Chapeltown & District Amateur Swimming Club

Affiliated to ASA, NECSSA, YSA, S&D ASA, RLSS

Website

John Wincott continues to develop a great website for us and everyone should make a point of visiting the site regularly for news and access to records and all sorts of information. Details of the Annual General Meeting are included (please attend at the pool meeting room on Thursday 21st February at 7.00pm).

Also on the website you can find recent interhouse and other gala results.

Dolphins at the races

Sheffield and District Championships 2013

Chapeltown swimmers were out in force for a long day at Ponds Forge on 3rd February with no less than 25 swimmers tackling many other clubs over the full 50m pool.

A great tally of 27 medals were taken home and virtually every swimmer achieved personal best times (or better than their entry times). A good poolside attitude helped alot and the team did the club proud.

Perhaps most notable was the big turn out of younger swimmers in the 9, 10 and 11 year old categories - making up nearly half of the total. And they performed admirably and bravely, achieving some massive personal best times - often knocking off the seconds into double figures! Particularly big improvements were recorded by the very young girls -Lucy Hudson, Rebecca Priest, Chloe Draper, Jessica Hutchinson, Emma Ferguson, Lucy Greensmith and Leah Cragg.

For absolute effort for the day, mention must be made of Lynne Dawson who swam in an astonishing 10 events - as well as swimming the final leg for the winning relay team. She was first in and last out.

Medals were awarded by age group and Ilia Zaiats headed the medals list:

Ilia Zaiats (200 breast; 100 breast; 200 IM) Joshua Page (50 breast; 100 breast) Laurie Monaghan (100 back; 50 back) Megan Hobson (100 breast) Lynne Dawson (200 back)

Silver

Lynne Dawson (Long Plunge: 100 back: 200 breast) Billy Chapman (100 breast; 50 back)

Jonty Goodwin (100 back) Laurie Monaghan (50 free)

Bronze

Lynne Dawson (200 free; 100 breast; 100 free) Megan Hobson (50 fly; 200 lM) Alex Page (50 breast) Ellie Brammer (50 back) Ilia Zaiats (200 free) Jonty Goodwin (50 free) Billy Chapman (100 free) Laurie Monaghan (100 free)

Several others came oh-so-close to the medals making the top six (against as many as 60 entrants in some races)! These included Alfie Myers Wilson, Chloe Draper (who might have had a medal round her neck but for DQ!), Sam Bromley, Lucy Greensmith, Elliott Vaughan, Nathan McCormick and Jodie Wincott.

The day ended with team relay events (200 freestyle) and rather large and impressive winners trophies were brought back to a proud CASC in both boys and girls – first places. A second girls team came in a very creditable third. Well done to the 12 swimmers who represented us in those events.

Sheffield City Open Meet (November 2012)

A bit of a while ago, but we did not manage a full report on this one at the time – the first one after the club championships! We had a contingent of 8 swimmers at Ponds Forge for this. A mention might be made of the medal winners, although all the team performed so well – Joshua Page came first in two events, Ellie Brammer won the 50 backstroke and Georgia Grayson continued her recent good form coming in third in the 100 breast (achieving a 'Yorkshire' qualifying time in the process).

Barnsley Xmas 'No Frills' (December 2012)

A small team set off for Ponds Forge in the lead up to the festive season and found a heavily attended and competitive gala. The swimmers represented our club with excellence and each and every one did well, with 'PB's' being recorded by Lucy Greensmith, Leah Cragg, Brooke Dickinson, Joshua and Alexander Page, Elliott Vaughan and Georgia Grayson. Georgia and the Page brothers even posted 'Yorkshire' times.

South Yorkshire Masters (December 2012)

The ever busy Lynne Dawson swam in the 45-49 age group (it's a matter of public record!) – won three and second in one! Well done Lynne.

Get your entries in urgently for the Stocksbridge Sprints

What better way to follow up the enjoyable day spent at the Sheffield and Districts (see above) than to take a good number of swimmers to the annual Stocksbridge Sprints! The entry details are on the noticeboard (and entry forms can also be downloaded from the website) and the closing date is looming – Thursday 14 February. Stop press: there are many entrants but the closing date has passed (might sneak in Friday 15th if lucky!)