

## **Welcome to Satellites Swimming Club**

*The following is a guide for swimmers and parents on what to expect from the club. If you have any further queries don't hesitate to contact the club for any further information.*

*The organisation of the club squad system is designed to help the swimmers develop the essential techniques required for each stroke and the necessary skills needed for starts, turns and finishes. As the swimmers progress through the squads they will become more skilful and be able to compete at higher levels.*

## **Club History**

*The club was founded in 1972 by Derek Bache, the assistant manager at Macclesfield Swimming Baths in Davenport Street who was also a qualified swimming teacher and coach.*

*It arose from the need for a competitive club in the area, rather than those with a teaching focus. Pool time was originally 5 hours per week, with teaching lessons being established on Saturday and Sunday mornings as feeder groups to the competitive club.*

*When the new pool was opened Satellites quickly made it home and has hosted many competitions and galas at the pool, whilst competing at the North Midlands Association Championships and Cheshire County Championships held at the pool.*

*The club gradually grew from strength to strength and has produced swimmers to represent District, County and English Schools; had swimmers selected for English Talent Development groups, Olympic Development Squads, Junior, Youth and Senior National Teams and produced GB Olympians in both 1992 and 1996.*

## **The Committee**

*Supporting both swimmers and coaches is a Club committee. The committee consists of 10 official members and other supporters and meets once a month usually on a Wednesday evening. If you would like to be involved in the running of the Club there are always 'jobs' available from a small one-off commitment to regular involvement, please speak to one of the committee members if you are interested in helping. The Club's annual general meeting is held in December and the Club membership year runs from 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> December as does membership of the Amateur Swimming Association (ASA).*

## **Communication**

*Most club communication to swimmers and parents is done via this website [www.swimsatellite.co.uk](http://www.swimsatellite.co.uk) and the notice board situated opposite the Disabled Changing Rooms at the pool. Please take the time to check these regularly to keep up to date with new information. You can also follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) to be kept up to date with any day to day training changes or information.*