

BERE REGIS ORCAS NEWSLETTER

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Winter 2017

Session times at Purbeck: **First Session** 5.15 - 6.15pm. **Second Session** 6.15 - 7.15pm

DIARY DATES

Gala verses Blandford Flyers:

Friday 27th January:

We have been invited to take part in a swimming gala at the **Blandford Leisure Centre, Blandford** starting **6.15pm**. Hilly is organising the team and will be contacting our swimmers to take part. We hosted a similar event 12 months ago which was a very enjoyable evening for all those who took part.

Mosaic:

This is a charitable child bereavement service which the club has decided to support this year. Katie Meade, one of our young members suggested it and the committee felt it was cracking idea! Details have yet to be arranged but the plan is that it will be run by the children (age 12+). We will have an initial meeting at **4pm on Saturday 4th. February** in the All Star Bar at the Sports Centre. All those who are interested in taking part or supporting the project are invited to attend.

Annual One Hour Distance Swim:

Sunday 12th. February:

You will remember the idea is to swim for 60 minutes and see what distance you can cover in this time. For those of you who have completed this swim before, it is a challenge to beat your best and have the distance recorded on your own personal record sheet. For those who have not swum this event before, do have a go as it is great fun! Starts at 12.15pm. Please let Bob know if you would like to take part

Diving Evening:

Monday 13th. February (half term week)

Beth Stannard has once again kindly agreed to hold a **diving evening at the Dolphin Pool in Poole, from 7-8pm**. Just turn up around **6.45pm**. We are asking for a **£3 donation** to cover the cost of pool hire and tuition. This is your chance to dive/jump off the diving boards!

Synchronise Swimming Evening:

Saturday 4th. March

We are planning a **synchronised swimming session** for our second session children (**6.15-7.15pm**). We will have a team of synchro swimmers to give expert tuition on the night and it will be aimed at all swimmers both boys and girls. There are of course a lot of the basic swimming skills in synchro so do come along and give it a go!

Distance Night:

Saturday 25th. March

This will take place **5.15-8.15pm** and the whole club session will be devoted to our children achieving their distance badges. Even children who are still in armbands can take part as we have special certificates for them! If you are hoping achieve a longer distance 3kms plus, we would advise coming early to allow time to complete the distance.

Annual General Meeting and Awards Presentation:

Saturday 6th. May

This will take place immediately after swimming. We aim to make the AGM as short as possible and then present the STA Awards and Distance Badges. More details to follow.

Last Term Updates

Snorkelling Course: This took place at Milton Abbey School Pool during the autumn term and was enjoyed by all who attended.

Wareham Lions Swimarathon: The club again entered four teams in the Swimarathon on 9th. October. This was another great event with nearly £500 being raised for local charities and club funds. Well done our team members!

Mini Polo: Our old friend Dave Bradley from the Bournemouth Water Polo Club came and took us through the basics of water polo on 15th. October. Again, another great night!

Diving Evening: Beth and Colin took a group of 18 of our swimmers on a very informative diving session in the Dolphin Pool at Poole during half term week.

New Teachers: Congratulations to Mandy How and Kelly Vaughan in passing with flying colours their swimming teachers course with the STA.

Swim Dates Spring 2017

Purbeck Sport Centre Saturday evenings

First Session 5.15-6.15pm, Second Session 6.15-7.15pm

January	7	14	21	
February	4	11	18	25
March	4	11	18	25
April	1	8	22	29

