



SECRETARY'S NOTES

POINTS CUP RACES

Points Cup Races have now been completed for this year and the next item on the Club agenda is for speed awards and any member may participate. These are being held in the timing lane on Fridays 13th and 20th July from 8 till 9 p.m. If you are interested, please put your name on the notice board under the speed award list.

DISTANCE SWIMMING & FAMILY SPLASH

Another reminder that swimming for certificates for  $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{1}{2}$  and 1 mile will take place on Tuesdays, 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th August in one half of the Pool whilst training continues in the other half. Please see the notice board for details. Also, Family Splash Nights are being held on Fridays, 17th, 24th and 31st August from 8 p.m. onwards. Classes as usual until 8. The whole family are welcome to join in on these evenings.

ANNUAL GALA 15th SEPTEMBER, 5.30 p.m.

Gala Entry Forms are now being handed out so please complete these immediately before you go on holiday. Closing date for entries is 26th August. This is to enable the programme to be worked out in detail. We expect every member to take part regardless of their speed as this is the only gala which you can enter by choice. This is the highlight of the Club year so let's make it a bumper year and have 100% entries. Diving and breaststroke style events are being held on Friday, 7th September at 8.30 p.m.

We are asking all members to sell at least two raffle books of tickets in aid of the Annual Gala and we have plenty more books to sell if any of you can take extra to help. Although the beginners classes do not take part in the Annual Gala, perhaps parents could show their appreciation to the Club by buying or selling a few tickets. Tickets are only 5p each and a book 25p.

ERITH SHOW, 27th AUGUST

We are proposing to have a stall at the Erith Show this year for the first time, to help advertise the Club and raise funds and think a cake stall and tombola would be the best idea. So if there are any kind Mums in the Club (and I am sure you all are), who could make a cake or some small cakes for this date, we should be most grateful. They could be either brought down to the ground on the morning or afternoon of the Show or handed in to Club officials prior to that date. Also, if you have any unwanted gifts of any description that could be used as prizes for tombola, no matter how small, these would be very acceptable.

This is a new venture with the proposed three Mini Bazaars we are holding in the Clubroom on Fridays 16th, 30th November and 14th December. At all events we should like assistance from members or parents in the Club to run the stalls, so if you are willing, even for a short time, please contact us.

BEGINNERS CLASSES

We have quite a number of beginners who have completed the width and a few have completed the length of the Pool. Congratulations to all of you, you have worked hard. An Achievement Chart is on the Notice Board and we would like to see red squares by all your names before you finish the course on the 10th August. A list of beginners who have swum the width and length is at the end of this Newsletter. Please remember beginners, that the more times you practice in the water, the

quicker you will learn to swim. Those of you who are able to go along to the Pool in the week are getting on very quickly.

D.S. Firmin

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'A' MATCH AT GREENWICH 9.6.1979

Our last Match before the summer break was against some strong teams and the age groups in many cases were not in our favour. However, some very good performances ensured a worthwhile evening which included four first and eleven seconds. We would like to add a special thank you to the Pearson and Breare families for collecting their children from week-end camp near Maidstone to enable them to swim in their races.

Placings:-	1st	Bromley	214
	2nd	Greenwich 'A'	208
	3rd	Saxon Crown 'B'	168
	4th	Erith	156
	5th	White Oak 'B'	154
	6th	Greenwich 'B'	55

'A' MATCH AT RIVERSIDE BATHS 12.5.1979

A very memorable evening with our first win in 'Home Water' for at least eight years. All swimmers swam to maximum effect with many splendid results. Owing to the withdrawal of one team a few days before the Match a scratch 'B' team was drawn up and many swimmers were able to have their first taste of competition.

Thank you for providing us all with an enjoyable and worthwhile evening.

Placings:-	1st	Erith 'A'	228
	2nd	Leander	212
	3rd	B.P.	181
	4th	Batterseas Pegasus	143
	5th	Erith 'B'	94

TUDOR 'B' LEAGUE

Following a recent meeting it was unanimously decided between the various Club representatives present that commencing with the next series all children selected to swim in individual events in the U/12, U/14 and U/17 age groups should swim no faster than a stipulated average time on each stroke and that if any Club's swimmers are faster than this stipulated time, four or more times in any one gala they will incur penalty points and will be marked last. This should, we hope, make the galas a fair and exciting as in all series prior to the last one.

It was also decided that swimmers taking part must only belong to the Club they are competing for and no other.

(P. & A. Bedford)

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PERSONAL SURVIVAL

Congratulations to:-

Angela Pallet  
Mark Steeden  
Amanda Rice

Michelle Doyle  
Claire Miller

who were all successful in their Bronze Award.

## STOP PRESS !!!

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Pam and Allan Bedford on the birth of a boy, Timothy, on Wednesday 10th June, weighing 7lbs. 12ozs. Our best wishes to both mother and baby.

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### SOCIAL EVENTS

Our Summer Outing this year is a coach trip to Westbrook (Margate) Price £2.00  
The coach leaves riverside Baths at 8.30 a.m. Sunday 8th July.

Enter Saturday, 3rd November in your diaries as this is the night of our Junior Disco. Further details later.

(J. Frost)

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### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, 8th July	Club Outing to Westbrook (See above)
Friday, 13th July	Speed Awards. - Contact Mr. A. Davison for details
Friday, 20th July	" " " " " "
Tuesday, 7th & 21st August	Distance Swimming $\frac{1}{4}$ & $\frac{1}{2}$ mile
Tuesday, 14th & 28th August	Distance Swimming 1 mile
Friday, 17th, 24 & 31st August	Family Splash Nights 8 - 9.30 p.m.
Friday, 7th September	Diving & Breaststroke Style heats for Gala.
Saturday, 15th September	Annual Club Gala
Saturday, 22nd September	Provisional Booking of Match at Sittingbourne
Saturday, 20th October	'B' Match Tudor Series
Saturday, 27th October	'A' Match Riverside Baths
Saturday, 3rd November	Junior Disco (see above)
Saturday, 10th November	Provisional Booking of Match at Tonbridge
Friday, 16th & 30th November	
14th December	MIT BAZAAR in Clubroom 7 - 8.30 p.m.
Saturday, 24th November	'B' Match Tudor Series
Saturday, 1st December	'B' Match Tudor Series
Saturday, 8th December	'A' Match Riverside Baths

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### ACHIEVEMENTS

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#### 1 Width

Mark Ford	Jason Loveland	Marc Francis
Joanne Smith	Christopher Williams	Karen Kidley
Simon Coulson	Susan Turner	Tracy Sweeny
Nina Walton	Lynn Young	Damion Walton
Michelle Legg	Garry Dennis	

#### 1 Length

Joanne Smith	Mark Ford
Simon Coulson	Karen Kidley
Nina Walton	

Congratulations also to Andrew Callard who swam for his school at the Kent County School Championships held recently at Tonbridge and came 2nd in the Front Crawl event and 3rd in the Back Crawl.