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TIVERTON SWIMMING CLUB NEWSLETTER



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SPARKLER—7TH NOVEMBER

It is not long now until our exciting "Sparkler" gala on the 7th of November. We are nearing the cut off date for entries so if you haven't yet put your entries in do hurry up. This is a Level 3 gala, so most of our squad swimmers will have entry times. Check the application form which can be found in the grey folder beside the Competition Notice Board. If you are unsure about anything do please speak to Steve, Tracy or Andy and they will be able to help. If you haven't got official times and would like to enter we will be running some time trials. Do enter and join in and don't worry if this is your first time entering a gala. Swimming in a gala at your own pool with lots of other Club members is great fun.

This gala is also one of the main fundraising events for Tiverton Swimming Club. We need to continually raise money in order to keep the Club running. To help us put on a successful gala we will need lots of help on the day. There are numerous jobs to be done. Would all parents [guardians, grandparents, aunties, friends] of children swimming please consider offering us some of their time. Don't worry if you have never helped before, or feel as though you know nothing about swimming. We will only ask you to do something you feel comfortable with. All the jobs will allow you to watch your children swim, often with an excellent poolside vantage! So, sign up everyone and join in this sparkly day.

ON LINE SHOP

Tiverton Swimming Club now has an online shop. This is a great way to support the club and fellow swimmers, everything you purchase through the online shop earns the club commission and in some cases you will receive a 5% discount. You pay exactly the same price as on the retailers main sites, often lower than on the high street. The commission earned by the club comes out of the retailers profit margin. It is a simple process and an easy way to give something back to the Club. Please go to the website (www.tiverton-swimming.co.uk) and click on shop.

ANNOUNCER FOR SPARKLER

Is anyone interested in helping me with announcing for the Tiverton Sparkler on the 7th November? If so please contact me on <u>clystvale04@hotmail.com</u> and you can help with announcing events and heats.

FRIDAY NIGHT LEARN TO SWIM

We now have some spaces on Friday night Learn to Swim so if you know anyone who wants to Learn to Swim please contact Jackie Ell on elljackie@hotmail.com.

Dan Ayshford

WEDNESDAY NIGHT—BADGE NIGHT

Congratulations to the following swimmers who have recently passed their Silver Award:- Lucy Clist, Rosie Jones, Gemma Owen, Millie Paxton

Also to the following swimmers who passed their Bronze Award: Tiegan Sime, Maddie Flaws, Katherine Cridland, Luke Broomfield, Kia Ashfield-Donaldson, Lucy Clist and Gemma Owen.

COMPETITION NEWS

Tiverton Sparkler November 7th

The Sparkler is our flagship open meet taking place in one of the best swimming pool facilities in the West Country. This is our own meet and we hope to have a large team representing the club and supporting each others achievements. Please can you all get your entries in as soon as possible as this is a very popular event and we do not want to miss any Tiverton swimmers. If you need to know your times please ask Andy or Tracy and all entry forms and cut off times are in the grey folder - Lets make the 2009 Sparkler the best ever!! Remember the Tiverton Gazette will be there taking photos and reporting on the successes of the day.

<u>Carn Brea</u>

Good luck to Lucy Abraham, Emily Abraham, Lewis Henry, Chloe Henry, Will Parr and Sophie Whittle who are all competing in Carn Brea's level 3 meet in Penzance on October 3rd.

Avalon Level 3 October 24th/25th

A good number of swimmers have entered this meet which is held at Millfield 50 metre pool. We are expecting confirmation of our entries any day now, accepted entries will be posted on the notice board for swimmers to check that all their details are correct.

Exeter Imps

Exeter have invited Tiverton to attend their annual imps gala which is to be held on Saturday October 17th 5pm to 8pm. Please watch the notice board for a team list. This Gala is for 12 years and under.

<u>Club Championships</u>

The annual club Championships will be held at the end of November please look out for details on the notice board and in the next newsletter.

<u>N.B.</u>

If you are interested in competing at any level please make sure you visit the notice board every time you swim. The upcoming events are constantly being updated so please keep an eye out for your opportunity

EXETER SPRINT MEET—20TH SEPTEMBER 2009

Tiverton Swimming club got off to a great start to the 2009/10 swimming season when they attended the sixteenth Exeter sprint meet hosted by Exeter Swimming Club, which was held at the Pyramids swimming pool in Exeter on Sunday 20th September.

Over three hundred swimmers from twenty south west swimming clubs attended the event including eighteen swimmers from Tiverton Swimming Club. The team of eleven girls aged between nine and twenty three years and ten boys aged between nine and fourteen years competed for both individual and club awards.

Most of the eighteen swimmers from Tiverton Swimming Club who attended the meet improved on their personal best times with several getting into the finals.

Will Klinkenberg was fifth in the boys 10 year old 50 meter Freestyle and achieved a pb of 36.31 seconds.

Emily Abraham won the girls 9 year old 50 meter breaststroke in a time of 48.27. Emily also came second in the 50 meter girls 9 year old Butterfly with a pb of 42.09 and third in the girls 9 year old 50 meter freestyle.

Joe Zilch came third in the Boys 15 year old 50 meter Backstroke with a personal best time of 32.06.

Rosie Jones knocked over 9 seconds off her personal best time for the 50 meter freestyle.

Kirsty Manley 24 had an exceptional swim in the 50 meter Butterfly improving on her heat time, recording a time of 30.90 this was .30 seconds away from her lifetime best time.

Steve Carder said "I am very pleased with the results of all of the swimmers who have taken part in this first major event of the season. With so many personal best times achieved this early in the season it is a great indication of the excellent level of commitment that the swimmers have made. I hope this will continue into the forthcoming competitions of the season".

For more information and results visit <u>www.tiverton-swimmingclub.co.uk</u>