

Cridders Swimming Eye

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Swim School Developments

At Cridders we are constantly looking at ways to improve the service we provide. During the last few years we have had many suggestions by parents that have been considered and implemented where possible or appropriate and we would like to thank all those who have suggested things. Please keep them coming.

Web Site

One development this term is that we now have a web site and an email address. There are many features on this site and we will endeavour to keep it updated. If there is anything that you feel needs adding then please let us know. The newsletter will be posted on this site, which you can download. A big thanks to Dave Moore for all his help

ASA Swim School Scheme

The A.S.A. is the main governing body for swimming in the UK. They have during recent years become more professional in every aspect of swimming. They are looked upon as leaders in the amateur sports arena for providing a framework for clubs/schools to work to. This year they started the ASA Swim School Scheme. Swim schools that fulfilled the criteria were invited to join. Some of the criteria are to do with child protection, health and safety and customer care. We applied and were accepted as a full member. In addition to this we are now also a member of Havering Sports Council.

Payments / Fees

In the last issue we talked about improving payment schemes as most of the payment days fell at the worst time of the year i.e. Christmas. Of those who offered their opinion most were in favour of the proposal. Therefore we will be implementing the scheme with immediate effect. A full explanation of is on the following page with full details of the coming years learn to swim programme. Payment of fees must be on time. As a school of our payments are up front, so if you are late with paying we could have a cash flow problem that could affect the school's operation. **So please pay promptly. Please note that Wednesday swimming does not start until 27/9/06**

Please make all cheques payable to Trevor Cridland for school fees

Booking forms

With the new payment scheme we will only require a booking form annually however, it is your responsibility to inform us of any changes, especially medical ones as soon as they occur. The booking form will be sent out this term. The booking form was our way of checking that payment had been received and that the swimmer was put back on the registers. It is likely that we will give each member of the school a membership card later in the year that will be handed in each time a payment is made and then returned once processed. However this idea needs further discussion and we will let you know the out come shortly.

Teacher Training

At Cridders we pride ourselves on keeping up to date with current educational trends and continual professional developments within our sports. Our teachers in the coming year will all attend three staff training days run by the ASA or an in house provider. The subjects vary from life saving to child development. In addition to this we also hold regular formal and informal meetings to discuss swimmers progress and any difficulties teachers may feel they are having. We are looking to provide a workshop for child protection in September for our own teachers and for other swim schools in the area.

SFP Swim Fit Programme

The SFP is now up and running at Gaynes School. This has been a big success. Because the nature of the programme we can be more innovative than in the Learn To Swim Programme. The technique and the fitness of the participants have really improved. The sessions are designed to make sure that swimmers exert themselves and have fun. Spaces are limited as the coach pupil ratio is very low however there are some spaces available the up coming course.

For more information and to reserve your place please contact Trevor on 01708 227481 or at any one of the sessions.

Swim School Tee Shirts

Recently it was suggested to me that maybe the school could offer the possibility of buying Cridders Swim School Tee Shirts. I have considered this in the past but have avoided this because I did not think there would be much interest. If there is sufficient interest in getting things like towels, tee shirts etc with the Cridders Logo on I will look into this. So please let me know.

Swim school learn to swim payments explained

The method of collecting fees has been changed after consultation with members earlier this year. The change will take immediate effect and the table on the following page lays out what sessions you are paying for and the dates of those sessions.

- ❖ Each school year is divided into 3 terms Autumn, Spring and Summer. Payments have always been made at the end of each term for the up coming term. The problem with this is that payments are always due at the most expensive time of the year e.g. Christmas and therefore family's budgets are squeezed.
- ❖ The new system does not alter the amount you pay but helps your family budget. There are still 3 terms and three payment periods as before but the fees will now be due at half term, except for the initial start date.
- ❖ There will now be three payment periods colour coded Yellow period 1, Blue Period 2 and Green for period 3
- ❖ Each period will cover the end of one term and the beginning of the next. Please note that the first period 1 will only be for the start of the Autumn term. Period 2 is for end of Autumn and the beginning of Spring term.
- ❖ On the following page are the payment periods. Initially payment period 1 will be for a period of 7 weeks.
- ❖ The payment period 2 is for 12 weeks and takes in the end of Autumn term and the beginning of Spring term.
- ❖ Adjustments will be made to take account of bank holidays. If you decide that you are going to finish at the end of the school term you will only be obliged to pay till the end of term.

Should you have any difficulty understanding this table please see Trevor. There is no Autumn half term break this year due to pool repair work delaying the opening of the pool until the 18/9/2006. We will advise everybody when the next payment is due. **Wednesday session please note this session does not begin until 27/9/06.**

The first payment is due on 3/7/06 and is for £29 as shown in the table.

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Payment periods

Payment period 1	Session	Monday	Wednesday	Saturday
Autumn term begins	Fee due	03/07/2006	03/07/2006	03/07/2006
Duration 7 weeks	Fee	£29.00	£24.85	£29.00
18-Sep-06	week 1	start of term	Closed	start of term
25-Sep-06	week 2		start of term	
02-Oct-06	week 3			
09-Oct-06	week 4			
16-Oct-06	week 5			
23-Oct-06	week 6			
30-Oct-06	week 7			
Payment period 2	Fee due	30-Oct-06	30-Oct-06	30-Oct-06
Duration 12 weeks	Fee	£47.00	£51.00	£51.00
06-Nov-06	Week 8			
13-Nov-06	Week 9			
20-Nov-06	Week 10			
27-Nov-06	Week 11			
04-Dec-06	Week 12			
11-Dec-06	Week 13	End of term	End of term	End of term
Spring term begins	Christmas	Closed	Closed	Closed
01-Jan-07	Week 1	Closed	start of term	start of term
08-Jan-07	Week 2	start of term		
15-Jan-07	Week 3			
22-Jan-07	Week 4			
29-Jan-07	Week 5			
05-Feb-07	Week 6			
Payment period 3	Fee due	05-Feb-07	05-Feb-07	05-Feb-07
Duration 12 weeks	Fee	TBA	TBA	TBA
19-Feb-07	Week 7			
26-Feb-07	Week 8			
5-Mar-07	Week 9			
12-Mar-07	Week 10			
19-Mar-07	Week 11			
26-Mar-07	Week 12	End of term	End of term	End of term
Summer term begins	Easter	Closed	Closed	Closed
16-Apr-07	Week 1	start of term	start of term	start of term
23-Apr-07	Week 2			
30-Apr-07	Week 3			
7-May-07	Week 4			
14-May-07	Week 5			
21-May-07	Week 6	Closed		
Payment period 1	Fee due	14-May-07	21-May-07	21-May-07
Duration 14 weeks	Fee	TBA	TBA	TBA
04-Jun-07	Week 8			
11-Jun-07	Week 9			
18-Jun-07	Week 10			
25-Jun-07	Week 11			
02-Jul-07	Week 12			
09-Jul-07	Week 13			
16-Jul-07	Week 14	End of term	End of term	End of term
Autumn term begins	Summer holiday	Closed	Closed	Closed
03-Sep-07	Week 1	start of term	start of term	start of term
10-Sep-07	Week 2			
17-Sep-07	Week 3			
24-Sep-07	Week 4			
01-Oct-07	Week 5			
08-Oct-07	Week 6			
15-Oct-07	Week 7			
Payment period 2	Fee due	15-Oct-07	15-Oct-07	15-Oct-07
14 weeks	Fee	TBA	TBA	TBA

Payment period one Summer half term till Autumn half term

Payment period two Autumn half term till Spring half term

Payment period three Spring half term till summer half term

Emma, I scored 3 goals in the world cup final and I am a Knight.

Am I bovvered?
Anyway I am a better swimmer than you



Did you see Emma at the world cup? She was the mascot with John Terry in the Paraguay game. Well done Emma we hope you had a good time.

Wedding bells for Gemma

Gemma is getting married to Carl in August 2006.

We wish you well and hope all your troubles are little ones.

Congratulations to Nicola and Alex on the birth of their son Michael. Nice to have you back Nic.

Swim Wear,

A polite reminder. Swim caps must be used and appropriate to the class. One-piece swimsuit for the girls please and no baggy long shorts for the boys. Goggles are permitted but swimmers must be informed by parents/carers of their correct use.

Thank you, Trevor

