

EAST MIDLAND LEAGUE

Final placings: 'A' Team 13/24 (1992 - 19/24). A reasonable result, can we get in to top ten next year ?

'B' Team 8/22 (1993 - 8/24).

I still feel that we should be getting out of Division 4. We have the swimmers, but to be at full strength with two teams in action, we need some 65 swimmers to be available on the day.

FIXTURES

June 12th	Stourport 10 yrs.- Op.
13th	Haden Hill Meet (Wolverhampton) entries made.
19th	Diddy League Round III.
26th	Coventry 'B' Grade
"	Hinckley 11 yrs.- Op.
July 3rd	Stratford Meet - entries made.
10th	Wolverhampton Masters.
4th & 11th	Chase Meet.

SWIMMING DOES NOT END AT 14 YEARS OR 16 OR 18 OR .....!

I hope you will take note of the time swum by our Masters at Leamington.

WARWICKSHIRE CHAMPIONSHIPS

This was our best Championships for some years, with 31 individual medals won by 16 swimmers, Shelley Taylor collecting 7 of them and Sharon Morris 6. In the team events, our 60 medals were shared by 29 swimmers. We had many finalists, and were the third strongest club behind Coventry and Perry Beeches.

Cost of team entries : £180.00.

RESULTS

GOLD

SILVER

BRONZE

10/12

F/S  
BR  
FLY  
I.M

I.Potter 1.20.85

G.Hindson 1.10.47  
D.Freeman 1.30.91  
G.Lee 1.19.97  
I.Potter 2.54.67

13/14

F/S  
BR  
FLY  
BK

A.Edwards 59.92

M.Jennings 1.05.06  
J.Potter 1.26.33  
J.Baker 1.09.64

A.Edwards 1.09.24

15/16

F/S  
BR  
FLY

S.Morris 1.04.27  
S.Morris 1.19.05

B.Darbyshire 1.04.77

17/18

F/S  
BR  
BK  
FLY  
I.M

S.Taylor 1.22.62  
S.Taylor 1.13.96  
S.Taylor 2.35.31

L.Tubbs 1.16.71

R.Nock 1.04.24  
A.Brown 1.13.53  
R.Nock 1.13.52

Open

50 F/S  
100 F/S  
200 F/S  
50 BR  
100 BR  
200 BR  
50 BK  
100 BK  
I.M  
50 FLY

S.Morris 36.07  
S.Taylor 33.21  
S.Taylor 2.31.73  
A.Atkins 27.57

S.Morris 2.19.32  
S.Morris 1.19.25  
S.Taylor 1.12.07

S.Morris 29.78  
S.Taylor 1.03.62  
M.Hoare 2.34.19  
M.Hoare 2.22.30

RELAYS  
FEMALE

<u>13/14</u>	F/S - Silver. J.Hutton, N.Smith, K.Brooks, M.Jennings	2.04.30
<u>15/16</u>	Medley - Bronze. L.Johnstone, S.Morris, T.Collier, M.Jennings.	2.22.19
<u>Jun.</u>	Medley - Bronze. K.Hebden, S.Morris, T.Collier, K.Finnegan.	2.17.15
<u>17/18</u>	Medley - Silver. S.Taylor, L.Lee, R.Nock, L.Tubbs.	2.17.30
	F/S - Gold. S.Taylor, L.Lee, R.Nock, L.Tubbs.	2.00.70
<u>Op.</u>	Medley - Bronze. S.Taylor, S.Morris, R.Nock, J.Logan.	2.13.91
	F/S - Silver. S.Taylor, L.Tubbs, R.Nock, L.Lee.	2.00.15

MALE

<u>13/14</u>	F/S - Silver. N.Sharma, J.Baker, D.Cross, A.Edwards.	1.57.43
	Medley - Silver. M.Edwards, J.Baker, R.Turner, N.Sharma.	2.14.99
<u>15/16</u>	F/S - Bronze. D.Tubbs, R.Rivers, J.Hamer, B.Darbyshire.	1.49.66
	Medley - Bronze. S.Delves, J.Hamer, B.Darbyshire, R.Rivers.	2.05.55
<u>Jun.</u>	F/S - Bronze. A.Edwards, R.Rivers, J.Hamer, B.Darbyshire.	1.48.89
	Medley - Silver. M.Edwards, R.Rivers, J.Hamer, B.Darbyshire.	2.02.76
<u>Op.</u>	F/S - Bronze. M.Hoare, T.Clark, B.Darbyshire, S.Sheppard.	1.45.91
	Medley - Bronze. T.Clark, M.Hoare, B.Darbyshire, A.Brown.	1.58.40

GUERNSEY 1993

The party that flew to Guernsey had a very good journey. We left Birmingham in slight fog, twenty minutes late as the plane had been held up in Manchester. While we waited, we were joined in the departure lounge by the Kilkenny Rugby team who were returning to Dublin from an Easter Tour. The entertainment was provided by a brawny fellow with reeling gait and face of shamrock hue. He appeared to be speaking Gaelic or some foul language. Exhausted from his reeling he collapsed onto the floor and was bravely carried aboard their plane by his sturdy companions to the rhythmic strains of his vomiting. Pity Andy did not go by plane, this chap would have been a good role model. Once aboard the small Loganair craft we had a smooth journey. Sylvia was pleased to be able to purchase a bottle of duty free liquid which she used to win the Ladies Open Vodka Medley - it was a P.B.

We were met at Guernsey Airport by the Camp Hill Minibus Squad, led by Sam, which maintained a very high standard of service throughout the weekend.

J.M.

By all accounts our intrepid sailors had two excellent crossings in a recently commissioned luxury Condor Wavepiercer, which must have made up for last year's rough outward crossing.

The swimmers from Jersey, with a sea mist descending in the late afternoon, had a most difficult journey. Some arrived towards the end of the Friday sessions and others, who had to travel via Cherbourg, came on Saturday morning - in fact, they won the prize for the team that had travelled the greatest distance to compete !

### COMPETITION

This turned out to be the most successful of our 3 visits. Our part of 20 swimmers had a total of 243 swims, winning 29 Gold, 18 Silver and 12 Bronze medals. We provided all the boys' Group Champions: Ian Potter 12 yrs, Jonathan Baker 14 yrs, Ben Darbyshire 16 yrs, Michael Hoare Open. Particularly pleasing to me was not so much the medals gained, as the fact that there were so many excellent times produced. So many that I can mention only a few.

F/S Ben 56.91, Jonathan 1.00.64  
BR Stephen Jones 2.44.76, Natalie Smith 1.27.22  
BK Stephen Tomlinson 1.02.39 & 2.16.31, Ben 1.07.10  
FLY Mike 1.01.12, Ben 1.03.63  
I.M Mike 4.56.44, Ian 2.53.22

### SUPPORT

An undoubted factor in our success was the enthusiasm and support of the team, while our supporters in the gallery received a special prize from the organiser for their vociferous encouragement.

### MANY THANKS TO:

Hal Baker and Ron Smith for getting us everywhere on time, to Sam for his backroom work and to Sue Baker for coping with the cards and dealing with the breakfast crisis on the Saturday morning.

### QUESTION

Once more I have to ask - do we go again next year ?

In addition to the 20 swimmers at Guernsey, we had 16 at the Nuneaton Sprint Meet and 15 at the Midlands Masters at Leamington - quite a busy weekend !

#### NUNEATON (25m)

Places 1st - Adam Edwards, F/S 26.43, FLY 31.25, BK 30.96  
2nd - Adam, BR 36.81; Gemma Hindson, FLY 36.14  
3rd - Gemma, BK 39.40, F/S 32.59; Damien Freeman, BR 41.99  
Other good times: FLY, Duncan Adams 41.85; Dean Cross 35.29  
F/S Dean 31.08, Lucy Lloyd-Roach 37.06, Kesree Finnegan 30.74,  
Hannah Loftus BR 44.75, BK 41.40, Lucy 43.93

#### LEAMINGTON (25M)

Our entrants for the individual events were numerically considerably less than in previous years, but the quality was still there, keeping the Club's name to the fore.

#### PLACES

Judy Logan took the 50 F/S, 29.56, and was 2nd in the 100m, 1.03.88.  
Suzanne Linton was 2nd in the 100 I.M. and 3rd in the 200 F/S and 200 I.M. Together with Debbie Fielding and Kate Chase they were first in the relays. Kevin Woodward won the 50 FLY, 26.89 and was 2nd in the 100, 59.82, and in the 200, 2.22.66. Darren Dyke sprinted to first places in the 50 F/S, 24.65 and the 100, 54.63, and was 2nd in the 200, 2.01.06.  
Alan Cooper was 2nd in the 50 BK, 32.85 and 3rd in the 100, 1.11.70.  
Gary Humpage swam a good 200 FLY, 2nd - 2.18.71, and was 3rd in the 100, 1.03.83. Trevor Clark was unstoppable - 4 gold, 2 silver, 2 bronze.  
Best swim in the I.M's 1.04.83 and 2.25.60.

Complemented by Mark Turner, Matthew Silverton, Alan Merris, Martin Atkins, Paul Tainty and Grant Danskin our Men won the F/S & Medley Relays in two age groups thanks to a shrewd tactical change in the original line up by Alan Cooper. Teams are grouped according to total ages, 100-119 yrs, 120-139 yrs, so the selection can be, and was very significant.

I hope they will venture in to competition again this summer, although it seems that the majority are saving themselves for the infamous Cork Meet in September.

#### 8/5/93 Diddy League Round II - Walsall (36 2/3 yds).

C/H and Walsall 184, Rugby 178, Leic. Penguins 129, Swadlincote 123, Shrewsbury 100.

We expected the main opposition to come from Rugby, and they did indeed push us hard throughout the gala, but a much-improved Walsall led us by one point into the final event where our win saw us finish equal first.

An excellent team effort where every place counted. Places were more important than times, but in addition to our regular stars it was pleasing to see good swims from Lucy Lloyd-Roach, Marcel Kija, William Barker and a brave 2 len. FLY from Alex Drew.

We go into the last round needing a 2nd place to reach the final - a difficult task - but not impossible if everyone gets it right.

### 15th/16th May '93 - Midland Long Course Championships

We had a small group of qualifiers for the senior championships of the District and I was pleased by the following: Darren Dyke 50 F/Z, 1st 25.27; Shelley Taylor IM., 7th & BK, 11th 1.11.67; Kevin Woodward 50 FLY, 4th 27/12, unable to match his heat swim (26.84) "I can't swim finals", come on Kevin - Snap out of it ! Mike Hoare, BR 8th, 2.34.21, a well paced swim (75.35/78.86); Stephen Tomlinson NK, 6th 1.04.11; Trevor Clark, preparing for the G.B.Masters with a 1.03.50 FLY. It was good to have team in the Women's 4 x 100 F/S and our Men's Medley Team sent us home on a high with an exciting 2nd place; Stephen 1.05.15, Mike 1.11.78, Kevin an excellent 1.00.15 and Darren, 55.26 working really hard to overhaul the Maxwell freestylers and put us in to 2nd place.