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"Skipton SC News & Views"

This is a closed Facebook group for Club members only & is updated regularly with news about the club & up and coming events.

Please don't forget...

'Keep it in Your Locker'

An empowering new film has been commissioned by Swim England in a bid to prevent its teenage members falling foul of a key safeguarding policy change.



STRICTLY NO PHONES IN ANY CHANGING AREAS

'Keep it in Your Locker' aims to raise awareness of a recently-introduced element in Wavepower which prohibits the use of a mobile phone or device in changing rooms during Swim England regulated activity. Please see the link on the website for further information.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



GET INVOLVED!

Welcome back!

We hope you all enjoyed a well-deserved summer break and are feeling refreshed and ready for the season ahead. It has been great to see everyone back in training, with plenty of enthusiasm and focus as we get stuck into the months to come. Getting back into the pool after a break can be both exciting and challenging. Here are a few reminders to help you ease back in smoothly:

- Consistency – start steady and let your fitness build up over time.
- Listen to your body – rest is just as important as training.
- Fuel well – hydration and balanced meals help recovery and performance.
- Celebrate progress – no matter how small, improvement comes in many forms not just PB's,

The season is already off to a busy start, with swimmers having competed at Doncaster Darts and City of Sheffield meet! A huge well done to everyone who competed - you represented the club brilliantly and set the tone for an exciting year ahead.

We would also like to say a big **congratulations** to all of our Yorkshire qualifiers! Reaching this standard is a fantastic achievement, and we're looking forward to supporting you at the Yorkshire Championships next month. Parents please note tickets are purchased in advance, if you haven't got your tickets already, please see the links below:

Leeds - upper age 11-12th October:

<https://www.swimmingresults.org/events/yorkswinter25ticketsleeds/index.php>

Sheffield - lower age 18-19th October:

<https://www.swimmingresults.org/events/yorkswinter25ticketssheffield/index.php>

Check out the clubs website and keep an eye on email and our Facebook page for upcoming meets, conditions and entry deadlines - some of these have a quick turnaround!

Next on the calendar is Blackpool Lights in November, and there's still time to enter. All the details can be found on the club website, so don't miss out!

Our competition guide, which includes FAQs about meets, has been circulated and can also be found on the website, but please contact: competitions@skiptonsc.co.uk if you have any queries.

Here's to another successful and enjoyable season — let's make it a great one!

A Fond Farewell to Jo

Earlier this month, we said goodbye to Jo, our dedicated Chairperson, who has stepped down after serving the club for the past two years. Jo has been a constant source of support and leadership, providing behind-the-scenes organisation, guiding us through challenges and celebrating successes.

On behalf of the whole club, we want to say a heartfelt thank you for the time, energy, and commitment Jo poured into this role. We wish Jo all the very best for the future—you'll always be part of our swimming family.



Annual General Meeting

This years AGM will be held on **Thursday 23rd October** at Craven Leisure café.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

To keep up the success of the Swimming Club we need more people to be involved! This year several committee members have stepped down as their swimmers move on to university which has left many roles vacant.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Rachel on secretary@skiptonsc.co.uk

Upcoming meets:

Yorksire SC Winter Championships Upper age - 11th - 12th October 2025 John Charles - Leeds	Qualifiers will be contacted
A&W Mixed Teams Gala 11th October 2025	11 and under
Yorksire SC Winter Championships Lower age - 18th - 19th October 2025 Ponds Forge - Sheffield	Qualifiers will be contacted
SENER Regional Championships 1st - 2nd November 2025 Ponds Forge - Sheffield	Qualifiers will be contacted
Blackpool Lights 15th - 16th November 2025 Palatine Leisure Centre - Blackpool	All Club - open for entry
Stockport Metro National Qualifier 21st - 23rd November 2025 Life Leisure Grand Central - Stockport	TBC - Squad
A&W Inter Club Gala 29th November 2025	All Club
Stepping Stones 1 7th December 2025	TBC - All Club
Winter Nationals 11th - 14th December 2025 Ponds Forge - Sheffield	Qualifiers will be contacted
City of Leeds Christmas Cracker 13th - 14th December 2025 John Charles - Leeds	TBC - All Club

Get your Kit orders in for Christmas!

The Swimzi shop is opening soon! This year we will be opening the shop between the **1st - 12th October**. Don't miss out! - In addition to the standard kit, this year we've got cosy robes and festive Christmas caps available!

Check out what's on offer and get your kit ordered in time for Christmas!

Any questions/queries contact Lorraine:
kit@skiptonsc.co.uk



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Farewell & Best Wishes to Sam and Joe!

Last newsletter we bid farewell to Jack Jenkinson and Sean Smith, this month we say goodbye to two more of our swimmers as they head off to university....

Goodbye and Good Luck, Sam!

Sam Smith, who has been with the club for an incredible 10 years. Sam's journey has been nothing short of inspirational – from competing at **British level swimming**, spending valuable time training at **DICE in Sweden**, to leading as **Club Captain**, giving his time as a **Young Volunteer**, and becoming a **Level 2 teacher**.

Sam has not only achieved outstanding results in the pool, but he has also been a driving force within the club. His leadership, maturity, and commitment have inspired younger swimmers and set a shining example of what can be achieved through dedication and hard work. He has given so much back to the club, both in and out of the water, and his influence will be felt for years to come. Alongside his swimming achievements, Sam has excelled academically, achieving excellent **A Level results** and confirming his well-deserved place at the **University of Sheffield**.

Sam should be immensely proud of all he has accomplished – both as a swimmer and as a leader. It has been an absolute pleasure to know him, he will be **sadly missed**, and we wish him every success in the future.

Farewell and Best Wishes, Joe!

We also say farewell to *Joe Burgess*, another exceptional swimmer who has been with the club for 10 years. Joe has reached **National level swimming**, and alongside his training, he has been a huge asset as a **Vice Club Captain**, **Level 1 coach**, and committed volunteer. His contributions at **Stepping Stones** and his support at **A&Ws** show the depth of his dedication to the swimming community.

Joe has been a true team player, always encouraging others and setting a fantastic example with his work ethic, generosity, and positive attitude. His willingness to give his time and energy to help others demonstrates the kind of character that makes him so highly respected and valued within the club. Joe has also achieved brilliant **A Level results**, confirming his place at the **University of Nottingham**. His combination of sporting excellence, leadership, and kindness have left a lasting mark on the club.

Joe should be extremely proud of himself – it has been a privilege to see him grow and succeed, and he will be **sadly missed**. We wish him the very best as he takes the next steps in his journey.

Both *Sam and Joe* have been pillars of the club for the past decade. Their dedication, leadership, and generosity have inspired countless swimmers and strengthened the heart of our swimming family. They leave behind not just records and achievements, but a legacy of teamwork, encouragement, and excellence.

They will both be deeply missed, but their impact will be remembered for many years to come. We could not be prouder of them and we wish them every success as they begin this exciting new chapter in their lives.

