashtrays, the driver had to spend time putting them back in the right place and it took much longer than usual to clean the coach".

This really is NOT good enough. Just because we hire a vehicle, it does not mean that it can be left like a pigsty. I am sure that you would not do this at home - at least I hope not.

In future I would ask any parents travelling to take a carrier along so that rubbish can be contained. Admittedly much of it may be superficial and easily cleared, but it is still a most undesirable situation.

FIXTURES

February	29	Stourbridge	11-14 years
March	7	Solihull	Diddy Gala
	14	E.M.L.	'A' & 'B'
	15	Broadway	Meet - entries made
	21	Bilston	Diddy Match
	22	Broadway	Meet
	28	Warks.	Champs
	29	Solihull	Festival
April	4	Warks	Champs
	11	Warks	Champs 1st Round Diddy League
