

# CAMP HILL NEWS

## Hundredth Edition

February 1995

**T**his is the 100th Club News and looking back to the early issues, commencing in September 1970, I note that the editorial style has not altered very much!

No.1 reports that we won the County Junior Team Race; the swimmers including Richard Sheasby and Mike Fearon. David Brook, whose 10 yr. son Michael will soon be competing, was in our team which won 2nd place Midland medals at Luton.

Martin Edwards, who was to go on to swim in the 1972 Olympics at Munich, which ended so tragically, set his first club FLY record of 1.08.20. He now coaches at Maine, Portland, USA.

Ten year old Paul Rogers swam 66<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> m. F/S at Coseley in 48.8.

Polo result: Camp Hill 10 City Police 11.  
"Quite a good score, but we could have won. We must take our chances if we are to earn promotion to the Midland League by the end of next season."

Our first club vests were popular, and we had a dinner/dance at the West Mead.

### ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

The Annual Subscriptions and A.S.A. Registration Fees are due by the end of March. Please assist our club secretary, Polly Sheasby, by paying promptly. £15.00 for the first of a family, then £10.00 and £5.00. The A.S.A. Registration is £6.50.

Membership for those who only swim at Moseley Road on Thursdays is £5.00.



### REPRESENTATION

Congratulations to Georgina Lee on her selection for the England v. Germany Junior International at Stechford last December. Georgina was not too pleased with her time of 2.30.26 for the 200 FLY, but it was a good standard swim and provided her with valuable experience at a higher level of competition. She had an excellent year and can look forward to further progress.

We provided five members of the County Team for a match at Milton Keynes on the 29th January. Michael Hoare, Jon Baker, David Tubbs, Kesree Finnegan and Michelle Jennings all swam well.

## COMPETITION RESULTS

### 3.12.94 West Midland League Final - Coventry (50m.)

Perry Beeches 250, Coventry 214, Haden Hill 159, C/Hill 147, Northampton 146, Peterborough 134

AN EXCELLENT TEAM PERFORMANCE. Prior to the start of the gala the team was told of the importance of every single point and to avoid any disqualifications. Despite every effort, we were in 6th place after the early events, and remained there till event 29, when we moved up to equal 5th. It looked as if, at best, we might hold 5th place but strong swims in the final block of relays resulted in our taking 4th place by one point. That was the point mentioned in the team talk, and any member of the team can claim to have gained it. It was a gala in which times were incidental, with places being the important factor. Amongst the many good efforts: **Ian Potter**, BK 1.20.26; **Ruth Fraser** - several 'gutsy' F/S sprints including 32.85; **Michelle Jennings**, F/S 1.04.56; **Georgina Lee**, 3 close together FLY swims; **Jon Baker**, a comfortable F/S win. There were many good relay splits: F/S **Jenny Pearce** 34.61; **Pam Schofield** 26.89; **David Tubbs** 26.30; **Martin Atkins**, FLY 27.32. Our Open swimmers performed creditably over the not too popular long course. Thanks are due to **Stephen Tomlinson** for coming back from university for this event, and to **James Raine** for turning out at very short notice to swim a BR p.b. of 39.58.

### 3.12.94 Halesowen (36<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> yds.)

Stourbridge 212, Halesowen 159, Broadway 138, C/Hill 'B' 188, Boldmere 84

Our team looked to be very weak against three very strong 'A' teams, but the efforts of most of our team produced some very special times. **Hannah Loftus** starred as one of our two individual winners with F/S 1.11.92, and was second in the BR 1.30.74, also recording the fastest split, 20.29, in the relays. **Kate Hindson** gained our other individual win in the F/S 51.50, and shared in our two relay victories. F/S **Clare Franklin** 24.94, **Kate** 24.49, **Sally Jones** 25.31, **Pippa Clark** 27.78. Medley Relay **Pippa** BK 30.00, **Clare**, BR 34.68; **Kate** FLY 27.94; **Sally** F/S 25.40. Other good swims: **Katie Smith**, FLY 1.16.54 & 1.17.87; **Nadia Rahman**, FLY 1.29.22; **Michelle Wilson**, F/S 1.09.18; **Mick Holmes**, FLY 1.15.41; **Trevor Clark**, F/S 59.93; **Jonathan Sheasby**, F/S 52.05.

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### 10.12.94 West Midland League Round III - Coalville (25m.)

Phoenix Youth 209, Evesham 197, Coalville 190, Nott. Leander 'B' 169, C/Hill 'B' 152, Derby 'B' 129

As in the first round, we were without several swimmers who would have increased our points total by at least ten points each.

We only won three events, **Hannah Loftus**, F/S 32.14; **Damien Freeman**, BR 36.59; the U/15 Medley Team, **Clare McLaughlin** 18.80, **Kate Green** 17.81, **Katie Smith** 16.12 and **Michelle Wilson** 13.91. However, we did achieve some other excellent times and many P.B.s, including: BK **Clare Franklin** 45.78, **Nadia Rahman** 38.08, **Clare McLaughlin** 36.04, **Lisa Johnstone** 1.21.35. BR **Hannah Loftus** 40.62; **Natalie Smith** 1.24.84; **Ian Johnstone** 50.43; **Simon Delves** 1.17.80. FLY **Kate Hindson** 41.87, **Nadia Rahman** 38.84; **Stuart Pigott** 43.59; **Paul Bicknell** 35.35; **Raymond Watson** 1.08.03.

F/S **Rachel McLaughlin** 36.69; **Michelle Wilson** 1.08.21; **Trevor Clark** 59.44.

I hope that all swimmers will make themselves available for the rounds of the East Midlands League, so that we can attain a much higher final position.

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### 17.12.94 Inter-club, Haden Hill (25m.)

City of Gloucester 182, Haden Hill 181, C/Hill 157, Witney 131

We had several fine swims in this enjoyable 'end of year' gala.

FLY Lucy Lloyd-Roach 1.19.97, Kesree Finnegan 1.13.90 - she was not happy with it, but her best for some time; Mike Hoare 1.01.65.

F/S Katie Brooks 1.05.67. BR David Woodhall 1.15.41; James Raine 1.25.82 - now training more positively and capable of considerable further improvement.

BK Michelle Jennings 1.18.71; Russell Turner 1.11.72; Chris Gregory 43.29 - he needs to work at his turns.

#### 17/18th December '94 Diddy Relays - Stechford (25m.)

These relays were designed to 'pad out' the international match, and I am grateful to everyone who swam, considering the time of year and the rather badly arranged programme. Noteworthy swims:

F/S Clare Franklin 38.24; Kate Hindson 34.54; Warren Jones 32.75; James Sumner 35.59; William Barker 35.39; Laura Payne 33.91; Robert Delves 30.47; Michael Rix 40.52; Nicola Sheasby 30.47.

BR Damien Freeman 36.61. BK Hannah Loftus 37.17; Ruth Fraser 40.35.

FLY Jonathan Sheasby 41.75.

#### 8.1.95 Stourbridge Diddy Meet - Wolverhampton (25m.)

Competitors from 49 clubs took part in this Meet, and our final 4th place reflected well on the efforts of our team. Awards were made to all finalists. All events, apart from the I.M.s were 50m.

1st Gemma Hindson, FLY 33.78, I.M. 2.40.47.

2nd Gemma, F/S 30.34.

3rd Gemma, BK 35.43; Kate Hindson, FLY 38.95; Nicola Sheasby, F/S 30.95.

4th Jonathan Sheasby, F/S 35.02; Gemma, BR 41.76; Lucy Lloyd-Roach, FLY 36.22.

6th Louise Venables, BR 49.78; Ruth Fraser, F/S 32.95; Nicola, BR 41.98; Warren Jones, FLY 36.59

7th Nadia Rahman, BK 37.62; Pippa Clark, BK 44.96.

8th Jonathan, FLY 41.53; Robert Delves, BR 40.43; Kate, I.M. 1.28.37; James Venables, BR 42.62; Hannah Loftus, F/S 32.76.

Other good efforts: Robert Delves, F/S 30.93; William Barker, FLY 40.02.

#### 14.1.95 East Midland League Round I - Lincoln (25m.)

Lincoln Pentaqua 229, C/Hill & Eckington 176 (C/Hill 2nd, Eckington 3rd on 1st. places), Norwich Penguins 'B' 173, Stourbridge 172, Lincoln Vulcans 121.

This was an extremely well-run and most exciting gala. Four teams finished within 4 points of each other, with C/Hill coming from behind in the final relays to finish 2nd equal. A countback on first places gave us overall 2nd place.

The poolside was cramped, and, as swimmers were only allowed to sit on the side of it we were forced to put our bags at the far side of the small pool. In order to watch the races we had to stand at the end of our lane, and this resulted in a large group of cheering Camp Hill swimmers encouraging every swimmer.

Good results included David Tubbs, BK 1.07.81 (under 68 secs. at last); Georgina Lee, BK 1.12.93; Kate Hindson, FLY 39.62; Rachel McLaughlin, F/S 35.26.

The Men's 6 x 50 F/S relay at the end was a cliff-hanger, with Camp Hill just in front of Lincoln for 5 legs and then Jonathan Baker making a heroic effort (24.87) to stave off British International Paul Palmer. Though sorry that he did not succeed, it was an education to see a world-class freestyler in action.

In the 11/U age group William Barker swam 50 FLY in a P.B. 41.84 and 50 F/S in a P.B. of 34.62. He also swam three other relay legs, two of them in the age group above. For this effort, and because he was extremely well-behaved, he was awarded the sponsor's prize for one of our team (a water bottle, hat and pen). What a shame he had forbidden his mother to come on the coach to watch. *Take no notice of him in the future, Allison, he needs all the support he can get.* We made good time on the journey back and appreciated the work of a very co-operative coach driver.

Loss on coach hire £60.00

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#### **Loughborough (25m.)**

Derby 271, Loughborough 184, Kingsbury 167, Leighton Buzzard 152, Matlock 139, C/Hill 'B' 126.

Our sparse team had no competitor in two events and struggled to keep in touch till event 34, when we slipped from 4th to our eventual 6th place. Nevertheless, we had a number of good swims and everyone tried hard.

**BR Louise Morgan** 1.36.17; **James Venables** 1.35.91; **Tom Jeffries** 51.53; **David Woodall** 1.14.58.

**F/S Michelle Wilson** 1.08.91; **Chris Hutton** 1.11.89. **BK Stephen Gregory** 48.23.

**FLY Raymond Watson** 1.08.06; **Katie Smith** 1.16.57; **Lucy Lloyd-Roach** 1.19.60.

It was disappointing to learn that the behaviour of certain team members was not up to our customary standard.

#### **21st/22nd January '95 Wolverhampton Meet (25m.)**

This two day Meet provided a good opportunity to swim not only the usual 100's, but also the longer distances. There were awards for the first 3 places in age groups 11yrs. to 16yrs. and Open.

**Georgina Lee** and **Gemma Hindson**, our two most consistent early morning trainers (I have to keep on making this point) had the necessary stamina to tackle a heavy load of events with several P.B.s.

**Georgina**: 1st places in 400 **F/S** 4.49.01 and 800 9.51.51. 200 **FLY**, **BR** 1.22.66, **I.M.** 2.32.50, 200 **BR** 2.56.31. 2nd places in 200 **F/S**, 100 **fly** 1.09.38 and 100 **BK** 1.12.12.

**Gemma**: 1st places in 100,200 400 and 800 **F/S** 9.58.57, 100 and 200 **FLY** 2.39.40, 100 and 200 **BK** 1.12.82 and 2.33.01, and 200 **I.M.** 2.32.80. 2nd place in 200 **BR** 2.59.46.

**Lucy Lloyd-Roach**: 1st **FLY** 1.19.23 and 200 **FLY**, 2nd 200 **BK**.

**Michelle Jennings**: 3rd **F/S** 1.03.66 and 400; **Jo Potter**: 2nd 200 **BR**, 3rd 200 **I.M.** 2.35.52;

**Kesree Finnegan**: 2nd **FLY**; **Kate Hindson**: 1st 200 **F/S** 2.45.07.

We did manage to get some boys there: **Jonathan Baker**, **F/S** 2nd 56.49; **David Tubbs**, **BK** 3rd 1.06.37 - now he must think and work towards a 64 secs.

Other good swims: **Jo F/S** 1.05.79; **Pam Schofield**, **F/S** 1.04.86; **William Barker** 1.08.05; **Robert Delves** 1.06.96 and **BR** 1.29.86.

#### **28. 1. 95 Cheltenham (33<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> m.)**

Cheltenham 207, C/Hill 181, Cheltenham 'B' 121, C/Hill 'B' 83

With only two clubs involved, this gala gave plenty of swims to many of our team, especially in the 'B' Team, which had only 16 swimmers to cover four age groups male and female. **Laura Payne** and **Jenny Pearce** raced 7 times. Indeed, there had been so many withdrawals due to illness that I contemplated taking only one team, but was glad that we made the effort.

Some of the good swims:

**F/S Rachel McLaughlin** 1.18.59; **Hannah Payne** two length 1.01.27; **Robert Delves** 1.07.75.

**BR James Venables** 1.34.23; **Louise Morgan** 1.36.41.

**BK Ian Potter** 1.16.31, **Paul Bicknell** 1.17.10; **Stephen Gregory** two length 1.05.66.

**FLY Nicola Sheasby** 1.22.21; **Ian** 1.13.69 - our best swim; **Fleur Green** 33.21.

Our seven 10/U girls and four boys, some in their first competition, did well in the long pool.

#### **29.1.95 Northampton Meet - Wellingborough (25m.)**

Our three entrants came up with good performances in the 200m. events.

**Jo Potter**, **BR** 2.45.53 2nd; **Georgina Lee**, **FLY** 2.29.63 1st, **BK** 2.32.93 1st, **F/S** 2.17.56 2nd;

**Gemma Hindson**, **F/S** 2.14.50 1st, **BK** and **FLY** 2nd.