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Happy New Year and Welcome Back!

We hope you had a wonderful Christmas and a cheerful start to the New Year! After a well-deserved break, we're excited to jump back into the pool and make a splash in 2025. A special welcome to all our new members - we're thrilled to have you join Skipton Swimming Club!

Whether you've been enjoying some time with family, indulging in festive treats, or simply relaxing, it's great to see everyone back in the water. Here's to a new year filled with personal bests, progress, teamwork, and exciting training sessions. Let's make 2025 our best swimming season yet!

** Membership Renewals **

A big thank you to everyone who has already completed their membership renewal! If you haven't yet, please remember that the deadline for payment and renewal is **Friday 31st January**.

Make sure to complete the membership form and ensure that both swimmers and parents have read the **Swim England Code of Conduct**.

[Membership renewals 2025 - Google Forms](#)

If you have any queries, please contact secretary@skiptonsc.co.uk or treasurer@skiptonsc.co.uk

Upcoming meets:

Yorkshire Championships 2025

1st - 2nd February 2025 - Leeds

8th - 9th February 2025 - Leeds

22nd - 23rd February 2025 - Sheffield

Qualifiers only - closed for entries

Stepping Stones Gala 2

15th March 2025

All Club - closing date 27th February

Sheffield City Spring Open Meet

29th March 2025

All club - closed for entries

City of Sheffield Premiere Meet

7th - 9th March

Squad only - closed for entries

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8th March 2025

All Club - closing date for entries
19th February

York City Baths

22nd March 2025

Squad only - closing date for entries
10th February

City of Leeds National Qualifier

11th - 13th April 2025

Squad only - closing date for entries
10th February

'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.

Congratulations!



Huge congratulations to our squad swimmers Sam Smith and Jack Jenkinson who have been selected to represent Team England at the **Swedish Grand Prix 2025** taking place in Stockholm in March.

This amazing opportunity is provided as part of the [Diploma in Sporting Excellence](#) (DiSE), a programme delivered by Swim England in conjunction with Loughborough College and forms the fifth stage of the Swim England Development Pathway, aligned with the Youth Performance squad. Both swimmers were selected for this programme and are currently in their second year completing the course alongside A Levels. Criteria for the selection to the Swedish Grand Prix includes an upward performance trajectory in the pool and a minimum Male 650+ WAP.



Pictured: Jack Jenkinson, Sam Smith

Congratulations we look forward to checking out the event in March!

Skipton Swimming Club: Changing Room Etiquette

At Skipton Swimming Club, we adhere to the official Swim England guidelines and conduct ourselves appropriately in the facilities we use. This ensures a respectful and inclusive environment for everyone. Please take note of the following rules:

Swim England Changing Room Rules:

- **Respect Privacy:**

Always use cubicles if additional privacy is required and be considerate of others in shared spaces. Inappropriate behavior is not tolerated.

- **Maintain a Quiet Environment:**

Keep noise levels to a minimum to ensure a calm atmosphere for all users.

- **Clean Up After Yourself:**

Take all personal belongings, towels, and any rubbish with you when you leave the changing area.

- **Respect All Ages and Genders:**

The facilities we use are shared by a diverse range of individuals. Ensure your behaviour is appropriate and considerate of everyone.

- **No Phones or Cameras:**

The use of phones, cameras, or any recording devices is strictly prohibited in changing areas to protect everyone's privacy.

- **Keep Conversations Appropriate:**

Open conversations in the changing rooms should always remain respectful and suitable for all audiences.



Fundraising

We are absolutely thrilled to share the fabulous news about our Christmas fundraising raffle!

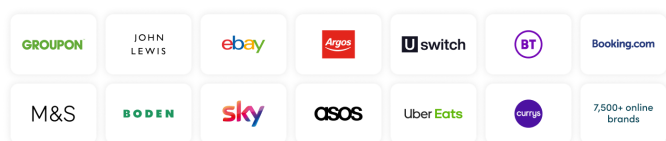
Firstly, we'd like to express our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who bought tickets, sold tickets, donated, and helped us in so many ways. A big congratulations to the winners as well!

Your generosity has been outstanding! In fact, in 2024, we sold more raffle tickets than ever before, making this the most successful fundraising Christmas raffle we've ever had.

The total raised was an incredible **£1529**, which far exceeded our expectations.

Skipton Swimming Club relies on the support of everyone - whether it's through committee members, poolside volunteers, coaches, or the kindness shown in supporting our fundraising events throughout the year. The generosity of all those connected with the club directly benefits the children who swim with us. If you're able to donate any time or resources, we would be deeply grateful.

Here's to a successful 2025, continuing with our fundraising efforts, so our children can keep becoming the brilliant swimmers they are!



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Stepping Stones 2 Gala - 15th March

A big **THANK YOU** to our generous sponsor, Arthur E Walker & Co for supporting the Stepping Stones 2 gala. Your contribution helps make this event a success, and we truly appreciate your support in making it all possible!

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Team Unify is rebranding to Sports Engine Motion!

If you haven't already, be sure to download the new Sports Engine Motion app. It's your go-to resource for:

- ★ **Tracking your personal bests** and progress
- ★ **Staying up-to-date** on upcoming meets and events
- ★ **Receiving important updates** from our coaches and team

This is a great tool to help keep you informed, prepared and ready for all the exciting moments ahead....make sure to download the app today!

You can find the Sports Engine Motion app on the App Store for iOS devices and on Google Play for Android devices. Please contact club secretary Rachel, on secretary@skiptonsc.co.uk if you require any further assistance