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Annual Presentation

This years Annual Presentation will take place at the **Colne Cricket Club** on Saturday, 9th December. The doors open at 7pm, with the presentation starting about 7:30pm.

After the presentation there will be a disco which will run until 11pm.

There will be a buffet which will be open at the end of presentation. If there is sufficient space we will open the buffet sooner, but remember to have your ticket on you.

Please collect your buffet tickets on a Club night.

For bank transfer: **Nat West Bank**

Acc/Name: **Colne Amateur Swimming Club**

Sort Code: **01-02-20** A/C No. **23636696**

Reference: **Buffet + <surname>**



Club Championship Galas

The Club galas took place on Monday, 13th and Thursday, 16th November, and were better attended this year with at least three swimmers apart from one event, contesting each of the 48 events!

There were no records set on either of the two nights, but we had twenty one different winners!

Over the two nights Betsy Rider was the most successful swimmer as she won seven events. Eleanor Holgate won six events whilst her brother Thomas won five. Whilst

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New Club Secretary Required

Our current Club Secretary Joan Croxall had stated her intention to step down from her role at the AGM in **October 2021**, but she will look after the role until somebody new steps up, but she cannot do it forever.

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

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 Joan or a committee member.

The Club cannot function without a Secretary.

Would parents please note that once your child's swimming lesson has finished and they are off the pool side. Colne Swimming Club is not 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.

Annual Subscriptions for 2024

Unfortunately, due to rising costs the Annual Club Subscriptions for 2024 will have to be increased.

If costs rise further, then future subscriptions may also have to rise.

The annual subscription is due on 31st December 2023, and renewing members have until Thursday, 1st February in which to pay. Payment terms can be negotiated upon arrangement.

The prices for 2024 are:

Full Swimming Member:

Adult **£80**

Students **£70**

1st Child **£70**

2nd Child **£60**

Additional Child **£45**

Associate Member **£60**

Committee Member **£10**

The membership application form for 2024 is now available to download from the Club website.

Betty Petty Style Trophy

On Monday, 6th and Thursday, 9th November the Betty Petty Style Trophy competition was held. The swimmers drew lots as to which order they were to swim. A single lane was used as an assessment was made on their start, stroke, turn and finish as they did 50m of Backstroke, Breaststroke and Front-crawl.

There were 21 swimmers taking part over the two nights with 12 girls and 9 boys.

As to who won, then you will have to wait until the presentation, which will be at the Colne Cricket Club on Saturday, 9th December so make sure that you have remembered the number that you were given!

Sponsored Swim Monies

Monies raised so far from our October sponsored swim is **£1898.00**, with at least £950.00 to be donated to Pendleside Hospice.

If anyone still has some money to donate, we will be collecting up until Thursday, 30th November.

We will be presenting a cheque to someone from the Pendleside hospice at our annual Presentation on Saturday, 9th December.

A big thank you to all who donated.

Birthdays

November 2023

- 2nd Oliver Chew
- 5th Olive Tattersall
- 7th Charlie Reddy
- 9th Ben Woods
- 17th Theo Haycocks
- 19th Emma Mitchell
- 23rd Sophia Turner and Mabel Thrupp

December 2023

- 3rd Henry Clough and Bob Whittaker
- 8th Georgia Collins
- 14th Lucas Collins
- 19th Lara Haycocks
- 22nd Olivia Collins
- 26th Adison Croxall
- 31st Max Dickson

Forthcoming Events:

30th November

Last day for Sponsor Money

6th December

Committee Meeting.
Online via Zoom. 8pm

7th December

Christmas Sprint Gala
With Parent and Child Relay

9th December

Annual Presentation
Colne Cricket Club. 7pm

21st December

Last Club Session of 2023

1st January

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Annual Subscriptions

Sorry fees are going up!

Swim Mark

We have been re-accredited

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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Colne Amateur Swimming Club

Championship Galas

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Oleksandr Matsaniuk won four events and Zaviah Cotterill won three events.

Winning two events apiece were Abigail Scanlan, Betsy Townsend, Edward Green, Luke Chew, Maverick Robson, Oliver Blackadder and Sophia Turner.

The remaining nine events were won by Alexander McGregor, Henry Manning, Isaac Critchley, Lilly-Ann Marks, Marie Therese Lloyd, Martha Green, Olive Tattersall, Oscar Astin and Zoe Blackadder.

The other event contested was the Spot-On competition, which had sixteen entries! The winner will have to wait until the presentation before they can get the first prize of £20. The second place prize will be £10, whilst third place gets £5.

The full results can be found on the Club Notice Board and on the website.

<http://www.colne-asc.co.uk/champ-2023.php>

Swim Mark Accreditation

At the end of October our Swim Mark submission was finally approved and we have been re-accredited for another 2 years as our submission was for the full accreditation. There will be a health check in 12 months, but that only checks five of the fourteen modules.

Thanks go to Joan and Philip Croxall for getting our submission over the line.

Christmas Pool Closure

The pools at the Pendle Leisure Centre will be closed over the Christmas period from Friday, 22nd December until Tuesday, 2nd January 2024.

The last Club session of 2023 will be on Thursday, 21st December. Details of when the Club will resume in 2024, will be published on the Club Noticeboard and Website within the next few weeks.

Parents Be Informed

The latest information regarding the Club can be found on the Club Notice Board and the Club website, with upcoming events written on a white board.

If any announcements need to be made **urgently**, then posts are made on the Club's X (nee Twitter) feed and Facebook page.

It is advisable that you follow the Club on X or Facebook.



Christmas is coming and no doubt a lot of you will be turning to the internet to get those gifts. Well why not do your shopping through the Easy Fundraising app or website and get those internet companies donating a small percentage of your gift to the Club.

To date we have raised **£1,728.18** from only 29 supporters, with **£101.03** in the last 12 months.

Going to the Easy Fund Raising page on the website will explain how it works. So go on, visit Easy Fund Raising today, and get Amazon to donate to the Club.

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

It will cost you **nothing** to sign up, so why are you waiting.

Please sign up today

Christmas Sprint Gala

Our annual Christmas Sprint Gala is on Thursday, 7th December, and the competition is open to everybody.

And yes, **everybody**, does mean **parents and teachers**, as there is a category for you.

It will be fast and furious on the night as everyone will be doing 25m of Butterfly, Backstroke, Breaststroke and Fronterawl. There are age groups up from 6 years of age to the 16 plus age group.

Also there is the **Parents/Teachers Christmas Sprint Challenge** where you only have to do a single length (25m) using any stroke. You can do the other strokes if you are able!

At the end of the night there will be the infamous **Parent and Child** race.

This will be split into two events, one for the Ladies and the other for the Gentlemen.

In each race the child will go first, with the parent starting in the water at the shallow end.

So come on parents, have a go!

Entry forms are available on Club nights at the desk, or you can download a copy from the Club Website.

Hats and Water Bottles

Swimmers need to wear swimming hats during Club sessions and when representing the Club during competitions, especially any swimmer that has long hair.

We did have an incident over ten years ago, in which a girl got her hair caught in the lane rope. In order to free her, we had to get her hair cut. So if you want to keep your hair long, then please wear a hat.

When you train, you will sweat, so it is vitally important that you replace these lost fluids. So please bring a water bottle in order to keep hydrated.

Do not bring fizzy drinks, as you will feel bloated when trying to train.

Just remember to take your water bottle home with you after your lesson has finished.

