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## Northern Counties Long Course Open Championship

On the weekend of the 26th/27th November, 2 Colne ASC swimmers competed at the Northern Counties Long Course Open Championships which were held at the Manchester Aquatics Centre. Both were successful in the Junior Age Group.

William Harrison (16) reached 3 finals: 2nd in 50m Freestyle (7th overall), 4th in 50m Backstroke (7th overall) and 2nd in 50m Butterfly (4th overall).

He also finished 14th in 100m Butterfly (26th overall) and 15th in 100m Freestyle (27th overall).

Joshua Finch (15) reached 1 final: 3rd in 50m Butterfly (7th overall) a new personal best.

He also finished 9th in 100m Butterfly (19th overall) a new personal best, 18th in 50m Freestyle (34th overall) a new personal best and 25th in 100m Breaststroke (39th overall) a new personal best.

## Annual Presentation

The Annual Presentation was again held in the Barrowford Civic Hall with the music provided by Ben Bainbridge. The trophies were presented to the various winners of the Championship Gala by Stanley Hendley who has been associated with the Club longer than anyone can remember. The Betty Petty Style Trophies were new this year and were therefore presented by Mrs. Cropper & Mrs. Clegg from the Soroptimist International of Pendleside, and this years winners were Thomas Wilson and Emily Cott. The other awards made were the naming of the Club Captains for 2006 which were Chris Wood and Rachel Ingham for the Seniors and for the Juniors Charlotte Beech and Rhys Moore.

There were two awards presented to children from the small pool, the John Dobbin Trophy which is presented to child showing courage, was awarded to Olivia Gregson. The Bramhill Memorial Trophy, which is presented to the one who has made the most achievement, was awarded to Ashleigh Dibb who has gone from the small pool to the third lane in the large pool. The final trophy presented was the Two Alberts Trophy which is presented for services to the Club, and this years winner was Philip Croxall, who has set up the Clubs website.

## Central Lancs Prelim Age Groups

Those wishing to take part in the Central Lancs Prelim Age Groups taking place on the weekends of 28th/29th January 2006 and 11th/12th February 2006 **must** get their entries returned to Sheila Cott by Monday, 12th December 2005.

## Birthdays - December

2nd Paul and Thomas Wilson; 3rd Bob Whittaker; 5th Molly Frankland; 7th Ellie Butschok-Brain; 9th Paul Roberts; 10th Nathan Cowgill; 11th Mick Charldwood; 12th Henry Phillips; 13th Warren King; 16th Aidan Towey; 19th Stanley Hendley and Billy Hebdon; 20th Jake Martin; 22nd Chris Domoney; 23rd Herbert Farnworth; 25th Kathryn Woodhead

## Birthdays - January

1st Thomas Horsfield; 3rd Anna Fort; 9th Oliver Riley; 11th Rachel Hardwick; 12th Philip Croxall; 13th Matthew Nutter and Ben Fielding; 16th Chris Wood; 17th Imani Thomas-Kelly; 19th Daniel Frost and Steve Smith; 21st Bethany Moore; 25th Ashleigh Haythornthwaite; 28th Natalie Hodkinson; 30th James Taylor



**Christmas Sprint Gala**  
Thursday, 15th December  
Starts 7:00pm  
Warmup 6:45pm  
One length of Every Stroke  
Trophy for each Age  
Group Winner

## Christmas Closures

Last session Thursday, 22nd December 2005  
First session: Monday, 2nd January 2006

## Adult Learners

Last Session: Friday, 16th December 2005  
First Session: Friday, 6th January 2006

## Swim 21

The Club has now achieved the Swim21 for Skill Development at the Silver Standard.

Well done to all those involved in helping us attain this standard.

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: [press@colne-asc.co.uk](mailto:press@colne-asc.co.uk)

## Forthcoming Events:

12th December: Closing Date for Central Lancs Age Groups  
15th December: Christmas Sprint Gala. Starts 7:00pm  
22nd December: Last Club Session before Christmas  
25th December: Christmas Day  
2nd January: First Club Session after Christmas

22nd January: Rotherham Masters Gala. Sheffield  
26th January: Own Club Age Group Gala.  
28th January: Central Lancs Prelim Age Groups Day One  
29th January: Central Lancs Prelim Age Groups Day Two  
11th February: Central Lancs Prelim Age Groups Day Three  
12th February: Central Lancs Prelim Age Groups Day Four

### Warburtons Galas Roundup

After all the points from the various swimmers from the clubs involved it resulted in Colne being presented the trophy for the 16 years and over age group. This was down to the efforts of William Harrison, Matthew Lonsdale and Rachel Ingham. William had five 1sts, four 2nds and a 3rd; Matthew had two 2nds, one 3rd, three 4ths, one 5th and one 6th. Rachel had two 1sts, one 3rd and one 5th.

Pictured below are William, Matthew and Rachel along with the rest of the Warburtons Team.



### Inter-County Masters Championship

Tony Catterall and Chris Wood were selected to swim for Lancashire in the recent Inter-County Masters Championships held over in Harrogate.

Chris swimming in the 19 to 24 years age group finished 17th in 50m Butterfly.

Tony swimming in the 55 to 64 years age group finished 18th in 50m Butterfly and 13th in 50m Backstroke.

Both swimmers were involved in the Freestyle and Medley Relays for their respective age groups.

The final results were:

1	Warwickshire	1654
2	Yorkshire	1405
3	Devon	1269
4	<b>Lancashire</b>	<b>1239.5</b>
5	Hampshire	1236.5
6	Sussex	1225.5
7	Northumberland&Durham	1126
8	Middlesex	1075.5
9	Oxford & N Bucks	1065
10	Surrey	1016.5
11	Berkshire & S Bucks	1013.5
12	Cheshire	958.5
13	Essex	927
14	Hertfordshire	906.5
15	Leicestershire	889.5
16	Gloucestershire	846
17	Norfolk	845.5
18	Kent	842.5
19	Staffordshire	837.5
20	Derbyshire	820.5
21	Dorset	781.5
22	Cambridgeshire	692.5
23	Cumbria	685.5
24	Bedfordshire	544
25	Somerset	518.5
26	Cornwall	456.5
27	Lincolnshire	417



### Subscriptions for 2006

Yes it is that time of year again when the Annual Club Subscriptions are due. Monies have to be paid by 26th January 2006.

Application forms can be attained from the Membership Secretaries Maxine Whitham and Sue Pickles or downloaded from the website - <http://www.colne-asc.co.uk/forms.html>

The prices for 2006 are as follows:

Full Swimming Member	Adult	£32
Full Swimming Member	Children (Under 18s)	£32
	First Child	£25
	Second Child	£20
	Third Child +	£15
Adult Learner		£15
Associate Member		£15
Adult Non-Swimming Member		£10

This year there will be a Swimmers Charter which must be signed before membership will be accepted. This Charter only applies to the Full Swimming Members. This form can be attained from Maxine Whitham, Sue Pickles or downloaded from the website.

Our own Age Group Gala is on Thursday, 26th January 2006. Only once you have paid your membership subscription can you enter this gala. If you swam all four strokes back in June, then you will be eligible for the Most Improved Swimmer Award, and then only if you swim all four strokes this time.

### Christmas Gift Ideas

With Christmas just around the corner, and you struggling what to get for your budding young Olympians, the following may give you an idea

Pair of flippers/zoomers  
 Hand Paddles  
 Goggles (separate race pair to the training ones)  
 Pull Buoys  
 Swim Hats (novelty ones)  
 Swim Suits

There are several stores now accessible via the Internet, here are a few of the on-line stores.

Swim Shop  
 Allens of Kingsbury  
 Gerrard Swimwear  
 Swim Products  
 Paddlers Swim Shop  
 Swimcaps and Swimwear  
 Bluewater Swimwear  
 UK Swim Store

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