



Dear Parents / Members

17th June 2015

Swimmers update

We welcome back to the squad Will Murray and hope that Zak Smith-Shelley and Lois Duffy are continuing to make good progress following their recent injuries. We welcome new Kittens to the squad who all seem to have settled in so well and are making great waves.

Well done to all swimmers who competed recently at the North West Regional Summer Championships held over the last three weekends. Special congratulations goes to Katie Rennolds, Miranda Bower and Josh Lambert who have qualified for the British Summer Championships and to Ellie Taylor, Katie Rilett-Young, Will Beaven, Elliot Norman, Harry Pilkington, Thomas Mackay and Tom Brown who have all qualified for the ASA National Summer Championships, both events being held in July/August at Ponds Forge, Sheffield.

Congratulations to Tom Brown on being nominated for the Most Inspirational Student Award at the Lancashire Telegraph School Awards. Well done Tom.

Great North Swim – Windermere

Well done to Harry Pilkington and Grace Pickles who took part in the Great North Swim at Lake Windermere.

Harry, due to his age, could only swim the 800m event, but achieved a fantastic time of 10.53 to win the event out of 900 competitors. Harry took along his dad Phil, who swam the mile event in a time of 28.06 finishing 212th out of nearly 4000 competitors.

Grace swam the mile in a time of 21.28 to bring her home in 11th place. A fantastic achievement for Grace considering the amount of competitors. Grace also took along her dad Steve, and ex-Bobcat brother Luke, who both did exceptionally well. Well done to you all.

Long Course Training – Manchester

Quick reminder that the next long course training will be on Saturday, 20 June from 10 am to 12 noon. These sessions are an important part of a swimmer's training and should be attended whenever possible.

St Peter's Centre – Morning training

Can all swimmers please ensure that they use the group changing facility at the morning sessions and that all parents and swimmers ensure that they leave the building via the front main entrance at the end of morning session and **NOT** via the rear fire door. Thanks for your co-operation.

Squad Photos

On Saturday, 4th July we will be undertaking the photoshoot. This includes a full squad picture, Regional qualifiers, National qualifiers and British Champ and all coaches. Can swimmers on the above date please attend training in full Bobcats kit and go straight into the sports hall for photos. We will start the swimming after all the photos have been taken.

Bag Packing

We are just awaiting confirmation that Tesco Extra in Burnley will welcome us on Saturday, 4th July 2015 to bag pack at their store. Please keep an eye on the notice board upstairs in the viewing gallery to sign up to an allocated time slot as we need as many hands as possible.

If any swimmer or parent has any ideas to raise funds for the Club please speak to any Committee member.

Alton Towers

Unfortunately due to lack of interest the proposed Alton Towers trip has had to be cancelled.

Brownies

Thanks to everyone who has sold the 'Bobcats Brownies' over the past few weeks. If you have not already done so please can you hand any outstanding monies to a Committee member.

Committee Vacancy

We still currently have the vacancy for the role of Social Secretary. If any parent is interested in this role please approach any Committee member for more details.

Membership Fees

Another reminder that if monthly fees could be paid via standing order this would greatly assist the Treasurer. Our bank details are sort code 40-46-80, account number 91156241 and fees are payable on the 1st of every month.

Future Galas – Rochdale Aquabears, Wigan 27-28 June; Torfaen Dolphins, Newport 11-12 July and Rotherham Open Meet, Sheffield 18-19 July.

All confirmed entries and draft programmes are currently on the website. Good luck to all swimmers competing at these next two events.

Thank you

The Committee & Coach