



Newsletter November & December 2025!

THE LATEST NEWS & UPDATES

UP & COMING MEETS

DEC 12/14 - Leeds Christmas Cracker

JAN 3/4 - Harrogate Janus

March 14 - Stepping Stones Gala 2

June 13 - Stepping Stones Gala 3

July 5 - Skipton Club Gala

FOR MORE INFO

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Small Club, Big Talent!

Lots going on this month and next month, including, more outstanding results at the Regionals. Swim meets, Christmas raffle, 120 year anniversary, Christmas training times & more.....

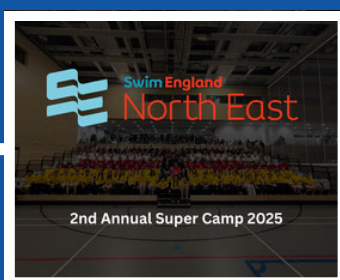
November & December Highlights



SSC Win Big!

Superb performance at the NER Winter Championships saw Skipton dominate the top 10 leaderboard

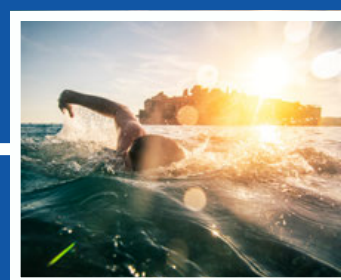
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Super Camp 2025

Skipton Swimmers Selected for Swim England North East - 2nd Annual Super Camp 2025

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What's On

Christmas Training Times, Raffle Tickets, Swim Camp.....120 year anniversary....we need your help!

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STRAIGHT ON THE HEELS OF THE YORKSHIRE WINTER COMPETITION...SKIPTON SMASH THE REGIONALS!

Our amazing swimmers delivered another outstanding performance.... this time at the North East Regional Championships.

Held at John Charles Centre for Sport in Leeds our swimmers showcased exceptional talent across both upper and lower age groups, securing a number of top 10 finishes & medals

Special mention to:

William Barnes who took the silver in **ALL** of the breaststroke events for his age group, including 50m, 100m & 200m

Betsy Rider who took the bronze in the 200m Breaststroke

Una O'Carroll who placed in the top ten for 5 events....including.... 100m Breaststroke, 200m Breaststroke, 100m Free, 50m Backstroke & 200m Free

Well done to all our Regional swimmers, you swam hard and did the club proud!

Ada Barker, Jack Barne, Will Barnes, Olivia Batty, Poppy Dunne, Stanley Dunne, Una O'Carroll, Douglas Oliver, Phoebe Oliver, Betsy Rider, Will Skiggs

THANK YOU to all coaches and volunteers who provided poolside and behind-the-scenes support, making these achievements possible and reinforcing Skipton's reputation as a club where small size meets big talent.



SWIM ENGLAND NORTH EAST – 2ND ANNUAL SUPER CAMP 2025

The Swim England North East Super Camp returned for its second year in 2025, bringing together some of the region's most promising young swimmers for a fantastic development experience. There was a total of 190 swimmers, 34 coaches & team managers, and 2 homegrown Olympians!

Up to **50 athletes** (25 male, 25 female) were selected from long-course national rankings achieved between 1 September 2024 and 31 August 2025.

Selection varied by age group:

13-14 years:

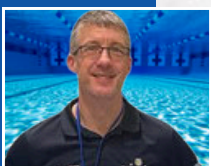
- The top 25 long-course swimmers in the 200m Individual Medley rankings.

15-16 years:

- Swimmers achieving the highest World Aquatics Points (WAP) in any Olympic event.

Meeting the standard enabled consideration but did not guarantee selection.

The athletes who earned their places demonstrated commitment, progression, and the competitive standard expected from swimmers progressing into higher levels of the national pathway.



3 of ours swimmers that were selected attended the camp support by Head Coach Tim Redfern.

One of the defining features of the 2025 Super Camp was the opportunity to learn directly from homegrown **Commonwealth Champions Chris Cook and Aimee Willmott** in a series of workshops.

Both age groups completed two pool sessions, each designed to develop stroke quality, underwater work, turns, movement efficiency and race-ready technical skills.

WELL DONE SWIMMERS!

You can read more here - <https://asaner.org.uk/swim-england-north-east-2nd-annual-super-camp-2025/>



UP & COMING MEETS:

December



Winter Nationals - 11th to 14th

Ponds Forge - Sheffield
Qualifiers will be contacted



City of Leeds Christmas Cracker - 12th / 14th - All Club

John Charles Centre, Leeds - **Registration CLOSED**
This is a perfect meet for all club swimmers



January



Harrogate Janus - 3rd / 4th - All Club - **Registration CLOSED**

Harrogate Leisure and Wellness Centre
This is a perfect meet for all club swimmers

March



Stepping Stone 2 - All Club - **Registration OPEN**

Skipton Pool
This is a perfect meet for all club swimmers

June



Stepping Stone 3 - All Club - **COMING UP**

Skipton Pool
This is a perfect meet for all club swimmers

July



Skipton Swimming Club - **COMING UP**

Skipton Pool
This is a perfect meet for all club swimmers





120 Year Anniversary

This year is the club's 120 year anniversary.....a legacy like that is something that we should all be incredibly proud to be a part of.

We think we should be shouting this from the rooftops.....so.....what about a year of events to celebrate?

We're looking at running a series of events & press releases around the theme of Skipton Swims the World (as we reckon the total distance swum over the last 120 years by club members would go round the world a few times).

We have some initial ideas but we need your help so we're putting together an informal group to help with ideas, research, planning, events and everything in between.

Can you help support the Club?

Do you have some ideas? Or fancy helping with some research?

Please come and grab Claire at a training session or drop her an email at fundraising@skiptonsc.co.uk





WHAT'S COMING UP & OTHER NEWS



MASSIVE well done to **Chris Gunkle** who took the top boy awards for the 9yr age group at the Spenborough Bonfire Bash on Sunday 9th November 2025



All swimmer should now have their Christmas raffle tickets and have hopefully sold them all.....if you don't yet have yours.....give Claire a shout (fundraising@skiptonsc.co.uk)

Lets get all tickets sold & set the club up for some amazing events this year.

PLEASE HAND SOLD & UNSOLD TICKET STUBS & MONIES TO CLAIRE OR REBECCA SHILLITO - We need all sold & Unsold tickets + monies in before the 22nd of December!



THANK YOU to the amazing cake & prize donations and to everyone who came & supported the Stepping Stones Gala 1

It was a brilliant afternoon / evening & the children had such fun.

Don't forget to enter Gala 2!



THANK YOU!





OTHER NEWS & SUPPORT



SWIM CAMP 2026

We are exploring the possibility of running an intensive swim camp for swimmers during the October 2026 half term, hosted at the Barcelo Active Resort, Costa Teguis, Lanzarote.

We would really appreciate your feedback to help us assess interest and plan accordingly.

Please click the link below:

[SWIM CAMP 2026 - INTEREST FORM](#)

FUNDRAISING IDEAS

I'd love to hear from you all on your ideas on how we can fundraise more for the club. Some of the ideas we've thought of are:

Open Water Swim Events
Black Tie Awards Night
Celebrity Swimmer Sessions
Additional branded merchandise
At event sticker transfer printing



What do you think?

Email me at fundraising@skiptonsc.co.uk with your ideas....lets all do this together!



CHRISTMAS TRAINING TIMES

Christmas training dates:

Monday 22nd December - Training as normal

Tuesday 23rd December – CLOSED

Wednesday 24th December - 10am – 11:30am (invite only)

Christmas Day 25th December - CLOSED

Boxing Day 26th December - CLOSED

Saturday 27th December am – CLOSED

Sunday 28th December – Training as normal

Monday 29th December - 10am – 11:30am (invite only)

Tuesday 30th December - CLOSED

Wednesday 31st December - 10am – 11:30am (invite only)

New Years Day 1st January - CLOSED

Friday 2nd January - AM – Craven - Back to normal

PM – Barnoldswick - Back to normal

