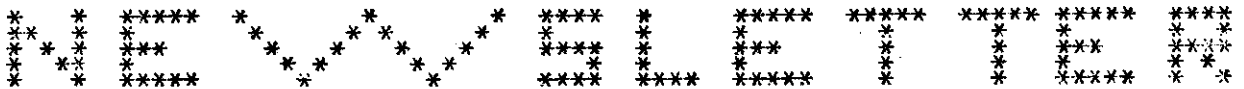


ERITH & DISTRICT SWIMMING CLUB



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December 1973

Two important Club events were held in November. On the 10th November we held our Annual Gala and had a very good number of entries. We had quite a number of surprising results during the evening which proves that all the hard work put in by the swimmers during the year was worthwhile.

Cups were awarded as follows :-

Club Championship Cup	Girls	Jacqueline Dyson
	Boys	Geoffrey Betts
	Mens	Bill Selfe
Butterfly Trophy	Girls	Carole Martin
	Boys	John Archer
Diving Cup	Girls	Christine Harvey
	Boys	Paul Fruen
	Ladies	Carol Moyse
	Mens	Bill Selfe
Breaststroke Style Cup	Girls	Patricia Topp
	Boys	Bill Selfe
Points Cup	Girls	Fiona Robertson
	Boys	Paul Benyon
	Mens	Andrew Topp
Junior Progress Cup	Girls	Linda Hurley/Karen Fox
	Boys	Tony Linford
'Swimmer of the Year'	Girl	Jacqueline Dyson
	Boy	Paul Benyon
Anderson Diamond Jubilee Trophy		Anne Tyson

We should like to thank all the officials who helped to make the Gala a success and all members and parents for selling raffle tickets to help cover the cost of the Gala. Owing to the increased costs this year, unfortunately for the first time in many years, we made a small loss.

The second event was on the 17th November - our Annual Bazaar. Many of you sent along gifts for sale and all these were very much appreciated. We had a good crowd of helpers in the morning to erect and decorate the stalls and they all returned in the afternoon to help sell the goods. A very big THANK YOU to all members and parents who contributed gifts and to all helpers. Total profit for the Bazaar was £80 which goes into Club funds.

A REMINDER to all that the Club year finishes on Friday, 28th December and that the new year commences on 4th January 1974. Senior Subscriptions £1.00, Junior Subscriptions 75p must be renewed before the end of January. Members are reminded to bring their Membership Cards when paying subscriptions so that their receipts may be attached. All beginners who joined us in January 1973 finish their session on 28th December. We have asked a few to re-join who show potential as competitive swimmers. Also swimmers who do not make satisfactory progress will not be allowed to re-join.

Will all Cup holders please keep their Cup cleaned and polished during the next year and return them on 1st September 1974.

The Anderson Diamond Jubilee Trophy is awarded to the competitive swimmer who gains the highest placings at matches. Points were awarded as follows :-

ANNE TYSON	54	Mandy McConnell	13	Fiona Robertson	5
Gillian Fitnum	49	Patricia Mount	12	Debra Birchall	5
Paul Benyon	42	Terry Fitnum	11	Jacqueline Allen	5
*Ben Offner	40	Richard Atkins	10	Neil Bunker	5
Patricia Topp	29	Gary Morgan	10	Karen Fox	5
Jacqueline Dyson	26	Martin Harvey	10	Sandra Dent	4
Geoffrey Betts	23	Jayne Hamilton	9	M. Parratt	4
Peter Frost	22	Tony Linford	9	Sharon Evans	4
Nicholas Singh	22	Carole Martin	8	Stephen Parratt	3
Janet Parratt	18	David Savin	7	R. Nottingham	3
Peter Bealing	18	Duncan Frost	7	Andrew Scott	3
Carol Moyse	18	Julie O'Brien	7	Suzanne Fitnum	3
Sharon Dean	18	Andrew Topp	7	Sharon Betts	2
Bill Selfe	17	Lorraine Caselton	7	Christine Harvey	2
Sheila Humphreys	14	Linda Hurley	7	G. Linford	2
Keith Atkins	14	Denise Farley	6	Frances Kingsland	2
Tracey Regan	14	Andrew Sutton	6	Ian Lock	1
*John Archer	40			Hew Pritchard	1
				Andrew Savin	1

Points Cup Races 1973

Girls

Fiona Robertson	12 points	1st
Anne Tyson	11 points	2nd
Lynne Harvey	10 points	} 3rd
Janet Parratt	10 points	
Julie O'Brien	10 points	
Patricia Topp	10 points	
Gillian Fitnum	10 points	

Boys

Paul Benyon	15 points	1st
John Archer	14 points	2nd
Tony Linford	13 points	3rd
<u>Men</u>		
Andrew Topp	14 points	1st
Terry Fitnum	10 points	2nd
Peter Frost	9 points	3rd

HONOURS SURVIVAL TEST

The following swimmers have passed the Honours Survival Test and they will receive their certificates and badges in due course :-

Jacqueline Dyson
Patricia Topp
Jayne Hamilton

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate them on this fine achievement. The Honours Test is a very severe test of stamina, they have done well in passing it.

If Club swimmers wish to take any of the following tests they should give their names to Mr. Bardell or myself

Joint National Awards Stage I and Stage II
A.S.A. Survival - Bronze, Silver, Gold, Honours.

T. A. Davison

ACHIEVEMENTS

Certificates are awarded for 1 width, 1 length, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{2}$ and 1 mile distances. Swimmers who took part in the August distance swimming for $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{2}$ and 1 mile should by now have received their certificates and flashes.

1 length Jane Augustin Julia Durrant Jane Hancock

1 width Kay Newland and Christopher Adby (congratulations to Kay and Christopher for being the first of our September beginners to swim the width).

Silver and Gold Personal Survival - Janet Parratt
Stage I - Paul McKenzie
Bronze P.S. - David Evenden
Silver P.S. - Nicola Harvey
Bronze, Silver and Gold P.S. - Christopher Foster

We have competed in two away matches recently and the results were as follows :-

Match at Downham Baths

	<u>Boys</u>	<u>Girls</u>
1st	Bromley	Greenwich
2nd	Sevenoaks	Sevenoaks
3rd	Greenwich	Bromley
4th	Beckenham	Beckenham
5th	Erith	Erith
6th	Eltham	Lewisham Ladies
7th	Lewisham Ladies	Eltham

Match at Bromley

Wandsworth	99
Bromley 'A'	126
Leander	135
Greenwich	151
Erith	217

(The points at this match were in the reverse order, so the team with the lowest score won).

I do not regret the result of this match at all as every swimmer put their all into the match and some individual times were very good. The standard of this gala was far higher than the standard of galas in which we usually compete.

I would like to say thank you to all the swimmers who have swum in the Galas during the past year. Each Gala is an event on its own with its own excitement and nervousness. (This includes the officials, believe me). To all these swimmers, and to all the others in the Erith and District Swimming Club I would like to say a Happy Christmas and a successful swimming New Year.

D. S. Pitman
