



REDDITCH SWIMMING CLUB



Chairman's Report 2018

Chris Britt our Head Coach has informed you all of the great success the swimmers of our club have achieved during this year.

I congratulate all of the swimmers on their respective achievements. Well done to you all.

Last year I mentioned Paul Wilkes who was to complete in the Worlds Master's Championship in Europe. He achieved an amazing 2nd in the World in 200m Butterfly. Many congratulations to him. Further at the County Championships at Wolverhampton, Paul was presented with the County Founders Medal in recognition of his swimming achievement throughout 2016/17. Again many congratulations Paul. Paul is a shining example for our younger swimmers to follow.

I mentioned last year that the club was looking towards registering as a charity. Di Wright our Treasurer put a lot of work into this and managed to get the club registered as a charity. To take matters further in respect of claiming back monetary benefits from HM Customs and revenue, was put on hold while other clubs in Worcestershire negotiated with Customs and Revenue. One club succeeded and others did not manage to convince HM Customs and Revenue that they qualified, so our position is that we are on hold until the picture is clear.

In July 2017, 17 swimmers and their families went to the Novum International Gala in Eindhoven which again resulted in a considerable medal tally. Congratulations to all of those swimmers. This year, a smaller contingent of swimmers and families are attended mainly due to others being unable to go because of personal and family commitments. Meg Moss has volunteered to go as coach, something that I am personally most grateful for. I am also grateful to the parents of the Eindhoven swimmers who have stepped up to the mark and taken on roles poolside at the event. This has meant that most of them have had to be DBS checked and Rachel Power, who has volunteered to be Team Manager, has, at short notice, attended a Child Protection Course and two Team managers course. Many thanks to you all.

The Club Committee has continued to work hard to keep the club on a level steer. There have been some new members recruited during the past year. Those retiring from the committee were thanked by me at the AGM. During the year, Lou Sullivan stepped down from the committee and the Assistant Welfare Officers role. Rachel Holmes volunteered to take on the Assistant Welfare Officers role and has already completed the necessary Child Protection Course and Time to Listen Course for which I am most grateful. I am making arrangements for her to be able to complete DBS checks for members as they arise.

Rachel has also take on the daunting job of Swim 21, now called Swim Mark for 2018. This is her first experience of Swim Mark but I have to say that she has done a wonderful job and has managed to get our submission approved with weeks to spare. Well done Rachel



I would like to thank all committee members for their hard work during this year and to those members who are putting themselves forward to continue on the committee, a special thank you from me. Paul Hartland deserves a special mention. He has been Vice Chair, workforce coordinator and numerous other jobs during the year and I thank him on behalf of the club for his tireless work to keep the club going.

Finally I would like to thank Chris and all of the coaches, assistant coaches and helpers for their hard work throughout the year.

As I did last year, I would like to ask members and parents of the club if they feel able to assist in the running of RSC to become a member of the committee or even volunteer to help in any way they feel they can.

Please accept my apologies for my absence this evening.

Malcolm Ross
Chair
AGM 2018



