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Sponsored Swim

On Thursday, 12th July, the Club is holding a sponsored swim in aid of Age Concern and to fund the purchase of the new lane ropes.

This will be a time based swim rather than how far you can swim. So it was decided to make the swim competitive. Therefore each swimmer will get to swim as many lengths as they can in 25 minutes. There will be awards for the various age groups plus one for the swimmer who raises the most monies.

In order to make things easy for the people counting the lengths each swimmer in a lane (maximum of 6 swimmers) will have to where a coloured hat, these will be provided. As you are already used to wearing a swimming cap, this shouldn't be a problem.

Further details will appear on the Notice Board over the coming few weeks.

ASA North West Region Youth Championships

On the weekend of 5th/6th May two members of Colne ASC travelled to the Manchester Aquatics Centre to take part in the ASA North West Region Youth Championships. The meet was held in the 50m format.

Swimming in the 17/18 years age group was William Harrison who finished 1st in the final of the 50m Butterfly in 26.15 seconds on the Saturday and 1st in the final of the 50m Freestyle in 24.46 seconds on the Sunday, both were new personal best times.

Swimming in 15/16 years age group was Joshua Finch who was representing BOBCATS.

On the Saturday he finished 4th in the final of the 100m Freestyle in a time of 57.37 seconds and was 1st in the final of the 50m Butterfly in a time of 27.16 seconds.

On the Sunday he finished 1st in the final of the 100m Butterfly in a time of 1 minute 1.24 seconds, but only finish 10th in the heats of the 50m Freestyle in a time of 26.83 seconds.

Friendly League

On Thursday, 19th April, we were hosts to Pioneer '79. Despite some good swims from our swimmers, whereby 17 new personal bests were set amongst the girls and 11 amongst the boys, we lost out to a much stronger Pioneer team by 67 points to 50. The only real hi-light was the strong performance in the open events where the gents won every race.

On Monday, 30th April, we then travelled to Ramsbottom. Despite the swimmers setting 10 personal bests between, We lost to a stronger Ramsbottom team by 65 points to 55.

On Thursday, 10th May, we then played hosts to Ramsbottom. In what proved to be an even contest as the lead change hands several times, it was the visitors who edged the contest by 61 points to 59 despite us winning 6 of the last 8 races. Several of our swimmers set new personal best times in the process.

On Thursday, 24th May, we were away to Pioneer '79. In what proved to be a much closer contest then we expected, we lost by 64 points to 55. Despite this our swimmers set a further 11 personal bests between

The next and final fixture is away at Haslingden on Monday, 11th June. There will be a coach provided and it leaves from the Sports Centre at 6:30pm.

Micro League

On Friday, 27th April, a team of Colne swimmers aged 9 to 12 years travelled to the Ribblesdale Pool in Clitheroe, to take on Clitheroe, Pioneer '79 and Preston 'B'. Due to an unfortunate circumstance we inadvertently swam a 9 year old in a 10 year olds race and was deducted 14 points. This left us in 4th place on 87 points. The winners by a long way were Pioneer '79 on 177 points followed by Preston 'B' on 113 points and Clitheroe on 96 points.

The next fixture is away at Away at West View, Preston, on Saturday, 23rd June. There will be a coach provided and it leaves from the Sports Centre at 3:45pm.

New Club Officials

We now have a new Club Welfare Officer in David Pratt who has taken over from Belinda Finch. He will be assisted by Cherry Wilkinson.

We also have a new Treasurer in John Higginbottom, who has taken over from Lynn Fort.

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.

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.

their address or telephone number please inform the Secretary.

Could anybody changing 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

Forthcoming Events:

2nd/3rd June 6th June 9th/10th June 15th-17th June 23rd June

North West Region Age Group Championships. Committee Meeting. Colne Cricket Club. North West Region Age Group Championships. British Swimming Masters Championships. Micro League Fixture. Away at Preston.

28th June 4th July 5th July 7th July 12th July

Our Age Group Gala. Start 7:00pm Committee Meeting. Colne Cricket Club. Friendly Gala home to Burnley. Start 7:45pm Micro League Fixture. At Pendle Leisure Centre Sponsored Swim.

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Central Lancashire Championships & Age Groups

On the 14th April, Colne ASC had 17 swimmers competing at the **Central Lancashire Championships & Age Groups** (Manchester Aquatics), although they could not repeat the success of last year's championship, all the swimmers gave a good account of themselves. A total of 7 medals were achieved on the day with two 1st places, three 2nd and two 3rd places, with no fewer than 49 personal best times. For several swimmers it was their very first time competing, added to the fact it was in a 50m pool (two lengths at Colne) which made it even more daunting.

In the 9yr Age Group **Mark Honeyman** achieved 6th place in the 50m Breaststroke, Freestyle and Backstroke all in personal best times.

In the 10yr Age Group: **Morgan Hartley** achieved a 2nd place in the 50m Freestyle, a 3rd 50m Backstroke, a 4th 50m Breaststroke and Butterfly, 10th 100m Open Butterfly, 13th 200m Open Individual Medley, and 33rd 100m Open Freestyle producing six personal best times from the seven swims. Other swimmers in this age group included: **Jack Coyne** who finished 6th in the 50m Breaststroke and Freestyle events; **Thomas Flanagan** finished 9th 50m Freestyle and 10th 50m Backstroke; and **Olivia Pratt** finished 22nd 50m Breaststroke, 15th 50m Freestyle, 43rd 200m Open Individual Medley, 16th 50m Backstroke and a 8th 50m Butterfly all in personal best times.

In the 11yr Age Group: **Ainsley Dibb** finished 13th 50m Freestyle, 14th 50m Backstroke and Butterfly events; and **Jonathon Bates** finished 11th 50m Breaststroke with both swimmers producing personal best times.

In the 12yr Age Group: **Chris Bates** achieved a 2^{nd} place in the 50m Backstroke, 3^{rd} 50m Freestyle and 4^{th} 50m Butterfly; **Alexander Berry** finished 5^{th} 50m Breaststroke, 8^{th} 50m Freestyle, 5^{th} 50m Backstroke and 7th 50m Butterfly; and **Charlotte Beech** finished 27^{th} 100m Open Butterfly, 8^{th} 50m Freestyle, 40^{th} 100m Open Freestyle and 11^{th} 50m Butterfly.

In the 13yr Age Group: **Emily Cott** achieved two 1st places in the 50m Backstroke and Freestyle events, a 2nd 50m Butterfly, a 7th in the 50m Breaststroke and 100m Open Backstroke, and a 9th 100m Open Freestyle; **Bethany Gribble** finished 14th 50m Freestyle, and 17th 50m Butterfly; **Bethany Moore** finished 16th 50m Breaststroke, 26th 50m Freestyle, and 14th 50m Backstroke; **James Blackburn** finished 7th 50m Breaststroke, 6th 50m Freestyle and Backstroke; **Kieran Hartley** finished 6th 50m Breaststroke, 8th 50m Freestyle and 18th 100m Open Breaststroke; and **Shaun Ruane** finished 13th 50m Breaststroke, 14th 50m Freestyle, 10th 50m Backstroke and 8th 50m Butterfly.

In the 14yr Age Group **Rebecca Berry** finished 7th place in the 50m Breaststroke, 12th 50m Freestyle and 9th 50m Backstroke all in personal best times.

Scottish Masters Short Course Championship

On Friday, 20th and Saturday, 21st April, Karen Driver the sole member of the Colne ASC Masters Team who travelled up to Glasgow to take part in the Scottish Nationals Short Course Championships 2007.

Karen swimming in the 35 to 39 years age group finished 1st in 800m Freestyle in a new personal best time; 2nd in 200m Freestyle; 2nd in 400m Freestyle; and 3rd in 400m Individual Medley also in a new personal best time.

Darlington Masters

On Sunday 15th April, three members of the Colne ASC Masters Team travelled to Darlington to take part in the Darlington Dolphin Masters Gala.

Swimming in the 35 to 39 years age group were Philip Croxall and Bob Whittaker.

Philip finished 1st in 100m Individual Medley, 50m Freestyle and 100m Breaststroke and was 2nd in 100m Freestyle.

Bob finished 2nd in 200m Freestyle and 100m Backstroke, 3rd in 100m Freestyle and 4th in 50m Backstroke.

Swimming in the 60 to 64 years age group was Tony Catterall who finished 1st in 100m Individual Medley, 200m Freestyle and 100m Backstroke and was 2nd in 100m Freestyle, 50m Breaststroke and 100m Breaststroke.

Yorkshire SA Masters and Carlisle Masters Meet

On Saturday, 12th May three members of the Colne ASC Masters Team were in action at two separate venues.

Over in Scarborough, John Penswick swimming in the 65 to 69 years age group, was competing in the Yorkshire Swimming Associations Masters Championships.

He finished 1st in 100m Breaststroke, 50m Breaststroke and 100m Backstroke, and was 3rd in 50m Backstroke.

Meanwhile up in Carlisle, Philip Croxall and Bob Whittaker were competing in the Carlisle Masters Meet, swimming in the 35 to 39 years age group.

Philip finished 2nd in 100m Breaststroke and 200m Breaststroke, was 3rd in 100m Individual Medley and 4th in the 50m Breaststroke.

Whilst Bob finished 3rd in 200m Freestyle, was 6th in 50m Backstroke, 7th in 50m Butterfly and 8th in 50m Freestyle, 100m Freestyle and 50m Breaststroke.

Birthdays - May

3rd Callum Grant and Allana Shaw; 4th Ishmeel Iqbal and Cherry Whittaker; 5th Niall Ratcliffe; 6th Jonathon Beech; 7th Simon Hardwick and Annabel Chadwick; 8th Sophie Jee; 10th Charles Nolan; 13th Matthew Sutton and David Pratt; 14th Anne Fry; 18th Shelley McMyler; 20th Katie Rouan; 21st Nicholas Staton; 22nd Hannah Shepherd; 24th Jamaal Iqbal; 25th Laura Foulkes; 27th Rhiannon Day; 29th William Harrison; 31st Samantha Burniston and Barbara Burrows.

Birthdays - June

1st John Penswick; 3rd Charlotte Beech and June Foulkes; 4th Aneurin Robinson; 5th Joshua Moore; 7th Amanda Kelly; 14th Thomas Flannagan; 15th Christopher Bates; 20th Cherry Wilkinson; 27th Amelia Horth; 29th Isaac Rowan and Daniel Scothern; 30th Bryony Bancroft.