

HATFIELD STAR

MONTHLY HSC GAZETTE - July 2022 - Edition 2

PEANUTS LEAGUE CHAMPIONS!!



After what seemed a long wait to get the official results, we have received the fantastic news that we won the Peanuts league. What an amazing achievement from our younger swimmers! Congratulations to all who participated in any of the 3 rounds!

But what is Peanuts exactly? Peanuts is part of the Hertfordshire Swimming League and is designed for our younger swimmers (9 - 12 year old). The league is made up of 3 Divisions with up to 12 teams per Division (some clubs may send more than one team). Clubs can move from one division to another depending upon their position when the competition is completed each year. Each Division competes over 3 Rounds. At the end of Round 3, Pennants are awarded to the top six teams in each Division, the bottom two teams in Divisions 1 & 2 are demoted and the top two teams in Divisions 2 & 3 are promoted ready to do it all again the year after (in May-July 2023). Sometimes as a parent it can appear to be a lot of time to invest when all your swimmer may do is "just one length in a single relay", but the Peanuts league is such a great opportunity to swim as part of a team and represent proudly your club. Each round is exciting and great fun to be at!

REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

Hatfield SC sent 58 swimmers to the Long Course Swim England East Region Championships 2022 back in May and another 12 swimmers at the Swim England Open water Championships last week-end, both events held in Norwich. Hatfield swimmers attended 110 finals and topped 6 on the medal rankings with 9G, 20S and 16B. For some, it was their first ever Regional competition and there was lots of tough swimming, fun and racing. Well done All!

A special mention to Charlotte Williams

She had an amazing East Region Championship where she reached 9 finals and achieved 1 gold, 4 silver and 2 bronze medals across all strokes in the 16 years old age group.

She also managed to set a new LC 50m backstroke club record with a time of 31.12!

USEFUL LINKS

Club Kit:
www.tylers-sportswear.co.uk/Catalogue/

Club Hat:
www.hatfieldswimmingclub.org/product/hatfield-hat/

Craig Hunter - New FINA TSC Chairperson

Congratulations to Craig Hunter, Hatfield SC President on being appointed the Chairperson of the FINA Technical Swimming Committee (TSC). The FINA Technical Committees are responsible for analysing how continued improvements can be made to aquatic sports.

ARTISTIC SWIMMING CORNER

It's been a busy couple of weekends for our artistic swimmers! Our two teams competed at the London Aquatics Centre for the Swim England Combo Cup on 2nd July, and ten swimmers took part in the London Region competition on 9th July, where we came away with seven medals. That's now the end of the 2022 artistic swimming competition season. WELL DONE to all of our swimmers who have competed during the year!



NEW MEMBERS

A warm welcome to our new joiners:

Rachel Scott (Dove), Selena Maria Spaho (Dove), Catherine Hatherly (Dove), Ho Him Ng (Dove), Jack Strickland (Hornet), Ying Shuen Chan (Hornet).

Swim fast and have fun!

UPCOMING EVENTS

22-28 JULY 22

British Summer Championship @ Ponds Forge, Sheffield

> all qualified swimmers

30 JULY 22

Club Picnic @ Verulamium Park, 12-4pm

5-9 AUGUST 22

SE National Summer Meet @ Ponds Forge, Sheffield

> all qualified swimmers

21-28 AUGUST 22

Pre-season camp @ Rijeka, Croatia

> Mo, Dr, Vp, Vp+

