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September Newsletter

That's another summer holiday over, stress levels return to normal, the credit card gives a huge sigh of relief and the children return to school, hopefully settling back into their school routine quickly and are chomping at the bit to return to their swimming. Welcome to the 3rd Club Newsletter of the year which I hope you find interesting.

White Oak Open

The club will be holding its annual open meeting at Black Lion Leisure Centre on the 7th October. This event is open to all age groups from the age of 9. For those of you who are new to the club or have never competed in an open event, the competitors swim against swimmers from clubs all over the county with the 6 fastest swimmers in each year (i.e. 9 year olds, 10 year olds etc.) winning an award. Unlike galas the individual swimmers choose which and how many events they compete in. All entry forms must be received by the 1st October.

This is the clubs biggest fund raising event of the year and we hope to see as many of our swimmers competing as possible. All profits made from the event do go back into the club and help us keep our subscription fees to a minimum.

Support your club and lets get those entry forms in.

June Club Championships

The winners at the last Club Championships were as follows:

Girls U/8	1L Freestyle	Negin Mortazavi (Acorn)
Boys U/8	1L Backstroke	Blaze Morris Zammit (Acorn)
Girls U/9	1L Freestyle	Maia Ward
Boys U/9	1L Backstroke	Harrison Cornwell
Girls U/10	1L Freestyle	Shelby Morris Zammit (Acorn)
Boys U10	1L Backstroke	Armen Hakimazari (Acorn)
Girls U/11	1L Freestyle	Harriett Pugsley
Boys U/11	1L Backstroke	Karl Williams
Girls U/12	2L Freestyle	Nancy Mawhood
Boys U/12	2L Backstroke	Andre Bloomfield
Boys U/12	4 x 1 Ind. Med	Andre Bloomfield
Girls U/14	3L Butterfly	Danica Ebers
Boys U/14	3L Breaststroke	Michael Turrell
Girls U/17	3L Breaststroke	Grace Begley-Hunter
Boys U/17	3L Butterfly	Freddie Mawhood
Ladies Open	6L Freestyle	Grace Begley-Hunter
Mens Open	6L Backstroke	Adams Hobbs
Ladies Open	3L Backstroke	Rebecca Thornton
Mens Open	3L Freestyle	Adam Hobbs
Mens Open	4 x 1 Ind. Med	Freddie Mawhood

Congratulations to all the winners and everybody who took part.

A huge thank you to all the officials who gave their time voluntarily, despite not having children in the club. Thank you to all the parents who acted as Recorders, Timekeepers, Marshalls, Runners and most importantly refreshment lady. Finally, thank you to all the parents who stayed to support the swimmers.

New Committee

Following the Clubs AGM on Thursday 21st June the following were appointed as officers and committee members.

Officers

Liz Seals	Chair Person
Susan Baugh	Treasurer
Karen Sill	Membership Secretary

Committee Members

Steve Rye
Margaret McInnes
Tony Laurent
Steve Turrell
Brennan Begley-Hunter
Maureen Nunn
Tony Smith
Darren Walker Child Protection Officer

Graham Mayes stood down as Chairman after filling this role for the last couple of years. He has agreed to continue to steer us towards achieving Swim 21 status. The Officers and Committee members would like to thank Graham for his hard work and support to the club over some testing times.

Welcome to Liz Seals and Brennan Begley-Hunter who have joined us as Chair Person and Committee member respectively. Both ladies have children swimming in the club and will be valued members of the committee

Promotions

Congratulations to the following swimmers who have been promoted to the next squad: Natalie Watkins, Tudor Davys, Jason Longhurst, Beth Jarman, Vanessa Ogunko, Nancy Stuart, Charlie Leaver, Luke Baxter, Matthew Burns, Olivia Ogunko, Rhys Nolan, Matthew Liston & Laura Ward.

I apologise if I have missed anybody.

New Members

A big welcome to the following swimmers who have joined us since the last newsletter: Alex Reeve, Tom Leaver, Charlie Leaver, Millie Pethig, Oscar Harvey, Michael Pruden, Rhys Nolan, Scott Phillips, Olivia Rea, Luke Harrison, Katie Ainsworth, Ryan Cunningham, Nicole Grogan, Arman Hakimazari, Olivia Hall, Aimee Nichols & Lia-Cherie Robertson.

It's great to welcome back some old friends, Ruairi & Tara Dennehy have returned to the club after a short period away.

Joydens Wood Primary School – National Finals

On Saturday 23rd June, the girls in the Joydens Wood school Swimming Team (Katie Lobley, Lauren MacDonald, Nancy Mawhood, (All White Oak) and Miren Elphick Dartford) swam in the Finals of the National Swimming Championships, in Sheffield. They were entered into the Mixed Stroke Relay, in which there were 4 heats. The top 16 schools were entered into the finals on the day, which were then split into 8 teams for the A final and 8 teams for the B final.

The girls made it easily into the 8 teams in the A final and swam like they have never swum before. At the end of the race, the team came in fifth which is a remarkable accomplishment considering the number of schools that were taking part. This means that they are the fifth fastest team for the mixed stroke relay nationally with a time of 1.08.26 – splits Nancy 17.99, Katie 20.11, Miren 15.71 & Lauren 14.45.

Congratulations to the team for all of the achievements that they have made over the last few months. Also, a big thank you to the parents and family that have supported these girls on this fantastic journey.

Dave Lobley – Team Manager

Millennium League

At the end of another series of enjoyable galas we finished 4th in this years Millennium League. The point of these galas is to give as many swimmers as possible a chance to compete in galas. It has been thrilling to see the progress our younger swimmers have made throughout these galas. Thank you to everybody who has represented the club in these events and well done. As always we must thank the small army of officials and helpers who give their time freely to ensure that we can compete in these events.

Position	Club	League Points
1st	Larkfield	29
2nd	Maidstone	28
3rd	Dartford	27
4th	White Oak	16
5th	Eltham Stingrays	14
6th	Greenwich	12