



MARKET HARBOROUGH SWIMMING CLUB

MHSC Notes on the Operating Structure of the Club

The Club is run wholly by dedicated volunteers. Please bear this in mind if you have any queries or questions. We will be happy to receive your questions or comments and will do our best to accommodate your needs, but please do remember that we have to operate within a structure - some of which is laid down by the governing body, some by the pool operator, some by law and some of which we have determined to be in the best interests of all members.

We ask that you always listen to the pool staff, your teacher, club officers, other members and treat all with respect. The Club supervises swimmers only in the Pool Hall - anywhere else on the Leisure Centre Site is totally outside of our supervision and any activity there will be wholly the responsibility of the Centre Staff.

Above all, we want you to enjoy your time as a member of the club and your swimming for the rest of your life. Many of our junior members have become volunteer teachers, lifeguards, committee members. 'For some, it has led to a way to earn money to pay their way through further education and in some cases, the start of a career. We see all of these aspects as being just as important as swimming fast!

On paying your annual subscription, you will have been given a membership card and number. Bring your card with you and be prepared to give in your number every Friday evening. This subscription covers administration and attendance on Friday evenings only.

Please bring with you your swimming costume, towel, and any other equipment such as goggles, hat, fins etc... If you need any medication, please make certain that you know where, when and how to use it, please also make your swim teacher aware. Use of the lockers (£1 refundable) is recommended as belongings left in the cubicles may easily be removed - by accident or otherwise.

Be changed showered and on the poolside promptly for your lesson which will normally last 30 minutes on Friday.

Training sessions on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday evening are by personal invitation only and subject to extra monthly fees. The fees are payable whether you attend or not and you will be given an envelope each month with the amount you owe written on it. If you are invited, you will be expected to be available to represent the Club in Galas. If your attendance, behaviour, performance or attitude do not fit well within the training regime, your place may be taken by another swimmer and you may be asked to stop attending. We have a limited amount of water time and the volunteers try to make best use of it.

The Club opens throughout the year except for Good Friday and we also have a break for the Christmas period. There is a notice board near the entrance to the café on the terrace. The Club has a website, www.marketharboroughswimclub.org. Both carry more information and you may email the committee via the website if you prefer to use this facility.

If you have a problem, please talk in the first instance to your teacher or, if necessary to another officer of the Club. Sometimes problems can be very easy to solve - but we can't do it if we don't know about it!