

## BECKENHAM SWIMMING CLUB - NEWS! ISSUE 2



Welcome to the second issue of BSC news. Thanks for all the positive comments and also for your numerous ideas for naming this newsletter. The various suggestions will be with Committee shortly, and the chosen name will adorn the September issue - and prize will follow.

Don't forget! You can be a contributor - send in your news about swimming, other sports or just a topic which you feel would be of interest to BSC. Contact Hilary on [john@hamo6055.plus.com](mailto:john@hamo6055.plus.com) or 020 8857 4977. I am looking forward to hearing from you!

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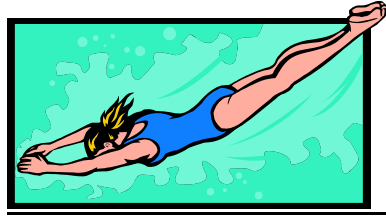
**GOOD LUCK TO ALL COMPETING IN THE NATIONALS!**

### LONDON BAGCAT RESULTS - June, 2008



Once again our valiant coaches and swimmers trekked across vast landscapes of unknown territory.....(*steady on, it's not that far!* - Ed) to Gurnell Pool, home of Ealing SC, which played host to the BAGCAT Championships, having hosted the Youth Championships in May. Our large squad competed extremely well and was very successful gaining a good number of podium placings, PBs and NQTs. Full results can be obtained from the London Region Swimming web-site - [www.londonswimming.org](http://www.londonswimming.org). ***Congratulations to all who took part in the London Region BAGCATS!***

## KENT JUNIOR LEAGUE - ROUND 1 - 21/6/08 at SEVENOAKS



It was a hot and steamy evening at Sevenoaks pool for the first round of this League. Our well-supported team, both on pool-side and in the even hotter balcony, swam consistently and showed real determination and excellent all-round swimming. As a result, the team ended up with a total of 24 first places, 16 seconds and 7 thirds out of 53 events; very impressive. The final team points were: - BSC 260; Thanet 224; Canterbury 204; Sevenoaks 189; RTW Monson 135 and Bexley 35. Thanks must go to the coaches, team managers and officials and the balcony support team. But, most importantly, thanks to the swimmers for a fantastic evening of great swimming and team-work. *Good luck in the next round!*

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 11th June, 2008



This meeting started off with the presentation of *Jack Petchey* awards to a number of swimmers; this was carried out by Kay Grimshaw, President of London Region and later this year to be President of the ASA itself. Winners were:- *Tom Cordrey, Marlon Gasparotto, Gabriel Dada, Tom Cart, Rahul Bagga, Jade Donaldson, Barclay Bram-Shoemaker, George Chan and Emily Grant*. The Leaders Award went to *Cilla Daniel*. All thoroughly deserved, and a number of photos taken which adorn our web-site. After the legal business of the night was completed, the Club Trophies were awarded as follows:-

*Emily McClymont*- Junior Endeavour; *Steph Denny* - Junior Female Swimmer; *Michael Gunning* - Junior Male Swimmer; *Liesje Van de Velde* - Senior Female swimmer; *Ricky Outhwaite* - Senior Male swimmer; *Pat Baker* - Water Polo player; *Tom Cart* -Most Improved Water Polo player; *Richard Collins* - Bedford Trophy for Club Person of the year and *Luke Forryan* - Jackie Brown Trophy for Club & Platinum Squads.

The *Club captains* for 2008/9 are -

Senior Male - *Ricky Outhwaite* and Senior Female - *Emma Schofield*

Junior Male - *Michael Gunning* and Junior Female - *Hannah Vigers*

*Congratulations to all award winners, and good luck to our new Senior and Junior Club captains, too.*

And now for a new feature which will involve coaches, Committee members and swimmers in answering a few questions about themselves...and the first in the hot-seat is **TONY BECKLEY**.....

**TEN THINGS YOU DID NOT KNOW ABOUT.....TONY BECKLEY**

Favourite Film(s) - all the Rocky Films, but "Raging Bull" is a real favourite

Favourite Food - 'Pie & Mash' (good South London Boy at heart!)

Favourite Music - Madness/Jam/Specials - am going to a Madness concert in December



Football club - Milwall FC (season ticket holder)

Interest(s) - Thai Boxing and Boxing - used to do quite a lot (*you have been warned! Ed*).



Things I hate - Bad manners - if you open a door for someone, they should thank you, for example; cowardly e-mails and two-faced people!

Motto/Chant - "No-one likes us and we don't care"

Cat or Dog - Dog! Have a Staff terrier called 'Tyler'

First swimming medal - Probably the London Schools Championships for winning the fly

Likes/dislikes about swim meets - Swimmers enjoying themselves/ 'moody' swimmers; must be positive

Thanks to Tony for his thoughts and being so helpful. Another willing person/victim will be in the hot seat next issue.....

**CLUB SQUAD -**

Taking part in the annual '**SWIMATHON**' is a great way to raise money for charity, and this year Club Squad took part using a training session to complete the distance. Not only was over £760 raised, but the swimmers enjoyed themselves too and a huge amount of team spirit was shown in the relay style challenge.

***Congratulations to all!***

*Please send any ideas/suggestions/articles about swimming/other sports or other interesting information to Hilary by **30/8/08** for the September issue - which will be complete with new name!*

***Have a great summer!***

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