

ERITH & DISTRICT SWIMMING CLUB



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At the Club's Annual General Meeting on 13th March 1973 it was decided to add a new rule to our Membership Cards to read as follows :-

'Members are required to become first claim members to the Club'

This simply means that we like swimmers who join us not to belong to another Club. This way we look for loyalty from you in competitions and we in turn can be fair to you.

It was very satisfying to see so many parents and members at the A.G.M. and to know that you are all sufficiently interested in the future of the Club. As you all know, the Bexley Council has decided to cut Club sessions and the final decision is as follows :-

Bexley & Sidcup Youth Organisations	2½ hours
Bexley Swimming Club	7 hours
Beavers Handicapped & Lifesavers	2¾ hours
Erith & District Swimming Club	2¼ hours 7.30-9.45 p.m.

This means that classes will have to be altered and as it was suggested at the A.G.M., if you have any complaints, please get in touch with your local Councillors and tell them of your grievances. This is the only way in which we shall have an increase to 3 hours again, if ever.

Classes will be as follows :-

	<u>Present</u>		<u>From 6th May</u>
Group 7	6.30-7.00	Mr. Firmin & Mrs. Bedford	7.30-8.00
5	6.30-7.00	Mr. Mount	7.30-8.00
6	7.00-7.30	Mr. Firmin & Mrs. Bedford	8.00-8.30
4	7.00-7.30	Mr. Bardell	8.00-8.30
3	7.30-8.00	Messrs. Bardell & Mount	8.00-8.30
2	7.30-8.30	Mr. Davison	8.30-9.15
1	8.00-9.00	Mr. Fitnum	8.30-9.30
Adults	9.00-9.30		9.15-9.45

Gillian Fitnum has been chosen GIRLS' CAPTAIN again this year and PETER FROST is our new BOYS' CAPTAIN. If you have any problems or suggestions swimmers, please let your Captains know.

On Friday, 27th April at approximately 7.30 p.m. the Club is being presented with a trophy from the British Heart Foundation for collecting the most money for them at their Sponsored Swim held in October last year. This is the third year in succession that the Club has won such a trophy.

APOLOGY

The Editor regrets that an error occurred in Newsletter No. 34. Sandy Fitnum was included in the list of those having passed the Stage I test - this should of course have been DESMOND DERMOT WORTHINGTON FITNUM.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to the following swimmers who joined us in January of this year :-

<u>1 Width</u>	Paul McKenzie	Elizabeth Hillary
	Colin Seeley	Barbara Horne
	Lee Ford	Stella Jensen

<u>1 Length</u>	Paul McKenzie
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SILVER PERSONAL SURVIVAL

Nicholas Singh	Wendy Dent
Jacqueline Durrant	Vivienne Harvey
Lynne Harvey	Michael Dent
Fiona Robertson	

<u>STAGE 1</u>	Duncan Frost	Christopher Linford
	Alison Sutton	Andrew Sutton
	Theresa Clark	

<u>Stage 2</u>	Andrew Scott	Janet Parratt
	Nicola Harvey	Alison Sutton
	Andrew Sutton	Mrs. Maureen Dent

Many congratulations to our first member to gain her Honours in Personal Survival KATHRYN HARVEY. Also to her brother MARTIN HARVEY and to JOHN ARCHER who gained the Honours Award.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

Silver Personal Survival - Susan Burnett (at School)
 $\frac{1}{2}$ mile - Diane Tyson (at School)
Bronze Personal Survival - Janet Parratt (at School)
Gillian Fitnum - First in School Championship
Terry Fitnum - Second in School Championship

Bronze Medallion Life-saving awards :-

Andrew Topp	Peter Frost	Yvonne Hayward
Neil Bunkar	Sheila Humphreys	Sharon Hayward
Michael Dent	Janet Duffield	A. Chapman
	Mandy McConnell	

Mr. Mount is pleased to announce that now that the 3 metre board is back in use he will be continuing to teach diving from not only the 1 metre but also the 3 metre board, with consequent progression to the firm 5 metre board. Anybody who is interested in diving should contact Mr. Mount.

SOCIAL SECTION

Please note that the booking for the London Palladium for 26th May has been cancelled. The Tommy Steele Show will finish on 24th May and we have not made a booking for the new show.
