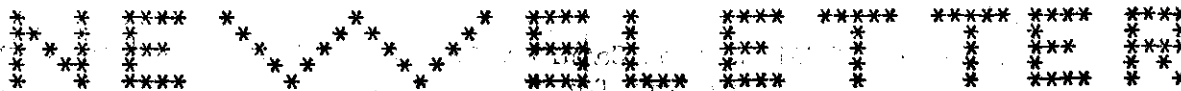


ERITH & DISTRICT SWIMMING CLUB



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June 1977

'B' MATCH - 2nd April 1977

Another very exciting match with rather a disappointing end. We thought we had won but we had a telephone call on the following Sunday to say that the recorder had made a mistake in the points and we had been beaten by three points. Everybody tried their best as usual and there were some very exciting races. The real points position was :- Greenwich 147, Erith 144, Sevenoaks 132, Eltham 86, Downham 65.

'B' Match - 23rd April 1977

Everybody pulled the stops out in this match and we managed to really win it this time. This gave us more valuable points on the League Table. The points were as follows :- Erith 148, Greenwich 135, Sevenoaks 122, Eltham 121, Downham 55.

'A' Match against Tonbridge Swimming Club - 7th May

This was a very good two-way match, as Tonbridge are very much on the same level as we are. We won most of the races at the beginning of the programme but we could not keep up the pace as time went on. The end result certainly could not have been closer with Tonbridge winning with two points more than us. Well done team!

'B' Match - 14th May 1977

Well, what a match? It was so exciting we are surprised Downham Baths still has a roof with all the cheering that went on. A lot of the team had to drop out through injuries and chicken pox so we started off at a disadvantage. We knew that Sevenoaks were our nearest rivals for the League Cup and luckily their lane was drawn next to ours. All the team were told to try and beat them and everybody went up the pool watching them all the way. The result of the match made the League points a real cliffhanger. It was :- Sevenoaks 149, Greenwich 148, Erith 144, Eltham 98, Downham 53. The League Points were :- Sevenoaks 16, Erith 16, Greenwich 13, Eltham 6, Downham 6.

We therefore tied with Sevenoaks so the overall match points were added up and luckily we had the most. They were :- Erith 611, Sevenoaks 581, Greenwich 430, Eltham 305, Downham 294.

I would like to thank all the swimmers who swam during the four matches - you all swam magnificently. I would also like to thank the gallant supporters who, I am glad to say, were numerous and had good voices! Congratulations to all the team for a marvellous result.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL A & B SWIMMERS

I am glad to say that this notice does not apply to the majority of swimmers but nevertheless there are a few of you who regularly let us down by not turning up at matches without telling us that you cannot come. Please tell us as soon as you know whether you can make the match or not so we can replace you if necessary. If you let us down by not coming to three matches without informing us beforehand you will not be selected to swim in any further matches. Obviously, this does not apply to anybody who is invited to three matches and for reason of illness or prior arrangement cannot come - as long as they have informed us.

P. B. Bedford

HAVE YOU GOT YOUR TICKETS FOR THE CLUB'S OUTING TO WESTBROOK? THERE ARE STILL SOME TICKETS AVAILABLE ON THE COACH FOR 3rd JULY - £1.50 EACH.

ANNUAL GALA

We are holding our ANNUAL GALA on Saturday 10th September this year and all swimmers will receive an entry form for this event. Will you please return your entry forms as soon as possible. The last date for accepting these entries is 19th August. This Gala is held so that every swimmer can take part and this is the only Gala where you can choose what you wish to enter. All Inter-Club Galas are for the swimmers we choose. All members are expected to take part whatever their speed as this is all part of Club life, so don't let us hear you saying that you are not good enough. Everyone is good enough if you are members of the Club. This gives your teachers a chance to see how you are progressing and gives your parents (who we hope will all come along to watch) a chance to see what you have learnt during the year. It also helps us to choose who will represent the Club in future matches.

We are asking all members to try and sell two books of raffle tickets to help towards the cost of the Gala, which increases every year, and is expected to be in the region of £150 this year. If anyone can sell any more books we still have plenty left. Tickets for admission to the Gala will be on sale during August.

ACHIEVEMENTS

<u>1 Width</u>	Alan Baldock Neil Davis James Westlake Brian Lowe	Angela Garnett Lisa Moss Vicky Petulla	Lewis Knowles Tracy Bird Joanne Seeley Keith Moxom
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<u>1 Length</u>	Michelle Sartain	Sharon Driver Alan Baldock	Dean Sherrin
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Gold Personal Survival

Angela Sartain Allison Leach Philip Leach Gary Roose	Stacey Sproat Dianna Leach David Ryan Chris Adby	Lisa Foster Carolyn Stevenson Colin Seeley John Cable
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Honours Award

Angela Sartain Christine Ryan Lisa Foster	Stacey Sproat Dianna Leach Chris Linford Lesley Hopkins	Carolyn Stevenson Chris Adby Suzanne Fitnum
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FOR SALE Second-hand track suit (Size 30 - 32") £2.00.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Sunday
3rd July CLUB OUTING TO WESTBROOK
Coach leaves Riverside at 9.00 a.m.
Tickets £1.50 each.

Fridays in
August DISTANCE SWIMMING. Please watch the notice
board for particulars.

Saturday
29th October DISCO at the Scouts Hall, Welling Station.
7.30 - 10.30. Tickets 50p each. Soft drinks
will be available.

Friday 2nd
September Diving and Breaststroke Style Events.

Saturday
10th September ANNUAL GALA, commencing at 5.45 p.m.