

ERITH & DISTRICT SWIMMING CLUB

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ANNUAL GALA

On Saturday 10th September we held our Annual Gala which was watched by a large crowd of parents and friends. We were very pleased to see such a large crowd giving their support. All members took part with the exception of a small number who were ill, and everyone put up a very good effort to make the races exciting and many with close finishes. Parents and teachers were able to see how the swimmers had progressed during the year. Cups were awarded as follows :-

Club Championship

Girls - Allison Leach
 Ladies - Tessa Wakeman

Boys - Billy Geapin
 Men - Anthony Barker

Butterfly Trophy

Girls - Jane Fleming

Boys - Billy Geapin

Diving Cup

Girls - Karen Fox
 Ladies - Gillian Fitnum

Boys - Ian Friend
 Men - Michael Ryan

Breaststroke Style Cup

Girls - Anne Tyson

Boys - Tony Linford

Points Cup

Girls - Suzanne Fitnum
 Ladies - Carole Martin

Boys - Billy Geapin
 Men - Ben Offner

Progress Cup

Girls - Jointly
 Christine Ryan & Stacey Spreat

Boys - Andrew Callard

"Swimmer of the Year" Cup

Girls - Lesley Hopkins

Boys - Anthony Barker

Anderson Diamond Jubilee Shield - Suzanne Fitnum

Tudor Trophy - Martin Parratt

The Anderson Diamond Jubilee Shield is awarded to the boy or girl who obtains the most points at "A" matches throughout the year and this year it was won by Suzanne Fitnum, for the second year in succession, with 64 points.

James Geapin was 2nd with 56 points and Anthony Barker 3rd with 55 points.

The Tudor Trophy Shield is awarded to the boy or girl who obtains the most points at "B" matches throughout the year. This year it was won by Martin Parratt with 69 points giving a clear lead to Ian Leach in 2nd place with 53 points and Sean Williams in 3rd Place with 51 points.

The Points Cup positions were as follows :-

Girls	1st Suzanne Fitnum	14	Boys	1st Billy Geapin	18
	2nd Christine Ryan	12		2nd Sean Williams	13
	3rd Allison Leach	11		3rd James Geapin	12
Ladies	1st Carole Martin	13	Mens	1st Ben Offner	14
	2nd Gillian Fitnum	9		2nd Michael Mould	12
	3rd Sandra Dent	7		3rd Anthony Barker	7

We should like to thank all the officials who helped to make the Gala a success. Very many thanks to all members and parents for selling the raffle tickets to help towards the cost of the Gala. It may interest parents and members to know that it cost £200 this year to put on the Gala. Hire of the Pool has increased to £15.00 per hour for Saturdays and this is only one increase on last year. So you will see that we needed large support on the night and to sell raffle tickets to offset this cost.

The result of the Gala Raffle is as follows :-

1st Transistor Radio	2038	Ben Offner, 76 Park Crescent, Erith
2nd £5 Voucher	2144	L. J. Ryan, 12 Willis Road, Erith
3rd Bottley Whisky	2860	K. Staniforth, 14 Stuart Mantle Way, Erith
4th Basket Fruit	1994	Anne Murray, 140 Hythe Avenue, Bexleyheath

DISTANCE SWIMMING

Many members took part in swimming for distances of $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{2}$ and 1 mile during August and certificates and flashes have been handed out.

Although members enjoy swimming for badges and certificates, we would like to point out that the real purpose of distance swimming is to enable swimmers to survive for a length of time in the water should the occasion arise. Most of you chose breaststroke which is, of course, the most popular stroke for survival as it does not involve too much effort.

The next stage of survival is coping in the water fully clothed and Awards are held each month for this purpose. Practice for survival swimming is held in the Pool at 7.00 p.m. each week and any members who have not yet obtained these Awards and are interested, please contact Mr. Frost. He will then tell you when you can join the class for practice.

ACHIEVEMENTS

1 Width Claire Miller, Rodney Shepherd, Heather Morris, Mark Steeden
Gregory Power

1 Length Rodney Shepherd, Claire Miller

$\frac{1}{4}$ Mile Lesley Roberts, Suzanne Baughan, Alison McDonald, Tony Linford
Michaelle Baughan, Stacey Sproat, Andrew Callard, Stephen Callard
Paul Sherrin, Alan Midwinter, Kim Parrott

$\frac{1}{2}$ Mile Andrew Callard, Stephen Callard, Robert Barfoot, Stacey Sproat,
Lisa Foster, Gregory Thomas, David Ryan, Suzanne Baughan

1 Mile Nicola Stevenson, Christine Ryan, Jane Hancock, Sandra Dent,
Gregory Thomas, Peter Green, Victor Howard, Mark de Havilland,
Tony Barker, Andrew Callard, Stephen Callard, Philip Leach,
Sean Williams, David Ryan, Stacey Sproat, Angela Sartain,
Susan Bartrum, Nicola Bartrum, Jacqueline Bartrum, Gaynor Collins
Alison Clegg, Julie Tevendale.

ANNUAL BAZAAR

Our Annual Bazaar is being held on Saturday 12th November at St. Paul's Hall, Mill Road, Northumberland Heath at 2.00 p.m. Can all members and parents help please by sending along one gift (or more). Have we any kind parents in the Club who will help make items for sale such as knitted gifts, dolls clothes, cakes, preserves or toys? These are always a popular buy at the Bazaar. Also, if your children have out grown any books or toys, these always sell well at the Bazaar too.

LOST PROPERTY

Various items of lost property are handed in to Officials every week and never claimed. The most popular item to lose is always swimming costumes or trunks and we find that very few are named. Your name need only be written in biro in the lining to show who is its owner.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

~~Saturday 1st October~~

~~Away match at Hythe~~

Saturday 15th October

'B' Match at Eltham

Saturday 22nd October

Home Match at Erith

Saturday 29th October

DISCO at the Scouts Hall, Welling Station
Tickets 50p each.

Saturday 12th November

ANNUAL BAZAAR, St. Paul's Hall,
Northumberland Heath

Saturday 19th November

'B' Match at Eltham

Saturday 10th December

'A' Match at Lamorbey Baths.