



HALSTEAD SWIMMING TIMES

A BIG WELCOME to our new members- Jessica Harris, Maya Scott, Isaac Austin, Matthew Shakallis, Edward Kirtland, Lachlan Brooks, Loui—John Alderton,

Not forgetting John Lowe who re-joins the coaching team; we are very lucky to have John back as part of the team. John plans to build on the development of the younger members.....HSC has a good future ahead!

Swimmers of the Month

March—Lexi Chaplin and George Dye, **Feb**— 9/10 Essex Relay Teams—Girls : Hannah Jacob, Olivia Cartwright, Abigail Gowers, Ruby Weaver. Boys: Jack Smith, Ethan Howard, Tallan Austin, William Blunkell **WELL DONE TO ALL**

Swimmers keep up the good work in training and next month you may be awarded for your commitment.

Helpers Wanted: With the April Open meet just around **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

Can you help out on the day, we need people to help on the door with admission and raffle. People to help marshal, serve food and drinks. Further job details and sign up sheets on the board.

Coaching Corner: Congratulations to those that have recently been selected to progress to the next squad level. Well done to all the development swimmers that achieved various distance badges at the stamina swim night.

Thankyou to all that attended the recent timetrials; please jot down your times in your swimmer handbooks. Although these times are not official they can be used as entry times for level 3/4 open meets/club champs.

Watch out for the next time trial date..... Time Trial results will be used to help with team selection for our forthcoming Summer leagues.



A special mention must be given to all those that qualified to compete at the Essex Age Group Championships.....over 50 individual qualifying swimmers and 12 relay teams. HSC finished 20th overall in the county our best league position to date. Special recognition must go to those swimmers that made final

Placings.

For the girls : Sasha Hutchison, Katherine Daynes, Eloise Conway, Rebecca Neale and Jodie Root. For the Boys : Kai Adams, Ole Mills, Elliot Swallow, Lewis Craig, Thomas Lock.

Qualifying for the 2017 Senior Regionals we have Katherine Daynes, Ole Mills and Sam Johnson.

WELL DONE ALL

We have scheduled a 50m training session on the 6th May at the London Aquatic Centre between 11 –12 noon. This session is open to anyone 8 & over who can confidently swim 100m; this criteria is set by LAC due to the 3m depth of the pool. The session cost will be £5 per swimmer and we need sign up commitment by Friday 24th March please. OWN TRANSPORT meet in reception for 10:30 please.

Important Event Dates:

*April open Meet: 9th April swimmers competing in session 1 will need to arrive by 07:30. Further meet details available shortly. **NO TRAINING ON THIS DAY***

National Junior League: 23rd April, 21st May, 25th June.

Suffolk Summer League : 13th May, 10th June, 1st July. Competing ages 10—13.

Colchester Open meet : Mid June

Halstead Penguin Gala : (Inter house gala) 23rd June. Christmas gala : 15th December

EASTER CLOSURE : No training Friday, Sunday or Monday

SEASON SPRINT STARTER :OPEN MEET—Sat 3rd Sept

Halstead Club Kit and Badges: *We would like to see ALL swimmers competing in their club hat and club colour swimwear.*

The HSC hoodie/polo shirt range is viewable on the website along with the downloadable kit order form. You can post the order form and payment in the HSC secure box adjacent to the noticeboard. Hoodie order to be made shortly so please let us know if you would like to purchase an item.

Don't forget that you can purchase badges for each stroke when you achieve a certain time. Criteria for the bronze, Silver and gold awards can be found on the noticeboard and in your personal handbooks.

Welfare Officer: *Sue Huggins, Aunt to Oliva & Rosie Vinter and Development Coach (Tuesday/Sunday) is the HSC Welfare Officer. Sue is available by appointment if at any time a member would like to discuss any welfare concerns.*

Parents Evening: *Friday 12th May : 6 to 9pm.* Come and have an informal chat with the Committee and book an appointment to discuss your child's progress with their coach.. We would like to give you the opportunity to drop in and ask any questions that you may have or maybe to just find out a little more about club champs, open meets, club kit, website and badges.



Sign up sheets to book a slot to speak to your child's coach will be available shortly.

Social Events :

The Committee have been busy discussing potential ideas for 2017. At present the favourable options have been Colchester Leisure World Session, Camping weekend and a family Bingo Night. If you have any other ideas/suggestions to put forward please let Donna or Richard know.



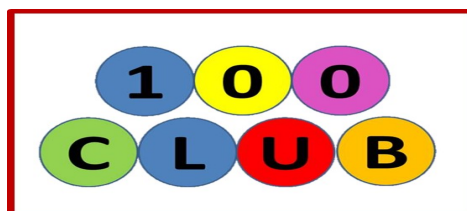
Website : Don't forget to be a regular visitor to the club website www.hasc.co.uk

Members login : info@halsteadsc.co.uk—password penguin

100 Club: ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION renewal due June

The 100 Club is the annual fundraiser that is due to commence again in July. The more ball owners the bigger the prize money. A yearly subscription of £12 that's just £1 per month.

At present the winning monthly ball owner receives £35 and second place receives £10. Third prize £5. We would like to encourage every family to support this fundraiser so please speak to **Karen** or **Donna** if you are not already a ball owner.



Sponsored Swim

Congratulations and a big thank you to all that participated in this event last year. We now have a final figure of £2231.24, 25% of which will be donated to the each charity. The remaining money will be used to purchase the new blocks once we have secured our required specification with our chosen manufacturer.