

Bromsgrove Swimming Club

Dear parents,

Welcome to the January 06 club newsletter. This is a chance to share important items and notify you of important dates, as well as share any club news with you. If you have any burning issues or would like the newsletter to address any aspects of the club's procedures please feel free to share them with a member of the committee and we can include them in a future issue. (Names and contact details for the committee members are posted on the notice boards at Bromsgrove School Pool and the Dolphin Centre)

News

Speedo League

The big news from December's Final of the Speedo League is that Bromsgrove came 3rd and so has gained promotion to division 1 for next season. **Many congratulations to the coaches and team on this wonderful achievement, we are all very proud of you.**

40th Anniversary

This year (2006) is the clubs 40th anniversary and we are holding a ball on the 30th June 2006 to celebrate this. Look out for the newsletter or on the noticeboard for more details. It would be nice to see as many people there as possible. If you know of any past club members who may be interested, perhaps you could let a committee member know and we can keep them informed.

ASA Renewals

The time is coming for the annual ASA renewals. Jo Kincart (membership secretary) will be in touch with all members soon about this. It is important that you return your forms as soon as possible so that the club can submit the ASA forms in time. If your child has not registered then they may not be able to swim as we are insured through the ASA and the membership fee covers the swimmers for a year.

Bag Packing

Thanks to all those who turned up the Sunday before Christmas to help with this fundraiser. Although we were only there for 4 hours we managed to raise £345.

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Reminders

Noticeboards

Please make a point of checking the notice boards regularly **all important information** about galas, holidays and social events **is there**. There is a noticeboard at the Dolphin centre to the left of the changing room doors and another at Bromsgrove school on the wall behind the spectator area.

Swimmers Times

Remember to keep checking your own or your child's times to make sure they are up to date. They should be on the noticeboards and also on the website. If their times are out of date then please submit them to Alan Baker along with where and when gained. (This must be at an event run under ASA laws).

Open Events

To give your child the best chance of achieving county times it can be important that they attend some open meets as these are competitive events and any qualifying times gained there can be used for county or district events. These galas are run by individual clubs for different events and age groups. If your child qualifies then they can be entered for 1 or more events on the day. Sue and Richard usually have the entry forms and can usually advise if a particular event is suitable for you or your child. Please watch this newsletter or the noticeboard for any forthcoming events.

County Championships

All forms should be returned with entry money by the 13th January. A list of when and where the events are along with qualifying times are on the noticeboards. Once this bit is done, you just need to train as hard as possible and do your best on the day!

Committee

A plea for some new committee members. Everyone on the committee is a volunteer and we are always looking for new members to share the load. There is usually 1 meeting a month and it is a chance to gain some insight into the running of the club and the issues that face the club. If you are interested then approach a committee member or one of the coaches and you will be welcomed with open arms I'm sure.

Officials

The club is in desperate need of some people to train as timekeepers and officials. There are courses every year, usually in September, which (after a test) qualify you as a club official. This is a most important position, as the club cannot run galas without officials. Please think seriously about this one, as it is important.