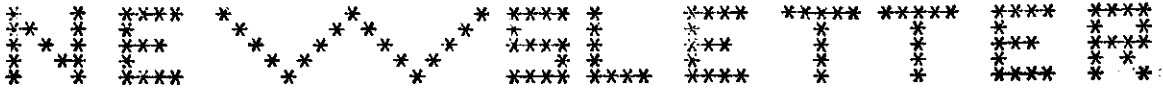


ERITH & DISTRICT SWIMMING CLUB



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Secretary's Notes

We extend a warm welcome to all beginners who started with the Club in January and to wish them every success with their lessons. We would remind you that the course of lessons is for six months only so you must all work hard during this time, not only on a Friday evening, but by practising your strokes at home and attending the Baths whenever possible. If at the end of the course there are any swimmers whom we think will make potential competitive swimmers, we shall ask them to stay with us; otherwise the course ends at the end of June so that another batch of beginners may be taken on.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday 27th February 1978 in the Club Room at Riverside Baths commencing at 8 p.m. All members should have received notification of this by now, together with a copy of the 1977 Balance Sheet. If you or your parents have any suggestions or queries or any matter to discuss, please come along to the A.G.M. We are proposing to include on the Agenda this year a provision that if the hire charges for the Pool should increase at any time, we shall have to put our fees up to meet the expense. As yet, Tuesday nights takings do not cover the hire charge of that evening, but we hope this will improve with greater attendance.

POINTS CUP RACES

We are holding our Points Cup Races early again this year so as to avoid the holiday months. For the benefit of new swimmers, these races are held each month, usually on the second Friday, commencing at 8 p.m. ALL SWIMMERS of one length or more are expected to take part as these races are just as important to you as classes. It will show you, your parents and your teachers what progress you are making and will help us to decide who should represent the Club at matches throughout the year. We have two teams, an "A" and a "B" so most of you will get an opportunity to represent the Club at some time. Races are divided into four age groups - Under 12 (for those who are not more than 11 years old this year) Under 14 (for the 12 and 13 years old) Under 16 (for the 14 and 15 years old) and over 16. Races will be held as follows :-

10th February	Breaststroke
10th March	Back Crawl
14th April	Front Crawl
12th May	Butterfly

Points are awarded as follows :- 5 points for 1st position in each group (not 1st in each heat) 3 points for 2nd and 2 points for 3rd. Every swimmer who takes part receives 1 point for entering. Cups are awarded at the Annual Gala. At the end of the races, there will be swimming tuition for all swimmers who have not had a class that evening. This will be until 9.30 p.m. so please let your parents know if you are staying on after the races as you will be home later.

TUESDAY SESSION

Attendance at Club session on Tuesday evenings is slowly improving. We would like all members to come along on a Tuesday when they can to have the benefit of the extra swimming time. We understand that homework must come first, but if you can come on the evenings when you have not much homework or at half term or holidays, we shall be pleased to see you, even if it is not regularly like Fridays. If the class times do not suit you, then we can always fit you into an earlier or later group, providing you can have your swim. We have a different routine on Tuesdays to Fridays and we understand that all those who attend enjoy the session.

D.S. Firmin

SUBSCRIPTIONS

All regular members are reminded that the 1978 subscriptions should have been paid by the end of January (75p. junior and £1.00. senior). If you have not paid your subscription and wish to remain a member of the Club, please pay up as soon as possible.

M. Firmin

"B" LEAGUE - Match 14th January

Once again, another fine performance by the team, missing first place by only one point. With one scoring match to go at Eltham on the 11th February, we are in a very good position to retain the Tudor Trophy, but we must once again get those first places to ensure victory, so all swim as fast as you can! There will be a further friendly match at Eltham on the 4th March which will not count for points and the Tudor Trophy will also be presented then. A number of changes in the team have had to be made for the next match owing to birthdays, which means some of the younger swimmers have gone into the next age group with faster times than some of the regular swimmers in that age group. We will put as many of you in as we can for the friendly match.

The team selection for the "A" match at Erith on the 25th February will be announced shortly.

P. Bedford

ACHIEVEMENTS

Jacqueline Bartrum	Nicola Bartrum	Susan Bartrum	Nancy Clegg
Gaynor Collins	Nicola Denslow	Jane Hancock	Yvonne Leach
Gregory Thomas			

Congratulations to the above for passing their Gold Personal Survival Award.

A. Davison & J. Frost

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Friday	10th February	Points Cup Races 8 p.m. - Breaststroke
Saturday	11th February	"B" Match at Eltham Baths 6.30 p.m.
Saturday	25th February	"A" Match at Riverside Baths 7 p.m.
Monday	27th February	Annual General Meeting, Club Room 8 p.m.
Saturday	4th March	"B" Match at Eltham Baths 6.30 p.m.
Friday	10th March	Points Cup Races 8 p.m. - Back Crawl
Friday	24th March	NO SWIMMING - Pool closed for Good Friday
Friday	14th April	Points Cup Races 8 p.m. - Front Crawl
Saturday	29th April	"A" Match at Riverside Baths 7 p.m.
Friday	12th May	Points Cup Races 8 p.m. - Butterfly
Saturday	10th June	"A" Match at Riverside Baths 7 p.m.
Friday	15th Sept.	Diving & Breaststroke Style Heats for Gala
Saturday	23rd Sept.	ANNUAL GALA at Riverside Baths 5.30 p.m. for all members of the Club.