

Jubbly 617

26th March 2007

YOU HAVE SPOKEN:

IT STAYS AS JUBBLY

Just as it has been for 15 years (wow, has it been that long!?)



STAR OF THE WEEK

MAX TIPPING - ADVANCED GROUP

Max only recently moved up from the Intermediate Group to the Advanced Group, but he is consistently learning and improving.

He has been singled out for his positive approach to his diving and to learning new skills.

Well done Max - keep it up!

COACH SPOTLIGHT - LEE FISHER

Lee started diving with us 13 years ago when he was just 6! He was an integral part of our Novice team for many, many years.

With his best diving pal, Lance Ivens, he caused the chaperones a few headaches!!

In the early stages as a diver, Lee lacked courage (which he still gets reminded of!), however more latterly, he moved on to some much bigger dives and competed for the Team at the National Schools Championships, in addition to many of the club Grands Prix.

He started coaching for us a couple of years ago and is loving it.

He has also been working with special needs children in swimming, trampolining and gymnastics - very successfully. So successfully in fact, he has been funded to do his

trampolining teachers qualification and is now being funded to do a gymnastics teaching course too.

He finds working with children, extremely rewarding and despite currently studying at the Plymouth College of Art and Design, feels that may be the direction he would like his career to go.

COACH ABSENCES

We are coming up to a very busy competition period, with a number of coach absences.

We will do our best to make sure there is no disruption to sessions during this time, however there may be number of coach changes in order to enable this to happen.

Fito away

29 Mar to 1 April, 13-15 April, 17-23 April, 26-29 April, 18-21 May

Sam away

29 April to 14 May

Sally away

8-16 April, 6-14 May, 18-21 May

Andy away

18-20 May, 6-10 June

Claire away

29 Mar to 1 April

FLIP AND FUN EVENT

16th JUNE 2007, 12.30pm start

Don't forget - More details soon

WORLD CHAMPS

GB had a very disappointing World Championships in Melbourne.

Out of a potential 12 spots for Beijing, we only have 1 guaranteed place for a competitor in the 2008 Olympics - the Mens Platform event and although Peter Waterfield (Southampton) qualified that place, even he was diving below par, finishing 10th, some 100 points off his best.

Our own Tonia Couch lacked competition sharpness following a long lay off with a thumb injury and other injuries and various illnesses, put paid to the hopes of British Diving.

There is only one other opportunity to qualify places for Beijing and that will be the World Cup in March 2008. The divers have given themselves a lot to do, but hopefully with a sustained injury and illness free period, they will rise to the occasion and perform like we know they can, when it really matters.

As we reported last week - Tonia and synchro partner Stacie, certainly showed they have what it takes to make it to Beijing, but it's about putting it all together at the right time.

Although qualification at the World Cup will be easier, it's certainly going to be an interesting (& stressful) 12 months!

Plymouth City Sports, Diving Programme Newsletter - RELAUNCHED, Mar 2007

Diving news & views for Parents and Divers involved in the Plymouth Diving Programme, Intermediate Group upwards

MAIN PROGRAMME DATES		
2-5 April	Easter Courses – private tuition available	
6-9 Apr	Good Friday to Easter Monday – programme closed	
10-13 April	Easter Courses – private tuition available	
23-28 th Apr	NEXT INTERMEDIATE & ADVANCED GROUP ASSESSMENTS	Intermediate & Advanced Group
7 May	Bank holiday – no diving	
28 May	Bank holiday – no diving	
29 May-1 Jun	Half Term courses	
16 June	Flip and Fun competition for Intermediate & Advanced Groups	
COMPETITIVE PROGRAMME DATES		
30 Mar-1 Apr	National Age Group Championships	Selected divers
19-22 Apr	Aachen Junior International, Germany	Kyle Prior & Fito
27-29 th Apr	Northern Cross Intermediate/Age Group level competition	Selected divers
5-6 May	SW Regional Senior Championships, Southampton	Some Age Group Squad, Elite Junior & Seniors
29 May – 1 Jun	Elite Junior National Championships	Elite Juniors & some Seniors
9 Jun	SW Regional Skills Finals, Plymouth	Some Advanced Group, Novice Squad, Intermediate Squad
14-15 July	National Skills Finals, Plymouth	Selected divers from Advanced Group, Novice Squad, Intermediate Squad

Regularly used terms: Intermediate Group - divers working towards Grade 5 & BS1 & 2. Advanced Group - divers that have passed Grade 5 & Board Skills 2. Squads competitive training groups. Novices - first rung of competitive ladder. Intermediate/Age Groups - next rung of competitive ladder. Elite Juniors - highest level domestic event for divers aged 9-18. Junior - 18 & under. Senior - all ages (where you will find our elite Olympic divers).

Diving balcony etiquette - Parents please do not coach your children or call them over during classes, Divers must be clothed and wearing shoes when on the balcony and if you are using still or video cameras, please sign the book at reception and ensure you only take footage of your own child.

Parent Liaison - Jayne Glynn, jayne@plymouthdiving.com, 07944361424

Child Protection - Plymouth Diving's independent Welfare Officer, Kathy Hancock, Kathy@plymouthdiving.com, 07759266041, Plymouth City Sports Child Protection Officer, Sam Grevett 01752 607206, ASA Swimline 0808 100 401

Useful references - www.plymouthdiving.com (everything you need to know about the programme, including newsletters and important documents/competition information etc), www.britishswimming.org (the governing body website)