ERITH & DISTRICT SWIMMING CLUB

NEWSLETTER

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Secretary's Notes

The Club held its first Saturday Inter-Club match at Riverside Baths on Saturday, 9th October and this proved to be a very exciting contest between the five Clubs, Ravensbourne, Rochester, Gravesend, Lewisham and ourselves. Ravensbourne, Rochester and Erith battled for the first three places. The Erith team gave a good performance in all the relay events, coming first or second place in most. In the last two races, the Squadron relays, Erith were beaten into second place by Ravensbourne by one second only. Final scores were - Ravensbourne 188, Rochester 176, Erith 166, Lewisham 112 and Gravesend 68.

The team was away to Sevenoaks on Thursday 21st October when they were competing against Sevenoaks and Beckenham. In spite of the fact that a third of our team was unable to swim because of school reasons, the remainder and the reserves put up a good fight against very strong opposition to finish third. Final scores - Beckenham 114, Sevenoaks 105 and Erith 66. Owing to the difficulty of swimmers attending mid-week matches we do not propose to accept any more matches on weekdays, only on Fridays and Saturdays.

As from Friday, 12th November some of the Groups have been re-arranged and new Group lists are on the Notice Board. Please check your Class number and times. The Circuit Training Group has now been numbered Group 2 and the old Groups 2 and 3 (7.30 - 8.00 taken by Messrs. Mount and Bardell) have been amalgamated to form a new Group 3 at the same time.

D. S. Firmin

TWELVE of our swimmers represented the Borough of Bexley in a London Inter-Borough Match at Eltham on 8th October and met great opposition from the other longer-established Borough teams, Greenwich, Southwark, Bromley and Lewisham. Southwark won the contest and go through to the Finals on 27th Novumber at Putney.

WE are still receiving far too much 'Lost Property' each week. Amongst the possessions we hold are two anoraks, one duffle bag and one very nice orange beach wrap left behind at our Gala. Surely someone misses these large items? Once again we should like to remind you to label your clothes, particularly Club costumes and track suits (a label in the trousers as well as the top) are these are impossible to tell apart.

M. Firmin

A DATE FOR YOUR NEXT YEAR'S DIARY

A dinner and dance to celebrate the Club's DIAMOND JUBILEE will be held on Saturday, 29th January 1972 at the Corinthian Restaurant, Erith.

MAY we remind parents to check their children's feet each week for verrucae. These are small warts on the feet and are VERY CONTAGIOUS. Children, if you have a small blemish on your feet which looks like a corn, please tell Mum, and Mum, please take your child along to a chiropodist for treatment. Do not try to cure it on your own as this will take considerably longer and may be dangerous if you do not know what you are doing. If you have a verruca PLEASE DO NOT USE ANY SWIMMING POOL until it is clear because you will infect other people at the Pool and deprive them of their enjoyment.

ACHIEVEMENTS

1 Width
Stephen Riseley
Stephen Wellbeloved
Mark Birchmore

1 Length
Gary Birchmore
Ian Cranshaw
Trevor Chambers
Paul Firmin

Silver Personal Survival

Gillian Fitnum
Kevin Franklin
Sandra Frost
Sharon Hayward
Ian Lock
Neil Monk
Ben Offner
Kim Quittenden
Debbie Quittenden
Janet Wyatt

ACHIEVEMENTS (Outside the Club)

2 mile certificate

Carol Scott
Gillian Fitnum

SOCIAL SECTION

Approximately 90 Club members and friends went ice skating at Streatham on Saturday, 23rd October. This outing was delayed one week because of a technical fault at the rink on the 16th October. A very good time was had by all and no broken arms or legs have been reported to us.

ANNUAL BAZAAR

Many thanks to the people who have already handed in goods for the Bazaar; we look forward to receiving more goods on the next two Club nights. We also look forward to seeing you all on SATURDAY, 13th NOVEMBER AT ST. PAUL'S HALL, NORTHUMBERLAND HEATH. The Bazaar will be opened at 2.00 p.m. by James Wellbeloved, M.P.

LATE NEWS

Our team put up a good fight at Beckenham on Saturday against very strong opposition, and were placed fourth in the final result.