



# Swimming 2000

SCOTTISH AMATEUR SWIMMING ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

The Board of Management is pleased to announce that three new sponsorships have been negotiated and the Board welcomes :-



sponsors of the National Open Swimming and Diving Championships which this year will be a real spectacular with the Water Polo, Masters Championships and the Sharon Davies Show not to mention the final Trials for the Commonwealth Games - **DON'T MISS IT !!**



are the sponsors of the 1994 National Age Group Championships at Ayr 30th June -3rd July. The Board is looking forward to a long association with both companies.



The Board has also concluded a contract for a period of four years which will give SWIMRITE the official rights to shops at all SASA National events. The Board is also negotiating a contract to make SWIMRITE the official mail order supplier to the SASA.

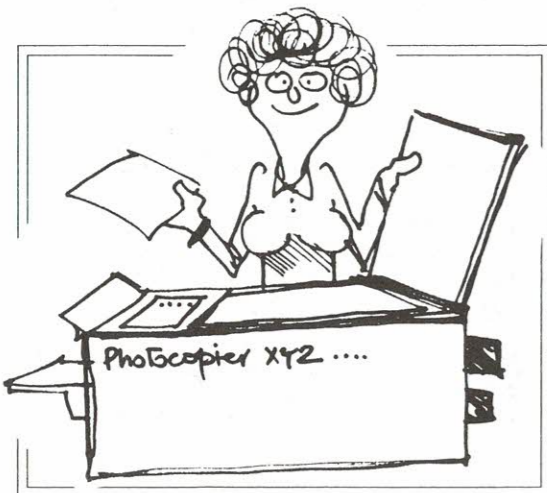
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## memo:

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**EQUIPMENT**

The Association has purchased a new laser printer for the office to enable more professional printing and a greater enhancement of all work carried out - this printer will greatly improve efficiency. Two new 486 Computers with a variety of software such as Wordperfect for Windows 6.0, Window Base 2.0, Desk Top Publishing

has been installed in the office. This software should meet the needs of all disciplines, however, a learning curve by the office staff will be needed in order to maximise its potential and suitable training will have to be provided for the staff to fully utilise the equipment. This will assist the staff to provide a better service from the office to all clubs.

We are presently looking at systems in operation within the office which can be improved upon and many changes have already taken place. The office staff are looking at increasing/improving communication with all members, to this end an Information Booklet and Forward with the Future leaflet have been circulated. The distribution of SWIMMING 2000 has been increased in order to ensure that it is reaching a far and wide readership and a regular club mailing is now going out to all clubs on the last Thursday of each month.

<b>Up to 15 days</b>	
UK	£9,25
Europe	£13,50
Worldwide	£26,50
<b>Up to 22 days</b>	
UK	£10,00
Europe	£16,50
Worldwide	£30,50
<b>Each additional week or part thereof</b>	
UK	£2,25
Europe	£4,00
Worldwide	£7,50
<b>Group Discounts</b>	
Over 10 persons	10%
21 - 50 persons	15%
Over 50 persons	20%

**Please phone the SASA Office for**



**further information.**

Elaine, Hazel and Fiona at the SASA Office are looking to provide an efficient, professional service, however, this will be a two way process and will require co-operation, forward planning and improved communication from all members of the Association.

**INSURANCE**

The Association is now able to offer to all clubs affiliated to the SASA a Travel Insurance service for their members travelling to any destination worldwide, the rates of insurance are very cost effective and these are as follows :-

Up to 8 days	
UK	£08,50
Europe	£12,00
Worldwide	£21,50



**READ SWIMMING 2000**



The City of Glasgow Swim Team are celebrating with their first Annual Team Awards Banquet on the 26th June at Pollokshaws Burgh Hall. Everyone is looking forward to an enjoyable night setting the seal on a great year.

The new Club logo which expresses the revived competitive spirit that Head Coach Dave Bance and his staff have brought to Glasgow.



**MASTERS**

- Group D Eddie Riach
- Group E Denis Thys
- Group F Jim Burgess
- Group G Hugh Cumberland
- Group H John Phillips
- Group J Ken McKay
- Group K Ray McAllister
- Group L Ernest Clemett
- Group M Robert Easton
- BEST IN GROUP - FEMALE**
- Group A Linda Davidson
- Group B Gillian Skipper
- Group C Shirley Carine
- Group D Julie Hector
- Group E Pauline Harrington
- Group F Elaine Bromwich
- Group G Betty McMillan
- Group H Flora Connolly
- Group J Janet Stobie
- Group K Johnnie Finnie

**MASTERS**

The SCOTTISH OPEN NATIONAL SHORT COURSE MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIPS were held at the Hector McNeil Baths, Greenock from the 6 - 8 May 1994. The Championships were sponsored by Inverclyde District Council. The weekend was a great success with record breaking performances from swimmers throughout the age groups. With Scottish Masters competing later this year in the FINA World Masters Championships in Montreal, Canada and at the World Masters Games (all sports) in Brisbane, Australia there was an outstanding spree of record breaking at World, European, British and Scottish level. Over the three day meet 45 records were set, pride of place goes to 60 year old Flora Connolly from Edinburgh who broke two World Masters records :- 100m Butterfly in 1.29.99 and the 200m Individual Medley in 3.11.84. Glasgow's Eddie Riach (40+) set a new European Masters Record of 2.07.31 in the 200m Freestyle. Ken McKay Motherwell Masters 65 + years set three new records and won a maximum of 12 gold medals. Glasgow Nomads Masters had their best ever performance with 46 medals, their star being Iain Teaz who broke two British Masters records and 12 Scottish Masters records in the 25+ age group.

- BEST IN GROUP MALE**
- Group A Iain Teaz
  - Group B Steven Harris
  - Group C Chris Moncrieff

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### AGM REPORT CONTINUED

Ian Mason addressed the meeting and began by pointing out the great significance of this AGM in providing an opportunity to formalise the interim arrangements which had been in place since the EGM of June 1993.

He said that the SASA Council should be congratulated for being far-sighted and brave enough to put the Association under such close scrutiny.

Ian then explained the work being done by each Vice Chairman of the Board.

### EDUCATION

Massive changes are taking place in Education with the introduction of the SNVQ system in swimming from 1 September 1994. Win Hayes has been in negotiation with the ASA and the Scottish Sports Council to prepare the Association for the changes. An integrated education strategy was the intention of the Board involving teachers, coaches, officials and administrators. A full partnership with the ASA was being negotiated to ensure an income and incentive to train more teachers and coaches.

### ADMINISTRATION and FINANCE

Ian introduced the new Administration Manager Mrs Elaine McKenzie and the Vice Chairman Stuart Martin. He said that they were currently looking at new systems of management, value for money programmes, and new systems of budgetary control. The priority was to ensure that the membership

received the highest quality service from the administration staff, however, this is a two way process and needs the co-operation of National Conveners, District Secretaries and many others. Stuart Martin will be working closely with all budget holders to ensure effective controls and systems of accountability are in place. Sustaining and

developing our financial reserves building on the excellent work already done by Bill Charles.

### MARKETING

In the area of Marketing he emphasised the importance of Murdo Wallace's task in public relations and sponsorship. Income generation in all its forms was necessary to implement the plans that the Sport has proposed. He stressed that in the present difficult financial climate it was a formidable task. The income from the National Raffle will be put into education and development in the coming year.

### COMMUNICATION

Various systems of communication are being put into place including a series of pamphlets and an information booklet. A meeting with the national press to improve our press coverage and the appointment of District Press Secretaries to improve local coverage.

### DISCIPLINES

Wally Lord has undertaken a very complicated task in co-ordinating the work of the various aspects of our sport. The programmes are the responsibility of each committee with Wally as the facilitator and someone with considerable knowledge and background in swimming and water polo. When the new Director of Swimming is appointed Wally will liaise between the Committees and the Director to ensure effective planning at this end of the sports development continuum. Considerable pressure will fall on the committees in the coming year to carry forward and develop the initial work of the

project groups. Wally will support and co-ordinate this effort.

### DEVELOPMENT

Sandy Brunton is involved in a number of projects such as a development model for clubs, remits for potential Development Officers, development plans with the Districts and the Scottish Schools Swimming Association

### CHAIRMAN

Ian said that the past year had been the busiest in his swimming career of twenty years. He reiterated his remit from the Genesis Report viz:

- 1 Overall management and planning.
- 2 Management of the employees.
- 3 Custodian of the development plan.
- 4 Responsibility for external relations.

### SCOTTISH SPORTS COUNCIL

Regular meetings have been held with the officers of the SSC including Colin Pearson who is in charge of governing body review programmes, Ian Russell swimming liaison and Brian Samson who oversees coaching matters.

A process of developing a number of initiatives is taking place and these will soon be apparent to the members. The annual grant-in-aid from the SSC was increased this year albeit by inflation level but we are one of the few sports to receive this, many have received no increase due to an unwillingness to change and modernise.

### CONSTITUTION

Ian then repeated his earlier remarks about the importance of the day for the sport. He explained what the proposed changes meant - the present Board continues until February 1995 when Council will appoint a Board for four years with an annual ratification. The Council will consist of the President, Vice President and two representatives from each District giving a total of ten members. The Chairman and Vice Chairman Admin. will attend Council meetings to ensure good communication.

More next issue .....

# TAKE THE PLUNGE WITH THE SCOTTISH SPEEDO AWARDS

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## SYNCHRO NEWS

### FIFE SYNCHRO DEVELOPMENT WEEKEND

A Synchro Swimming training weekend was held on Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th May 1994 at the Carnegie Centre, Dunfermline. Twenty-three girls beginners to Grade 2, from Glenrothes and Dunfermline Synchro Clubs attended.

At the upgrading at the end of the weekend four girls passed the Grade 1 test.

The weekend was organised by Dunfermline Synchro Club and funded by the Indoor Watersports Development Group of the Dunfermline District Sports Council. All the swimmers enjoyed the training and hopefully benefitted from it. It is hoped that another weekend can be organised, probably early in 1995.

Thanks are due to the organisers Janis and Brian Malcolmson, to the four coaches from the Edinburgh Synchro Club and the participating Club coaches for their hard work and meeting a need to promote and develop the sport.

### NEIL TAKES THE PLUNGE !

Neil Cochran of Aberdeen (medalist at the 1984 Olympic Games in Los Angeles) now living in the United States was married on the 16th April in Denver, Colorado. His bride is Eileen Brennan from Scottsdale, Arizona.

Thirty guests travelled from the UK for the wedding the Scottish contingent dressed in kilts and to add to the Scottish touch there was a piper to greet the couple outside the Holy Trinity Church in downtown Denver. The wedding was at 7am and a great time was had by all in spite of the temperature which rose from freezing at the beginning of the week to 75° on the wedding day.

Neil now works as a Broker and Eileen is an Insurance Assessor their new home is at 369 South High Street, DENVER, Colorado, 80209 USA.

Congratulations to them both and best wishes for a long and happy marriage.

### GREAT BRITAIN REVIEW

The future structure of Great Britain Swimming is being developed over the coming months, the first stage in this process is a series of OPEN FORUMS throughout Great Britain. The five areas of England plus Wales and Scotland will shortly be holding these events in an attempt at opening the debate on potential future structures in order that various options can be developed.

The Scottish Forum will be held on: Saturday 11 June 1994 at the Queens Hotel, Perth from 1 till 4 pm.

This is an Open Forum seeking your views on the present ASFGB structure. All National, District, Club Officials are invited to this event.

Alistair Gray, Genesis Consultants, who has been appointed to run the project will lead the debate on :-

**Past and Present Effectiveness of Current Structure Future Priorities Organisation and Administration Resources and Policies ITS YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE AN INPUT TO THE FUTURE DIRECTION OF THE SPORT IN GREAT BRITAIN**

*Ye Amphibious Ancients Bathing Association*

EVENT	VENUE	DATE	BRIEFING	START	ENTRY BY	DISTANCE	TIDE
Club Senior Single	Tayport - Broughty Ferry	11 June	4.35pm	5.05pm	11 May	1 mile	HT 4.9
Club Junior Single	Tayport - Broughty Ferry	14 June	6.35pm	7.05pm	14 May	1 mile	HT 4.7
Open Championship Kirkton of Balmerino	Balmerino - Broughty Ferry	18 June	9.00am	10.30am	18 May	8 miles	HT 4.7
Open Championship Tayport Cup	Broughty Ferry - Tayport	19 June	10.45am	11.25am	19 May	1 mile	HT 4.7
Club Junior Double	Broughty Ferry- Tayport- Broughty Ferry	21 June	7.30pm	8.00pm	21 May	2 miles	LT
Dundee District Council - Bridge - Bridge	Railway - Road Bridge	28 June	6.35pm	7.35pm	28 May	1 mile	HT 4.8
Open Championship - Double Tay	Broughty Ferry- Tayport- Broughty Ferry	2 July	4.30pm	5.00pm	2 June	2 miles	HT 4.8
Open Championship - Woodhaven	Broughty Ferry - Woodhaven(Wormit)	3 July	8.30am	9.00am	3 June	5 miles	HT 4.8
Broughty Raft Race	Balmossie - Broughty Ferry	10 July	2.00pm	3.00pm	10 June		HT 5.1
Open Championship - Veterans' Single	Tayport - Broughty Ferry	17 July	4.15pm	4.40pm	17 June	1 mile	LT
Open Championship - Loch Earn	Lochearnhead - St. Fillans	21 August	9.30am	10.00am	21 July	6.1 miles	-----
Club Senior Championship	Olympia L.C. - Broughty Ferry	18 September	3.00pm	3.30pm	18 August	4 miles	HT 5.2

**SASA - MIDLAND DISTRICT**

Juvenile - Monikie	North Pond	12 June	12.45pm	1.00pm	12 May	500yards	-----
Junior - Monikie	1 Circuit of Pond	12 June	1.30pm	1.45pm	12 May	1 mile	-----
Senior - Monikie	2 Circuits of Pond	12 June	2.15pm	2.30pm	12 May	2 miles	-----
Junior - Stannergate	Stannergate - Broughty Ferry	14 July	7.30pm	7.50pm	14 June	2 miles	HT 4.9
Junior - Loch Earn	Derry Point - St. Fillans	23 July	10.30am	11.00am	23 June	3miles	-----
Senior Championship	Broughty Ferry - Olympia L.C.	15 August	6.30pm	7.00pm	15 July	4 miles	HT 4.6
Senior Championship	Tummelbridge - Cluny Dam	28 August	10.30am	11.00am	28 July	7.1 miles	-----

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Senior Open Championship	Step Rock, St. Andrews	25 June	3.30pm	4.00pm	25 May	2miles	
Junior Open Championship	Lochore Meadows	9 July	8.30am	9.00am	9 June	1 mile	
Juvenile Open Championship	Pile Light - Tayport	24 July	3.30pm	4.00pm	24 June	500yards	
Junior Open Championship	Loch Lubnaig	30 July	10.00am	11.00am	30 June	4 miles	
Senior Open Championship	Loch Rannoch	13 August	9.30am	10.00am	13 July	10 miles	
Junior International	Loch Lubnaig	20 August	10.00am	11.00am	20 July	4 Miles	

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**RAFFLE**

It is only a few weeks to go to the draw and the winner of the super FIAT PANDA car will be revealed - now is the time to make the final push with your ticket sales at only 20p each its a bargain. As well as the major prize there are lots of fabulous other prizes at the last count totalling 51. The £1000 foreign holiday for two plus 10 weekends at luxury hotels gives a greater number of opportunities to win a prize. The bonus to clubs is a boost to funds and a chance to help establish the Education and Development Fund earmarked for the income from the Raffle. In this way clubs can benefit all round.

**NB MORE TICKETS CAN BE ORDERED FROM THE SASA OFFICE**

**SYNCHRO**

The National Age Group Championships will be held at Drumchapel Swimming Pool Glasgow on the 11 June. Warm-up starts at 12 noon and the competition at 1pm. Entry forms and further information from the SASA Office.

**TRAINING CAMP**

A successful training camp was held at Tulliallan Police College from the 1 - 4 April. Patricia Maggs Coach to the GB Junior Team at the FINA Junior World Championships in 1993 coached the 15+ Squad. Natalie Liddell (Glasgow) and Catriona McInnes (Garnock) coached the 13/14 Squad. The purpose of the camp was to enable both squads to work on team routines which will be used throughout the year for their respective events. Both squads worked extremely hard and successfully completed both team routines to a high standard. The 13/14 Squad won their first event on the 9 April at Tulliallan a triangular contest.

**WATER POLO NEWS**

Howie Cartwright has been reappointed as Senior Coach after successfully guiding the Senior Team to their 3rd win in a row in the Home Nations Tournament.

Eight teams have entered the Scottish Senior National League and five at Junior level.

The finals of the following Water Polo Championships will be held at the Royal Commonwealth Pool on Friday 17 June starting at 6.15pm Scottish Cup, Willie Mellors (U17), Scottish Womens' Championship. The SWPC appreciate the support from sponsor Uncle Ben's for these events.

The Malta Trophy (U21) final will take place at Wishaw on Saturday the 18 June at 4.30pm.

Dunfermline WPC qualified for the finals of the British Deep Water League and finished in 3rd place.

The following players have been invited to GB Senior Squad training: D. Campbell, B. Littlejohn, B. Elder and D. Stewart (Dunfermline WPC) R. Valvona, K. Anderson (Portobello) and P. Lamb (Warrender).

Players selected for GB Junior training are:- G. Elder, C. Fraser (Dunfermline WPC), D. Fleming (Portobello), M. Dornan, C. Hutchison, P. MacDowall (Renfrew Aqua).

Ross Elder has been appointed neutral referee for the European Junior Qualifying Tournament.

A Water Polo Referees Seminar was held recently and was conducted by Ross Elder. Fourteen persons attended and set up an Ad Hoc Committee to draw up a constitution for a Water Polo Referees Association.

The current timing and officiating equipment being used at Scottish events is now out of date and needs urgently replaced. The technical nature of the modern game requires teams to have experience of timing equipment or they will be at a great disadvantage against teams



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used to the latest equipment.

There was a poor response from Water Polo Clubs to the meeting arranged with Vice Chairman Disciplines Wally Lord, another meeting is being called and invitations sent to those with an interest in progressing Water Polo.

Alex Burgoyne has with drawn his letter of resignation and will continue as coach to the Scottish and Great Britain Junior Teams.

GB Water Polo Team Managers are making life difficult for Scottish players with very late notification of training weekends - letters of complaint have been sent from the Association.

Portobello ASC have paid a fine of £200 imposed by the SWPC following an incident involving their players at Cardiff after the Home Nations Tournament. The Club had been warned regarding future behaviour after the Premier League Tournament last October. Giles Gilhooly was suspended for one month and Barry Davidson and Ramon Valvona received written warnings.

**EDUCATION**

To keep the present system going Tutor candidates are being given support by District Education Conveners to ensure attachments to courses and assessment opportunities.

A number of Prelim Tutors have now been registered and three candidates for the post of Tutor will be assessed at Montrose on 21 May.

With regard to the new structure four Scottish Tutors have undergone assessor training in preparation for the new Governing Body awards and S/NVQs. Principal Tutors S. Dobie, A. Hart, W. Hayes and Coach A. Lynn.

A pilot scheme took place over two weekends at Stirling with a group of candidates who hold the present Teachers' certificate. As with other pilot schemes run throughout the UK, three and a half days was insufficient to do justice to the new material for LEVEL II Teachers.