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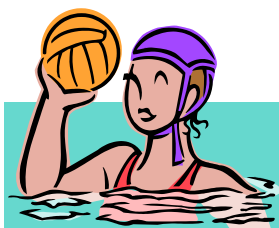


Welcome to the latest issue of "OUR CLUB" by and for Beckenham SC, a digest of events and information since September's issue. As always, many thanks to all contributors to this issue; keep all those articles, notes, photos, and ideas coming in. So, get pen to paper or fingers to key-board and get in touch. Next issue - which will be in January/early February, I will be looking for reports and photos from Opens, Kent Junior League, Arena League (x 2 teams) water polo and anything else! Contact me via john@hamo6055.plus.com or ring me on 020 8857 4977.

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Arena League Round 2 (2 teams) Opens, Greenwich Borough Championships, Bromley Borough Championships, Aquathon meets, Brighton Sprints, new swimmer trials, water polo update, 10 things you did not know about Kunmi Ogunfeibo, our junior male club captain and a former BSC Olympian's story.....

WATER POLO



The U14 girl's water polo team convincingly won the Kent champs; well done also to the 'Brems', the 'B team' too. Two weeks earlier the Beckenham U16s also won their Kent Champs. *Well done to all!*

Woolwich Trophy 2011; Swanley 1st October 2011

<u>Final table -</u>	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	+/-	Points
Beckenham	4	4	0	0	+35	12
Dover	4	3	0	1	-2	9
Folkestone	4	2	0	2	-4	6
Hythe/Bexley/Monson	4	0	1	3	-12	1
Beckenham Brems	4	0	1	3	-17	1

GREENWICH BOROUGH SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2011

BSC was represented admirably by 5 girls at the Greenwich Borough Championships on Saturday 24th September held at the Eltham Centre.



In total they won 5 golds, 5 silver and 4 bronze medals, and placed 2 fourths and one 6th. Very impressive for such a small squad! The swimmers were:-

Fearn Cook who won the 15/16yr 100m Free, Silver in the 100m Back and came fourth in the 100m Fly

Olivia Handley who won the 15/16 yr 100m Fly, Silver in the 100m Breast, Bronze in the 100m Back and fourth in the 100m Free.

Daphne Pratt who won Bronze in the 11 yr 50m Free and came 6th in the 50m Back

Natasha Sinha who won the 13/14 yr 100m Fly, 100m Back and 100m Free, and Bronze in the 100m Breast.

Sabrina Sinha who won the 12 Yr 100m Free, Silver in the 100m Fly and 100m Back and Bronze in the 100m Breast.

Thanks must go to Harold Pearson for giving up a Saturday evening to be assistant team manager and main cheerleader! Thanks also go to John Handley and Hilary Moore for officiating and to the various parents and grandparents who came to support. *Angela Coe-Sinha (Team manager and reporter)*



BRIGHTON SPRINTS.....

A good meet was had by all and the photos below record the event. Oliver Pope on his 9th Birthday at his first open meet with Finlay Maxwell (who won several 9yr old trophies). The other photo is of Katie Grant, Olivia Garvin, Oliver Pope along with Finlay and Henry Maxwell.



COLFE'S SCHOOL AQUATHON



Grace O'Brien (bronze squad) competed in the Colfe's School Aquathon on 3rd September 2011, competing in the age group 8 years and under, swimming 50metres and running 600metres. She came 1st in her age group with a time of 6minutes 22 seconds.

Well done Grace!

SEVENOAKS JUNIOR AQUATHON



Jessica Crawford currently in Silver squad, competed in the inaugural 7Oaks Junior Aquathon 9-10 yrs age group, at Tonbridge School last Sunday 2nd October. Her event consisted of a 100m swim and a 1500m run. It was a hotly contested race in every sense of the word and despite having little experience of aquathons she came 3rd in her age group. It was a very well organised event with over 200 competitors.

Way to go, Jessica!

BECKENHAM SC TRIALS, 15th October, 2011

At the end of a lovely sunny day in October, 30 plus swimmers made their way to The Spa to trial for BSC. Many of these swimmers had been waiting patiently having just missed the last trial in May 2011.

Di, Susie and Michelle assessed all the swimmers that attended for the few spaces we had in the club following the summer membership renewals.

All the swimmers tried their best and behaved very well in the time spent waiting for their turn to impress the Coaches.

18 swimmers were successfully offered places in a variety of squads and all but one have now taken up their place. We also looked at a few tiny swimmers born in 2006/2007 during a Tadpoles session in October and have offered a place to 4 swimmers.

There were unfortunately, several swimmers we could not offer a place due to the fact we do have limited space in the club. I do not enjoy turning swimmers away but I am grateful that we still have a good number of swimmers wishing to trial for the Club.

Thank you to all those swimmers/parents that attended the trial, the Coaches for their expertise in assessing the swimmers, Julia Maxwell for her help informing the swimmers/ parents the outcome on the night, and Phoebe and Katie for eating sweets.....I mean helping!

We have now filled up the lower squads and I am already collecting names of swimmers for the next main trial, when we have space available.

If you see a new swimmer in the pool or parent watching, please say 'hi', and make them feel welcome.

Jackie Elliott (Membership Secretary)

GRAVESEND AND NORTHFLEET OPEN

There were many fine PBs and results from BSC swimmers. The medalists were:-

Boys 100m IM 09 Yrs 3 - Finlay Maxwell 10 Yrs 1 - Jamie Regan 11 Yrs 3 - Sammy Woodhead
12 Yrs 2 - Frederick Pearson

Girls 200m Backstroke 10 Yrs 1 - Katja Biggs 13 Yrs 1 - Grace Ockwell and 2. Georgia Harris

Boys 200m Breaststroke 09 Yrs 2. -Ryan Cherian 11 Yrs 1 - Marcus Travers and 2. Freddie Suther-Jones

Girls 50m Breaststroke 09 Yrs 2 - Brooke Pitt 10 Yrs 1 - Ruby Bonner 12 Yrs 2 - April Ockwell 13 Yrs 3 - Ashley Hamilton 14 Yrs 3 -Emily McClymont

Boys 50m Freestyle 09 Yrs 2 - Finlay Maxwell 10 Yrs 1- Jamie Regan 11 Yrs 1- Sammy Woodhead

Girls Open 100m Butterfly 10 Yrs 1 - Kate Grant 13 Yrs 2 - Ashley Hamilton -

Boys 100m Backstroke 10 Yrs 1 -Jamie Regan 11 Yrs 1 - Marcus Travers 2 - Freddie Suther-Jones 12 Yrs 2 - Henry Maxwell 13 Yrs 3- Oliver Kent 15 Yrs/Over 3 - Edward Moriarty

Girls 200m IM 10 Yrs 1 - Olivia Garvin 2 - Katja Biggs 12 Yrs 2 - Lucy Grant 13 Yrs 1 - Georgia Harris 3 - Marie Deane 14 Yrs 2 - Molly Haynes

Boys 50m Backstroke 09 Yrs 2 - Finlay Maxwell 10 Yrs 3 - Jamie Regan 11 Yrs 1 - Marcus Travers 12 Yrs 2 - Henry Maxwell

Girls 50m Butterfly 10 Yrs 1 - Kate Grant 2 - Olivia Garvin 3- Katja Biggs 14 Yrs 1 - Molly Haynes

Girls 200m Freestyle 10 Yrs 1 - Kate Grant 2 - Olivia Garvin 3- Katja Biggs 12 Yrs 1 - Lucy Grant 13 Yrs 1 - Marie Deane 14 Yrs 1 - Emily McClymont

Boys 100m Breaststroke 10 Yrs 1 - Jamie Regan 11 Yrs 1 - Marcus Travers 3 - Freddie Suther-Jones 15 Yrs/Over 2 - Edward Moriarty

Girls 100m Freestyle 10 Yrs 3 - Charlotte Ellis-Keeler 12 Yrs 2 - Lucy Grant 13 Yrs 3 - Georgia Harris 14 Yrs 1 - Molly Haynes

Girls 100m IM 10 Yrs 1 - Katja Biggs 2 - Kate Grant 12 Yrs 2 - Lucy Grant

Boys 200m Backstroke 12 Yrs 2 -Frederick Pearson 3 - Henry Maxwell

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Girls 100m Backstroke 14 Yrs 2 - Molly Haynes 3 - Emily McClymont

Girls 50m Backstroke 10 Yrs 1 - Olivia Garvin 2 - Katja Biggs 3 - Kate Grant 12 Yrs 3 -Lucy Grant 14 Yrs -. Molly Haynes 3 - Kelly Rogers

Boys 50m Butterfly 09 Yrs 2 - Finlay Maxwell

Well done to all!

BROMNLEY BOROUGH CHAMPIONSHIPS 2011



BSC swimmers with the Mayor of Bromley at the recent Borough Championships

Particular congratulations must go to Tim Waters who won all his events in the Men's 35 and over age group and to Sammy Woodhead who won the 'Boys' Endeavour Trophy', which will be presented to him before one of the remaining Club Championships. Our medalists were as follows:-

Girls 09/10 Yrs 25m	2. Faith Ockwell	3. Kaylee Southward
Boys 09/10 Yrs 25m Backstroke	2. Jamie Regan	3. Andrew Rowland
Girls 13/14 Yrs 100m Backstroke	3. Georgia Harris	
Men's/ 35 /Over 50m Backstroke	1. Timothy Waters	
Girls 09/10 Yrs 25m Breaststroke	2. Faith Ockwell	3. Kaylee Southward
09/10 Yrs 25m Breaststroke	2. Jamie Regan	3. Jude Watson
Girls 13/14 Yrs 100m Breaststroke	2. Georgia Harris	3. Phoebe Goold
Men's 35 /Over 50m Breaststroke	1. Timothy Waters	
Girls 09/10 Yrs 25m Butterfly	2. Kaylee Southward	3. Faith Ockwell
Boys 09/10 Yrs 25m Butterfly	3. Jamie Regan	
Girls 13/14 Yrs 100m Butterfly	1. Georgia Harris	
Girls 15 Yrs/Over 100m Butterfly	1. Zara Edmondson	
Men's 35/Over 50m Butterfly	1. Timothy Waters	
Women's 35/Over 50m Butterfly	1. Kiri Mitchell	
Girls 09/10 Yrs 25m Freestyle	2. Kaylee Southward	
Boys 09/10 Yrs 25m Freestyle	2. Jamie Regan	
Girls 15 Yrs/Over 100m Freestyle	1. Zara Edmondson	
Men's 35 Yrs/Over 50m Free.	1. Timothy Waters	
Women's 35 Yrs/Over 50m Free.	1. Kiri Mitchell	

Well done to all swimmers who competed!

ARENA LEAGUE - ROUND 2



The A team went to Canterbury to do battle with Rushmoor Royals, Sevenoaks, City of Canterbury and Basingstoke Blue Fins A.

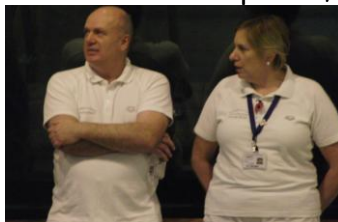
A fiercely contested gala ensued, with a great Beckenham supporters' club. The final scores, after one team advised that they had erred in terms of the number of races a swimmer could do (well done to them for being so honest and sportsmanlike!) were:-

Beckenham A	190
Rushmoor Royals	177
Sevenoaks A	162
City of Canterbury	110
Basingstoke Blue Fins A	106

Sam Rowe reports from the BSC supporter's club -

"The Arena League on Saturday was my 2nd team event as a spectator/supporter/cheerleader with Beckenham Swimming Club, and I can confidently say that I have found my voice. For those of you that didn't hear me there is always round three to look forward to....!! But, sincere apologies to those whom I gave a headache but, as you've probably realised, I find it impossible to keep quiet and have to cheer (or whistle if the race is really close) when at galas. I like to cheer by name so thanks to all the parents who were able to let me know 'who was who'; I've still got loads of names and faces to learn. I'm in the process of trying to come up with a club song/rap but it will have to be something that has an original beat then I can be 100% confident that it is OUR CLUB SONG and no one else can pinch it or re-word it, I'm seriously thinking of getting a young rapper I know to come up with something short and snappy; if any swimmers have any ideas throw them my way and after a glass of wine or two who knows what I'll produce (just kidding... about the wine that is). I'll leave the "give us a B- give us an E, until I learn how to sing and spell Beckenham at the same time!! How lovely you all were to just sing along and not stop to correct me, oops....Well that's enough from me, I know I can go on forever; but, before I sign off, do you think 'pom poms' are a little too much? All the swims were amazing and every point had me on the edge of my seat - bring on round three!" ***Samantha Rowe***

Two of the officials...captions, please!



ARENA LEAGE - Round 2

Thanks to Sophie Lewis Ward for this report; she writes -

"We headed to Dover in an excited mood, raring to go. We weren't at all daunted by Dover walking onto poolside lead by Darth Vader to the star wars music! After an encouraging team talk from Di, we warmed up and started off well in the relays. Everyone swam brilliantly despite many of us being out of age and we had some cracking PBS! We were obviously lacking in boys compared to the other teams but the 9-11 year olds swam really well.

A special mention to the older boys - Harry Ingamels, Kwende and Jack McDonald; they swam the U15 and open age group. They were in and out the pool like 'yo-yos' swimming in the two age groups and never flagged! Well done to Freddie S J who won his breaststroke race. Everyone showed fantastic team spirit encouraging each other on. We ended in 5th place, very proud of our performance against the other club's A teams.

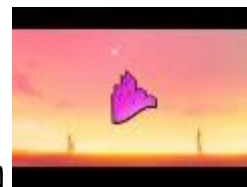
Many thanks to Di for all her encouragement and the Helpers and our officials on poolside, and everyone who loudly supported us from the balcony!"

Sophie Lewis Ward

TEN THINGS YOU DID NOT KNOW ABOUT.....Kunmi Ogunfeibo (our junior male club captain)



Favourite food - CHINESE



Favourite Music - FEINT & DOXX - MIND IN MOTION

First swimming memory - DOING 200 FLY AT GUILDFORD WHEN I WAS 9. I WENT OVER 4 MINS AND I WAS SO EMBARRASSED

Worst swimming memory - SWIMMING AWFUL AT A SHEFFIELD GALA ONE YEAR BECAUSE WE WERE IN HARD TRAINING



Favourite Film - 8 MILE

Best sporting memory - GOING 25s FOR MY 50 FREE LEAD OFF LEG IN THE KENTS 13/14 BOYS' 4 X 50 FREE

Favourite Holiday - GOING TO HONG KONG & CHINA



Football team – CHELSEA

Favourite subject at school- DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

Cat or Dog - DOG

Favourite TV Programme - PHONE SHOP

MEMORIES OF A BECKENHAM OLYMPIC SWIMMER (the first female from BSC to do so!

In October John Handley and Hilary Moore went to visit Margaret Restrick (nee Wellington) who was in Lewisham Hospital following a nasty fall. She was delighted to see us and very pleased with the card which many members of the committee had signed. Still swimming every week until last year at Crystal Palace, her husband also advised us that every year on her birthday, the family paid for her to have her own lane there! Margaret was a front crawl specialist and swam in the 1948 summer Olympics - the last time that the Games were held in London. She was 21 years old and she recalled how close to a medal the relay team had been - finishing fourth in the 4 x 100M freestyle relay final. She had the following podium finishes at major championships: 2nd in the 1950 British Empire Games 110 yards Freestyle, 2nd in the 1950 British Empire Games 440 yards Freestyle, 2nd in the 1950 British Empire Games 3x110 yards Medley Relay (with Elizabeth Church and Helen Yate), 3rd in the 1950 British Empire Games 4x110 yards Freestyle Relay (with Grace Wood, Helen

Yate and Lillian Preece). At the British Empire Games she competed for England. Whilst not getting a medal in the 1948 Olympics - in fact only 11 swimming events were swum and GB got one bronze medal (a small prize awaits for the first person to contact the editor with the correct GB swimmer's name, event and medal), the memories of swimming for our country on home soil (or in home water!) were still a great source of pride to Margaret. The following photos are from the 1948 games, including the start of the relay Heat in which she swam:-



1948 medals

Olympic Games 1948 London; the beacon is lit to mark the opening of the Olympic Games at Wembley on 29th July 1948.



The GB team paraded at Wembley stadium; opening ceremony 29th July 1948



Heat 1 400m Women's freestyle relay at the Empire Pool; 4th August 1948 (GB's qualifying heat) *I wonder what photos and memories London 2012 will bring...?*
Ed.

Many thanks to our contributors: - Angela Coe Sinha, Alex and Jessica Crawford, Jackie Elliott, Lisa and Grace O'Brien, Kunmi Ogunfeibo, Simon Woolley, Sophie Lewis Ward, Samantha Rowe and Susie Goad. **WANTED** - roving reporters for duties at any galas/events up to mid January, 2012; please report to the Editor! BSC T-Bag, hat and Polo shirt photos, and captions for the officials" photo and answers to the `1948 Olympic medallist question, too!

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