



BIRTLEY AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB

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To.....

Thank you for your enquiry regarding Membership of the above Club

The Club was established in 1974. The original concept was, and still is, for the Club to be a 'teaching' and 'water safety awareness' organisation that helps young people to understand the principles and to receive training in 'lifesaving', as well as assisting them to learn to swim and assist in their personal development in this leisure activity.

It should be understood that the Club is not for young people who wish to develop or train to become speed or competitive swimmers.

The Club meets at the **BIRTLEY SWIMMING CENTRE** on **WEDNESDAY evenings from 7.00 pm until 9.00 pm** operating in two sessions. **7.00 pm until 7.50 pm** and **8.00 pm until 8.50 pm**.

At present the Club has an **Annual Membership Fee** which is set at **£20.00** for a full year (September to July) and a **Weekly Subscription of £3.00 per week**, which includes the cost of all Club Distance Awards and the Club Specialised Awards. The Club requires Members to pay the full **£3.00 even if not present on a Club night**, or to pay **£1.50**, if a non-attendance notification is given in advance or on the evening of the non-attendance.

The Club holds 'Assessment Nights' (twice a year - usually February and July) where all persons who are on the 'New Membership Application Form' List and have attained their 6th birthday, are invited to the Club for an 'assessment' of their present swimming ability. This helps the Club to keep in contact with potential Members and also ensures that we bring the person into the correct group within the Club for their present and future development.

A 'Waiting List Member' will have to have reached their 6th Birthday before being invited into the Club, that being when a place is available in the group which matches their present swimming ability, eg. non-swimmer, 50 metre distance achieved, 400 metre distance achieved or Club Silver Award level attained, etc.

We have recently introduced 'Corporate Image Clothing' for Club Members, this consists of a round-neck 'T-Shirt' and a 'Hooded' Fleece which have the Club Badge on. These items can be purchased at anytime after a young person has been invited to join the Club.

Hoping that this information is helpful to you at your time of enquiry and ensuring that any further questions will be dealt with by Club Officials in a courteous manner.

Please find enclosed a 'New Membership Application Form'

Yours in Sport

Dean L Cox

Dean L Cox (Club Secretary/Poolside Organiser/Instructor)

