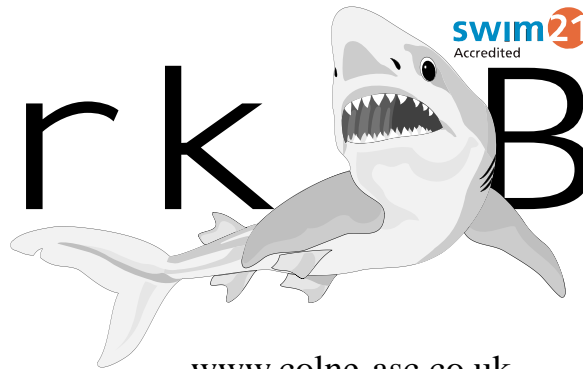


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## European Masters Championships - Kranj, Slovenia

From Tuesday, 28th August till Sunday, 2nd September it was the European Masters Championships, which was held in Kranj, Slovenia. Two members of the Colne ASC Masters Team took part, both in the 35 to 39 years age group, they were Philip Croxall and Stephen Smith. The competition was held in an outdoor 50m pool.

On Tuesday, 28th August in hot sunny conditions with the temperature up at 30 degrees, Philip was competing in the 200m Individual Medley. He finished with a time of 2 minutes 40.56 seconds which was only slightly slower than his seasons best. This left him in 28th place out of 48.



Stephen and Philip at the competition pool in Kranj, Slovenia.

On Thursday, 30th August, Philip was again in competition this time in the 100m Breaststroke, the conditions were not as favourable as the temperature had dropped to a chilly 14 degrees with rain threatening. Despite this he managed his best time for over three years with a 1 minute 20.01 seconds, which left him in 26th place out of 50 after being initially seeded 33rd. Shortly after, the competition was suspended due to torrential rain caused by a Thunderstorm.

On Friday, 31st August it was the turn of Stephen in what were improving weather conditions, as he took part in the 100m Freestyle. After the first 50m he was swimming well having gone out in 27 seconds, but half way back on the second length he took in mouthful of water which brought his race to an abrupt end as he struggled for a breath. He was disappointed as he was on course for a top ten finish.

On Saturday, 1st September the sun had come back out again with temperatures climbing back up into the 20s. First up was Philip in the 200m Breaststroke, who swam a controlled race to finish 14th out of 30 after initially being seeded 20th. His time was a lifetime personal best of 2 minutes 56.33 seconds.

Next up was Stephen in the 50m Freestyle with the heats coming thick and fast, had something to prove to himself after the disaster of the previous day. He powered down the length in what he thought was a poor swim, but when he saw the result a few minutes later his week had improved as he had finished 10th out of 119 after being initially seeded 24th. His time of 25.89 seconds was the best he had done for over 15 years.

Can all outstanding sponsor monies be paid  
in as soon as possible. Thank you.

## Aquateers Swim Clinic

On Thursday, 11th October we will be having a visit from the Aquateer known as Triple mMm. For those of you that don't know about the Aquateers, Triple mMm is also known as Mel Marshall.

She will be holding a swim clinic on frontcrawl from 7pm till 9pm.

Junior swimmers from 7pm while 8pm and senior swimmers 8pm until 9pm. Some swimmers will be doing the full 2 hours. See Andrew Croxall for more information.

Another clinic will be run by the Princess - aka Sarah Price, in January and this will concentrate on Backstroke.

If you want to find out more about the Aquateers you can look at their website.

[www.totalswimming.co.uk](http://www.totalswimming.co.uk)

Please note that normal swimming lessons will be cancelled on these dates, as the Aquateer will be running the session aided by our swimming teachers.

Lessons in the small pool will finish at 7:00pm.

## Annual General Meeting

This years AGM will take place on Wednesday, 17th October at the Colne Cricket Club. The meeting will start at 8:00pm. All members of the Club are welcome to attend.

The committee is in urgent need for new people to join, without whom the Club will struggle to function properly.

Sandwiches will be provided.

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.

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

## Forthcoming Events:

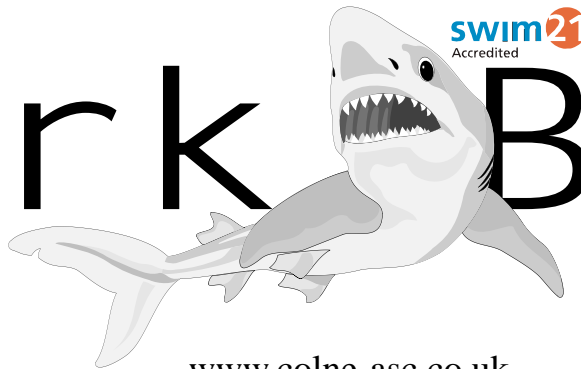
22nd September	North East Region Masters Championships
23rd September	Teaspoon Gala. Sheffield
7th October	Warburton Age Group No. 1. Bury
11th October	Aquateers Swim Clinic - Mel Marshall
14th October	Warburton Age Group No. 2. Bury

17th October	Annual General Meeting. Colne Cricket Club.
21st October	Warburton Age Group No. 3. Bury
26-28th October	ASA National Masters Championships, Sheffield
15th November	Championship Gala No. 1
16th November	Friendly League Swim-offs. Pendle Leisure Centre.
17th November	Betty Petty Style Trophy

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## National Youth Championships

Two members of Colne ASC were swimming at the **ASA Swim 21 Youth & ASA National Championships (50m)** held at the Ponds Forge International Sports Centre, Sheffield.

On Saturday, 28th July 2007

William Harrison (18) swimming in the 17/18 years age group finished 17th overall in the heats of the 50m Butterfly in a time of 25.94 seconds, which was a new personal best. He swam slightly slower (26.09) in the semi-final and missed out on the final. This made him 6th fastest in his age group.

He was 70th overall in the 100m Freestyle in a time of 54.07 seconds, this was also a new personal best time. This equated to 29th in his age group.

On Tuesday, 31st July 2007

William finished 82nd overall in the 100m Butterfly in a time of 1 minute 0.25 seconds, this left him 41st in his age group.

He also finished 26th overall in the 50m Freestyle in a time of 24.34 seconds, which was a personal best. As a result he reached the final for his age group where he finished 7th in a time of 24.26 seconds.

Also swimming on the Tuesday was Joshua Finch (16) in the 15/16 years age group, he was representing the BOBCATS. He finished 72nd overall in the 100m Butterfly in a time of 59.73, which was a personal best. This left him in 13th place in his age group. It was also the first time he had beaten Will in competition.

## Our Club

### Snippets from Times Past

Prewar champions: Victor Barker, Millie Devonport (Hindle), Irene Shutt (Blum).

- 1947 Back to full activities following wartime restrictions.
- 1948 First post war championship gala. Only four trophies at that time but events for all ages plus comic race and water polo match.
- 1950 Grandfather of present member won the gents junior championship and the new Harry Dewhurst trophy. You know him well don't you Matthew?
- 1952 Even with the war fresh in memory it was a pleasure to welcome our first German member. A lovely girl named Hildegard Weintritt who won the Jessie Matthews trophy.
- 1955 Number of trophies increased from four to sixteen at the Championship Gala. First year for Stanley Hendley trophy.
- 1960 The very first "Two Alberts" Trophy presented to Billy Webster, one of the Clubs "characters" at that time.

To be continued...

I hope the Clubs past is of interest to you but don't be misled. I, like you, firmly believe that the present Club and the future are what are really important!!

Stanley Hendley

## Birthdays - September

4th William Paton and Ashleigh Dibb; 6th James Henderson; 7th Tony Catterall; 9th Karen Driver and Francesca Harrison-Bradley; 10th Roman Kalan; 11th Morgan Ratcliffe; 16th Aeneas Robinson and Stephen Baker; 19th Callum Brown and Jordan Riley; 20th Danielle Ormorod; 27th Jabbar Hasham; 28th Alex Berry; 29th Christian Santabarbara; 30th Daniele Santabarbara and Bethan Roberts.

## Birthdays - October

1st Alex Williams and Mark Fawcett; 3rd Jonathon Bates and Sian Ralph; 5th Hussnain Jabbar; 6th Julie Tomkins; 9th Marcus Farnworth, Itsham Jabbar and Ayla Munro; 10th George Brown; 11th Shannon Ralph; 16th Callum Riley; 18th Laura Schofield; 19th Alicia Wilson; 20th Philip Jee; 21st Keiron Hartley; 22nd Chris Gill and Olivia Gill; 28th Andrea Hartley; 29th Tom Blackburn; 30th Joan Croxall; 31st Jordan Haines.

## Pendle Sports Awards

The 3rd Annual Pendle Sports Awards were held on Saturday, 8th September at the Colne Municipal Hall.

The first award of the evening was the Community Club of the Year, in which the Club had been nominated. Unfortunately we were named as runner-up behind the Pendle Paddlers canoe club, with Brierfield Celtic Football Club and Pendle Forest Sports Club in joint third place.

Next up was Chris Wood who was recognised for his 'Sporting Moment' in qualifying for the 'Iron Man' World Triathlon Championships to be held in Hawaii in October. Earlier that day Chris had competed in the British Triathlon Long Course Championships in Leicester, in which he finished 3rd in the 20 to 24 years age group.

The next award was the Coach of the Year in which Club Coach Andrew Croxall had been nominated. Andrew was named as runner-up to Richard Milner, who coaches the West Craven Warriors Rugby League teams. In third place was Andrea Huggett who coaches football at the Pendle Forest Sports Club.

The Young Volunteer Award was up next in which Colne Teacher Amanda Kelly was nominated. Amanda was named as winner ahead of Stephen Birkett, who is a team manager at Brierfield Celtic, and Sonny Waddington, who is a Level One coach at the Pendle Phoenix Rugby Club.

There was no further nominations for Colne Swimming Club members. Eleanor Markendale won the Rising Star Award for her athletics prowess, with Damon Lee Pegg in second for his Judo, and Sophie Hitchon in third, who is now the British Record holder in the Hammer event for the Under 17s.

Malcolm Shaw won the Special Recognition Award for his dedication to Crown Green Bowling over the years, with Keith Thornton in second, who has helped promote sport in Pendle, and Bob Flounders third for his service to Barrowford Celtic FC, Barrowford Cricket Club and football in General.

The other 'Sporting Moments' recognised were Steven Burkes European Gold in Track Cycling, Danny Rowlands points prowess for the Pendle Phoenix Rugby Club and Sophie Hitchon breaking the British Under 17s record in the Hammer.