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Shark Bytes @SwimAtColneASC  
Colne Amateur Swimming Club

**Pool Closure**

On Saturday, 13th April at 3:00pm the pool at the Pendle Leisure Centre will close for refurbishment, this will take approximately **SIX** weeks to do.

In order to keep the Club going during this period, alternative sessions at Wavelengths and West Craven have been found.

Also at these pools there is a café so you can get a drink.

The pool closure will also affect our home fixture in the Micro League. This will still take place on Saturday, 11th May but now held at the West Craven Pool.

The pool closure also means the cancellation of the Swimming Club Trials in May. So if you know anyone who want to join then tell them the next trails are on Thursday, 6th June.

The Temporary Schedule will start from Monday, 15th April.

**Temporary Sessions**

| Day  | Venue                     | Start Date | Time             | Use        |
|--|---------------------------|------------|------------------|------------|
| Monday   | Pendle Wavelengths        | 15th April | 6:50pm - 9:00pm  | Full Pool  |
| This is a shared session with Nelson Swimming Club and will be replacement for normal Monday night session |                           |            |                  |            |
| Friday   | West Craven Sports Centre | 19th April | 6:30pm - 8:00pm  | Small Pool |
| This is for the Thursday small pool classes and includes the large pool class at 6:30pm                    |                           |            |                  |            |
| Friday   | West Craven Sports Centre | 19th April | 8:15pm - 9:45pm  | 2 Lanes    |
| This is for the normal Friday night session and the better swimmers on a Thursday night                    |                           |            |                  |            |
| Saturday   | West Craven Sports Centre | 4th May    | 3:30pm - 5:00pm  | Full Pool  |
| This is mainly for the Thursday night sessions from 6:50pm - 8:00pm. We cannot have Saturdays in April     |                           |            |                  |            |
| Sunday   | West Craven Sports Centre | 5th May    | 8:30am - 10:00am | 1 Lane     |
| This is for the Masters session and can include anyone over 14 years of age.                               |                           |            |                  |            |

West Craven pool is unavailable on Sundays, 21st and 28th April due to Triathlon and the Swim-a-thon.

On Saturday, 11th May we will be having our Micro League Home Fixture at West Craven Sports Centre, be aware that space on the pool-side is limited. Team-Sheet details will be on the Website as soon as possible.

Hopefully all the work at Pendle Leisure Centre will be completed by Sunday, 26th May. If the pool does open earlier than planned, then all the details will be published on our web site, Facebook page and Twitter feed.

**Starts and Turns Session**

On Friday, 22nd March there is a Starts and Turns Session. It is open to all Micro League, Friendly League and Competition swimmers. The session will run from 7:00pm until 8:30pm.

It is to the swimmers and the teams advantage that as many swimmers as possible attend these sessions.

**This is a free session.**

**Easter Holidays**

This year Easter falls on Sunday, 31st March which means that the pool will be closed on Good Friday, 29th March and Easter Monday, 1st April. The pool will be open on Saturday and Sunday as normal.

The Swimming Club Trials that we hold to assess the ability of children wanting to join the Club will also be cancelled on Thursday, 4th April.

The large and small pool sessions on Thursday, 4th April will still be on as normal.



**Birthdays**

**March 2013**

- 1st Harry McCourt
- 3rd Andrew Croxall
- 13th Jasmin Lahey
- 17th Harry Lawson
- 19th Simon Smith-Shelley
- 25th Olivia Taylor
- 26th Lucy Cowgill and Alex Walton
- 27th Colette Partridge
- 31st Lydia Kibble-Terry

**April 2013**

- 3rd Dalton Bracewell and Eva Garstang
- 12th Laura Cooke and Caitlin Noon
- 15th Hannah McDonagh-Bond
- 17th Alice Garstang
- 22nd Charlotte Holmes
- 24th Jack Lord
- 27th Morgan Hartley
- 28th Alex Dickinson,
- 30th Theo Rowan and Molly Hesketh

**Forthcoming Events:**

**18th March**

Friendly League. Away at Great Harwood

**22nd March**

Starts and Turns Session. 7:00pm - 8:30pm

**24th March**

Micro League Fixture. Away at Palatine Pool, Blackpool

**29th March**

Good Friday. Pool Closed

**1st April**

Easter Monday. Pool Closed

**4th April**

No Swimming Club Trials due to Easter Holidays.

**19th/20th April**

Scottish National Masters. Scotstoun, Glasgow.

**20th/21st April**

Harrogate A/B Meet

**22nd April**

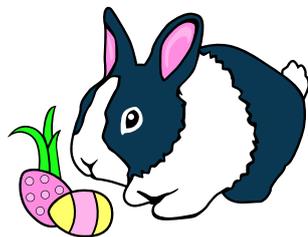
Friendly League. Away at Ramsbottom.

**2nd May**

No Swimming Club Trials due to pool closure

**11th May**

Micro League Home Fixture. At West Craven Pool.



Would parents please note that once your child's swimming lesson has finished and they are off the pool side. Colne Swimming Club is no 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.

Could anybody changing their address or telephone number please inform the Secretary.

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](mailto:press@colne-asc.co.uk)





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## Lancashire County Championships

The first two galas of this years **British Gas Lancashire County Championships** were held at the Manchester Aquatics Centre, on the weekend of 9th and 10th March.

There were three young swimmers representing Colne who had qualified for the Championships

**Jacob Talyforth** swimming in the 9 year old age group finished 1st in the 50m Breaststroke, 13th in 200m Freestyle, 15th in 50m Backstroke and 21st in 50m Freestyle.

**Benjamin Havers-Strong** was also swimming in the 9 year old age group and he finished 8th in 200m Freestyle, 10th in 50m Backstroke and 12th in 50m Butterfly.

**Jasmin Lahey** was swimming in the 10 year old age and finished 4th in 50m Butterfly, 9th in 400m Freestyle, 13th in 200m Freestyle, 23rd in 50m Freestyle and 28th in 50m Backstroke.

The third and fourth galas were held on the weekend of 16th and 17th March in Liverpool. The report will appear in the next issue of Shark Bytes.

## Micro League

Our first Micro League fixture of the season was held at the Huyton Leisure Centre, Everton.

This competition is for 9 to 12 year olds as at the 26th November. This is because the National final for the Micro League is on that date.

Meanwhile back at the Huyton Pool the young swimmers from Colne were taking on teams from Blackpool, Everton and Preston.

It proved to be a difficult contest as Colne finished 4th on 91 points just behind Blackpool B on 92 points. The winners of the meet were Everton who finished with 158 points with Preston B in 2nd on 139 points.

## Shop Online and Raise Money!

Have you heard about easyfundraising yet? It's the easiest way to help raise money for Colne Amateur Swimming Club! If you already shop online with retailers such as Amazon, M&S, Argos, John Lewis, Comet, Vodafone, eBay, Boden and Play.com, then we need you to sign up for free to raise money while you shop!

### So how does it work?

You shop directly with the retailer as you would normally, but if you sign up to <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/casc> for free and use the links on the easyfundraising site to take you to the retailer, then a percentage of whatever you spend comes directly to us at no extra cost to yourself.

### How much can you raise?

Spend £100 with M&S online or Amazon and you raise £2.50 for us. £100 with WH Smith puts £2.00 in our pocket and so on. There's over 2,000 retailers on their site, and some of the donations can be as much as 15% of your purchase.

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We've raised over **£330** with easyfundraising so far but we need your help to keep donations coming in. Sign up at <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/casc> and start making a difference...simply by shopping.

Thanks!

## ASANWR Masters Distance Meet

The ASA North West Region Masters Distance Meet was held at the Palatine Pool on Saturday, 23rd February with three members of the Colne ASC Masters Team taking part.

**Karen Driver** swimming in the 40-44 age group wins 1500m and 800m Freestyle events and is 2nd in 400m Freestyle. Overall she is ranked 2nd in 800m and 3rd in 1500m using the age adjusted results.

**Philip Croxall** also in the 40-44 age group wins 400m Freestyle and is 2nd in 400m Individual Medley.

**Daniel Dawson** who was competing in his first masters meet swam in the 35-39 age group. He finished 7th in 400m Freestyle, but was unfortunately disqualified in the 400m Individual Medley, which he would have won

