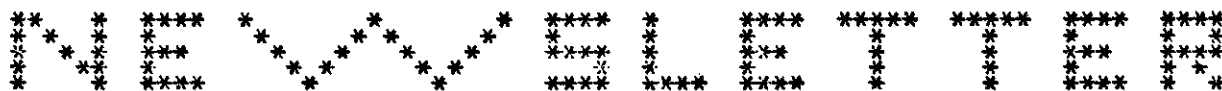


ERITH & DISTRICT SWIMMING CLUB



No.93

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SECRETARY'S NOTES

Following our recent A.G.M. there will be a number of changes to our poolside teaching and coaching team.

Mr. T.A. Davison, our Chief Instructor is standing down after twenty very active years and thirty years membership of the Club, but we will see him from time to time and he will still be serving on our Committee.

Mr. D. Fitnum is also retiring from the teaching side but he remains our Chairman and K.C.A.S.A. Official.

Our new Chief Instructor will be Mr. M. Ryan who will be responsible for the teaching classes. Mrs. D. Sartain has been appointed our Club Coach responsible for the coaching of the top squad of swimmers and, in future Mrs. P. Bedford will assume responsibility for the Beginners' Classes on Friday evenings.

The format of the various classes and groups on Tuesday and Friday will be altered in line with these changes and full details will be published before the change-over on Friday, 2nd April.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

Please note Club Subscriptions become due from 1st April and following further Pool Hire cost increases from the London Borough of Bexley the new rate is £5 for all Members. The attendance fee remains at the existing rate.

Please remember to bring your Membership Card when renewing to enable us to issue a receipt.

POINTS CUP

We have had an excellent attendance for the Breaststroke and Backcrawl races and I hope you will all compete in Butterfly on Friday, 23rd April and Frontcrawl on Friday, 16th May.

Many excellent times have already been achieved at all age and ability levels.

MATCH AT MARGATE, 13th FEBRUARY

With the knowledge that a team from Bexley Swimming Club were going to be at Hartsdown Pool this time we entered a moderately strong team with very good effect. Our swimmers can now cope easily with 25 metre pools and in the early stages we were leading on points.

Bexley, with some strong young swimmers took the lead by the half-way stage but our swimmers again showed their determination and the final mixed 12 x 1 Freestyle Relay Squad race was perhaps the most exciting ever seen with the two local rivals neck and neck until Vicki Gibb and Miguel Kaute's fantastic lengths which just enabled us to gain first. Our overall second placing, only fourteen points behind Bexley was very impressive - Well done All!

Bexley (C Team)	134
Erith	148
Margate	185
Hythe	190
Ramsgate	197
Folkestone	200

MATCH AT ERITH 27th FEBRUARY, 1982

Our very consistent placings in this match gave us a very satisfactory first place although we won only eleven out of the 46 events.

Some excellent improvement in times were again recorded and our winning margin was notable considering that two of our key swimmers were absent from the team. New members of our squad included Nicola Holmes aged 9 and Mandy Fowle aged 12, who both put up good performances.

Erith	247
Streatham	228
Redhill & Reigate	183
Margate	182
Piranha	154
Saxon Crown B	153

TUDOR TROPHY MATCH 6th MARCH, 1982

After a lapse of four months we returned to Eltham and scored another first the next Saturday.

Many swimmers bettering their previous times in November by remarkable margins, in fact, five time infringements were recorded by individual swimmers, although all relay squad times were within the allowable margins.

A good win although we understand there was an error made in the scoring of double points for relays which will affect the final score. Placings given were:-

1st	Erith
2nd	Dartford
3rd	Greenwich
4th	Sevenoaks
5th	Eltham

A. Bedford

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On the 5th March one of the boys lost a pair of Marks and Spencers black and white training shoes size 4. A pair exactly the same but a size smaller were left in the changing room so it must be assumed that they were taken by mistake. Would parents whose sons own trainers which fit the above description please check them and make sure they have the right size as obviously the shoes left behind are of no use to the boy who has them.

AN APPEAL

Has anybody got a large discarded suitcase which is still serviceable enough to carry our costumes etc. back and forth to the pool?. The cardboard boxes presently used get wet and soon disintegrate with the condensation at the Pool.

FOR SALE

Secondhand

1 pair Tracksuit Trousers outside leg 31"	50p
1 " " " " " 33"	50p
1 32" Club Sweatshirt	£1
1 pair 30" Arena Red"White Trunks	£1

We have the following for Sale:-

Club Costumes and Trunks in popular sizes  
Club Tee Shirts and Sweatshirts in most sizes  
Club Badges - Cloth and Lapel  
Red/white Lycra Hats  
Hats with Club Badge  
Godfrey goggles, spare rims and elastic  
Club Sportsbags

See Noticeboard for prices.

We also have:-

1 34" Vasa Costume  
1 38" Vasa Costume  
2 34" G.B. National costumes

at the low price of £6.15 each.

P. Bedford

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OUTING TO THE MUSEUM OF LONDON AND THE R.A.F. MUSEUM, HENDON  
ON WEDNESDAY, 24th FEBRUARY, 1982

Had this outing been held a week earlier, the prospect of rail travel to London would have been impossible due to the ASLEF train drivers dispute. To my relief a peace settlement was made, and so it was that 32 swimmers, friends and Dads gathered at a fog-bound Belvedere station.

Stepping off the train at London Bridge, we made our way to the Museum of London by foot, viewing some of the numerous points of interest on the way, e.g. Wren's churches, Fire of London Monument, the 'London Stone', Mansion House, St. Paul's Cathedral.

The Museum of London's Exhibition, called 'London's Flying Start' related the stories of the City's pioneer aviators. It proved to be a slight disappointment, although I hope everyone took note of the developments of our own local pioneering aviator, Hiram Maxim, (N.B. a display of his work is presently included in an exhibition at Hall Place, Bexley). Before we left we had a look at the Lord Mayor's Coach which compared with the present Mayor's sleek Rolls-Royce limousine that we had seen earlier.

Lunch was spent in part of the Barbican centre alongside a stretch of the Medieval city wall, and on the site which I later realised was the spot where the first bomb fell on London in the Second World War!

After the inevitable antics on the escalators, we joined the Underground train to Colindale for the R.A.F. Museum. Not content with taking the weight off their feet, many swimmers were soon involved in a "T.V. Superstars" type competition which utilised the train's overhead handrails!

I had intended to give a guided tour of the R.A.F. Museum but due to the boys obvious over-enthusiasm for what was to be seen, curtailed this idea. As it was we only just managed to see everything and had to forfeit a visit to the Souvenir Shop. However much was learnt by everyone, either through impromptu explanations or by answering various Questionnaires.

The day was enjoyed by everyone and we even managed to be back at Belvedere on time again!

N.B. If anyone still hasn't purchased any belated souvenirs from this Outing, I have a few items left.

See the Forthcoming Events column for details of the next Outing.

P.A. Frost

ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to the following Beginners:-

1 Width:-

Sean Chiswick  
Tara Hacket  
Samuel Hodder  
Paul McCarthy  
Neil Young

1 Length:-

Sarah Blackmore  
Lindsay Calclough  
Karen Forster  
Angela Francis  
Andrew French  
Jennifer Ide  
Benjamin Knowles  
Terri Minto

Please don't forget to collect your Certificates and embroidered Badges to mark your Achievement!!

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DIARY OF CLUB EVENTS

<u>APRIL</u>	Friday 2nd	Start of Revised Classes - full details to be announced.
	Saturday 3rd	Away Match at Horley, Surrey. Hosts Redhill & Reigate S.C. Coach from Riverside 4.15 p.m.
	Saturday 10th	Family Ramble. Alton, Hampshire. Includes visit to Jane Austen's house and ride on the Mid-Hants Steam Railway. The day for £3.50 under 16's and £5 Adults.
	Tuesday 13th	Silver & Gold B.S.C.A. Sprint Swims commencing 9.00 p.m.
	Tuesday 13th to Friday 16th	MORNING SWIMS 9 - 10 a.m. under supervision of Mrs. D. Sartain. Tickets on sale soon.
	Saturday 17th	Tudor Trophy Match at Eltham commencing 6.00 p.m.
	Friday 23rd	Points Cup Races - Butterfly
	Saturday 24th	DISCO - Christian Grey Hall, Belvedere commencing 7.30 p.m.
<u>MAY</u>	Saturday 1st	Tudor Trophy Match at Eltham commencing 6 p.m.
	Friday 14th	Points Cup Races - Frontcrawl
	Saturday 15th	Away Match at Crowborough Beacon
	Friday 21st	SPRING FAYRE, Riverside Baths, commencing 7.00 p.m.
	Sunday 30th	Twin Swim Meet at St. Johns Pool. Tunbridge Wells.
<u>JUNE</u>	Wednesday 2nd	Outing to St. Albans, Hertfordshire - 2,000 years of history in 1 day. Roman ruins. Medieval Abbey, Hatfield House.

DIARY OF CLUB EVENTS (Contd.)

<u>JUNE</u>	Saturday 5th	Away Match at Witham, Essex (near Chelmsford) Hosts Witham Dolphins. Coach from Riverside approx. 4.30 p.m.
	Saturday 12th	Vintage Bus Outing to Brighton leaving Riverside approx. 4.00 p.m.
	Saturday 19th	Away Match at Streatham.
<u>JULY</u>	Saturday 3rd	Home Match at Riverside commencing 7.00 p.m.
	Sunday 11th (see 18th)	Annual Club Outing to Westbrook (Margate) Coach leaves Riverside approximately 8.45 a.m.
	Saturday 17th	Dolphin Trophy Match at Faversham open Pool.
	Sunday 18th	Club Outing to Westbrook (Date Changed owing to World Cup Football Match)
<u>SEPTEMBER</u>	Saturday 11th	Away Match at Sevenoaks
	Saturday 25th	Away Match at West Wickham Baths (Hosts Bromley S.C.)
<u>OCTOBER</u>	Saturday 16th	Erith & District Swimming Club Annual Gala commencing 5.30 p.m.
<u>NOVEMBER</u>	Saturday 20th	Junior Age Group Gala, Fairfield Pool, Dartford.
	Saturday 27th	Home Match at Riverside commencing 7.00 p.m.
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<u>FEBRUARY</u>	Saturday 26th	BUFFET DANCE - Invicta Co-op Hall, Burnham Road, Dartford.

Arranged too late for inclusion in the above

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MAY Saturday 8th Away Match at Greenwich commencing 5.30 p.m.