



Annual General Meeting

This years A.G.M. Will be held on Wednesday, 13th October 2004, at Colne Cricket Club commencing at 8pm. All parents/guardians/carers are welcome to attend, but only fully paid up members over the age of 16 are eligible to vote. Refreshments are provided, but you must purchase your own drinks at the bar!!

We urgently need new members for the committee, without whom we can no longer function as a Club.

Birthdays - September

2nd Matthew Shearer; 3rd Laura McAfee; 4th William Downey; 7th James Thompson; 8th Sam Wildman; 9th Francesca Harrison-Bradley; 10th Stacey Brooks; 12th Robyn Lee and Sally Gildea; 15th Hannah Gregson; 16th Aeneas Robinson and Stephen Baker; 19th Jordan Riley; 20th David Metcalfe; 25th John Metcalfe; 26th Katie Shaw; 28th Billy Pinder; 30th Bethan Roberts

Birthdays - October

1st Alex Williams; 4th Philip Sumpton; 5th Rebecca King; 9th Charlene Brooks and Marcus Farnworth; 18th Laura Schofield; 21st Keiron Hartley; 23rd Sarah Wilson; 24th Alex Thompson; 30th Joan Croxall; 31st Ruth Hallows and Jordan Haines

Starts and Turns

There will be starts and turns sessions on Saturday, 16th October from 6pm while 7:30pm and Sunday, 14th November from 6pm while 7:30pm.

Annual Championship Gala Trophies

It is that time of year when ALL those swimmers who won trophies at the last Championship Gala must clean their trophies and return them to Mrs Anderson. They MUST be returned no later than 18th November 2004, the date of the first Championship Gala. The second gala will take place a week later on the 25th November.

New Club Coach

Congratulations to Andrew Croxall in passing his Club Coach. So now you do have to pay attention to him because he is supposed to know what he is talking about.

Congratulations also to Emma Freeman who has passed her Level 2 Teachers Certificate. That takes our tally to four Level 2 Teachers, with 5 Level 1 teachers awaiting their results.

Situations Vacant

We urgently need a new Membership Secretary. The role is to collect monies and ensure that all forms have been filled in. The busiest time of the year is January during the main annual renewal of memberships.

It is advisable that the applicant is available most Mondays and Thursdays from about 7pm.

Interested then see a member of the committee. Better still attend the A.G.M. on the 13th October.

We give thanks to Jane Keaveney for the work done, but due to other commitments was unable to continue being the Membership Secretary.

We also need an Auditor, whose main role is to check that the accounts have been correctly done. This only needs to be done once a year, in January/February.

Lane Registration

A register of swimmers will now be taken at the commencement of each lesson. Therefore ALL swimmers must be out of the water prior to the start of the lesson, and ensure that they have been marked in attendance.

Any late comers MUST make sure that they have registered BEFORE entering the water.

21st Century Colne

Colne is now in the process on joining the 21st Century! We are creating a Web Site that will give the Club a global presence.

There will be space for advertisements. Anyone willing to sponsor will be sold one of these spaces.

50 Years Ago

By this stage in 1954 our club had played home and away fixtures against Skipton, Nelson, Accrington, Burnley and Keighley. The boys, girls and ladies teams had had little success. The mens team (between 16 years and 30 years) had fared a bit better winning four and losing four. The water-polo team had won four and lost five in the process of which we had scored 32 goals. Of the 39 goals against 23 had been scored by Accrington in 3 contests. The Accrington team also competed in the top North Lancashire League something Colne could not aspire to at that time, but did achieve at a later period.

by Stanley Hendley

Would parents please note that once your child's swimming lesson has finished and they are off the pool side. Colne Swimming Club is no longer responsible for their welfare.

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: philip@croxall.demon.co.uk

Forthcoming Events:

3rd October	Warburton Gala. Broughton Pool. Salford
13th October	Annual General Meeting. 8pm. Colne Cricket Club
16th October	Starts and Turns Session
16th October	Northern Counties Masters Macclesfield
24th October	Warburton Gala. Broughton Pool. Salford

29/31 October	ASA National Masters Championship, Sheffield.
31st October	Warburton Gala. Broughton Pool. Salford
14th November	Starts and Turns Session
18th November	1st Championship Gala
25th November	2nd Championship Gala
27/28 November	Northern Counties Long Course Championship