



**Cherry Wilkinson 1947 - 2016**

On Tuesday, 8th November at 5:30pm surrounded by her family, Cherry Wilkinson passed away having lost her battle against cancer.

Cherry joined the Club in 1989, and started teaching at the Club in 1990 when she went into the small pool to help the then small pool teacher Ann Fry. Eventually she progressed to teaching in the large pool as she attained both level 1 and level 2 teaching awards, and over the years she will have taught hundreds of children to swim.

In 1991 she joined the committee and got involved with the team selection committee. Then from 1998 she started to represent the Club further afield as she became our delegate for both the Friendly League and the Micro League.

Such was her commitment to the children of the Club, that in 2006 she became the Club's Welfare Officer.

She started her involvement with the North Lancs Swimming Association when she became our delegate in 2000. She was held in high esteem at the association, that they decided that she would be awarded the **George Harris Silver Salver** for dedicating her life to swimming. This will be awarded posthumously at there next executive meeting on 5th December.

She always wanted to win, but just as important was giving all the children a chance to prove themselves. She was patient with the children as she taught them to swim. Even though she struggled with arthritis, she was always there, maybe a few minutes late, but she would be there.

Cherry will be missed by all who knew her.

**Christmas Sprint Gala**

This years Christmas Sprint Gala will be taking place on Thursday, 1st December. The warm-up will commence at 6:50pm for a start at 7:10pm.

Entry forms are available on Club nights at the desk, or you can download a copy from the Club Website. Alternatively you can submit your entries on-line.

<http://www.colne-asc.co.uk/sprint-form.php>

Entries to this gala are not exclusive to the children, as both Parents and Teachers are entitled to have a go.

There is even a Parent and Child race, one for the Ladies and the other for the Gentlemen.

So come on Parents and Teachers and dig out your swimming costumes, you need to show the children that you can do it.

**Annual Presentation and Disco**

The Annual Presentation and Disco will be taking place on Saturday, 10th December at the Nelson Cricket Club. The doors will be opening at 7:00pm with the presentation commencing at 7:30pm.

This will be followed by the buffet and the disco until the close at about 11pm.

Tickets are on sale at the Club sessions

**£5 per Adult**  
**£2.50 per Child.**

**Championship Galas**

The big winner from the Club Championship Galas was **Jacob Taylforth** who won nine events, but broke no records. That honour went to **Rachel Leigh** who broke the 100m Breaststroke record, and went on to win a further five events over the two nights.

Further details can be found on page 2.

**Birthdays**

**November 2016**

- 1st James Barker
- 3rd Eleanor Root and Natalia Bashir
- 4th Jacob Taylforth
- 6th Dylan Jones, Lewis Fenwick and Leisl O'Keefe
- 8th Finlay Menzies
- 9th Ruairi Sweeney
- 11th Toby Green
- 16th Ayran Butt
- 17th George Collins
- 18th Thomas Bjork
- 29th India Reddy

**December 2016**

- 2nd Sapphire Allko and Aaron Hepworth-Harvey
- 4th Lola Dugdale
- 9th Lucianna Psaradelli-Clarke
- 10th John Higginbottom
- 11th Grace Bretherton and Mick Charldwood
- 22nd Braden Barraclough
- 23rd Daniel Horne
- 25th Kelsey Taylor
- 28th Elliott Barker

**Forthcoming Events:**

**26th/27th November**  
City of Sheffield 'Snow Frills' Gala 2016.

**1st December**  
Christmas Sprint Gala

**7th December**  
Committee Meeting

**10th December**  
Annual Presentation and Disco. Nelson Cricket Club

**15th December**  
Last Small Pool Session

**19th December**  
Last Club Session of 2016

**25th December**  
Christmas Day

**5th January 2017**  
First Club Session of 2017

**20th/21st January**  
Carlisle Aquatics Masters Swim Meet 2017

**21st/22nd January**  
Rotherham Metro A/B Graded Meet

**26th January**  
January Age Group Gala



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### ASA National Masters Championships

On the weekend of Friday the 28th to Sunday 30th October there was over 1200 swimmers descending on Sheffield for the **ASA National Masters and Senior Age Group Championships (25m) 2016**. Amongst them were two swimmers from the Colne ASC Masters Team. **Tony Catterall** was swimming in the 70 to 74 years age group and **Philip Croxall** in the 45 to 49 years age group.

On day one Tony took part in the 1500m Freestyle where he finished 2nd in 24:28.47. In the 200m Backstroke he finished in 1st place with 3:36.97 and was 2nd in 400m Individual Medley with a time of 7:29.28. Philip finished 14th in 100m Breaststroke with 1:19.00.

On day two the first event was 400m Freestyle where Tony finished 3rd in 6:12.45, whilst Philip finished 5th in his age group in a time of 4:50.12. Next for them was the 200m Individual Medley where Tony finished 2nd in a time of 3:32.23 missing gold by 0.88. Philip finished 10th in his age group with a time 2:36.61, his best for 5 years. In his final event of the day Philip finished 16th in 50m breaststroke with a time of 34.95, which his best for over 6 years.

On the final day of the weekend Philip was swimming in the 200m breaststroke where he finished 7th in a time of 2:53.74. In the afternoon there was the 100m Individual Medley where Tony finished 1st in a time of 1:35.82. Whilst Philip finished 11th in a time of 1:11.50. The final event of the weekend was the 800m Freestyle which was contested by Tony who finished 1st in a time of 12:43.31.

### Championship Gala

The Club's annual Championship Galas were held on Monday, 14th and Thursday, 17th November.

There was a single record broken over the course of Monday evening as **Rachel Leigh** took almost a second of the old time for the **Girls SC Taylor Shield** 11 years and over 100m Breaststroke.

There were 12 winners for the 24 trophies on offer with Jacob Taylforth winning 5 events and his sister Georgia Taylforth winning 3. Kian Noon also won 3 events, with sisters Rachel and Charlotte Leigh winning 2 a piece.

Also winning two trophies were Eleanor Fuggle and Elliot Barker, whilst winning one trophy each were Kyran Denton, Max Harper, Mia Dowling, Olivia Taylor and Saskia Daly.

There were no records over the course of Thursday evening, but there were a couple of events within a second.

There were only 11 winners of the 24 trophies available, with three events not even contested as there were no 14 years and over boys competing.

The big winners on the night were Jacob Taylforth and Rachel Leigh who both won four trophies each. Winning two trophies each were Eleanor Fuggle, Kian Noon and Max Harper, with the remaining trophies being won by Amelia Redfearn, Charlotte Leigh, Daniel Fuggle, Emily Fenwick, Georgia Taylforth and Saskia Daly.

There was one other event on Thursday, namely the Spot-On Competition, but not wanting to spoil the surprise, you will not find out the result until the Presentation.

Full results can be found on the Club website.

<http://www.colne-asc.co.uk/champ-2016.php>

The trophies will be presented at the **Annual Presentation and Disco**, which is being held at the Nelson Cricket Club on Saturday, 10th December. Also named will be the winner of the Spot-On Competition and the top prize of **£20**.

### Betty Petty

This year the Betty Petty Style Trophy competition were held over two Club nights on Monday, 7th and Thursday, 10th November, using lane one.

There were a total of 10 boys and 10 girls that participated in both parts of the competition. The swimmers were judged on their ability to perform a backstroke start and turn whilst swimming two lengths of backstroke. They then performed the grab start for the two lengths of breaststroke and used the track start for the two lengths of frontcrawl.

The results from both nights will be announced at the Annual Presentation on Saturday, 10th December, at the Nelson Cricket Club.



Do you use the internet to do any sort of shopping? If you do, then you could raise money for the Club by getting big business donate a percentage of the sale.

Currently we have **23** supporters registered with Easy Fundraising and between them they have raised **£780.53**.

To find out more, just go to our Easy Fundraising page on the Club website.

[www.colne-asc.co.uk/easyfundraising.php](http://www.colne-asc.co.uk/easyfundraising.php)

Alternatively, go to Google and type **Colne ASC Easy Fundraising** into the search box, and you will find about the third entry down, the link to the Club's Easy Fundraising page.

### Inter-County Masters

On Sunday, 20th November, the **Inter-County Masters Championships** take place for the northern area at the Palatine Leisure Centre in Blackpool.

Three members of the Colne ASC Masters Team have been selected to represent Lancashire against four other counties, which are Yorkshire, Cheshire, Cumbria and Northumberland and Durham.

**Tony Catterall** has been selected in the 65 years plus age group, and **Philip Croxall** and **Stephen Tyler** in the 45 years and over age group.

### Coming Next Time

- Christmas Sprint Gala Results
- Annual Presentation
- Christmas Holidays
- Inter-County Masters
- And other things...

