## CHAMELEONS NEWS

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#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO**

Emily Burnett and Harry Thomas who were married last month. Emily is the neice to Teresa Pope and has supported the Club for many years. We bought them a vase with Swarkovski crystals as a present from the Club.

We wish them all the best for their future together!

## **SWIM SESSIONS**

HOWELLS SCHOOL There are no sessions for August. We restart on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September.

There is now only one session and that is from 6.15pm to 7.00pm.

For our beginners and novices, their session will be for half an hour from 5.45pm - 6.15pm.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to work being carried out within the school grounds or pool maintenance, sessions may be cancelled. We will endeavour to let you know as soon as we can if this happens.

CMC S&S CLUB - the sessions for August are on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>.

Please let Pamela know if you cannot attend a session

# ANNUAL CLUB SWIMMING GALA & PRESENTATION CEREMONY

The gala held at Howells school last month was a great success. Everyone enjoyed it and some said how nice it was to see them swimming altogether. The Presentations Ceremony will be held at St. Philip Evans Hall, Llanedeyrn Drive, on SUNDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST. We are trying something new this year by holding it in the afternoon. Please arrive from 3pm and the ceremony will start at 3.30pm. As in previous years, please bring a plate of food for the buffet and the bar at the hall will be available. We will also have our usual raffle.

Please come and support our swimmers at the Presentations Ceremony. We will be pleased to see you!

### **CLUB BARBECUE**

This will be held on **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September** at Howells School. Starting from **2.30pm**. Our thanks, in advance, to our chefs **Sandi & Carson for again coming to cook for us.** We will have a raffle as usual.

Please can I have names of those wishing to attend so that we know how many to cater for.

There will **not** be a swim session prior to or after the event.

#### **BRIDGEND SHARKS GALA**

This is on **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September** at the pool in Aberavon. Please can swimmers who are interested to let Pamela know by the **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> August.** 

## **News from the Bowls Group**

## **Plymouth Mayflower Games 2023**

The Cardiff Chameleons Bowls team headed for Plymouth to compete in the Mayflower Games Bowls Tournament, on Saturday 10th June. After a Practice Session at the Plymouth Life Centre and catchup with friends from Plymouth, New Quay and Pembroke everyone attended a social evening at the Devonport RFC, our thanks to the Mayflower Specials volunteers for a great evening. Sunday the 11th was competition day, everyone was up early for the Journey from the Hotel, back to the Plymouth Life Centre for the Competition. The whole of the Chameleons team performed well and after a gruelling six hours of bowling in a very hot arena, our team of ten bowlers, came away with six Gold and four Silver Medals from the four divisions they competed in, which was a brilliant result. My sincere thanks to all the Family members and volunteers who drove down to Plymouth and assisted on the green, a tiring weekend but the results made it all worthwhile.

## **Great Western Bowls Tournament 2023**

The Cardiff Chameleons Bowls team headed for the Great Western Indoor Bowls Tournament, on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June to defend both division titles won in 2022. The Cardiff Chameleons Team of, Garon Owen, Robin, Sean Thackwray and lan Kelleher, came away with the Division 2 shield despite losing their last game, winning on shot difference, from the Cotswold Outsiders.

The Cardiff Blues team of Robert Park, David Williams and Naomi Baelz, were beaten in their last game by the eventual 1st Division winners, the Windsor Royals. Once again, a very well-run competition and a great day out with some excellent bowling, well done to all our bowlers.

#### **CLUB SUBSIDY**

It was decided that the Club would reinstate a subsidy when attending an event which means an overnight stay. Therefore a £10.00 subsidy, per person per night will be given to athletes and coaches only when attending an event which has overnight stays. This will apply to both the swimming and bowls groups.

#### PAYING MONEY TO THE CLUB?

With the imminent closure of our branch of HSBC at Rhyd-y-penau crossroads it is going to be more difficult for Barrie to put in cheques and cash. We have been asking for sometime now to try and pay any money to the Club and to do it by bank transfer via your own bank.

This will avoid paying bank charges on cash and cheques when paying any monies to the Club please try and do it by bank transfer, the details are...

Bank: HSBC - Account name - Cardiff Chameleons - Sort Code 40-16-30 Account Number 01431285

It would also be helpful if you could add your surname and/or reason for payment e.g., Membership.

Many thanks for your help.

- 6.00pm.

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Club sessions	
Swimming - Howells School - Sundays 5.45pm -	
6.15pm (novices) and 6.15pm - 7.00pm.	
Cardiff Medical Centre Sports & Social Club (UHW	
site) - Thursdays 8.00pm - 8.45pm	
<b>Bowls</b> - Cardiff Indoor Bowls Club - Fridays - 4.00pm	
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