## Turtles Swimming Club Newsletter

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Established 1964

### Thank You Clarke Family For Your Donation

We are very grateful to Tracy and Janet Clarke, who have very generously donated £50 to the Turtles Swimming Club. Sadly, Janet's brother, Tony Brailsford passed away on the 16th August and the family requested no flowers but donations to charity instead. In naming the Turtles as their charity of choice Tracy informed us:

'You guys do so much and are appreciated much more than you know. .There was no question that it would be the Turtles as you have been absolutely amazing. Charlie has come on so strong since learning to swim with you'

We are very sorry for the family loss, but thank the Clarke Family once again for choosing the Turtles and we hope that Charlie Cox-Clarke (photo opposite) will continue developing his swimming with the Turtles.



Please note, that there will be no Highgrove Swimming Session on Saturday 30th September.

The Turtles Swimming Club is for anyone with a physical, mental health or learning difficulty. Based at Highgrove Pool in Ruislip, the club meets every Saturday between 5pm and 6pm.

#### **Turtles Club Policies**

The Committee has reviewed the club policies to ensure that they are up to date and reflect the needs of the club, the Highgrove management and best practice. This month we highlight the Anti-Bullying Policy

#### **Anti-Bullying Policy**

Bullying of any kind is unacceptable and will not be tolerated within our club and any incidents of bullying will be dealt with promptly and effectively.

If bullying does occur, please report it (Swimmer or Parent) to a Committee member.

If you would rather talk to someone outside of the club phone: Swimline 0808 100 400.

Bullying is defined as repeated deliberately hurtful, offensive, abusive, intimidating, malicious or insulting behaviour in the form of words or actions which may cause other members of the club to feel unhappy, humiliated, angry, vulnerable or threatened.

#### **Bullying can be:**

Emotional - being unfriendly, exclusion (emotional and physical),

Ridiculing, humiliating, ignoring and tormenting e.g. (hiding goggles/floats).

Physical – pushing, kicking, hitting, punching or any use of violence or violent threats. Any deliberate damage to personal belongings.

Racist - Racial taunts, graffiti, gestures, mocking.

Sexual - Unwanted physical contact or sexual comments.

Homophobic - Because of, or focusing on the issue of sexuality.

Verbal - Name calling, sarcasm, spreading rumours, teasing,

Cyber - sending hurtful or harassing text messages, or putting hurtful, humiliating or derogatory comments on social networking sites like Facebook.

Why is it Important to Respond to Bullying? •

**Bullying hurts** 

No one deserves to be a victim of bullying

**Everybody has the right to be treated with respect** 

Swimmers who are bullying need to learn different ways of behaving!

#### **Procedure**

The bullying behaviour or threats of bullying will be investigated and stopped quickly.

An attempt will be made to help the bully (bullies) understand the seriousness and change their behaviour accordingly.

In cases of serious bullying Members and/or Parents will be invited to discuss the incidents with a committee member.

If mediation fails and the bullying is seen to continue the club will initiate disciplinary action under the Club Constitution which includes expulsion.

# Next Committee Meetings

The next meetings are scheduled for Tuesday 3rd October and Tuesday 14th November.

#### **Pool Evacuation Drill**

At some point over the next few weeks we will be organising a pool evacuation drill.

Please follow the directions of the pool staff and co-operate fully.

These drills are organised to ensure your safety in the event of a future real emergency.

#### **Turtles Invitation Gala**

#### Saturday 30th September 2017 5pm for 5.20

#### Hillingdon Sport & Leisure Centre, Gatting Way Uxbridge

The Turtles will be entering 2 teams for the Invitation Gala — Team A and Team B as follows:

	Team A		
Juniors		Time	
iL	Shira Aurora	1.04	
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4L	Oliver Regan	2.21	
Ladies			
iL	Karen Hoffmann	0.30	
2L	Jeannette Prentice	1.40	
4L	Shaida Ghorbanian	3.10	
Mens	Terry Cheshire	1.15	
2L	Don Lamb	1.36	
4L	Jamie Woodbridge	1.56	
Juniors	Shira Aurora	1.04	
Relay	Scarlet Regan	0.47	
,	Oliver Regan	0.31	
	Solomon Goddard	0.22	2.44
Ladies	Karen Hoffmann	0.30	
Relay	Jeannette Prentice	1.40	
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	Shaida Ghorbanian	0.34	2.44
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Mens	Terry Cheshire	1.15	
Relay	Don Lamb	0.40	
	Jamie Woodbridge	0.20	
	Carl Richards	0.33	2.48
Diving	Oliver Regan		

Team B		
	Time	
Brody Asquith	2.00	
Dominic O'Neil- Cuadros	1.23	
Matthew O'Neil- Cuadros	2.14	
Tillie Hewlett	0.31	
Tillie Hewlett	1.11	
Sophie Grey	2.12	
Anthony Orr	0.38	
Gary Lee	1.08	
Josh Arends	1.58	
<b>Brody Asquith</b>	2.00	
Dominic O'Neil- Cuadros	0.40	
Matthew O'Neil- Cuadros	0.58	
Matthew O'Neil- Cuadros		3.38
Tillie Hewlett	1.11	
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Anthony Orr	1.10	
Anthony Orr	0.31	
Gary Lee Josh Arends	0.31	2.04
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### Stevenage Dolphins Gala

The above gala takes place on Saturday 14th October at 6PM.

Any swimmers requiring transport to this event, please let Dave Lee know by Saturday 7th October.

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# Waitrose

### **Ruislip Store**

#### **Community Matters Scheme**

We are very grateful to Waitrose Ruislip for choosing Turtles Swimming Club as one of their supported charities for the September Community Matters Scheme.



Tillie Hewlett was quick to pop along and place her green counter in the Turtles box.

Thank you to everyone who supported our box!

## Distance Swimming Badges

Congratulations to Shira Aurora who has been awarded her 10 metres and 25 metres distance badges.





Turtles Swimming Club is a Registered Charity Charity Number

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Andy Wallis

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Thank you to the organisations and individuals who support the Turtles



Friends of Ken





