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# **AGM** and committee changes

The AGM was held at EVLC on Wed 4th March. There have been a few changes for the committee members, which will be phased in over the coming months. The Chairman remains as Ian Jones, however, the Vice Chairman role is now a vacant position, as Ian Goffey has stepped down. The Membership secretary will change from Michele Swanston to Anna-Marie Southgate and the club Secretary role from Julie Jones to Natasha Attwood-Groves. New club helpers include Mandy Aldridge and Denise Bennet, and Sara Dilks will become the publicity officer for the club.

# Committee positions remaining the same:

Competition secretary - Sally Tovey Fund raising - Tony Follett Treasurer - Claudia Butler Club Kit - George & Corrina Aitchison Swim 21 co-ordinator - Sue Haigh General helper - Emrys Owen Welfare officer - Lucy Walton IT and Website - Tony Dilks Please let the committee members know if you would be able to help out in any role to support TSC, or are interested in joining the committee they are all parents or volunteers who keep the swimming club running in their spare time and would be delighted to have further help and support.

### **CSA Race Night**

The first Race Night of 2015 was held on Wednesday March 18th and saw 45

# **Upcoming Events**

### **Galas & Meets**

**April 19th** Gloucester Masters @ GL1 Leisure Centre.

**25th & 26th April** Taunton Deane & Millfield Super Series L1 @ Millfield pool.

**2nd & 3rd May** SW Regional Youth Champs @ Plymouth Life Centre.

**3rd May** Royal Navy Masters @ Millfield pool.

**16th & 17th May** SW Regional age group championships @ Hengrove.

**5th July** SW regional sprint meet which is open to those who have qualified for regional age groups or youth galas.

### Save the Race dates!

The annual TSC Club Championships will take place at EVLC on the following 3 Sundays in June & July Sunday June 21st.
Sunday July 12th.
Sunday July 19th.
Come and compete with alongside your TSC friends and see if you can take home a medal or

two and gain some new personal

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swimmers race over 25m and 50m to gain faster times. Ruby Stevens gained her bronze flash for the 25m freestyle and John Carpenter-Smith for the 25m backstroke. The 50m freestyle race saw Olivia Broom, Cameron Hutter, Reece Shoubridge and Rebecca Matthews achieving their silver flash times, and Olivia also reached the silver time for her Backstroke. Charlotte Baugh raced the 50m breaststroke and attained her silver flash time. Well done to all of the swimmers who swam at race night. The next Race Night will be held on

Wednesday 13th May. Please register ON THE NIGHT by 5.55pm at the latest. If you would like to buy CSA Flash badges, they are on sale from 6.30pm on Wednesday nights (in the lobby) at £1.50 each. Race night results are posted on the club noticeboard and on the TSC website.

# **Devon County Relay Gala**

The evening of Sat 7th March saw two boys teams race at the Devon County Relay Gala, held at the Plymouth Life centre in the impressive 50m pool. The boy's 11/12 year old team had two fantastic swims which saw them win a silver medal in both the freestyle and the medley relays. Kai Clayton swam the freestyle leg in both relays. For the medley relay race, Robert Jones swam the backstroke, Jack Aldridge the breaststroke and Sam Arrowsmith swam the butterfly leg.

In the 13/14 year old boys age group, Will Goffey, Finn Stoneman, Henry Rong and Oliver Bennet, raced hard and came 4th in both the freestyle and medley relays, missing out on the freestyle bronze medal by just four tenths of a second. After the relay gala, Head Coach Dave Clift said "I am delighted that every swimmer in every race gained a personal best time and that both boys teams competed hard and were a credit to the club".

# **Devon County Sprint Gala**

best times for your swims this summer.

The 9th Tiverton Sparkler will be held at EVLC on Sunday 8th November this is an all day event, which is a big club fundraiser and a level 3 licenced meet for swimmers to gain times to qualify for other open meets and the Devon County Championships, so make sure you join in, save the date and race at the Sparkler this year!

# May Bank holiday training times

There will be **NO** TSC swimming sessions on:

**4th May.** Normal sessions resume from Tues 5th May.

### Mini League update.

The fourth leg of the Mini league has been cancelled. The 4 clubs involved found they couldn't raise sufficient older swimmers for this planned gala, as the Saturday evening date set in Barnstaple clashed with training events for both the Ten Tors and Exmouth Challenge.

#### **TSC Facebook site**

### www.tiverton-swimming.co.uk

Have you seen the TSC Facebook page? Become part of this community to get instant news and updates about the club. Join the group via the link below.

### **TSC** in the local News

Have you seen TSC swimmers in the Mid Devon Gazette, Mid Devon Star or the Express & Echo in the last month? If you have a good TSC story to tell, and a matching photo, please email them to newsletter@tiverton-

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On Sunday 8th March, 13 of our younger swimmers went to the Devon County Sprint gala at the Plymouth Life Centre in the 25m pool. The swimmers had to race 50m in all four strokes to compete in this gala, and during the 52 swims, they gained 43 personal best times. Jodie Dilks won gold for the breaststroke, and a bronze for the butterfly. Jack Aldridge took the silver medal for the breaststroke and gained a regional time. Dave Clift commented that "it was a great day – and it was really good to see our swimmers of the future at Tiverton competing"

## **Swim Bournemouth**

The last weekend of March saw 8 swimmers travel to the Littledown Centre in Bournemouth to compete in a level 2 gala. This meet attracts swimmers from big clubs across the South of England who provided stiff competition during the races which took place over 2 days. Jack Aldridge excelled at the breaststroke and walked away with gold for the 100m, silver at 200m and a bronze for the 50m races. Robert Jones then shaved off an incredible 14 seconds for his 200m freestyle which saw him claim the bronze. Finn Stoneman won two bronze medals for the 100m butterfly and 50m backstroke. Gemma Owen came 8th in the 100m butterfly and Lauren Aitchison gained a personal best time and a bronze medal for the 50m backstroke and then another bronze for the 50m butterfly. Gemma Dilks took 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the 200m butterfly, as she shaved 5 seconds off her PB and Jodie Dilks shaved 10 seconds off her PB in the 200m breaststroke, breaking the TSC club record in the process. In the final heat of the weekend, Jake Stoneman swam the 100m breaststroke and took the silver medal. Speaking after the weekend, which saw the swimmers and their families enjoying a team meal out on the Saturday evening, Head Coach, Dave Clift said "It was really good to

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see the team supporting each other and some new swimmers achieving faster swims.

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