



# Dronfield Dolphin News

## March 2008



### SWIM21 Success

We have great pleasure in announcing that Dronfield Dolphins have gained the SWIM21 Accreditation award at Skill Development Level from the ASA. This Award is presented to Clubs who demonstrate good practise, and are seen to offer a quality service to their Customers. A Sub Committee worked tirelessly to research, delegate tasks and present evidence supporting our practise. This evidence was presented as a Portfolio after months of hard work by a dedicated team. We met criteria surrounding three Modules. These were Athlete Development, Compliance and Workforce development. This Portfolio was then submitted to the Regional Panel of the ASA. Once we had passed this initial verification, our Portfolio was then scrutinised by a National Panel. After a nail biting wait, we were awarded this status.

We have an action plan to continue development of the Club. The Action Plan from SWIM21 Panel highlighted two minor Points for us to work on, and we will be planning their implementation immediately. Our Web Site was highlighted as the thing we do really well. Really informative and up to date with all Club news etc. Credit for this goes to Richard Peat, our Webmaster.

We are absolutely delighted to have received this Accreditation, and are looking forward to taking this into the future. SWIM21 is an ongoing accreditation, and we will be monitored and supported by the ASA to maintain standards required by the SWIM21 Panel. A great opportunity for our Club to maintain the push forward to make ours a friendly supportive Club offering coaching to a quality standard to enable our Swimmers to reach their potential.

I am sure you will join us in thanking the team who made this all possible by giving up hours and hours of their free time voluntary to achieve this award. We are going to invite local media to advertise our success. You will see the SWIM21 Logo on all our paperwork, media etc. shortly.



### HELP!!!

We are looking at redesigning our Letterhead which we use for our Publications. Our current Letterhead is looking a little tired and in need of an update. Is there a Parent out there who has these skills to design us a new one? If you can help see or E-Mail Wendy or any other member of our Committee.



### Swimmers Drinks!!

Our Senior Coaches have raised a concern regarding Swimmers drinks. Swimmers are taking drinks on poolside in throw away bottles. The main problem is that they are not throwing them away Dave had to pick six bottles up after last weeks session. Swimmers, please take your rubbish with you when you leave the poolside. Another hazard of these disposable drinks is the tops, which when removed have a sharp serrated edge which could cut a Swimmers foot. Sports bottles are far more environmentally friendly by being reusable time after time?



### Training Cancellations

The following sessions are cancelled at Ponds Forge:

- Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2008
  - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2008 Good Friday
- Sorry for any inconvenience



**Good Luck**  
**To ALL our Swimmers**  
**Competing in the**  
**Derbyshire County Championships**

