

Bluefins Lessons News



December 2007



Increase in fees



Just a reminder that from December, the **lessons fee is now £14.50** for all swimmers at

Cranbourne and QMC. New members have been paying this since September, but we deferred the increase to 'old' lessons members as a thank you for supporting us through the disruption of Cranbourne's closure in the summer.

Keeping in contact

As I said in the last Newsletter, we use the following methods to make contact in case of emergency, particular pool closures:

1. email
2. website
3. text message
4. phone call



So **if you have a mobile phone or an email address that you access regularly, please make sure I have the details.** Your Lesson confirmation letter gives you all the details I have – please keep me up to date so that I am able to get in touch when necessary.

National Teaching Plan

As mentioned in the last Newsletter, the ASA National Teaching Plan is due

to change. I now have most of the material and we need to study it to decide how and when we will implement the changes. We will be changing from a system with 12 levels to one with only 7, so you can expect some change to your child's lessons. However, we're not ready to go with it yet, so will keep you informed.

Dos and Don'ts

If you are new to our programme this term, you will have received a list of Dos and Don'ts. Please adhere to these as they are for your child's safety and for that of our teachers and helpers. In particular, changing rooms: **Dads please do not use the girls changing rooms when helping your daughter to change.** We have a large number of teenage helpers and they need privacy to change, as do our older swimmers. Similarly, Mums should take their younger boys into the girl's changing rooms.

Contacts

Sue (lessons): 01256 418710
Email: sue.lambert@swimbluefins.org

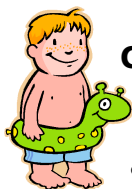
Club Office: 01256 351921 – leave a message and we'll get back to you

Club Website: www.swimbluefins.org

Provisional Lessons Programme from Jan 08

NB times given below may change depending on demand.

Mon	CB	5.00	1	2	3	4	5
		5.30	1	2	3	3	6
		6.00	7	8	9		
Tue	CB	5.00	1	2	3	4	6
		5.30	1	2	4	5	6
		6.00	7	8	9		
Wed	CB	5.00	1	3	4	6	
		5.30	2	2	3	5	
		6.00	1	7	8	9	
Thur	QMC	4.00	1	2	3	4	6
		4.30	2	2	3	4	5
		5.00	7	8	9		
Fri	CB	6.30	1	2	3	5	
		7.00	1	2	4	6	
		7.30	7	8			
Sat	CB	9.30	7	8			
		10.00	1	2	3	5	6
		10.30	1	2	3	4	5
		11.00	1	2	3	6	
		11.30	7	10			
Sun	CB	9.30	2	7	8	9	
		10.00	1	2	3	5	
		10.30	1	Tads			
		11.00	1	2	3	4	5/6



Crash Course

We are at last able to offer another of our popular Crash courses at Cranbourne during Half Term, Monday 18th to Friday 22nd February. These lessons will cost just £7.50 for the whole week and will run between 2pm and 4.30pm. If you would like to book a place, please do so by emailing Sue (see contacts) or fill in the slip below. Places tend to go quickly, especially in shallow end lessons, so don't leave it too late!!

Child's name: _____

Date of birth _____

Contact (email or address)

Level (shallow, middle, deep)

Preferred time (2, 2.30, 3, 3.30, 4pm)

NB: Requested times cannot be guaranteed.

Bluefins New Chief Coach

Regretfully, our coach, Joanne Postins has resigned from her position from the end of this term. Anyone involved in competitive swimming will know what a time consuming job it is, with very unsociable hours. Joanne has decided to return to the world of 'real work' so that she has time to spend with her family. We all wish her good luck and look forward to seeing her at the club from time to time. A team of Bluefins Committee members has been working hard to find a replacement and is pleased to announce that from mid December, the new coach will be Graeme Thomas. Graeme was, until recently, Chief Coach with Reading SC - we are delighted to welcome him to our Club. As with any 'new broom', he will want to make changes and although these are unlikely to greatly affect the lessons side of the club, we look forward to any input he may wish to make.

Sponsored swim



Once again Bluefins is running a charity swim. See the enclosed flyer for details.

Xmas Break

With the Christmas break almost upon us, I'd like to remind you of the dates for the last lessons:

Mon: 17th December

Tues: 18th December

Wed: 19th December

Thur: 13th December

Fri: 14th December

Sat: 15th December

Sun: 16th December



Please see the enclosed Lesson confirmation letter for start dates next year.

All our teachers and helpers would like to wish you and your family a Happy Christmas and a good New Year. We look forward to seeing you in 2008!!