

From the Chair - We held our regular committee meeting on 18 May - thank you to those of you who raised any points for discussion. We had feedback about the timing of some of the YSD sessions and we're discussing that with your squad rep. We also discussed land training, particularly for our younger squads. Unfortunately, we no longer have access to a room in Elswick on Sunday afternoon. Attendance at those sessions can also be an issue. We are looking at alternatives and will let you know as soon as we can. Thanks, from all the committee to Alison and Nicola who are stepping down from their committee roles - you have both been a great asset to the club - Thanks all, Stevie

Hi everyone,

May has been a slightly more relaxed month on the competition front than April! Some of our age groupers completed their Regional campaign in Leeds, whilst a large cohort of GAW swimmers competed in a sprint meet in Durham.

NER Age Groups - Weekend 2

In Leeds, Conan Swinney finished up an excellent couple of weekends, making finals in all of his events including an excellent 4th place in the 400m freestyle. Other competitors were Isabel Fox, Natalia Langan, Joey Lau and Heidi Carr. Well done to all qualifiers.

A big well done to Anna Finlay for achieving qualification for British Championships in July. Daniel Barrett has also likely qualified himself for the Swim England Summer Meet at the end of August.

Back at training, there has been some improvement with swimmer's communication with coaches.

See you at a pool soon - **Ross**

DURHAM GALA - A fantastic day from all swimmers that attended. Great skills on show from all with the hard work coming to fruition, I was especially pleased with all that took part in the relay teams. Our younger swimmers really did a good job, with a standout swim going to Liv for her 50 Free! Well done to all! **Tom**

Dates for the diary

Galas

11/12 June - [Neptune Centre](#)

[Middlesbrough June Meet](#)

16/17 July - [Dunston Pool, GSW](#)

[Summer meet](#)

5/6 November - [Ponds Forge, SENR](#)
[SC Champs \(qualifying swimmers\)](#)

Please consider purchasing a G&W t shirt (or other items) for children attending galas. Club kit can be purchased from [Logos Unlimited](#).

[JUNIOR LEAGUE - Div 1](#) (selected swimmers)

10 July - Billingham, 2:30 warm up Round 2

18 Sept - Venue TBC Division 1 Final

More info to follow.

Your Committee

Chair - [Steven Speight](#)

Secretary - [Alison Finlay](#)

Treasurer - [Matthew Grant](#)

Child Welfare - [Nicola McPherson](#)

Website - [Jeanette Speight & Carl Barrett](#)

Membership - [Tracey Fox](#)

Competitions - [Leighanne Langan](#)

Officials - [Gillian Reid](#)

Admin - [Janet Robinson](#)

Fundraising - Angela McCann

Your Club Needs YOU

Would you like to be more involved in your club? We currently have committee vacancies for **Club Welfare Officer, Operations Manager and Club Secretary**. Full role information available on the website. Handover/Induction will be provided. Speak to your squad rep for more information.

Learn to Swim -

- We are now offering certificates and badges (£4) to recognise swimmers' progression at each stage. If you would like to purchase, payment can be made via Club Organiser.
- Could LTS parents please ensure you log into club organiser and update your contact information/address etc This information is vital for safeguarding purposes. See Amanda if you need your login information re-sent.

Fundraising this month:

- Bottle donations for the swim gala
- Swimwear donations for the kit sale
- Football cards
- Monthly bonus ball draw

If you can help/donate to any of the above, please see your squad rep. Thank you for your support.