

Watertime News

Newbury District Swimming Club

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Another swimming year has almost come to a close. There are one or two events still to come and then we can all take a well-earned rest during August. This has been a good year for Newbury swimmers with some excellent individual performances and great team results as well. Most of these successes appear in reports on the club website www.ndsc.co.uk and this is a good way of keeping up with information too. Before rounding things up for the year I know the swimmers, committee and parents would like to say a **HUGE THANK YOU** to all the **coaches** and their **able assistants** for all their hard work, commitment and enthusiasm throughout this year. Thank you and happy holidays!

Last swim dates.

Northcroft - Last session Sunday 30th July. All last sessions at Kennet, Hungerford and St. Barts will be the sessions preceding this one.

Sessions will resume again on the evening of Thursday August 31st at Northcroft (but there will be no swimming on Friday morning 1st September). All sessions after this at Kennet, Hungerford and St. Barts will be as normal. Swimming at Downe House to be advised so will resume at St. Barts again in September until further notice.

Congratulations and good luck to **Emma Harris, Mark Harris, Rebecca Harris, Aman Shah and Lucy Singleton** who have all achieved qualifying times for the nationals which are held in Sheffield at the end of July/beginning of August. We wish them well and look forward to hearing how they have done.

Swimmers of the Month

Corrections from last time as January swimmers were not mentioned.

Cruisers

January - **Toby Davies**

Hannah Waddington

April - **Cameron Davies**

Georgina Kreysa

May - **Yasmin Ryder**

Jenny Pudney (both girls)

Sprinters

January - **Haydon Lucas**

Harriet Wheeler

April - **Luc Schreiber**

Annabelle Mears

May - **Luke Job**

Zara Ryan

The recent club open meet was a huge success with good performances from swimmers. There was a comprehensive report in the Newbury Weekly News, which is always nice to see. Lots of hard work goes into putting on a meet, so a big thank you to all those involved – at the last count more than 75 parents helped, which is fantastic. Particular thanks too to Donnella, Jackie and Celia for the catering.

Now that England is out of the World Cup (surprise!) you can all get your tickets for the River Race on Sunday 9th July. Come and have a BBQ, meet some friends and perhaps even have a dip in the outdoor pool and enter the parents' race. Tickets from your squad reps.

Aldershot training – Sunday 23rd April 8-10am for Challengers and above. Nominal cost £2.

For Hire

The club has a very large gazebo available for £10 a day plus refundable deposit of £50 payable when booking.

Also looking for a new home for it as the present "landlords" have cherished it for long enough! If you have space please see your squad rep or a committee member.

Reminder

Swimmers are the responsibility of parents until they are in the pool with a coach and should not just be dropped off and left in case a session has been cancelled.

If there is a likelihood of a swimmer being unwell, then a parent should either stay for the session or be contactable via phone/mobile.

Thank you.

Recent Events

We have done fantastically well as a club and achieved two top club awards at recent meets.

33 swimmers took part in The Allan Eyles Level 3 meet in May at Reading. Many swimmers were awarded speeding tickets for being too fast and thus missed out on a medal but despite that we still won the top club award. 83 personal bests were recorded over the day.

A smaller squad of just 14 swimmers took part in the Bournemouth Junior Open meet, also in May, and performed brilliantly against 32 other teams to win top club again.

Full reports and all details of medal winners can be found on the website.

Top Boy and Top Girl awards were also picked up at the Bracknell and Wokingham Open held at the 50m pool at Aldershot in May. 18 swimmers represented Newbury. The quality of the swimming was excellent and some good PBs achieved. Some swimmers were new to 50m pool times. It was a big event with over 63 clubs represented so big congratulations to Emma Harris who was top girl in the 16 and over age group and Aman Shah who was top boy in the 12 year old age group. Mention must also go to Jessica Francis who narrowly missed out on a top girl award but amassed the highest number of points for her club and finished third overall.

A special thanks to Emma Harris who took on the role of coach for the Sunday.