



## **CLUB NEWSLETTER – JANUARY 2013**

### **THANKS FOR ALL YOUR HELP!!**

With the first month of 2013, the committee would like to offer our thanks for all the helpers that have come forward for the recent events we have hosted at Parkside. Firstly the crack team of silver polishers who tackled the trophy cabinet prior to the Winter Regionals and secondly to all those who made drinks, sold programmes and marshalled swimmers at our January Open. Volunteers are vital to the running of the club and we are always keen to have new people come along and join. If you are tempted but concerned that it might mean you miss seeing your child compete, please be assured that we are all in the same situation and everyone takes turns to ensure that none of those precious supporting seconds are missed! If you would like to become a member of the club so that you can help at these events please download the volunteers' application from the website.

<http://www.cocsc.org.uk/howtojoin.html>.

Congratulations to all the swimmers who swam at the Open in January. 70 swimmers from the club took part winning a total of 64 medals with many more achieved and improved upon their regional qualifying times. For a full report on the gala please click here:

<http://www.cocsc.org.uk/displayreports.php?report=403>.

### **MEMBERSHIP FORMS**

All club members, apart from those in Dolphin and Seals Squads were sent club membership renewal forms in December 2012. It's a rule of the club that membership has to be renewed every year. Receipt of your membership form also allows us to renew your ASA membership for 2013. Please submit any outstanding forms to the address on the letter by the end of January at the latest. Failure to do so will mean that your club and ASA membership will lapse and you will have to pay the fee of £35 to rejoin the club and ASA.

### **SWIM CAMP REMINDER**

Swim Camp 2013 will now take place in the October half term holidays in Loutraki, Greece. All swimmers male and female who will be 12 years old or older with Regional qualifications are eligible to go (subject to Coach approval). The deadline for deposits is the 8<sup>th</sup> February, if you have any questions about the camp please see the co-ordinator, Debbie Doonan or address any questions by email to [swimmers@cocsc.org.uk](mailto:swimmers@cocsc.org.uk).

### **PARKING AT THE LEYS**

We are very sorry to have to report that the Leys have now withdrawn all parking rights for club members outside the Leys pool during term time. Despite all the emails sent out from the club over the last year explaining the rules for the parking and drop off zones, the Leys has reported several incidents where club members have not followed the guidelines and caused problems for Leys parents and staff or drop-off zones. From now on all our members should only use the car park at



the Sports Centre in the school grounds during term time though we may continue to use the drop off zone for dropping off and picking up only. The Leys will pass on details of any club members that do not respect these rules. Please note that the Sports Centre car park is only a short distance from the pool so please adhere to these rules with immediate effect. Can you please ensure that you only use the drop-off zone for picking up and setting down. If you are waiting and are asked to move by a member of staff then please do so without any fuss, returning when your child is due out of the changing room. If the Leys find club members lingering in this area it is likely a control barrier will be installed at the front of the pool which will prevent us from using even the drop-off zone.

### **OFFICIALS TRAINING**

There will be training for young timekeepers at the County Championships and J1 and J2 level officials. If anyone is interested then please complete this application form and pass it to Karen Johnson by the 10 February. <http://www.swimming.org/britishswimming/swimming/organising-officials-training/>

### **CLUB SHOP**

Club shop will be at Parkside on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> February at 6.45pm at Parkside and on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm at the Leys. Hats and poolside bags are available to buy at the shop plus Cathy is available to take orders for club kit and for advice on other pieces of equipment. If you cannot make it to the shop on these dates then please send any enquires to [kit@cocsc.org.uk](mailto:kit@cocsc.org.uk).

### **COMPETITION CALENDAR**

The competition calendar is currently being updated for 2013 and will be available on the website. <http://www.cocsc.org.uk/fixtures.html>.