

# CHAMELEON'S NEWS



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**60 Years of  
Achievement**

2019

Swim sessions resume on *Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd September*

## **CLUB GALA / PRESENTATIONS**

This gala didn't quite go exactly to plan! A few days before it was due to be held we had a call from Eastern LC to say that we couldn't have it on the 6<sup>th</sup> unless we started at about 8.30pm. This we decided was not an option.

Pamela was offered by her manager to use the pool there. Although smaller and not a lot of room for spectators we could have it for the event. So we went for it. Yes, it was cramped (and very warm) some had to view from outside or bide their time in the lounge / bar but at least the swimming could take place. It went very well. Swansea Stingrays and Bridgend Sharks attended as it was our special 60<sup>th</sup> gala and they were happy too.

So, a week later, we all came back to the Cardiff Medical Centre Sports & Social Club for the presentations. This was the plan anyway!

A really great evening, most of the Swansea team came up and Bridgend Sharks were represented too. There was a good response with the buffet from you all and a good variety of food too, not just sausage rolls!

Those of you who won the cups will need to have them engraved with your name and the year, keep them clean, safe and bring them back next July.

## **The ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

This took place at Howells School on 31<sup>st</sup> July and as usual no one came; apart from some of the committee.

So here is what emerged from the meeting:-

- The committee officers are staying the same.

In the meeting that followed the committee decided to raise the annual family membership from £15.00 to £20.00 starting this October; this works out about £1.67 a month; which doesn't really bring in a lot of revenue; but the reason for the rise is due to the club funds being low as fund-raising isn't being done enough, and also the swim session fees will go up from £2.00 to £3.00 per session again starting in October.

## **Afternoon Tea**

Although it was not exactly the best of weather to hold outdoors it went ahead as we were inside. A bit disappointing in the attendance as this is usually a well-supported event. Well done to Naomi & Garon who took up the original request to come dressed in 60's fashion. There was a nice array of sandwiches and cakes. We held a bottle stall, raffle and on the selling of Pamela's cakes and trifles plus a donation we raised £170.00.

## **Club Barbecue**

This will be held on **Sunday 1st September** at Howells school, starting at **3pm**. There is a problem with the swimming pool so there will be no swim session prior to the barbecue. Please let us know if you are going to attend for catering purposes. As the newsletter will be issued by this date a report will be in next month's issue.

Pamela has booked a coffee morning for **Thursday 17th October** at St. Philip Evans Hall from 10am – 12noon.

Tickets will be on sale in September.

## **OTHER NEWS**

### **“100” Club**

The August winners are:- £20 – Gareth Clark

£10 – Dean Mathias and £5 – Nicola Davies

Congratulations!

**Pembrokeshire Puffins** are holding their Gala in **Haverfordwest** on **Saturday 9th November**. Any swimmer who would like to attend, please give your name to Pamela by **Friday 20th September**.

## **Good luck...**

...to the bowlers who are attending the regional bowls competition in Pembroke over the weekend of the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> of this month...

...to the swimmers at the National Partnership Swimming competition in Liverpool over the weekend of 21<sup>st</sup> / 22<sup>nd</sup> of this month



## Christmas 2019

Yes, I know it is September but these take time to organise.

We have various events that you can attend.

- ☺ Although not originally planned for this year; but due to interest from outside the club, Pamela is now organising a coach trip to **Gloucester Christmas Market** on **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November**. **Names please if interested asap**. The cost is **£20.00** an ideal day trip to go and start your Christmas shopping!!
  
- ☺ Our **Christmas meal** this year will be at **St. Peter's Hall, Roath** on **Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November**. I am still getting details of the cost, so a separate notification will be put out.
  
- ☺ **Mince Pies & coffee evening** at St. Philip Evans Church Hall on **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December**. Tickets are £3.00 but you can pay on door on the night but let us know if you are coming so that we know how many to cater for. This is just an informal get together, with the usual raffle, to start off the Christmas season. There will be a bar if you want to have something a bit stronger with your mince pie!
  
- ☺ **Christmas Train trip with Santa** on **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December** at the Dean Forest Railway.  
**Names please as soon as possible**; again we are looking in to the cost so will let you know later. We are also looking in to going for a meal at a Toby Carvery afterwards if you are interested
  
- ☺ **Swimmers & Bowlers Disco** This was an enjoyable event when we did it last year so we are doing it again this year and holding it on **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December** at the Cardiff Medical Centre Sports & Social club from 7.30pm. It is a free event but we do want you to bring a plate of food for the buffet. Pamela is going to put out a list of food for you to put a name to the item you will bring.

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<b>Club Sessions</b>		
Swimming	Monday	Pentwyn LC 8pm – 8.45pm
Swimming	Tuesday	Eastern LC 8.30pm – 9.15pm
Bowls	Friday	Cardiff Indoor Bowls Club, Sophia Gardens 4pm – 6pm
<b>Any items for the newsletter need to be in 5 days prior to the end of the month. Please put them in a word document and as an attachment to the e-mail. Thank you.</b>		