

# AMERSHAM SWIMMING & DIVING CLUB NEWS

## NOTE FROM THE CHAIR

ANDY PRESS



We have a great couple of weekends at CLC ahead. This weekend is the club diving championships and next week the swimming County Qualifier. Come and support your competitors and watch how much their hard work is paying off.  
Andy

## NOTE FROM THE HEAD DIVE COACH SHIRAZ SHAMSHUDIN

This Saturday marks a very exciting milestone for our club as we host our **first ever Diving Club Championships!** We are thrilled to have **over 110 divers** taking part across all levels — from our Lessons programme and Competitive Squads to our master's and even some of our Coaches.

Please note that **all normal training sessions are cancelled on this day** to allow the event to run smoothly.

Our coaches and organising team are really looking forward to welcoming every diver and celebrating the fantastic progress, dedication, and spirit shown across the club. It promises to be a brilliant day of diving, teamwork, and community!

### Upcoming Competitions & Events

#### 2025

- **6 Dec** – Amersham Club Championships (Whole Club Event)

#### 2026

- **24 Jan** – Surrey Skills Competition (Guildford)
- **14–17 Feb** – Armada Cup – Age Group (Plymouth, L3/4)
- **7 Mar** – London Regional Skills (L2)
- **17–19 Apr** – Sandwell Showdown – Skills & Age Group (Birmingham, L2/L3)

### Known Pool Closure Dates

#### 2025

- **13–14 Dec** – ASC L3 Meet
- **24 Dec – 2 Jan** – Christmas Break 🎄

#### 2026

- **28–29 Mar** – ASC L3 Meet
- **4–5 Apr** – Easter Weekend (TBC)

## SWIM EVENTS

**Dec 6th - Arena League R3**

**Dec 7th - Club Champs Weekend 4**

**Dec 13th-14th - Amersham Open Meet**

## OFFICIALS TRAINING

For any qualified J1 officials looking to progress to J2, the next J2 stroke judge course will be held on 9th December at 7pm (sign up at <https://swim-meet.com/Availability/?m=8274>).

For anyone who has not yet qualified as J1 but is keen to get involved, please reach out to [ascnickord@gmail.com](mailto:ascnickord@gmail.com). The support of our volunteer officials at all levels is vital to the success of the club.

## AMERSHAM SC OPEN MEET 13TH/14TH DEC - URGENT VOLUNTEERS & OFFICIALS NEEDED

We are one week away from our County Qualifier swimming open meet which will take place on 13/14th Dec 2025.

These events are extremely important for the club and require a lot of volunteer support. We still have 32 general volunteer slots open and we need your support please to fill these ASAP. This is urgent now, so please sign up. Expectation is that you sign up to help for at least 1 session if you have a swimmer entered.

Job sign up can be found in the event on-line. No experience necessary for all jobs with the exception of a team manager. If you sign up to help you will not miss your child swim and we will give you free spectator access for that day.

We also need more officials, if you are a qualified official with a swimmer competing we need you to sign up please. Sign up: <https://www.swim-meet.com/Availability/?m=8082>

Any questions please contact Sara on [meets@amershamswimmingclub.co.uk](mailto:meets@amershamswimmingclub.co.uk)

## NOTE FROM THE HEAD SWIMMING COACH

DAVID CUMMINGS



Hi All,

On the 22nd/23rd November we were at Guildford Level 2 Last chance national qualifying meet. Our swimmers performed really well with a lot of PB's and swimmers getting into finals.

This weekend 6th/7th December we have the 3rd round of the National arena league and our final session of Club championships. For the National arena league our A team are in the top final of the Division 1 league racing at Chiltern Lifestyle centre and our B team are racing in Portsmouth in the B Final in Division 2. Good luck to all swimmers involved and keep the team spirit as high as it's been in Rounds 1 and 2.

I'm also proud to announce this year we have two swimmers racing at Winter nationals in Esme and Ethan please see their race schedule for the nationals below and make sure to tune in on the YouTube channel to support our swimmers  
Thursday 11th December  
Ethan 50 Butterfly  
Esme 800 Freestyle  
Friday 12th December  
Ethan 50m Backstroke  
Saturday 13th December  
Ethan 50 Freestyle and 100 Backstroke  
Esme 1500m Freestyle  
Sunday 14th December  
Ethan 100m Freestyle

The weekend of the 13th/14th also brings our Amersham County Qualifier meet with Amersham having over 100 swimmers entered. Good luck to everyone taking part.

David

**WELFARE:** Amersham Swimming Club is committed to looking after the best interests of our swimmers.

You may contact our Child Welfare Officer with any concerns in confidence by emailing: [welfare@amershamswimmingclub.co.uk](mailto:welfare@amershamswimmingclub.co.uk)