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4th September 2006

Apologies for any confusion – WHITE ROSE NOVICES IS 13-15 OCTOBER (not 6-8th)

NEWSLETTER

Apologies for the lack of newsletters during the summer. Things were so busy here, it was impossible to find the time and with so many away, it didn't seem worth it!!

E-MAILING

Anything really important was e-mailed, or called round, so no-one should have missed out on anything vital.

If you are not receiving e-mails from us, please drop us an e-mail so that we can save your address. Some of the addresses we have been given do not appear to be current or valid.

FEES

Please remember, full fees are due for the summer (except for those who dive on a Saturday), regardless of how long you were off on family holidays etc.

SQUAD DIVERS

Laura Grubb, Hannah Waters, Gregory Kennedy and Nicole Sage all recently passed their bronze award and were subsequently invited to join the Novice Squad.

Congratulations!

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Information regarding the White Rose Novices in Leeds and the Southampton Age Group meet, was distributed before the Summer holidays began.

The deadline for returning White Rose confirmations is Friday 15th September and the deadline for returning Southampton confirmations is Friday 22nd September. Please ensure your forms are returned, or we will assume your child is not taking part.

If you are interested in chaperoning either event, please let us know a.s.a.p

Thanks.

TEAM KIT

Please remember, all divers who compete for Plymouth Diving, MUST wear full team kit (that is tracksuit top, trousers, shorts and polo shirts). No other kit is permitted to be worn whilst at the pool or to and from the pool.

We do have some in stock, so please call into the office.

Anyone is welcome to purchase team kit, a full tracksuit (jacket, shorts, trousers), is £45 for childrens sizes (10-16) and £51.50 for adult sizes (XS to L). Polo shirts are £12.50 for childrens and £15 for adults

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SEPTEMBER STAFF

Millie Deighton has moved to France with her family, so we have lost her from the coaching staff and from the diving programme – she has been with us since she first came to Gym Tots over 12 years ago!

We also lose Fallon when she goes back to university on 15th September.

We are extremely pleased that Jenny McDonald (National level diver) will be joining the coaching team and Claire Wonnacott (International level diver), will be increasing her coaching commitments, which is excellent news as they both have extensive personal experience and have a great rapport with the children.

JUNIOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS – KUALA LUMPUR, AUG 2006

Barrow and Prior shine in Malaysian heat and provide the British Team with the best individual performances from any of the 11 divers.

At a team meeting on the final night, Kyle Prior (15) was voted British diver of the week, after making all three finals in his 1m, 3m and platform events. This is an astonishing feat considering this was his first venture on to the World stage. He finished with 2 eleventh places and 1 tenth place, against 30 of the World's top 14-15 year olds from leading diving nations like China, Canada, the USA, Australia and the Ukraine.

Sarah Barrow (17) provided the Team with their most successful individual performance, finishing in a very well-deserved 6th place in the 16-18 years girls platform event. This is the best performance at this event, by a British female since 2000.

Unfortunately, Tonia Couch (17) who had been hotly tipped for a medal, simply ran out of steam and was unable to maintain her superb recent form, finishing in 15th place, an agonizing 4 points away from a spot in the final.

Of the 6 individual finals reached by British Divers, 4 of those were by Plymouth Divers, demonstrating the Team's standing both Nationally and on the World stage.

Despite the stunning venue (Kuala Lumpur hosted the 1998 Commonwealth Games), this was an extremely difficult event for divers and staff, with transport problems meaning teams were forced to stay at the pool for 12 hours a day, in 94 degree heat and 80% humidity – making Kyle and Sarah's performances, all the more impressive.

The divers' season started way back in March with the Commonwealth Games. They now have a rest from competitions and begin their preparations for the British Championships in December, which will be the trials for next March's World Championships – the first opportunity for anyone to qualify for the 2008 Olympic Games.

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IMPORTANT FORTHCOMING DATES

13-15 Oct	White Rose Novices, Leeds DEADLINE FOR CONSENT FORMS – 15th SEPT	Selection letters have gone out.
21-29 Oct	Training Camp, Beijing	Thomas, Kyle & Andy
21-23 Oct	Southampton Invitational DEADLINE FOR CONSENT FORMS – 22nd SEPT	Selection letters have gone out.
25-28 Oct	JTP Training Camp, Berlin (selected divers)	Qualified divers & team staff
28 Oct	Halloween Flip n Fun competition & fancy dress party	ALL divers in Intermediate and Advanced Group and Novice Squad – ALL LEVEL DIVER/FAMILIES WELCOME TO PARTY
9-12 th Nov	FINA World Coaches & Judges Clinic, Athens	Sam
24-26 Nov	Luton Challenge	As Southampton
9 December	PLYMOUTH DIVING CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS & XMAS PARTY ALL LEVEL DIVERS/FAMILIES WELCOME TO PARTY	All divers in Novice Squad, Development Team, Intermediate Squad & Age Group Squad, plus display Elite Junior & Senior Teams.
8-10 Dec	CAMO International, Canada	Selected JOP divers
14 Dec - 2 Jan	Sam holiday	Sam
15-17 Dec	GB Champs & World Champs Trials, Manchester	Senior Squad
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17-21 Jan	Australian Youth Olympic Festival, Sydney	tbc
2-4 Feb	JOP & JTP training camp, Sheffield	JOP/JTP divers
16-18 Feb	Armada Cup, Plymouth	tbc
18-25 Mar	World Champs, Melbourne	Selected GB divers
6-9 Apr	Good Friday to Easter Monday – programme closed	
12-14 Apr	JTP Camp	JTP divers
19-22 Apr	Aachen Junior International, Germany	JOP divers
30 Apr	Bank holiday – no diving	
28 May	Bank holiday – no diving	
29 May – 1 Jun	Elite Junior Nationals, Sheffield	Elite Junior Squad & some Seniors
6-8 July	Senior Nationals, Manchester	Senior Squad
13-16 July	National Age Group & Skills Finals, Plymouth	Team selected nearer the time
25-29 July	Junior European Championships, Trieste, ITA	Selected GB Team
20-31 Aug	World Student Games, Bangkok, THA	Selected GB Team

Classes continue as normal throughout all holidays, unless indicated otherwise on this dates list.

