

Heated Pool Is Successful In First Year

THE first year's use of Monkton Park swimming pool since it has been heated has been highly successful for the Chippenham Amateur Swimming Club. This was reported at the annual meeting of the club at the College of Further Education last week.

The Mayor Mrs. Angela Powell, congratulated the club on its fine work for young people. Well over 550 young people had passed through the club.

The president, Mr. R. W. Escott, presented the Mayor with a cheque for £114 8s. 2d. as the club's contribution towards the corporation swimming pool fund. Mrs. Powell was also personally presented with a club certificate as a mark of appreciation for her interest in the club.

COUNTY TROPHY

It was reported that the club had won the Wiltshire County Joseph Buckle Memorial Trophy for the first time, and the treasurer, Mr. Ivor Marton, was congratulated on becoming president-elect of the Wiltshire County Amateur Swimming Association.

A profit of £92 17s. 9d. was reported on the year's working.

The Mayor presented awards to the following members: Cup winners, girls under 11, Sarah Carling; under 13, Sally Newman; under 15, Sausan Gale; over 15, Janet Marsh; boys under 11, Paul Winterton; under 13, Simon Winterton; under 15, Stephen Parker; over 15, Michael Newman.

Life-saving awards, teachers certificate Mr. David Chamberlaine; bronze medals, D. Chamberlaine, S. Gale, J. Griffiths, L. Roberts, P. Blackman, C. Vallance, T. Howard, P. Shipway.

A.S.A. swimming proficiency awards went to Sally Newman and Mark Rees. 55 yds: Malcolm Fishlock Lesley Durham, Richard Chequer Julia Kingsbury, Brian Gibbs, Christine Ditchburn, Andrew Bishop, Judith Beint, Michael Chadwick, Ian Newble Christopher Haddrell, Ian Murray, Ian Carey Julian Izzo Patricia Yeo, Kevin Izzo, Dawn Thomas, Trevor Morris, Christine Yeo, Elaine Moore, Karen Lucas, Caroline Andrews, Ruth Baker, Neil Barnett, Lyn Rusher, Stephen Hall, Lisa Parker, Peter Hall, Linda Schofield, Andrew Cotton, Angela Miles, Karen Ingram, Lucia Chamberlain, Colin Hutchings, Julia Burnett, Kay Vallance, Philip Affleck, Timothy Hayes.

Quarter mile: Keith Newble, Lyn Weston, Carol Vallance, Jane Ingram, Susan Hall, Stephen Ashman, Ruth Baker, Matthew Kime, Dawn Thomas, Johanna Morris, Claire Newis, Karen Lucas, Josephine Affleck, Claire Ragbourne, Timothy Hayes, Trevor Patch, Gillian Wicks, Claire Smith, Trevor Morris, Caroline Andrews, Christine Ditchburn, David Hutchins, Lesley Durham, Elizabeth Rees, Lynn Rusher, Jeremy Stevenson.

Half mile: Christopher Haddrell, Keith Newble, Richard Wiltshire, Susan Hall, Glynis Cole, Paul Winterton, Karen Lucas, Lyn Rusher, Dawn Thomas, David Hutchins, Lyn Weston, Jane Ingram, Lesley Durham, Matthew Kime.

One mile: Mark Rees, Alan Malpas, Nicholas Tilley, Stephen Cooper, Sarah Carling, Glynis Cole, Robert Broadhead, Noreen Wiltshire, Christopher Haddrell, Lyn Weston, Brian Gibbs, Jane Ingram, Paul Bowerbank, Katrina Neale, Matthew Kime, Lynda Jenkins, Stephen Ashman, Susan Hall, Kevin Orledge, Christine Ditchburn, Michael George, Stephen Parker, Martin Holder, Simon Winterton, Alan Hamblin, Susan Chapman, Graham Haddrell, Lyn Rusher, Stephen Vincent, Karen Lucas, Alan Hargreaves, David Hutchins.

SWIMMING NOTES

The club has a Wiltshire champion this season. On Tuesday last week Mike Newman won the boys 100 yards freestyle, and another club member, Chris Cloke, came second. This I feel is a result of dedication to training through the winter at Colerne. Well done, Mike and Chris. This is a true example of the club spirit at the moment.

The Chippenham at home gala was a great success on Thursday and the weather was kind to us.

In the junior schools championships Westmead A won the girls cup, Ivy Lane won the boys shield, and senior schools relays were swum with great enthusiasm.

Teams taking part were Calne Bentley, Stonar School, Atworth, Chippenham Girls' High School, Chippenham Boys' High School. Thank you for your support.

Then followed a number of lighthearted events which club members enjoyed very much.

While the pool was prepared for the polo match the public were invited to throw in coins for members to retrieve. This resulted in a sum of £4 5s. to be added to our finances for the evening.

To end the programme was an excellent polo match between Wiltshire and Gloucester which Wiltshire won 4-3. We must thank these energetic young men for their interest.

Mr Page thanked the swimming club for organising an excellent evening's entertainment.

The Rotary Club arranged the attendance of patients from Seymour House and St Andrew's. I'm sure they enjoyed an evening in the sunshine. Also attending were the Mayor and Mayoress, Mr and Mrs Hughes, and the carnival queen and party.

Our team of lifeguards at the water carnival was large. Eighteen members were on duty, carefully watching the proceedings. Fortunately they were not called upon to give their services, but many thanks to them for being present.

We are now training hard for our entries into the Wiltshire life saving competition. **DWC.**



YOUNG SWIMMERS' AWARDS: Points winners with their trophies at Chippenham Amateur Swimming Club presentations evening at the Further Education College last Wednesday. Under 11, Sarah Carling and Paul Winterton; under 13, Sally Newman and Simon Winterton; under 15, Sausan Gale and Stephen Parker; over 15, Janet Marsh and Michael Newman. 18317

SWIMMERS MET AS ANGLER

SIX years ago a ten-year-old Chippenham boy, Michael Newman, was fishing near the Town Bridge—and fishing, it must be confessed, with little success.

Getting bored because of the lack of bites, he decided to spend the time more actively climbing trees in the Island Park, and of course the inevitable happened. He slipped, fell and sustained a badly broken arm.

A fellow fisherman went quickly to his aid and the ambulance was soon on the spot to take Michael to hospital.

His rescuer was Brian Jenkins of Swindon, who was then using the Chippenham open-air swimming pool, training for the 1964 Olympics. Angling was his method of relaxing from the strain of Olympic training.

Fortunately, the broken arm mended well and Michael himself took up swimming seriously. He was more successful in the water than up the trees and at Devizes last week won the Wiltshire county 100 yards freestyle cup.

It was a trophy that already bore the name of Brian Jenkins three times—winner in 1956, 58 and 59!



MICHAEL NEWMAN, winner of the Wiltshire 100 yards freestyle cup, with trophy.