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# NATIONAL SWIMCENTRE

The Association has recently renewed its contract with Stirling University on the subject of the Swim Centre. In principle, the agreement for a four-year period is very similar to the previous contract and can essentially be broken down into three

Firstly, the S.A.S.A. continues to have its offices for administrative purposes based at Stirling, with all that that entails. In fact, the service is quite considerable, with the offices, telephone, light, heat, stationery, printing, etc. all on hand. All, of course, are paid for by the Association. Secondly, it allows for centralised training for the National Squads, both Swimming and on occasion, Waterpolo. The pool is not really suitable for Diving or Synchro. The National training weekends will be carried out in the main during the first 15-week semester which generally runs from mid-September to end-December. For this particular contract, the University have agreed to allow use by District and Regional Squads as well as on occasion, club use. District and Regional Squads will be invited through the District Swimming Convenor to make bids for weekends mainly in the second semester-mid-February to end of June. It is hoped that District and Regional Squads will be able to use Stirling either as a supplement to existing schemes or as a way of getting such a scheme under way with a view to continuing it in the home situation. Contact your District Swimming Convenor if you feel yours is a worthy cause. It is hoped that National staff and squad coaches may be able to assist from time to time and on request at these weekends.

The third aspect, whilst it has been in existence in the previous contract, is perhaps the least known about. The contract includes the services of the Director of Swimming for coaching purposes with the University team for a minimum of 150 hours per University year — i.e. 30 weeks. This is a change from the previous contract only in that the hours are now on a yearly

basis rather than weekly, recognising that in some weeks the Director of Swimming would be hard pressed to meet the required hours. The University group includes any university student wishing to take part in serious training, any future bursary students (see Dr. Thomson's article) and by agreement with the S.A.S.A. and the University's Director of Recreation (Dr. Thomson), any swimmer of national standing wishing to take part in the programme as it exists. The group currently includes Neil Foster, who moved to Stirling for the specific purpose of taking part, Jackie Irvine and Craig Nelson who are local, and will include in the near future Stephen Birss, who is shortly to join Dollar Academy. It is recognised that generally, the opportunity will only be available to those studying at the University, living in the area, or in a position and wishing to move to study or work locallyin fact, much the same way as any other training scheme. It is, however, stressed that the agreement between the two bodies allows the situation to exist and anyone in any of the above categories may join in if they so desire and both parties agree.

#### **OUR NEW PRESIDENT**



Tom Nelson, Stirling A.S.C.

The Association has always enjoyed a good relationship with all of the University staff, particularly the Physical Recreation department and it is felt that this relationship will, in the long-term, prove of benefit to Scottish Swimming.

# SPORTS BURSARIES AT STIRLING

The University introduced a system of Sports Bursaries in 1981 and it had been hoped that one of the first recipients would be a swimmer. Beverley Rose was offered a bursary, but finally decided to take up a similar offer at Houston University. This year a senior British Internationalist was offered a bursary, but again, finally decided not to accept. The University is particularly anxious that in 1983 one of the bursaries should be awarded to a swimmer. It is felt that the existence of the National Swim Centre and the system of Sports Bursaries should be linked and that this should be another line of development for Scottish Swimming. Applicants must have normal University entrance qualifications, but the big advantage of this scheme is that bursars can spread their degree course over four years instead of three years or, in the case of an Honours Degree, over five years instead of four years. This gives more time for training and reduces academic pressures. In addition, there is a sum of £1000 per annum to cover training, competition and travel expenses.

It would seem logical that the bursary scheme should assist in the creation of a small resident group of National level swimmers based at Stirling under the director of the S.A.S.A.'s Director of Swimming. Perhaps clubs and swimmers have not been aware of the opportunity, but in the coming months, Mr. Braund will make every effort to identify swimmers who are thinking of coming to Stirling and who are of National level ability in swimming. If anyone is interested, either Ron Braund or Dr. lan Thomson, Director of Physical Recreation at the University will provide full information about the scheme. Applications close 1st December.

# COMMONWEALTH GAMES: BRISBANE 1982

Seven weeks into the period when times can be posted for Games consideration, we have so far seen Paul Easter and Robin Brew leading the contenders—Paul in the 1500m F/S, 400m F/S, 200m F/S and 200m I.M. and Robin in the 200m I.M. (and just a fraction outside in the 200m Breaststroke). Paul added the 400m Freestyle to his list during the Coventry Meet on 22/23 May, with a time of 4.03.11.

To date, some 32 swimmers are within 4% of the target, many of which are extremely difficult and close to or inside current Scottish records. At the time of writing, some ten weeks remain in which to achieve these times, culminating, of course, at the S.A.S.A. National Championships on 4th-7th August. I am sure the swimmers concerned would welcome support at these Championships. Indeed, performances at this level require a large knowledgeable audience to spur them on, so please ensure that you add to the occasion by spectating, if not taking part.

A great deal of planning, not only for the Games, but for the training and preparation periods has already taken place. Some of the planning has been hampered by lack of information from the Games Council, but all aspects are now well in hand.

The team of up to 16 swimmers and divers and two officials will travel out after an intensive training period at Antibes in the South of France from 15th August to 1st September. This period in Antibes will allow training in an open air pool in a climate similar to that expected in Brisbane. The S.A.S.A. team will then move into Dunfermline College on 4th/5th September with the full team, for a briefing and uniform fitting and the issue of kit. On the evening of the 5th September, the swimmers and divers move to Pollock Halls and the R.C.P. for a further 8-day period until 14th September, followed by three days at home to allow poor Mum to do the washing, and then its out to Brisbane on Saturday 18th, returning on 11th

During the whole of this period, medical advice will be on hand and the team will be accompanied by the S.A.S.A. Physiotherapist, Miss Joan Fraser. The Team Coach will be Ron Braund and the Team Manager is Bill Law, National Diving Coach and Convenor.

After an exhausting 26-hour flight, the Team will find Brisbane to be basking in sub-tropical sunshine, with an average temperature of around 78 deg. F., and a noon humidity of 50% — very pleasant, in fact. The city of Brisbane is on the Queensland east coast between the very descriptive stretches of beach called the Gold Coast and the Sunshine Coast. These coasts sport miles of golden beaches, crystal clear blue water, where tropical fish and coral are plentiful. The Gold Coast, in particular, is a surfers' paradise and the east coast of Australia provides for some of

the most beautiful sunsets in the world. No doubt the team will take advantage of these delights during the three days between the Games finishing and the return flight.

The Games village is located 15 kilometres from the centre of Brisbane at Griffiths University, sited in 200 acres of natural bushland. The university is built along similar lines to Stirling University. The cafeteria, open from 6.00 a.m. to midnight, will cater for all tastes and diets, with Australian steak, lamb and seafood featuring strongly on the menu along with tropical fruits and drinks.

Some 15 km from the Village, the newly completed Chandler aquatic centre will be the scene of action. The pool - 50m x 25m deck level, with an overall depth of 2m - can cater not only for swimming, but World class polo as well. It has 10 lanes and a full 10-lane switchboard and is adjacent to the diving pool, much the same as the Edinburgh complex. A warm-up and training pool of 25m x 14m complements the main pool, a facility that has been accepted world wide as essential for this level of competition. We are all very disappointed therefore to learn that there will be no such pool available in Edinburgh for the 1986 Games

However, for 1982, the race is on for team places and those making the team will not be disappointed with their visit to Brisbane. They will return knowing that the year of hard work and dedication will have worth it.

# SWIM NEWS

Ron Braund

# ROUND-UP OF INTERNATIONAL MEETS

**AMERSFOORT** 

28th January-1st February

The 50m Amersfoort pool with 25m warm-up facility was an excellent setting for what turned out to be an outstanding event that lived up to its reputation as the event that forecasts what will happen in swimming for the rest of the year. More records were broken than in any previous year and when one looks at the list of past record holders it really was impressive.

Our two swimmers, Neil Cochran and Duncan Cruickshank, performed well in their first 50m meet of the year. Neil made finals in the 200m and 400m IM with PB times and his 200m backstroke was very near to his best.

#### BANGOR 27th/28th February

In this event 7 swimmers achieved personal best times; five of them won their event; and the relay teams performed particularly well, setting new Scottish records in all five team races. The coaches were lan Milne and lain Tripp.

#### COPENHAGEN February 1982

The Greve swimming pool was a wonderful complex with 8 lanes, anti-turbulence ropes and mobile boom which went from 50m to 25m. All diving facilities for the 20 feet diving pool, ample kitchen and cafeteria facilities plus the spacious spectator area add luxury to necessity in what is an excellent pool. The timing pads and machinery was a District-owned facility and all local clubs can use it. This was fully explained to me by the electronic timing operator.

Apart from 5 swims during the weekend our team had to swim hard for their times and place results. The 200 Fly (Men and Women), 200 Back (Men and Women) and the 400 Free (Women) were relatively easy events for us. It appears from analysis that this would be a very suitable meet for a large second string squad or mixed National and Youth Squad going for a very broad based programme of events. Seven of the twelve team members recorded personal best times and the achievements fully justified the trip—10 first places, 6 second places and 4 third places.

#### GENEVA 22nd-25th January

The team of 16 was fairly inexperienced and only three of them had previously taken part in the event. Although the results were not exceptional the attitudes and team spirit were outstanding. The only gold came from Jackie Irvine who was back on form in the 100m freestyle, just outside her best in 60.54 secs. The girls 4 x 50m relay proved to be the most exciting relay of the meet and our team of Sarah Inskston, Jackie Irvine, Joanna Robertson, AND Ruth Gilfillan missed the gold by only one tenth of a second to the West Germans. The medals tally was 1 Gold, 6 Silvers and 1 Bronze.

#### PARIS 4th-8th February 1982 Ron Braund

The Team consisted of 10 swimmers and 2 officials. The 11th swimmer—Kathryn Smith—withdrew due to illness. Ron Braund was coach and Carole Wilson acted as team manager. Paul Marshall acted as team captain and carried out his duties admirably, and was considered very much part of the management team. The only communication we had had with the French was on the official entry form. I was therefore amazed and annoyed to find that we were not on the official programme anywhere. I received a reluctant verbal acknowledgement of the error at the technical meeting and agree-

ment that re-seeding would take place, where times deemed it appropriate and all entries would be accepted. Re-seeding did not take place and was the subject of continued discussion all weekend. The major disappointment, due to the lack of seeding, was the Men's 1500m where Paul Easter should (but not knowing the other swimmers' times, we could not be certain) have been in the fastest heat. We tried right to the time he stepped on the block for a slower heat, to get it changed, but to no avail. Consequently, Paul virtually swam himself, keeping to the planned schedule and breaking the British 800m mark. He was on for the 1500 mark at 1100, when he completely lost heart. He had lapped all swimmers once and one swimmer twice; the lap counters were microscopic and he really did not know where he was. He was placed 5th overall and would, I am sure, have done better in the final heat. To add insult to injury, there was an empty lane in that heat and in the results, his name was listed as from Denmark.

It was obvious that those who had attended the training camp and had put maximum effort into the work there, had better results at Paris. The input of effort at Tenerife corresponded almost directly with superb swimming from Paul Easter and Robin Brew, two Personal Bests for Karen Connolly and one for Neil Foster and Alison Hamilton. Good swims from Paul Marshall (his Backstroke and 200m Freestyle very near to his best) and Paul Gallacher.

# Our Congratulations to:

- \* MR. BILL LAW on his appointment as Team Manager to the Commonwealth Games Swimming and Diving Team.
- \* MR. BILL BLACK on his appointment as Team Manager and MR. WALLY LORD on his appointment as Coach to the G.B. 'B' Team competing in Rostock, E. Germany, in July.
- \* MRS. MARY BLACK and MR. GEORGE BATTISON on their appointments as Officials at the World Championships 1982 in Ecuador.
- \* MR. JACK SNOWDON on his appointment as an Official at the European Junior Championships 1982 in Innsbruck.
- \* MRS. HELEN BRUNTON on her appointment as Chaperon to the G.B. Team at the 3 Nations Meet, Blackpool, in May.
- \* PAUL MARSHALL, PAUL EASTER, ROBIN BREW selected for the G.B. v. U.S.S.R. Meet, Blackpool, in April.
- \* NEIL COCHRAN, PAUL EASTER, ROBIN BREW selected for the G.B. v pool in May.
- \* SANDRA DICKIE on her recent marriage to James MacDonald.
- \* MARGARET KELLY and DAVID HOHMANN on their recent marriage.
- \* IAIN CAMPBELL (Taybridge) on winning the David Wilkie Award.





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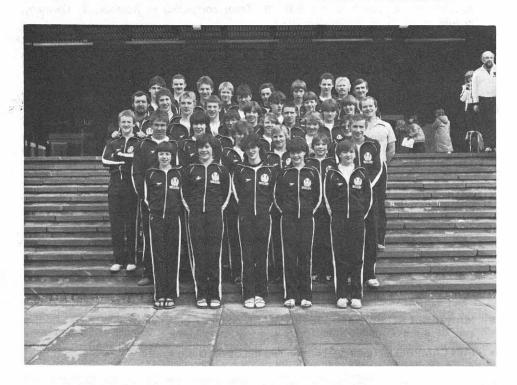
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In front of a large crowd England retained the Manx Trophy for the eleventh successive year. The final score:

England 154 pts. Scotland 136 pts. Ireland 74 pts. Wales 71 pts.

The performance by the Scottish team was magnificent, demonstrating the continued improvement in Scottish swimming. Over the recent years Scotland has crept closer and closer to the England score. There was again a marvellous demonstration of Scottish team pride and spirit. There were four relay wins and ten individual wins for Scotland amongst the forty-four races. These included:—

Karen Hourston (Stromness Acad.) Intermediate 100m Breast Stroke 1:18:36. Neil Cochran (Robert Gordon's Coll.) Senior 200m Individual Medley 2:11:16. Wilma Goodwin (Bellshill Academy) Junior 100m Freestyle 1:02:01. Sarah Inkston (St. Margaret's, Aberdeen) Intermediate 100m Back Stroke 1:08:11. Sarah Inkston (St. Margaret's, Aberdeen) Intermediate 200m Individ. Medley 2:31:13. Alison Hamilton (Cults Academy) Open Age Group 400m Freestyle 4:31:96. Ian Campbell (Gourock High) Junior 100m Freestyle 57:30. Ian Campbell (Gourock High) Junior 100m Butterfly 1:03:31. Graeme Goudie (Portobello High) Intermediate 100m Back Stroke 1:02:83. Graeme Wilson (Woodmill High) Intermediate 100m Freestyle 54:86.

The organisation of this event was quite superb. The organising team, led by the new Chairman of the S.A.S.A., Mr. Alex Spence, are to be congratulated on a very professional and detailed presentation.

With such strength now built up, in particular in the Intermediate Age Group, the Scottish swimmers prepare and anticipate the 1983 encounter to be staged in Cork, Eire, with renewed vigour.

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# **SYNCHRO**

May Laidlaw

The main event since the last issue of Swimscene was a triangular contest against A.S.A. Northern Counties and Yorkshire in which we were represented by Shona Grubb, April Sands, Vivian Rewt, Cath Snowdon, Kim McIntosh, Irene Glen and Sarah Burns. The overall result was:

Yorkshire 99.89 Northern Counties 93.74 Scottish Select 81.50

# A Promising Start

The latest amalgamation of the Bellshill and East Kilbride Clubs to form the East Kilbride and Bellshill Sharks, appears to have got off to a very promising start. The enthusiasm of the swimmers, officials and supporters is reported as excellent, and if the two clubs continue to function separately, the future of the amalgamated competitive "Sharks" looks good. Perhaps the future of Scottish Swimming lies in the amalgamation of clubs (keeping their individual identity and acting as feeds to the amalgamation) rather than in District/Regional training squads.

What do you, the readers, think?

#### TECHNICAL TRAINING (OFFICIALS)

The next examination for Technical Officials will be held on Saturday, 13th November. Applications should be in the hands of District Convenors not later than 15th September (1st September for Referees). Application forms are available from Dist-

West: Miss J. O. Smith,

rict Convenors:

214 Finlay Drive, GLASGOW.

G31 2SL: Tel: 041-554 1922

Midlands: Mrs. I. Doogan,

20 Harefield Avenue,

DUNDEE. Tel: 0382 84868

East: Mr. A. G. Adamson,

12 Asquith Street, KIRKCALDY.

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North: Mr. J. Angus,

60 Union Grove,

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Out of 108 candidates eligible for the Timekeepers' Examination resit on 17th April, 9 sat of whom 7 passed.



#### **WELCOME BACK, BOBBY**

Bobby McGregor makes a welcome comeback to the scene, taking up water polo with Arlington Baths A.S.C.

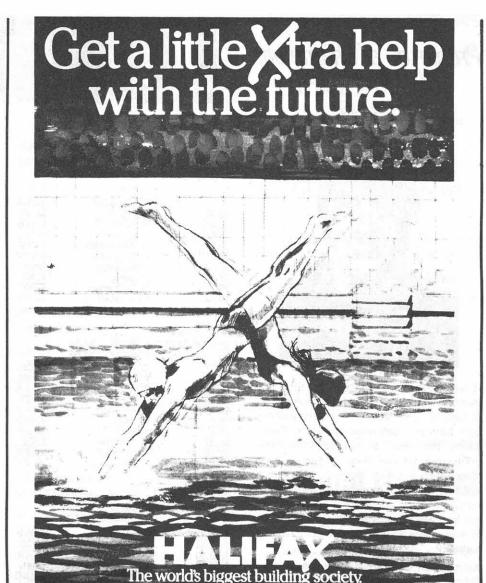


The Rule is:

"Members of Scottish Clubs and unattached Scottish swimmers must have paid their current annual Competitive Fee to the S.A.S.A. before being allowed to enter in District or Scottish Championships (except the National Open Championships) or at any other 'accredited event'.

The fee shall be in respect of the year from 1st March following the A.G.M. to 28th/29th February the following year."

The Rule applies to all disciplines — and the current fee is £2.50.



# LET'S SUPPORT OUR SWIM AWARDS

Over the years our Association has received very welcome funds from the S.S.S.A./ S.A.S.A. Joint Awards Scheme. The total runs into thousands of pounds, and they must surely indeed deserve our support. Other Award Schemes are available, but let's put ours first — that surely makes sense.

#### HE'S THERE TO HELP . .

A small number of people have voiced concern that they are unaware of the Director of Swimming's responsibility at competitions vis a vis unattached swimmers.

Any swimmer, with the permission and approval of his/her own coach, may request the help of the Director of Swimming at any competition where, for one reason or another, they are either unaccompanied by a coach or require extra help or advice. The Director is happy to help any swimmer at any Meet in any capacity with the sanction of that swimmer's coach or club official in the absence of coach. At away meets, it is helpful to have the request in writing prior to departure.

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# Profile of a Champion:

#### **KATHRYN SMITH**

**Bob Craig** 



It was good to see Kathryn Smith at the West District Age Group Championships at Vale of Leven in May. Eighteen months ago Kathryn contracted glandular fever; earlier this year, as we all know, she contracted typhoid fever, followed by a lung infection which together, kept her in hospital for three months. At the time of writing Kathryn is due for a check up and our best wishes go with her for good news. If ever a swimmer deserved a break, it's Kathryn . . .

Kathryn, an unassuming, attractive young lady, has done more for Scottish Freestyle swimming than anyone in recent memory. Coached by Danny McGowan at Cumbernauld, she has always been an ideal pupil.

She learned to swim in 1973, won her first medal in the Inter New Town Gala and in 1976 went on to win her first West District and S.A.S.A. Age Group Medals. Nine years later, her list of achievements is quite outstanding, with 36 records broken, International selections and G.B. selections.

I am sure everyone will join in wishing a very plucky girl the very best of luck and further success in the future.

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29.04 29.15	D. Mochan J. Muir	M/TE W/PY	1.12.33	A. Kent	W/CG		
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29.31	N. Geddes	N/AN	1.12.41	C. McIntyre	E/AE		
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2.11.58	J. Irvine	W/SG	1.14.95	J. Hill	W/LA		
2.12.40	S. Cowie	N/PD	1.18.05 1.18.36	M. Campbell	W/CD		
2.12.42	N. Cochran	N/AN	1.18.70	K. Hourston E. Carnan	N/OY W/PY		
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2.14.65	R. Gilfillan	M/CD	1.19.40	N. Geddes	N/AN		
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2.15.57 2.15.96	G. Skipper F. Davies	W/KH W/PY	1.22.14	S. McNab	E/WB		
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4.35.00	C. Finlay	W/SA	2.47.40	N. Geddes	N/AN		
4.37.27	R. Gilfillan	M/CD	2.48.49 2.49.89	M. Campbell S. Hamilton	W/CD		
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(Federation of 12 Clubs)

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Tel: 031 339 7955

# Annual General Meeting

1982 sees the introduction of a change in format for the Age Group Championships. This year, for the first time ever, the Championships will be centralised, with heats and finals together, over a period of three days. This is the result of a successful change of rule at the Association's A.G.M. in February—a change strongly urged by the Director of Swimming as being fundamental to his overall structure and plans.

In what the Treasurer warned would be a

year of heavy expenditure, delegates supported his recommendations for a rise in the Annual Competitive Fee from £2.00 to £2.50. The Per Capita Fee remains at £1.50. lain Campbell of Taybridge received the Association's Nancy Riach Memorial Medal, awarded annually to the person who has done the most to enhance or uphold the prestige of Scottish swimming in any of its disciplines during the year. This came as a "double" for the Campbell family, with lain's brother, Douglas, gaining the award in 1981. "Junior Swimmer of the Year" was Graeme Wilson of Carnegie - with his award of the W. G. Todd Prize and Trophy.

Retiring President, Mrs. Mae Cochrane, received Life Membership of the Association, together with Mr. Alec Cooper and Mr. Bob Craig.

The Association's President for 1982 is well-known figure, Mr. Tom Nelson of Stirling A.S.C., supported in his rôle by the new Vice President, Mr. Don Hawthorn of Dyce (Aberdeen) A.S.C.

# HAMILTON TAKES THE PLUNGE IN LUXEMBOURG

Viv Johnstone

We were able to take part in this, our first venture abroad, due to generous sponsorship from Quarryknowe Fabricators. The firm agreed to meet all our travel costs to Luxembourg for an international Age-group meet held on 17th/18th April in a new 50m Olympic size pool. We are grateful to our sponsors. Now that we know the ropes we will not hesitate to go again, hopefully on a larger scale.

The main reasons for selecting this competition were that it was single year age groups and a number of our better swimmers are at the "bottom end" of the double year age groups this year; the swimmers were on holiday from school; and there was no clash with 'O' Grades or Highers.

Of the eleven swimmers in the Club aged between 13 and 18 years, who qualified to compete, six were able to go, the rest having already booked for holidays, etc. Two more swimmers made the times a fortnight after the entry date—I don't think they will let that happen again!

We travelled by rail and ferry, for economy reasons, on the Thursday, leaving early morning, and as the first train was an hour late arriving, we missed all our connections through to Luxembourg. We took the overnight ferry to Ostend and the swimmers slept almost non-stop for the rest of the journey—even as they marched from ship to train!—and were none the worse for the change in travel arrangements.

Friday morning and afternoon were spent recovering and discovering our whereabouts, and in the evening we had a training session at the new pool. Every facility was laid on for competing clubs, even on the day prior to the Meet and nothing was too much trouble. The first sight of the pool was very awe-inspiring and by swimming



Photograph shows:

Front row (I-r): Linda Donnelly, Pamela Russell, Clare Connor, Brian Hughes, Greg Russell. Back row (I-r): Mrs. V. Johnstone (coach), Mr. G. Kernahan (Sales Director, Quarry-knowe Fabricators), John McAuley, David Kettle.

Photograph by kind permission of the Hamilton Advertiser.

there prior to the actual competition, it helped the swimmers settle down quickly.

Housed in one huge concrete roofed glass-walled building, were a 10-lane 50m pool, a 25m pool (always available for warm-up and swim down at any time, even during the competition), a diving pool, learner pool, canoeing facilities, gym, sauna, cafeteria, etc. We did not even need our stopwatches as every individual lane split flashed up on the huge board.

The competition itself was excellent and brought out the best in our swimmers. The two top performances from our group were:

100m Freestyle:

Linda Donnelly. Silver. 1.05.2. 13 years. 100m Butterfly:

David Kettle. Bronze. 1.03.08. 16 years. An example of the superb organisation and running of the Meet is shown by the actual time taken between the **start** of one heat and the **start** of the next in the Boys 100m Freestyle. This was never more than 1 min. 30 secs. and in the fastest heats was down to 1 min. 17 secs. We thoroughly enjoyed every minute of it and gained a lot of valuable experience although we were shattered by the time we arrived home.

# S.A.S.A. NATIONAL SWIMMING & DIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS

4th - 7th AUGUST, 1982

at the

**ROYAL COMMONWEALTH POOL, EDINBURGH** 

Closing date for entries: 12th July

## **Letters to the Editor**

Dear Sir,

Changes of Rule - Technical Officials, Coaches, Teachers, Swimmers

Questions:

How do the interpretations of Changes of Rules reach the swimmer?

Do the Technical Officials Committee agree on interpretation?

Do the District Convenors instruct the District Technical Officials?

Do the Technical Officials attend their Clubs and pass on the information to the Coaches/Teachers?

Do the Coaches/Teachers then instruct the swimmers?

Do the S.A.S.A. interpretations agree with those of the A.S.A., U.S.A., Europe, U.S.S.R.?

Do the S.A.S.A. Districts agree?

It is without malice I write - my thoughts are only for the swimmers who, I feel know little or nothing of interpretation of Changes of Rule until taking part in competition. Swimming should never be allowed to develop into a them (the swimmer) and us (the officials). Without the swimmers, all others are redundant . . .

> Yours, etc., R. F. Craig, 5 Bothlyn Avenue, Kirkintilloch.

#### Dear Sir,

I think you will be interested to know that the 1981 Sponsored Swim in aid of spastics, which was sponsored most gallantly by 25 member clubs of your Association, raised almost £4,600 - more than double the previous year's total.

For this excellent result we are indebted to the Association for their support and I would ask you to convey to all members our profound gratitude.

This year's winner, by an outstanding margin, was the Orkney Amateur Swimming Club, who will be presented with our shield in due course. The highest individuals sponsored sum was raised by David Craigie of Kirkwall also, of course, a member of Orkney Amateur Swimming

Thank you for all your help.

Yours, etc., A. D. J. Dickson, Appeals Manager, Scottish Council for Spastics, 22 Corstorphine Road, Edinburgh.

# **EARLY WARNING AYR "200" MEET**

This event will take place on Saturday, 29th January, 1983

**Events:** 

10 and Under: I.M.

11 years

: I.M.

12/13 years

: I.M., BK, BR, F/S

Open

14/15 years : I.M., FLY, BR, BK, F/S : I.M., FLY, BR, BK, F/S



More details in the Autumn

MARK YOUR DIARY NOW!



# EASTER SWIM SCHOOL

Win Hayes

The 1982 S.A.S.A. Easter School took place in early and mid-April. All those who attended should have recovered from the "stresses and excesses" of the week and hopefully are now back in their school or club situation with renewed enthusiasm and additional knowledge.

The School was once again most successful, with 167 candidates attending 13 different Courses (17 Courses in all as there were three Teachers, 2 Preliminary Teachers and 2 Preliminary Coaches) in four different pools, using 540 swimmers/ divers, etc., in classes to work with. There were 20 staff, 7 stewards and 15 assessors involved in the organisation, tutoring and examining of the Courses. It was good to see so many people returning to the School from previous years, in addition to many new faces.

Again, we were most grateful to the many schools, clubs, etc., who provided swimmers for the Courses. We were concerned.

prior to the School, about the clash of the Swim School Coaches Course and the Spring Meet at the R.C.P. from the swimmers' point of view, as well as in relation to the smooth running of the Coaches Course. The concern however, proved groundless as the Courses continued smoothly with coaches or on an individual basis with the small group of swimmers not involved in the Meet.

Course results are just starting to come through, but some do take quite a long time-results come to you directly from the A.S.A. (Loughborough)-NOT from the College or the S.A.S.A. (except S.A.S.A. Preliminary Teachers Swimming and Diving, which have now all been distributed). There are a lot of Courses run all over the country around the Easter period and it is inevitable that this causes a bit of a time lap in getting results processed. I do assure you that results are never held back unnecessarily.

## WATER POLO

D. J. A. Roxburgh

Firstly I would like to thank "Swimscene" for their past displays of Water Polo news, which has helped promote our sport and I would like to express sincere good wishes for Swimscene's new format of quarterly publication.

#### The Domestic Scene

Throughout the Districts and in some cases further afield, Scottish Clubs have been competing in various competitions ranging from local leagues to the British Junior and Senior Championships.

The **Premier League** in Scotland at present embraces six clubs who play each other once. At the moment, Portobello Club are undefeated, with 1930, Hamilton and Warrender tying in second position, and Taybridge and Galashiels bringing up the rear.

Preliminary rounds of the **Scottish Cup** have already got underway and its conclusion will be at Inverness on 19th June. Let's hope plenty of Northern folk turn up to watch the game, which had its origins in the North.

The Senior Inter District Championship was retained by the Eastern District who defeated West 11-9 in the Final. In the Consolation Final, Midlands beat North 11-0.

The Portobello Junior Team almost lifted the **British Junior Championship** for the third successive year although failed, being beaten by 14—13.

West District: Mr. I. Jamieson,

15 Milner Road, Jordanhill, Glasgow.

North District: Mr. A. L. Akers, c/o G. Robb, 13 Albury Place, Aberdeen.

Midland District: Mr. R. Elder,

160 Broughty Ferry Road, Dundee. **East District**: Mr. D. Roxburgh,

3 Upper Gilmour Terrace, Edinburgh.

Scottish events still to be concluded this year are:

June 13 Malta Trophy U/21 Glenrothes

June 19 Scottish Cup Inverness

Aug. 28 Junior Inter District West

Sept. 11 Willie Mellors U/17

Nov. 6) Scottish 1st Division

Nov. 20)

In Scotland there are National Championships for three categories:

U/17 Willie Mellors Memorial Trophy

U/21 Malta Trophy

Senior Scottish Cup

#### The International Scene

Despite the current financial position, Scottish teams are engaged in International Tournaments abroad:

U/18: 25/26 Sept. Ireland v. Scotland

U/21: 9/11 July 6 Nations, Brugge,

Belgium.

Senior: 2/4 July 7 Nations, Oslo,

Norway.

Women's Water Polo is under way in Scotland and there have already been two useful training sessions, including players from Dundee and Edinburgh. The two sessions were under the auspices of Ross Elder (Convenor) and Bruce Beckett (U/18 Coach). If any women are interested, please contact your respective District Convenor:

# SQUAD SELECTION & CRITERIA

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For the 1982/83 season, two squads will be selected for training purposes. These squads will be selected on results from the 1981 National Championships and reassessed on results from the 1982 Short Course Championships. Training weekends are as listed in the Calendar of Events (the Blue Book) 1982.

#### Criteria

#### Squad 1

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- (a) The fastest available swimmer in each stroke and distance shall be selected.
  - (b) A swimmer can only be selected in one event. (If a swimmer is fastest in more than one event, they are selected in the event with the highest score according to German Points Table).
- If an event is still vacant, the next swimmer qualifies, providing they have achieved the Consideration Time.
- If a swimmer has achieved a Consideration Time and there are less than 24 selected at this point, he/she shall be considered for selection. The places shall be filled by taking the swimmers in ranking order from their scores on German Points Table.

#### Squad 2

The next 24 highest scorers on German Points Table shall be selected.

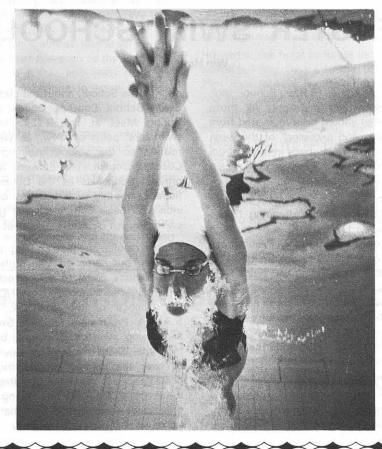
#### **Squad 1 Consideration Times**

Men		Women
55.4	100m Freestyle	1.02.1
2.03.7	200m Freestyle	2.12.8
4.19.6	400m Freestyle	4.36.1
	800m Freestyle	9.32.4
17.03.7	1500m Freestyle	40
1.03.0	100m Backstroke	1.09.8
2.15.2	200m Backstroke	2.29.6
1.11.4	100m Breaststroke	1.19.8
2.33.3	200m Breaststroke	2.51.8
1.01.5	100m Butterfly	1.07.5
2.15.2	200m Butterfly	2.27.4
2.20.3	200m Ind. Medley	2.32.1
4.55.1	400m Ind. Medley	5.18.5

Times listed are Long Course (50m) times.

The National and Esso Youth Teams will be selected as required under the criteria published in the Calendar of Events.

Swimmers aged 16 and under as at 31st December 1983 in either squad will form the basis of the Esso Youth Team. Additional swimmers required for select meets will be drawn from outwith the two squads as required and if necessary.



# SCOTTISH SWIMMING ASSOCIATION COACHES

The new Committee of the S.S.C.A. have been trying to put their house in order and establish certain priorities for 1982. These priorities are:

- 1. To have one member in each Club in Scotland.
- To provide opportunities for Coaches to discuss coaching and swimming.
- To monitor and advise the S.A.S.A. through the Director of Swimming on policy relating to swimmer and coach selection at National level.
- To promote the S.S.C.A. at the "grass root level" of club coaching.

The Committee consists of:

Mr. Danny McGowan

(Cumbernauld)

Chairman

Mr. Wally Lord (Aberdeen) Vice Chairman

Mr. Ian Mason (Paisley)

Treasurer

Mr. Drew Gordon (Scotia) Secretary

Mr. Jim Park (Paisley)

Mr. Iain Tripp (Warrender)

Mr. John McAuley (Hamilton)

Mr. Ron Braund (Director of Swimming) (ex-officio)

We have to report the following achievements on your behalf:

- Our system of Squad selection has been adopted by the S.A.S.A. Swimming Committee.
- Our proposals for National Squad Coaches have been accepted.

- We successfully negotiated a discount on Coaches Passes for National Championships for S.S.C.A. members. (Normal £5.00; S.S.C.A. £2.50).
- Two Clinics at the S.A.S.A. Spring Meet (one finished at 1.30 a.m.!).
- A very successful dinner in Aberdeen-an event not to be missed next vear.
- Sponsorship of the S.S.C.A. by Speedo (Europe) for administration, letterheading and certificates of recognition, awarded annually.
- Full and regular consultation with the Director of Swimming.
- S.S.C.A. Executive were invited to discuss District Swimming future in the S.A.S.A. West District.
- Possibly one major Clinic with swimming personality.

If you want this kind of service or have any ideas, proposals or suggestions for the S.S.C.A. to achieve their objectives and priorities, then JOIN US. Write to the Secretary, Drew Gordon, at: -

10 Clarence Gardens, **GLASGOW** G117JN.

We feel sure that a strong, united voice in coaching can have results - we need your support to do so!

### DIVING

Carol Cooper

#### INTERNATIONAL MEET - THE HAGUE, April

Scotland sent Fiona Hotson, Jane Ogden and Carol Cooper to compete in this 11-country event. Although the very top competitors were not present (excepting Christopher Knode of England) the event provided valuable experience for our girls. One of our three competitors, Fiona was closest to a medal. After a shaky start in the preliminary seven dives, she settled down to dive steadily and consistently, unfortunately, losing vital marks after "washing" several entries. However, entering day 2, the Commonwealth Games qualifying points were still within her sight if she were to maintain the steady scoring of the first day. Unfortunately, this was not to be when her marks slipped slightly in her forward two-and-a-half somersaults, piked. Her eventual points were 343.14.

#### **ESSO SPONSORSHIP CONTINUES**

Esso Petroleum Co. Ltd. have pledged their continued support for the Scottish Age Group Championships and the Esso Youth Squad in 1982. At a lunch in Glasgow earlier this year, Tom Nelson, President of the Association, was presented with Esso's cheque for sponsorship of the Championships and the Youth Squad.



The Esso Youth Sport programme is designed to encourage young people in the pursuit of their particular sports and games.

It reflects the Esso philosophy of 'Looking ahead to keep ahead'. For the programme encourages youth now in activities that will benefit themselves and the country in the future.

Esso Youth Sport is a co-ordinated programme involving schools and youth activities, in the following sports: Swimming, Athletics, Rugby, Soccer, Basketball and Cricket.



