

BECKENHAM SWIMMING CLUB: WEEKLY NEWSLETTER: FRIDAY 23rd JULY

CLUB MATTERS

Membership Renewals – update

Jackie Elliott, our Membership Secretary has thanked those members who have renewed their membership. Just a reminder for those who have not done this already, but you **must e mail Jackie** jcelliot@btinternet.com **to confirm or change the details** the Club holds for you on the squad membership form which was sent to all members via e mail. This e mail **confirms that you wish to renew your membership.**

If you wish to pay your/your child's squad training fee in 10 monthly payments by standing order and you want us to set this up, a signed standing order mandate needs to reach **Jenny Knight by 23rd July.** Jenny.knight@beckenhamswimmingclub.com. If you are going to set this up direct with your bank, please ensure the first payment is made by 1st September 2010 and finishes on 1st June 2011.

Payment of club and ASA membership needs to be paid by **13th August** either by cheque or direct with your bank. Please let Jackie or Jenny know if you have paid this direct with your bank.

If you do not intend to renew your/your child's membership, please let Jackie know ASAP as we need to get squad registers ready for the 1st September and Jackie would like to enjoy the August break!

Club Championships 2010

Entry forms will be sent by e mail soon although some squads already have been given these. The form is also on the website. <http://www.beckenhamswimmingclub.com/Fixtures.html>

Club Champs are for all swimmers in Blue squad and above and swimmers are expected to enter as they are a great chance to get experience in competition.

Entry forms need to be back by **13th September**. If you unsure what events to enter, please check with your coach.

Reminder about Cheques....

The Club's Bank is insisting that they will only accept cheques in favour of the Club with the Club's full name on it. Consequently please would parents write all cheques in favour of the Club to "**Beckenham Swimming Club**" and not "BSC" or "Beckenham SC" in case the bank rejects them.

Officials

If you are interested in officiating please contact John Handley on john@hamo6055.plus.com. We hope to run training courses in the autumn. Many thanks to those who have already volunteered!

"Our Club"

"Our Club" is the Club's bi-monthly newsletter edited by Hilary Moore. There will be a bumper issue in September. Swimmers please send in your articles about swimming and in particular any galas you may have swum in since May. Articles can be as short or as long as you like. Also there is a competition for the best photograph (in the opinion of the Editor) of members in Beckenham apparel on their holidays. So remember to take your teabags or polo shirts on holiday and get snapping. Not only will the best photos be in the next Edition of Our Club but there will be a prize for the winner. Hilary can be e-mailed on john@hamo6055.plus.com.

Hilary is very grateful for recent contributions all of which will be included in the September issue. The closing date for contributions for the September issue is **Wednesday 8th September**

ACHIEVEMENTS

The Age Group National Championships start on Wednesday 28th July and run until Sunday 1st August. This is for boys between the ages of 11 and 14 and Girls between 11 and 13. The Meet takes place at Ponds Forge in Sheffield. Merely reaching these Championships is a major achievement for any swimmer as the qualifying are very stiff such that only the best 20 or so swimmers in each age group achieve the times in each event. This year both Kunmi Ogunfeibo and Archie Mitchell have qualified for the 100m Backstroke and Luke Gunning has made the times for the 100m Freestyle and 100m and 200m Butterfly. In addition the Club has qualified in the Boys 4 X 100m and 4 X 200m freestyle relays. The relay squad consists of Kunmi, Archie and Luke together with Harold Pearson and Louis Phillips. We wish them all the very best of luck next week. Live results can found on the British Swimming Website although the link is not yet available.

GALA NEWS

RESULTS

EAST MIDLANDS OPEN WATER CHAMPIONSHIPS

Rebecca Walton was selected for her first Open Water Event - the East Midlands Region Open Water Championships at Bosworth Water on 13th July. In the 1.5km event Rebecca finished a more than creditable 5th in front of many much more experienced competitors.

THANET SEPARATED MEDLEY

Results from the Thanet Separated Medley Meet can now be found on the Thanet Swim Club website <http://www.thanetsc.com/docs/galas/thanet/Thanet%20Separated%20Medley%202010%20Heats/> and <http://www.thanetsc.com/docs/galas/thanet/Thanet%20Separated%20Medley%202010%20Finals/>. In case you wonder what a separated medley is it is run so that each swimmer competes over 50 or 100 metres in each of the backstroke, breaststroke, butterfly and freestyle with the swimmers with the fastest aggregate times in each age group then swimming a final either over 100 or 200 metres. Well done to our swimmers Phoebe Goold, Emily Wood and Sophie Lewis ward who competed in this.

THIS WEEKEND'S GALAS

There are no Galas of which we have been advised this weekend but as mentioned above the ASA National Age Group Championships start on Wednesday 28th July.

Please let us know if you or your child/ren have entered a Gala and we can try and publish a link to the results after the Gala

UPCOMING GALAS

28 July – 1 August	ASA National Age Group Championships (Ponds Forge Sheffield)
3 August – 7 August	ASA National Youth Championships (Ponds Forge Sheffield)
3 August – 8 August	Welsh ASA Summer National Championships
18 August – 21 August	British National Championships
2 September – 5 September	UK School Games (Sunderland Aquatics Centre)
4 September	White Horse League (Eltham Centre)
11 September	Kent Junior League (Beckenham Spa)
11 September	Kent ASA and South East Region Open Water (Portsmouth) for entry details see the Kent ASA website http://www.kcasa.org.uk/OpenWater/OpenWaterIndex.htm – closing date for entry 20 August 2010

18 September Brighton Sprints (Level 3 Meet at Prince Regent Centre Brighton) - the date for return of entries through the Club has now passed

25/26 September Maxwell Open (Level 3 Meet at Aquavale Aylesbury) this is not a Meet in respect of which the Club is making an entry so there will be no Coach

29 September Club Championships Meet 1 (Beckenham Spa)

2 October White Horse League (Eltham Centre)

3 October Crawley Long Course Opportunity Meet (Level 3 Meet at K2 Crawley) - the date for return of entries through the Club has now passed

Queries regarding entries to Open Meets (only) should be directed to our Gala Secretary Sarah McClymont

Details of these galas and other forthcoming galas can be viewed on the fixtures page of the Club's website.

MASTERS

CROSS CHANNEL SWIM

David Bennett (Waterpolo and Masters), Louise Kelly (Masters) and Suzie Mummery (Masters) will be attempting a cross channel relay swim, with two others who are not BSC affiliated, this week. They were supposed to be going on Thursday (22nd July) so if they did hopefully it went well and if they have not yet gone good luck to all of them.

WATER POLO

The Beckenham first team defeated Ealing 12-6 in a hard fought game at Gurnell on Thursday 15th July. This was a London league fixture and our progress in this league is now back on track after a disappointing start.

OTHER SWIMMING AND SPORTING RELATED MATTERS

ENGLISH SCHOOLS SWIMMING ASSOCIATION: INTER DIVISIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Trials for Selection for this Competition, which is held in late October, take place in September.

Swimmers who go to schools in London (this is limited to Inner London Boroughs such as Lambeth, Southwark, Lewisham, and Greenwich) should go to the Division 9 website for information: <http://www.essa-schoolswimming.com/div9.htm>. The closing date for entry is 6th September.

Swimmers who go to a Surrey or Kent school (this includes outer London Boroughs such as Bexley, Bromley, Croydon and Sutton) should go to the Div 11 website <http://www.essa-schoolswimming.com/div11.htm>. The closing date for entry is 13th September

REMEMBER –

Please do continue to view the website as it is regularly updated at www.beckenhamswimmingclub.com and pass on any questions, feedback or requests for information that might be useful to David Grant our webmaster at david.grant@talk21.com

Please send news and comments to John Handley on john@hamo6055.plus.com. The deadline for inclusion in the weekly newsletter is Midnight on the preceding Wednesday.