



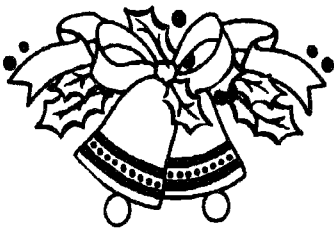
Erith and District Swimming Club

# NEWSLETTER

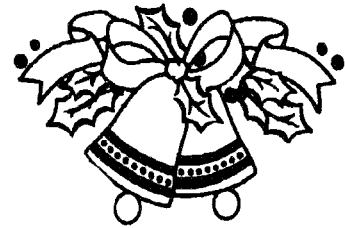


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MERRY  
CHRISTMAS



& A HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

## CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR DATES

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| Friday 21st December    | - Normal lessons: 7-8pm<br>- <b>Fun Night from 8pm (STRICTLY MEMBERS ONLY)</b>   |
| Saturday 22nd December  | - Normal swimming: 7-8am   |
| Sunday 23rd December    | - Normal swimming: 4-7pm   |
| Monday 24th December    | - <i>No swimming</i>   |
| Tuesday 25th December   | - <i>No swimming</i>   |
| Wednesday 26th December | - <i>No swimming</i>   |
| Friday 28th December    | - <i>No swimming</i>   |
| Saturday 29th December  | - Normal swimming: 7-8am   |
| Sunday 30th December    | - <i>Masters Only: 1-2pm</i>   |
| Monday 31st December    | - <i>No swimming</i>   |
| Tuesday 1st January     | - <i>No swimming</i>   |
| Wednesday 2nd January   | - <i>No swimming</i>   |
| Friday 4th January      | - Normal swimming: 7-10pm  |
| Saturday 5th January    | - Normal swimming: 7-8am   |
| Sunday 6th January      | - <i>Swimmers at 4pm will swim 1-2pm;</i><br><i>Swimmers at 4:30pm will swim 1:30-3pm;</i><br><i>Swimmers at 5pm will swim 2-3pm;</i><br><i>Masters will swim 3-4pm.</i> |

## COACHING REPORT NO.5

Once again the last few months of the year have been the most hectic and it's not until you sit down to write these reports that you remember exactly how much has been done. Well done and thank you to all who have been involved, no matter how small your contribution.

In competition our A team have had a very successful end to their year finishing runners up in some strong competition in the White Horse League and gaining a top 6 place in the Speedo League South Division 1 East. Our two Tudor teams continue to swim well on a regular basis. This competition is still very important to us enabling many of our swimmers to gain competition experience. It would seem that our sensible stance in the Octopus League this year saw us come in the lower half of the league, but gave many swimmers the opportunity to compete who do not normally get the chance to. This is and will always be the aim for us in this league. Friendly galas are still very hard to come by, please remember to give Julie as much support as possible when these team sheets go up on the notice board.

It has been very pleasing to see over the last few months that increasing numbers of swimmers have been wearing and competing in correct Club wear. We were without a doubt the smartest team on poolside at the last round of Speedo. This is something we must continue to work at next year as we all want you to be proud to swim for EDSC. Wearing and competing in Club colours will make you feel part of the team and feel proud to swim for your Club. Remember the Club shop is open every Tuesday evening and you can speak to Jenny at any training session.

All training sessions have been very well attended over recent months. One reminder though, that there is a session open to all members from 7-8am on Saturday mornings. Lighter numbers at this session give us the chance to look at swimmers' individual problems more closely. Please feel free to come and join us.

Next year will see some big changes to our Club Championships in the spring. For the first time we will be swimming heats and finals in the same afternoon, one stroke per week. There will be plenty of benefits in this new system, most importantly all swimmers will have an equal chance in all events. Other benefits will include less Sundays being affected as there will be no finals nights and every final will see a full pool, as all swimmers will be at the pool for the heats. More information will be sent to you about this event in the New Year.

We have a very busy couple of months coming up, with lots of Club events planned. January will see our new Champions of the Future competition. February will follow with our annual BLDSA 1 hour postal swim. Then come County Championships, Club Championships, Junior Speedo and much more. Swimmers, please make sure that you check the notice board on a regular basis and for those parents that don't come into the pool, please make the effort to, so that you know what is coming up.

I always like to take the opportunity to remind you that everything we do is done for the benefit of the swimmers and the Club. If you feel that something could be done in a better way, or something new could be done then please come and speak to either Pam Bedford or myself. We are always open to new ideas.

Finally, it remains for me to wish you all a very Merry Christmas. The Club will only be open for a few sessions over the holiday period (see above), as us coaches and teachers do earn a little bit of time off. I look forward to seeing you back in the New Year ready to work off all that excess eating.

All the best!

**John Burdett,  
Club Coach**

# **GALA RESULTS**

## SPEEDO LEAGUE SOUTH 2001 DIVISION 1 (EAST)

### Round 1 - Riverside Pool - 13th October 2001

#### *Gala Results*

| POSITION | TEAM            | POINTS |
|----------|-----------------|--------|
| 1st      | Kingston Royals | 228    |
| 2nd      | Erith           | 185    |
| 3rd      | Burgess Hill    | 129    |
| 4th      | Croydon         | 120    |
| 5th      | Orpington 'B'   | 80     |

This was a great start to this year's Speedo League finishing 2nd behind Kingston Royals, who were relegated from the Premier Division last year. We won 10 out of the 50 races, with an additional 23 2nd places. Individual wins came from **Philip Brown, Simon Facer, Joe Spence, Joe Thorogood and Louise Hoyne-Butler**. There were also relay wins for the boys 9-11 years freestyle and medley, the Ladies Open medley, the boys 13 and under freestyle, and the girls 15 and under Medley.

### Round 2 - Riverside Pool - 10th November 2001

#### *Gala Results*

| POSITION | TEAM              | POINTS |
|----------|-------------------|--------|
| 1st      | Erith             | 179.5  |
| 2nd      | Braintree/Bocking | 169.5  |
| 3rd      | Herne Bay         | 153    |
| 4th      | Dorking           | 135    |
| 5th      | Maidstone         | 112    |

An outstanding victory in an exciting second round Speedo League gala secured Erith's place in the promotional gala. After 18 races we looked very convincing with a lead of 17 points. Braintree and Bocking quickly closed the gap and at one stage took the lead. However, continued determination from the team finally paid off when we recaptured the lead and then went on to win by a very creditable 10 points.

**Freda Ross, Grant Cooper, Philip Brown, Joe Thorogood, Stephen Hartley and Sarah Garrett (2)**, all attained maximum points in their individual events. The relays proved equally successful with firsts in the boys 9-11 years medley, the girls 15/U freestyle, the boys 15/U medley, and the ladies and mens open medley. Convincing wins in the last two races of the gala confirmed an overall win, with the ladies squadron team consisting of **Freda Ross, Helen Clifton, Shelley Carver, Hannah Spencer, Luch Cowell and Sarah Garrett**, and the mens squadron team consisting of **Paul Nicholls, Philip Brown, Sam Hayes, Stephen Kihara, Mark Russell and Grant Cooper**.

## Round 3 - Beckenham Spa - 1st December 2001

### *Gala Results*

| POSITION | TEAM              | POINTS |
|----------|-------------------|--------|
| 1st      | Bexley            | 228    |
| 2nd      | Kingston Royals   | 222    |
| 3rd      | Canterbury        | 212    |
| 4th      | Woking 'A'        | 147    |
| 5th      | Braintree/Bocking | 123    |
| 6th      | Erith             | 118    |

The promotional gala took us to Beckenham Spa, a fantastically modern 8 lane pool (which even John got to experience for himself in the end). It was not surprising to discover that the competition was much stronger in this gala than what we had experienced in the first two rounds. However, this certainly didn't dampen the spirits of the spectators and, in particular, the swimmers, with proof being in the number of PB's and Club Records attained. It was clear that all swimmers really were putting everything into their races whether it was an individual or a single leg on a relay. The noise on pool side (predominantly caused by Erith's supporters and swimmers) was absolutely amazing, and surely played a part in the incredible number of best times swum.

Though we didn't win a race, there were a couple of 2nd places which came courtesy of **Sarah Garrett and Joe Thorogood**. The relays helped to close the gap on the other teams and we ended up just 5 points away from Braintree. Congratulations though must go to **Tiffany Brown** who broke the girls 15/U 100m Backstroke Club Record with a time of 1:13:53, and **Grant Cooper** who broke both the mens 100m fly and freestyle records with a time of 1:01:49 and 56:03 respectively. Also a special mention to **Peter Frost**, who, despite not quite making it into the Speedo team this year, certainly had reserved a massive amount of energy, just for this night, so that he could cheer every race on like he did.

All in all, a fantastic end to the league for us and the year as a whole. Well done to all swimmers who competed in the league and not forgetting the parents, officials and coaches who have all helped out in one way or another!

### *Final Speedo League South 2001, Division 1 (East) table (Top 6 of 17)*

| POSITION | TEAM                  | LEAGUE POINTS |
|----------|-----------------------|---------------|
| 1st      | Bexley #              | 48            |
| 2nd      | Kingston Royals #     | 45            |
| 3rd      | Canterbury            | 43            |
| 4th      | Woking 'A'            | 41            |
| 5th      | Braintree and Bocking | 38            |
| 6th      | Erith                 | 37            |

9th White Darts (26); 13th Croydon (17); Bromley promoted from Division 2 (East).

Last year's league results: 1st-Brighton#; 2nd-Crawley#; 3rd-Braintree and Bocking; 4th-Woking; 5th-Black Lion; 6th-Erith; 7th-Thanel Viking; 8th-Canterbury; 9th-White Darts; 10th-Herne Bay; 11th-Hythe; 12th-Colchester; 13th-Croydon; 14th-Orpington OJAYS B; 15th-Dorking; 16th-Beckenham B\*; 17th-East Grinstead\*.

KEY - # - team promoted  
\* - team relegated

## WHITE HORSE LEAGUE 2001

### Round 5 - White Oak Leisure Centre - 29th September 2001

#### *Gala Results*

| POSITION | TEAM        | POINTS |
|----------|-------------|--------|
| 1st      | White Darts | 71     |
| 2nd      | Erith       | 100    |
| 3rd      | Bromley     | 129    |
| 4th      | Croydon     | 130    |
| 5th      | Eltham      | 189    |

BECKENHAM DID NOT SWIM

7 out of 41 firsts were recorded in the penultimate round of the White Horse League held in the 33m pool in Swanley. Well done to the following swimmers who achieved individual wins: **Philip Brown, Freda Ross, Ian Magness, Joe Spence, Kelly Bealing and Joe Thorogood.**

### Round 6 - South Norwood Pool - 3rd November 2001

#### *Gala Results*

| POSITION | TEAM        | POINTS |
|----------|-------------|--------|
| 1st      | Erith       | 103    |
| 2nd      | White Darts | 113    |
| 3rd      | Croydon     | 136    |
| 4th      | Bromley     | 150    |
| 5th      | Beckenham   | 165    |
| 6th      | Eltham      | 237    |

Three wins in the final three races secured a win at the final round of the White Horse League gala held at South Norwood Pool. 14 out of the 43 races were won, while there were an additional 14 2nd places. Convincing individual wins came courtesy of **Joe Thorogood (2), Tiffany Brown, Philip Brown, Freda Ross (2), Grant Cooper and Mark Russell.** Once again we dominated in the relays, with 6 out of the 11 mixed relay events providing Erith with victories. These included the butterfly and freestyle squadrons, the 11 and under freestyle, the open medley and freestyle and the 15 and under medley.

Though this was a creditable win, it wasn't enough to topple White Darts in the league table, who clinched the White Horse League trophy by just 1 league point.

### *Final White Horse League table for 2001*

| POSITION | TEAM        | GALA POINTS | LEAGUE POINTS |
|----------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| 1st      | White Darts | 619         | 68            |
| 2nd      | Erith       | 627         | 67            |
| 3rd      | Bromley     | 811         | 54.5          |
| 4th      | Croydon     | 952         | 51.5          |
| 5th      | Beckenham   | 593         | 51            |
| 6th      | Eltham      | 1311        | 43            |

**Paul Nicholls**  
**Boys Club Captain**

## OCTOPUS LEAGUE

### *Final Octopus League table for 2001*

| POSITION | TEAM                    | GALA POINTS | LEAGUE POINTS |
|----------|-------------------------|-------------|---------------|
| 1st      | Edenbridge Piranhas     | 978         | 26            |
| 2nd      | Eltham Stingrays        | 956         | 26            |
| 3rd      | Bromley                 | 844         | 25            |
| 4th      | Woodside/Thornton Heath | 949         | 24            |
| 5th      | Croydon                 | 950         | 22            |
| 6th      | Streatham               | 876         | 20            |
| 7th      | Erith                   | 786         | 16            |
| 8th      | Barracuda               | 543         | 11            |

Last year's league results: 1st-Edenbridge Piranhas; 2nd-Eltham; 3rd-Bromley; 4th-Streatham; 5th-Erith; 6th-Woodside and Thornton Heath; 7th-Barracuda; D/Q-Croydon.

I would like to say well done to everybody who swum for Erith in this league. 54 swimmers competed on behalf of the club and behaviour and turnout was excellent.

Special thanks go to **Paul Byskup** who assisted me and ran the team on several occasions this year. **Julie Craggs and Karen Hubbard** for judging and **Rob Facer, Dave Gladwell and Lee Goodey** for their timekeeping skills!

**Emma Wallace and Chris Gladwell** were excellent Team Captains (even allowing for one forgotten gala).

As per normal in this league we were not out swum by teams competing on the same level, unfortunately not every club seems to understand that this is a C gala. At the League's AGM I will be raising this issue (as I do every year).

The year 2002 actually sees me being in charge of the league, dealing with pool bookings and finances, so if I take extra holidays next year you know where the money came from.

Thanks again to all swimmers, parents and officials.

**Carol Goodey**  
**Octopus League Team Manager**

## TUDOR LEAGUE

### Round 1 - Eltham Pool - 4th November 2001

#### *Gala Results*

| POSITION | TEAM                   | POINTS |
|----------|------------------------|--------|
| 1st      | Bromley                | 254    |
| 2nd      | Erith Red              | 191    |
| 3rd      | Erith White            | 187.5  |
| 4th      | Eltham Stingrays       | 186    |
| 5th      | Gravesend & Northfleet | 173.5  |

## FRIENDLY GALAS

### Enfield 'B-C' Gala - 29th September 2001

#### *Gala Results*

| POSITION | TEAM       | POINTS |
|----------|------------|--------|
| 1st      | Griffins A | 121    |
| 2nd      | Erith      | 123    |
| 3rd      | Griffins B | 147    |
| 4th      | Hatfield   | 155    |

This was a gala where the swimmers received time penalties for going too fast! Despite this handicap we had some excellent swims. Wins for U/10 **Marcus Harvey and Emily Morris**, U/11 **Thomas Rose and Matt Kirkup**, U/12 **Jessica Harvey and Shaney Piele**, U/14 **Abbie Thompson, Philip Cunningham, Peter Sullivan and Nick McMonagle**. Also wins for U/10 girls, U/10 boys and U/14 boys freestyle relay teams. Special mentions to **Oliver Thomson, Timothy Colman, Michael Redfearn, Naomi Monksfield, Megan Bassett and Christopher Plummer**, who all swam wonderfully but got disqualified for going too fast! We came a very creditable 2nd overall. Well done to all the swimmers and a big thank you to **Dee Thompson, Jackie McMonagle and Doug Hodges** for all their help on poolside.

### Fred Smith Shield 'A' Gala - Hosted by White Darts

#### White Oak, Swanley - 6th October 2001

#### *Gala Results*

| POSITION | TEAM        | POINTS |
|----------|-------------|--------|
| 1st      | RTW Monson  | 275    |
| 2nd      | White Darts | 256    |
| 3rd      | Erith       | 200    |

This was a disappointing gala as three teams had dropped out the week beforehand. This left White Darts, RTW Monson and Erith! With a number of our swimmers swimming for Bexley Borough it left the rest with a difficult task. Unfortunately we didn't have any wins but we did have some good second places from **Helen Clifton, Joe Thorogood, Kerry Dewey, Matthew Hall, Leanne Thompson, Stephen Kihara and Daniel Richards**. Many thanks to **Carol Goodey, Stuart Redpath and Rob Facer** for their help on poolside.

### G.L. Coachworks 'B' Trophy Gala - Hosted by Dartford

#### Fairfield Pools, Dartford - 24th November 2001

#### *Gala Results*

| POSITION | TEAM      | POINTS |
|----------|-----------|--------|
| 1st      | Bromley   | 250    |
| 2nd      | Erith     | 216    |
| 3rd      | Rochester | 209    |
| 4th      | Dartford  | 174    |
| 5th      | White Oak | 165    |

The penultimate gala of the year took us to Fairfield Pool. Unbelievably, this gala happened to clash with the London Borough finals, which meant we were again missing some swimmers and it also led to last year's winners, Bexley, dropping out altogether. We had some good wins from 9/U Jake Reeves, 11/U Michael Redfearn, Richard Goodey and Warren Carver, 15/U Louise Hoyne-Butler, Leanne Thompson and Rikki Ferguson. Also wins for Mixed 9/U and 11/U freestyle relay teams and the Mixed 15/U Medley relay team. There were a lot of PB's from many of the swimmers. Bromley had fielded a very strong team and it was clear they would win the gala. We finished in 2nd place. Well done to all the swimmers and thank you to Carol Goodey, Rob Facer and Ian Craggs for their help on poolside.

**Julie Craggs**  
**Friendly Gala Team Manager**

## **MASTERS SECTION**

On Sunday 7th October, 28 of our Masters swimmers competed in the Haywards Heath invitation Gala at the Ardingley Agricultural College. This was our fourth attendance and after being runners up before, this year our team won the Cup with magnificent swims by all the team. The club has been invited back next year on October 6 2002 to defend our win where no doubt the beaten clubs of Hayward Heath, Eastbourne and Spencer will be out for revenge. This was only the second time since the event's inauguration 10 years ago that Haywards Heath have been beaten, a sign that our Masters Section is growing in strength.

**Frank Rider**

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### USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Please keep this list of numbers in a safe place - it is updated every Newsletter issue

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TUDOR LEAGUE - RED TEAM.....Glenn Thackray (01322) 410472 or  
(01322) 338910  
TUDOR LEAGUE - WHITE TEAM.....Frank Rider (01322) 660640  
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CUP, SPRINT TROPHY, ANNUAL  
GALA) & ALL OTHER ENQUIRIES..... Pam Bedford (01322) 439892  
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Next Newsletter deadline will be near the end of **March 2002!**



# **SOCIAL SECTION NEWS**

## OCTOBER HALF TERM RAMBLE

### 'Trepidation of a Novice Rambler Family'

What were we doing getting up after seemingly setting the alarm clock five minutes previously? The early start was part of a long and fulfilling 2 days bringing together friends and acquaintances from the Club. Our own Party consisting of Cheryl, Emily, Matthew, Luke and myself arriving in time for the coach to arrive at an unusually quiet entrance at the swimming pool (Spooky!). I was a little worried that Emily would find the walking and biking a little too much for her lean (but mean) 9-year old frame although this myth was quickly dispelled at the beginning of the trip.

It was about 2 weeks before the date of the trip, that "Going Dutch" appeared on my diary radar. I didn't take much notice of the distance we would cover each day when the ramble was first mentioned. It then sunk in that these distances were a little longer than I first thought, which was further compounded by the fact that I confused Kilometres with miles and realised this is the longest distance I have ever covered by foot/bike over two consecutive days! The sight of hardened and obviously experienced ramblers pulling on their well-worn walking boots, suddenly made me realise we would be in for a serious walk - this notion arose at the same time as the coach disappeared around the corner after the first drop-off in Bruges - I wondered when I would ever see the welcoming face of the driver again.

On arriving at the impressive castle hostel in the dark in Holland, my eye was caught by the light of a nearby lighthouse whose beams were circling the sky. The effect of this was boldly carried into the night by Arthur, whose eye was also nearly caught at the bar, by his flaming jacket in what I thought was my first-hand witnessing of spontaneous human combustion. The eerie light across the sky (and bar) left me wondering what other spooky happenings were in store for us.

After a long day we settled down in a shared bedroom with Paul and his family in some ancient bunk beds. Throughout the night we took turns to compete in the local competition of "Snoralot". This apparently popular custom of each taking it turns to raise the roof, continued throughout the night - the males were blamed by the girls (as usual). And on to Breakfast.....

It was the next morning that my worst fears were realised by what I only can describe as the strange phenomena of people wobbling on bikes - I thought this was the start of an endemic disease spreading like wildfire throughout the party, which only the emergency administration of antidote would be the only way to stop this frightening event. Luckily a few minutes to acclimatise by the way of hard pedalling and exorcising the devil by shouting "Christ, I cant stop" in a loud voice, worked wonders - the local hospitals were stood down.

It was just the beginning of a sequence of bizarre events. This time it was Emily who made me wonder just what I had been drinking the previous night in the bar and theorised on how strong the local beer really was. Whilst we were riding on our bikes, quite a serious discussion ensued on the merits of everyone riding together until the signal was given to spread in as many directions as possible at each crossroads. I looked across at Emily and saw (or didn't see!!!) another phenomena - because she had such a small bike without gears, her legs were moving at such a rate to keep up with everyone else, her legs were just a kaleidoscopic blur as she was peddling an estimated 55 times faster than anyone else.

The home journey beckoned and everyone wearily boarded the coach to head off. We were to stop at one or two establishments to buy some local items before boarding the train. I must have been dozing just before the first stop as the coach jolted to a halt. Out of the coach window I could see the bright shop front and immediately glanced and saw what appeared to be the torso of a Caribbean female laying headlong in full view. Within a millisecond, strange thoughts were going through my mind.....I didn't think it was right to bring the kids to a kinky-adult shop as we had some youngsters

on board. My senses arrived and was relieved to discover the chocolate shop replica of a heavenly body was an innocent "Cadbury" stock item.

I would like to add a word about the excellent organisational skills of Peter and his wife, together with his tireless enthusiasm of guiding everyone throughout the trip made it a memorable and rewarding 2 days. I would like to pass on my thanks to both of them on behalf of all those who came.

A final footnote was when I was explaining to Emily that we had been in four countries in the same day which was an eye-opener for me, but then she gave me that look as if it was an everyday event and wondered why I had ever mentioned it - it then seemed to be one of those "very interesting" facts you could use in the pub after several beers - a sign of the times I guess in the shrinking world liberated by affordable and easy travel.

***Steve, Cheryl, Matthew, Luke and Emily Colquitt***

If you missed the fun on 'Going Dutch!', our next Ramble, 'somewhere in Kent', will be during the School half-term on Thursday 21st February. However, I am aware that some members who attend schools outside the Borough of Bexley have different half-term dates, partly in responses to the Queen's Golden Jubilee but also because other education authorities have elected to pursue a 5 term strategy. Such proposals have been threatened for some time and are likely to influence other Club activities, namely team selection for future trips abroad. Whilst there is little we can do about it, how unfortunate it will be if we have to leave certain swimmers behind because their holiday dates do not correlate with those from other schools.

However, with Rambles in mind, future consideration will be given to selecting a Saturday date although this would be very dependant on our Gala commitments. For the time being, I will monitor the response to the February ramble once details go on display in the pool foyer after Christmas.

### 90th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS VISIT OF BATHGATE A.S.C.

The Queen may be holding her Golden Jubilee celebrations next year but we have an equally important landmark to consider - the 90th anniversary of Erith and District Swimming Club. Although documentation reveals that an Erith S.C. was formed in 1906 to coincide with the opening of the old open-air pool in Stonewood Road, the Club with its current title officially dates from 1912. Contrary to popular belief, I haven't been around that long but there are a few of us still poolside who can remember breaking the ice to take a dip in the old pool!

Whilst celebratory events are still under consideration, our friends from Bathgate A.S.C. in Scotland have accepted a provisional invitation to join us for the Easter Bank Holiday Weekend (Good Friday 29th March - Easter Monday 1st April 2002) and events will be arranged accordingly. However, the weekend will not be possible were it not for the contribution of families willing to host 40 plus swimmers in the 10-18 years age range for 2 days and 3 nights. This is always a rewarding experience and as more details become available, official canvassing for host families willing to open their doors to one or two swimmers will follow early in the New Year.

***Peter Frost***

# FORTHCOMING EVENTS 2001/2002

|                     |  |  |
|---------------------|--|--|
| <b>DECEMBER</b>     | FRIDAY 21st<br>MONDAY 31st   | EDSC FUN NIGHT<br>NEW YEARS' EVE PARTY   |
| <b>JANUARY 2002</b> | SATURDAY 5th<br>SATURDAY 12th<br>SUNDAY 13th<br><br>SATURDAY 19th<br>SATURDAY 26th<br><br>TUESDAY 29th   | TUDOR 'B' LEAGUE - RND 3 - ELTHAM<br>WHITE HORSE LEAGUE - RND 1 - ERITH<br>CHAMPIONS OF THE FUTURE (NEW INTERNAL<br>COMPETITION FOR OUR YOUNGER MEMBERS)<br>PRESENTATION DISCO (SPEEDO & OCTOPUS LEAGUES)<br>KENT SECONDARY SCHOOLS' CHAMPIONSHIPS<br><i>and</i> OCTOPUS LEAGUE - RND 1<br>BLDSA 1 HOUR POSTAL SWIM - JUNIOR SQUAD   |
| <b>FEBRUARY</b>     | FRIDAY 1st<br>SATURDAY 2nd<br><br>SUNDAY 3rd<br><br>TUESDAY 5th<br>TUESDAY 12th<br>THURSDAY 21st<br>SATURDAY 23rd<br><br>THURSDAY 28th                           | WOODSIDE AND THORNTON HEATH 'A' GALA<br>KENT SECONDARY SCHOOLS' CHAMPIONSHIPS<br><i>and</i> TUDOR 'B' LEAGUE - RND 4 - ELTHAM<br>BLDSA 1 HOUR POSTAL SWIM - TEACHING<br>GROUPS/SILVER AND BRONZE SQUAD/MASTERS<br>BLDSA 1 HOUR POSTAL SWIM - TOP SQUAD<br>BLDSA 1 HOUR POSTAL SWIM - GOLD SQUAD<br>FEBRUARY HALF-TERM RAMBLE<br>OCTOPUS LEAGUE - RND 2<br><i>and</i> KENT CHAMPIONSHIPS - RND 1 - BLACK LION<br>EDSC AGM - PROPOSED DATE |
| <b>MARCH</b>        | SATURDAY 2nd<br><br>SATURDAY 9th<br>SATURDAY 16th<br>SUNDAY 17th<br>SATURDAY 23rd<br><br>GOOD FRIDAY 29th - EASTER MONDAY 1st APRIL - VISIT FROM BATHGATE A.S.C. | TUDOR 'B' LEAGUE - RND 5 - ELTHAM<br><i>and</i> KENT CHAMPIONSHIPS - RND 2 - C'BURY<br>KENT CHAMPIONSHIPS - RND 3 - T.WELLS<br>KENT CHAMPIONSHIPS - RND 4 - C.PALACE<br>KENT CHAMPIONSHIPS - RND 5 - BLACK LION<br>OCTOPUS LEAGUE - RND 3<br><i>and</i> KENT CHAMPIONSHIPS - RND 6 - T.WELLS   |
| <b>APRIL</b>        | SATURDAY 13th<br>SUNDAY 14th<br>FRIDAY 19th<br>SATURDAY 20th<br><br>SATURDAY 27th<br>SUNDAY 28th   | WHITE HORSE LEAGUE - RND 2 - BROMLEY<br>ANNUAL GALA CHAMPIONSHIPS - SESSION 1<br>ANNUAL GALA CHAMPIONSHIPS - SESSION 2<br>KENT PRIMARY SCHOOLS' CHAMPIONSHIPS<br>& OCTOPUS LEAGUE - RND 4 - ERITH DROP OUT<br><i>and</i> TUDOR 'B' LEAGUE - RND 6 - ELTHAM<br>KENT PRIMARY SCHOOLS' CHAMPIONSHIPS<br>ANNUAL GALA CHAMPIONSHIPS - SESSION 3   |
| <b>MAY</b>          | SATURDAY 11th<br>SUNDAY 12th<br>FRIDAY 17th<br>SATURDAY 18th<br>TUESDAY 21st<br>SUNDAY 26th  | OCTOPUS LEAGUE - RND 5<br>ANNUAL GALA CHAMPIONSHIPS - SESSION 4<br>ANNUAL GALA CHAMPIONSHIPS - SESSION 5<br>TUDOR 'B' LEAGUE - RND 7 - ELTHAM<br>ANNUAL GALA CHAMPIONSHIPS - SESSION 6<br>ANNUAL GALA CHAMPIONSHIPS - SESSION 7  |
| <b>JUNE</b>         | SATURDAY 1st<br>SATURDAY 8th<br>SATURDAY 22nd<br>SATURDAY 29th   | WHITE HORSE LEAGUE - RND 3 - WHITE OAK<br>TUDOR 'B' LEAGUE - RND 8 - ELTHAM<br>OCTOPUS LEAGUE - RND 6 - EDSC DROP OUT<br>PRESENTATION DISCO (JUNIOR SPEEDO/TUDOR LEAGUE)   |
| <b>JULY</b>         | SATURDAY 6th<br>SATURDAY 20th  | WHITE HORSE LEAGUE - RND 4 - BECKENHAM<br>BRAintree AND BOCKING 'A' GALA   |
| <b>SEPTEMBER</b>    | SATURDAY 21st<br><br>SATURDAY 28th   | OCTOPUS LEAGUE - RND 7<br><i>and</i> SPEEDO WARM UP GALA - BRAintree AND BOCKING<br>WHITE HORSE LEAGUE - RND 5 - ELTHAM HOST   |
| <b>OCTOBER</b>      | SATURDAY 12th<br>SATURDAY 19th<br>SATURDAY 26th  | SPEEDO LEAGUE - RND 1<br>OCTOPUS LEAGUE - RND 8<br>CROYDON 'A' GALA  |
| <b>NOVEMBER</b>     | SATURDAY 2nd<br>SATURDAY 9th<br>SATURDAY 23rd  | WHITE HORSE LEAGUE - RND 6 - CROYDON<br>SPEEDO LEAGUE - RND 2<br>DARTFORD 'B' GALA   |
| <b>DECEMBER</b>     | SATURDAY 7th<br>TUESDAY 31st   | SPEEDO LEAGUE - RND 3<br>NEW YEARS' EVE PARTY  |