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June Age Group Gala

On Thursday, 27th June we held the **Cherry Wilkinson Memorial Age Group Gala for June**, and the number of swimmers was the most since the pandemic. There were 22 boys and 39 girls taking part, which resulted in the gala slightly overrunning at the end.

Most of the swimmers did all four strokes, which means they qualify for the Most Improved award next February. We had several 10 and 11 year old girls doing both 25m and 50m events, who were Lilly-Ann Marks, Jessica Lloyd, Ava Davies, Abigail Scanlan and Zoe Blackadder. Well done girls.

Unfortunately the boys did not do both events, with only one 10 year old doing 50m for all four strokes. Well done Maverick.

The full results from the gala are on the Club Noticeboard and the website.

www.colne-asc.co.uk/age-times-jun24.php



Ben receiving trophy from Club Coach Andrew Croxall



Most Improved Swimmers - June

We had a lot of swimmers qualifying for the Most Improved Swimmer award, with 14 boys and 25 girls.

BOYS

1. Ben Woods	18.03%
2. Alfred Weston	10.02%
3. Dylan Bowen	9.80%

GIRLS

1. Emma Mitchell	16.75%
2. Connie McIntyre	15.51%
3. Isabella Holt	13.78%

Well done to all the swimmers taking part.



Emma receiving trophy from Club Coach Andrew Croxall

Summer Holidays

The Club will be having a 3 week break from activities during August. Hopefully will be enough for everyone to re-charge their batteries.

Last Sessions

Small Pool:	Thursday, 25th July
Large Pool:	Monday, 29th July

Club Resumes

Small Pool:	Thursday, 22nd August *
Large Pool:	Thursday, 22nd August

There will be no Club on Monday, 26th August due to the Pendle Leisure Centre being closed on public holidays.

* - The resumption of the small pool activities is provisional and still needs to be confirmed.

New Auditor Required

We would like someone who has knowledge of accounts to become the Club Auditor. They do not need to be a member of the Club, in fact, it is preferable that they are not.

The sole responsibility is to sign off the previous years accounts in February of each year, in order for them to be presented at the Club's Annual General Meeting in March.

If anyone is interested, then see Club Chairman Philip Croxall on a club night, or send your application to the Club Secretary Joan Croxall.

Email: secretary@colne-asc.co.uk

New Club Secretary Required

Our current Club Secretary Joan Croxall had already stated her intention to step down from her role at the AGM in October 2022.

Joan has been Club Secretary for over 40 years and has overseen the biggest admin change for Clubs, with the introduction of Swim Mark (nee Swim 21).

The position is quite involved and will require the new incumbent to devote several hours a week to the job.

Anyone who thinks they are up to the task, then please contact either Philip, Joan or a committee member.

The Club cannot function without a Secretary.

Birthdays

July 2024

2nd Lucie Shepherd
6th Dylan Bowen and Zoe Blackadder
7th Abigail Scanlan
14th Sienna Hartley
15th Matilda Walker
18th Theo Unthank
20th Emelie Jeffries
21st Samuel Swinson

August 2024

3rd Beatrice Greenwood
6th Emma Weston and Jessica Lloyd
10th Luke Chew
14th Gregory and Michael Metcalfe, and Ava Davies
17th Marie Therese Lloyd
23rd Kaius McGlone
26th Delilah Slater

Forthcoming Events:

10th July
Friendly League Fixture postponed a week

17th July
Friendly League Fixture. Away to Accrington SC. Warmup 7:15pm

25th July
Last Small Pool Session before Summer break

29th July
Last Club Session before Summer break

22nd August
First Club Session after the Summer break

26th August
No Swimming Club. Bank Holiday Monday

4th September
Committee Meeting. 8pm

5th September
Swimming Club Trials
Small Pool: 6:15pm
Large Pool: 7:30pm

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We are having a break!

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**

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Club Trip to Outdoor Elements

Saturday, 29th June started off with rain in the air, but that didn't deter the 30 children who headed to the **Outdoor Elements Activity Centre** near Simonstone.

Due to the prospect of rain, everyone met inside the centre in order to keep the bags and coats dry and separate the children into 3 groups of 10. This wasn't very successful, as the older children didn't want to be in the group with the youngest children. The solution was to have everyone doing the same activities, with a choice between Jacobs' Ladder and the Leap of Faith. The other activities were Archery, Climbing Trees, Super Zip-Line and Fire Lighting, with the added surprise of hot chocolate and marshmallows. So this created the necessary three groups of 10, well 10, 11 and 9. Close enough!

The two older groups managed to do all six activities, as they reduced time on some of the other ones. The younger group voted for the Jacob's Ladder over the Leap of Faith.

After the first two activities lunch was taken and a group photo of the children with the centre owner Jim and his two instructors Alex and Dan was taken before the afternoon activities commenced.

A few of the parents either stayed for the day, or came back once they had done whatever needed to be done. At 4pm the rest of the parents returned to the centre to collect some very happy children. As for the rain, it was not noticed whilst under the shelter of the trees. Yet when everyone was leaving the drizzle turned up!

Photos from the day are now available to browse/download from the Club website. If anyone wants hi-res version of a photo, then contact press@colne-asc.co.uk, and it will be sent to you.

www.colne-asc.co.uk/OutdoorElements2024.php



Junior Triathlon

On the 1st June Isabella Holt competed in the Henley Triathlon.

He mum, Amanda said "*Isabella told me to send you a picture of her doing another kids triathlon. It was, of course, as eventful as ever with Isabella! But she did really well! She started nearly half an hour past her slot, and, by my reckoning got a PB for her swim!* ".

Well done Isabella on another fantastic performance.





Friendly League

Colne hosted Burnley Bobcats at the Pendle Leisure Centre for our first home fixture of the season, and it proved to be a close contest.

Burnley started the gala well by winning all but one of the backstroke races. After that the contest got much closer, as both teams traded wins. There was even a dead heat in the gents 100m Individual Medley.

Despite a late rally by the Colne swimmers, it was Burnley who held on to win the contest by 59 points to 56.

The Colne swimmers recorded a further 37 new personal bests with the boys having 18 and the girls 19.

Our next fixture should have been on Wednesday, 10th July, but this has been postponed a week until Wednesday, 17th July. We will be swimming against Accrington SC at the Hyndburn Sports Centre. The warm-up will be at 7:15pm.





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The Club has been signed up with Easy Fundraising for over 10 years, and in this time we have only had a few supporters. We would like more.

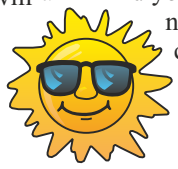
Currently there are **33** supporters of the Club on Easy Fundraising, and between them they have raised **£1,801.49** which equated to **£116.11** over the past 12 months.

Details about how Easy Fundraising works can be found on the Club website.

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

Just remember by shopping through Easy Fundraising's website, you are getting big business to donate to the Club, and you get what you are purchasing at no extra cost. It is a no brainer, so come on, join today and help support the Club.

Thank you.



Enjoy your Summer Holidays

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