



**Clitheroe Dolphins**  
& District Amateur Swim Club  
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## WEEKLY NEWS ROUND-UP - Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2019

If you still have any suggestions or questions you would like to see covered in future newsletters, please get in touch with Lee Scanlan ([leescanlan@clitheroedolphins.co.uk](mailto:leescanlan@clitheroedolphins.co.uk)) or ask a member of the committee at one of the pools.

### **Swim Club Manager**

Following on from last week's request please can I remind you that we are looking to use our swim club manager software to ensure we keep swimmer details up to date. It will allow us to set up all parents so that they can update personal information, medical information and contact details for themselves and their swimmers. It will also allow you to monitor progress and swimming times when we get it up to date with recent times. Therefore, we are asking all parents of swimmers, and swimmers over 18, to send an email to [leescanlan@clitheroedolphins.co.uk](mailto:leescanlan@clitheroedolphins.co.uk) with the following information:

***Parents Name***

***Parents/swimmers email address***

***Swimmer(s) names, and DOB***

Once I have this information, I will set you up on the system, and email out your username, password and instructions on how to use the system. Over the coming months we will be setting up the software to a sell club merchandise and kit, and to manage gala entries.

### **Micro League Update**

Firstly, a massive well done to the swimmers who took part in the Microleague meeting last Sunday at Accrington Academy, it was a fabulous event with some brilliant swims and loads of new personal bests. As always, our swimmers, coaches, parents & supporters did us proud, swimming hard and creating a noisy but fun atmosphere. Well done also to new captains Felix Snowden and Alex Holmes leading their team for the first time.

The next round of the competition is on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May and not Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May as previously advertised.

### **Swimmer Behaviour**

Please can we remind all swimmers that whilst sessions are designed to be enjoyable as well as challenging, we expect ALL swimmers to behave and not disrupt sessions. In recent weeks there has been a growing trend of poor behaviour in some sessions resulting in the sessions being disrupted. In future any swimmer found to be misbehaving or disrupting sessions will be asked to sit out the remainder of that session.

### **Training Session Cancelled**

The Saturday morning sessions at both Ribblesdale Pool and Roefield Gym on Sat 30<sup>th</sup> March are cancelled due to Coaches and Swimmers attending the Burnley Bobcats gala on that day.

### **Timekeeper Training**

The club is always looking for people willing to help at galas and on poolside. In order to ensure we have enough trained timekeepers; the club are looking to arrange a course at one of our pools for willing parents and volunteers. We need timekeepers for our own sprint gala and galas such as microleague. The training lasts a couple of hours and will be run during a training session. Can anyone interested please email me at [leescanlan@clitheroedolphins.co.uk](mailto:leescanlan@clitheroedolphins.co.uk)

## **Monthly Fees Reminder**

With moves between training groups starting to happen, can we remind all parents to check their swimmer's monthly fees are adjusted to reflect the groups they are swimming in. Current fees are set at:

<b>Dolphins</b>	£30
<b>D3</b>	£40
<b>D2</b>	£45
<b>D1</b>	£50
<b>Swim Skills</b>	£30

Going forward swimmers will be given an information pack detailing the kit requirements, fees changes and training times each time they move up the training groups.

## **Blackpool Rocks Gala Entries are Open – Reminder – DEADLINE 9<sup>th</sup> MARCH**

The entry criteria for the Blackpool Rocks Gala are now available. The gala entry selection is on a first come first served basis, so we are asking for entries to be submitted to Seamus on [galaentries@clitheroedolphins.co.uk](mailto:galaentries@clitheroedolphins.co.uk) by **Saturday the 9<sup>th</sup> March**. This way that we can make sure entries are submitted to the organisers as soon as the entry window opens, giving us the best chance to ensure our swimmers compete.

The gala takes place on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> of May at Blackpool's Palatine Leisure Centre and is recommended as a good gala to enter for newer swimmers looking to take their first steps into competitive swimming. Dolphins are always well represented, and the event is always fun and friendly. Below are the links to the information you need:

[Blackpool Rocks 2019 Consideration Times](#)

[Blackpool Rocks 2019 Entry Form](#)

[Blackpool Rocks 2019 Event Conditions](#)

[Blackpool Rocks 2019 Programme of Events](#)

Payment for the gala entries can be done either in cash or by cheques made payable to 'CDASC' to any member of the committee or coaching staff.

If you are considering entering a gala for the first time and have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

## **Clitheroe FC - Comedy Night**

Our friends at Clitheroe FC, the hosts of our annual quiz night, have extended an invitation to their inaugural comedy night on Friday March 8<sup>th</sup> to all adults at the club. Tickets are priced at £10 per person and this is an adults only event, more information on the event can be found at:

[Clitheroe FC comedy night](#)

## **Make money by shopping for Dolphins**

As always Clitheroe Dolphins are continually looking to raise money to help us improve the equipment and coaching at the club, but did you know you can help make Dolphins money by simply shopping on the internet?

Shopping via the Dolphins cause on [Easyfundraising.co.uk](http://Easyfundraising.co.uk) means you can earn valuable donations for the club by shopping for anything from Holidays to the weekly shop, or Broadband to Stationery. With well know High St and internet retailers participating it really couldn't be easier to boost vital funds. Simply visit the link below and join the cause. We have already earned over £200 in just two months!



<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/invite/E6TJY8/CTF11/>

## **Sponsorship Opportunities**

Staying on the fundraising theme, we are always on the lookout for new sponsors and corporate partners. We have a wide number of opportunities available ranging from Club title sponsor, through to gala and squad sponsorship. With the start of the Micro league season and the Swim League season just around the corner, there isn't a better time to seize the opportunity to

support the club whilst also exploiting the opportunity to advertise your brand across the region. All our packages are negotiable, and details can be found on our website and at the link below.

<http://clitheroedolphins.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/Clitheroe-Dolphins-Sponsorship-Opportunities.pdf>

### **Round Up of upcoming events and dates**

#### **Sat 9<sup>th</sup> Mar – Deadline for entries For the Blackpool Rocks gala**

Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> Mar – Open Club Meeting (all free to attend)

Sat 30<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> March – Burnley 'Last Chance Gala'

Sat 6<sup>th</sup> Apr – Swim League Meet @ Salt Ayre, Lancaster (Note Venue Change)

Tue 30<sup>th</sup> Apr – Committee Meeting

Sat 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> May – Blackpool Rocks Gala – Palatine Leisure Centre

Sun 19<sup>th</sup> May – Microleague meet @ Knowsley

Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> May – Open Club Meeting (all free to attend)

Sat 1<sup>st</sup> June – Swim League Meet @ Palatine, Blackpool

Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Microleague meet @ Leyland

Sun 30<sup>th</sup> June – Microleague meet, @ Stonyhurst

Sat 13<sup>th</sup> & Sun 14<sup>th</sup> July - North Lancs Level 3 Meet – Palatine Leisure Centre

Sat 28<sup>th</sup> & Sun 29<sup>th</sup> Sept - North Lancs Level 2 Meet Weekend 1 – Palatine Leisure Centre

Sat 19<sup>th</sup> & Sun 20<sup>th</sup> Oct - North Lancs Level 2 Meet Weekend 2 – Palatine Leisure Centre