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German Adventure

On Saturday, 30th September a team of eight girls along with three chaperones, headed off to Manchester Airport for their first leg of a German adventure. Soon they were all on board a flight to Marl in Germany.

The eight were Caitlin Harper, Grace Barker, Saskia Daly, Mia Dodman, Charlotte Leigh, Eleanor Fuggle, Rachel Leigh and Eleanor Root. They were escorted by Lindsey Harper, Jo Brown, and Liz Leigh.



The girls in Germany

So on Sunday, 1st October, representing Pendle's Twinning Association, the Colne ASC girls were taking on their counterparts from Marl and Creil, to compete in the Marl Team Cup, which was organised by the City Sports Association in Marl. The format of the gala was all four strokes over 50m and 100m, with 200m for Backstroke, Breaststroke and Frontcrawl, plus 100m and 200m Individual Medley events. The girls were given a free choice on what they wanted to swim, but only the first swimmer in each club per event getting points.

The teams competing along with Colne ASC were l'équipe de natation de la ville de Creil (Creil Swim Team, France) and the German teams of Bitterfelder Schwimmverein 1990 (swimming club) I and II, SC Coesfeld, Schwimmverein Haltern, and SG SSF Marl-Hüls I and II.

Caitlin Harper (12 years) finished 19th in 50m Butterfly, 9th in 100m Individual Medley, 11th in 50m Breaststroke, 10th in 50m Backstroke and 17th in 200m Freestyle.

Grace Barker (13 years) finished 16th in 50m Freestyle, 13th in 50m Breaststroke, 12th in 50m Backstroke and 18th in 200m Freestyle.

Saskia Daly (13 years) finished 8th in 50m Freestyle, 8th in 50m Breaststroke, 6th in

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Sponsored Swim

On Monday, 16th October and Thursday, 19th October we will be holding our biennial sponsored swim. This year we will be raising monies for the Young Carers Contact for Burnley, Pendle and Rosendale, with half the amount coming back to the Club.

Sponsor forms are now available to download from the website.

http://www.colne-asc.co.uk/forms.php

The format of the swim will be to swim as many lengths as possible in 25 minutes, with the first wave of swimmers starting at 7:00pm, followed by the next every 30 minutes.

Swimmers will be expected to wear different coloured hats, which will be provided. This is to make it easier for the counters to distinguish the swimmers.

There is also the one hour challenge, where the swimmer has to do as many lengths as possible

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Helpers Required

We require some volunteers to help run the Championship Galas.

We require the following:

- 6 Time Keepers - stop watches provided.
2/3 Judges - check turns and finishing order.
2 Marshals - make sure children swim in correct events.

Without help we will not be able to run these galas.

Would parents please note that once your child's swimming lesson has finished and they are off the pool side. Colne Swimming Club is not longer responsible for their welfare.

Would all Members please note that Colne Swimming Club will not be held responsible for any injury caused to a swimmer failing to turn up on time for their lesson, and thus missing the vital warm-up part of the session.

Could anybody changing their address or telephone number please inform the Secretary.

If anybody has any stories, items of interest, or anything they think will be suitable for the newsletter, then you can email me at the following address: press@colne-asc.co.uk

Birthdays

September 2017

- 1st Hamza Butt and Amelia West
2nd Henry Manning
6th Mia Dowling
19th Laurie Miller
25th George Henderson and Saskia Daly
27th Marcus Lilley
30th Jack Nevison and Nicole Baxter

October 2017

- 1st Yasmin Reddy and Alicia Higginbottom
5th Emily Massey
8th Tom Hepworth-Harvey
11th Georgia Taylforth
17th Evie Connolly
30th Hannah Williamson and Joan Croxall

Forthcoming Events:

- 9th October Friendly League Fixture Home to Great Harwood
16th October Sponsored Swim. One Lane
19th October Sponsored Swim. Whole Pool
23rd October Friendly League Fixture Home to Accrington
27th-29th October Swim England National Masters Championships
28th-29th October Blackpool Lights 2017
2nd November Swimming Club Trials. TBC Small Pool 6:15pm Large Pool 7:30pm
6th November Betty Petty Style Trophy
8th November Committee Meeting Pendle Leisure Centre. 8pm
9th November Betty Petty Style Trophy
13th November 1st Championship Gala Warm-up 6:50pm
16th November 2nd Championship Gala Warm-up 6:50pm





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100m Freestyle and 8th in 200m Freestyle.

Mia Dodman (13 years) finished 16th in 50m Butterfly, 7th in 100m Individual Medley, 8th in 100m Freestyle and 7th in 200m Freestyle.

Charlotte Leigh (13 years) finished 6th in 50m Butterfly, 2nd in 200m Breaststroke, 6th in 100m Butterfly, 3rd in 50m Breaststroke, 2nd in 200m Individual Medley and 2nd in 100m Breaststroke.

Eleanor Fuggle (15 years) finished 13th in 50m Butterfly, 3rd in 100m Individual Medley, 7th in 50m Freestyle, 5th in 50m Breaststroke, 3rd in 100m Freestyle and 5th in 200m Freestyle.

Rachel Leigh (15 years) finished 6th in 100m Backstroke, 12th in 50m Freestyle, 5th in 200m Backstroke, 11th in 100m Freestyle, 4th in 100m Breaststroke and 9th in 200m Freestyle.

Eleanor Root (16 years) finished 9th in 50m Butterfly, 5th in 200m Breaststroke, 5th in 100m Individual Medley, 4th in 50m Breaststroke, 8th in 50m Backstroke and 6th in 100m Breaststroke.

## Results

Place	Team	Points
1.	Bitterfelder Schwimmverein 1990 e.V. I	160
2.	SG SSF Marl-Hüls I	142
3.	SC Coesfeld	135
4.	SG SSF Marl-Hüls II	106
5.	Schwimmverein Haltern	103
6.	Colne Amateur Swimming Club	52
7.	l'équipe de natation de la ville de Creil	24
8.	Bitterfelder Schwimmverein 1990 e.V. II	10

There were further activities arranged for the girls over the next two days, before their flight back home. These adventures will be in the next installment of Shark Bytes.

## AGM ...from page 1

people took an interest.

The position of Trophy Secretary is still vacant and **needs** to be filled. We have our Championship Galas coming up in November, but no one in place to deal with the trophies.

There was only a single change to the Committee, as Richard Baxter decided to call it a day. He has served the Club for nine years.

The rest of the Committee remains unchanged, as does the Officials of the Club. The choosing of the Captains for 2018 has been deferred until the November Committee Meeting.

The Club always needs new people on the Committee so if you feel like you would like to contribute to the Club, then see a Committee Member on a Club night.

The Committee meets once a month, usually on the first Wednesday of that month, the meetings start at 8pm and last for about an hour.

The next Committee Meeting is on Wednesday, 8th November at the Pendle Leisure Centre.

## Rotherham Metro September Meet

On Saturday, 23rd September, two girls from Colne ASC travelled to the Ponds Forge International Sports Centre, Sheffield to compete in the Rotherham Metro September A/B Graded Meet.

**Saskia Daly** swimming in the 12 years age group finished 6th in the 50m and 100m Freestyle events, was 10th in the 50m Breaststroke and 13th in the 50m Butterfly.

**Mia Dodman** swimming in the 13 years age group finished 13th in the 200m Freestyle, 15th in the 50m Freestyle and 50m Backstroke, and was 17th in both 50m butterfly and 100m Individual Medley events.

## Trophy Secretary Required

Currently we do not have a Trophy Secretary, we would like this position to be filled BEFORE the Championship Galas in November.

The tasks of the Trophy Secretary are

- Collect ALL trophies from the previous years winners
- Ensure the Trophies are clean
- Take the Trophies for engraving
- Take the Trophies to the Presentation
- Responsible for the ordering of the medals
- Responsible for ordering the Most Improved Swimmer awards
- Nothing to do for at least 10 months of the year

Anyone who is interested will not be required to join the committee. They would be entitled to attend Committee Meetings throughout the year.

See Joan Croxall or a committee member if you think you can do the job.

## Sponsored Swim ...from page 1

in one hour. If anyone intends to do this, they must let the organisers know BEFORE the event starts.

The swim is not exclusive to the children, which means that any adult who wants to have a go, can do so, but it is best that you do so from 8pm when it will be a bit quieter.

The Monday night event will only be using the first lane from 7:30pm, and will only be allowed to be used by anyone who cannot make it for Thursday. The rest of the pool will be having lessons as normal.

On the Thursday, the entire pool will be used, which means that all lessons are cancelled. So if you want a swim you might as well do the sponsored swim. It doesn't matter if you only raise £5 as it all goes to a good cause.

## Championship Galas

The Championship Galas are on Monday, 13th and Thursday, 16th November with the warm-up starting at 6:50pm and the first race about 7:05pm.

Entry forms are now available from Mrs. Croxall or can be downloaded from the website. Alternatively you can use the on-line entry which can be found on the website.

You will only be allowed to swim in your age groups. So if you are 12 you can only swim in the 9 to 13, 11 and over, 15 and under and open age groups.

Also any swimmer can do the Senior Championship and 200m IM events which are open to all, and anyone 15 and under can do the Junior Championship events.

There is also the "Spot-On" Competition which

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is open to **all** members of the Club. Yes that **does** mean Parents and Teachers!

So come on have a go it's **free** as you've already paid for entry as part of your subscription to the Club.

Last year three trophies were not competed for in the boys 14 years and over. So if you enter this year, you might win.

It would be a shame if there are any trophies not competed for this year.

SPOT-ON Competition

The Spot-On competition will take place on Thursday, 16th November and will be event 13 on the programme.

This competition will cost **£1** to enter as there are cash prizes of **£20**, **£10** and **£5** for the winners.

The aim of competition is to swim two lengths in the stroke you have nominated and try to match your submitted time. The winner will be the swimmer that gets closest to their submitted time.

This competition is open to **ALL** including parents and teachers.

There is a closing date of 5:00pm on Thursday, 16th November and **no** late entries will be accepted.



As Christmas is approaching (only 11 weeks to go), some of you will be shopping on the Internet. If you are, then do it using the **easy fund raising** website. This will raise funds for the Club, it won't cost you anymore and there even could be some offers.

To date we have raised over **£948** from only 24 supporters, with **£215** over last 12 months.

Going to the Easy Fund Raising page on the website will explain how it works. So go on, visit Easy Fund Raising today, and get Amazon to donate to the Club.

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

Mobile Phones

During Club sessions we would like to remind everyone that the use of mobile phones and other devices capable to recording photos and movies is restricted.

Anyone wishing to record their child during Club galas **must** register their interest with Club officials and sign the register.

Photographic use at any other time is restricted to Club Officials only.

At no time must images be recorded in the changing and shower areas,

Betty Petty Week

The Betty Petty Style Trophy is on week beginning Monday, 6th November, starting at 7:00pm.

This competition is open to everyone that is 15 years and under and it is not about speed but a demonstration of your technique and ability.

You will be assessed on Backstroke, Breaststroke and Frontcrawl over two lengths, with starts and turns included.

So it doesn't matter if you are fast or slow, it is the person with the best stroke and technique that wins.

You can enter on-line, fill in a form or just turn up just before 7:00pm at the Pendle Leisure Centre.

The assessment will be taking place on a Club night, with the session split between Monday and Thursday in Lane 1. You are advised to bring a spare towel or t-shirt for the pool side as there is only one swimmer in the water at anyone time. The rest will be on the pool side.

**NOTE:** The lanes 2 to 6 will still be holding lessons.

Friendly League

During the month on September, Colne ASC had two away fixtures in the North East Lancs Friendly League. On Monday, 11th the young Colne swimmers travelled to the Darwen Leisure Centre to take on Darwen.

Right from the outset the Colne swimmers showed their intent by winning their races, in the end they beat the hosts by 63 points to 46.

Then on Wednesday, 27th they travelled to Padiham Pool for their final away fixture of the season, in which, they were up against Burnley Bobcats.

In what proved to be a very close contest as both teams traded wins, it was hosts Burnley who prevailed by edging out Colne by 53 points to 57.

Over the two galas in September, the Colne swimmers recorded 27 personal bests between them, with 17 amongst the boys and 10 for the girls. The swimmers who had new personal bests were, Hugh Entwistle with 4 new personal bests, Max Harper with 3, then with 2 were Eleanor Holgate, Caitlin Harper, Jack Middleton and James Barker. On a single new personal best were Thomas Holgate, Rhys Hunt, Daniel Fuggle, Oliver Jackson, Jacob Taylforth, Ruairi Sweeney, Olivia Taylor, Mia Dowling, Nicole Baxter, Georgia Taylforth, Isabel Redfearn and Grace Barker.

Our next fixture is at home to Great Harwood Otters on Monday, 9th October, with the final fixture also at Pendle Leisure Centre against Accrington on Monday, 23rd October. Warm-up for both fixtures is at 7:30pm.

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