

## WARRINGTON DOLPHINS LONG DISTANCE SWIMMING CLUB.

### ANNUAL REPORT 1987.

With a total of five hundred and forty eight miles swum, including a Channel swim and a record breaking swim around Manhattan Island, I am pleased to report on another successful year for the club.

Top of the mileage chart was our very own international jet setter Chris Green, whose achievements this year include two Manhattan Island swims, the second breaking the British record in a time of seven hours and twenty nine minutes. Chris also swam Seal Beach in California, San Francisco Bay and closer to home three more crossings of Morecambe Bay, making a total of forty crossings.

Two years ago James Tinsley joined the club, on September 18th he swam the English Channel in fourteen hours and thirty four minutes which just goes to prove what can be achieved with dedicated training, determination and of course the 'luck' with the weather that all Channel aspirants need. Jimmy also completed the Two Way Windermere swim finishing second in the mens championship.

Other swimmers who achieved new goals this year are Keith Bossom who swam Coniston in the excellent time of two hours and seventeen minutes and Simon Ferguson who swam Ullswater.

The club was as usual well represented at British Long Distance Swimming Association and affiliated club championships throughout the country and obtained good results in many events.

Junior members Philip Stringer, Jackie Oxley and Caroline Smith all had good seasons and we hope to see more of them in championships next year.

At the clubs Annual Dinner Dance held in late November 1986 the Anderson Trophy was presented to Tony Johnson for his work in organising the clubs Pickmere and Albert Dock championships, a presentation was also made to Chris Green for his outstanding achievements during the year.

The British Long Distance Swimming Association Annual Dinner saw Harry Brooks presented with the Avril and Alan Mitchell trophy for the Veteran Swimmer of the Year. The following day at the Annual General Meeting Sue Corkhill was elected onto the committee, Tony Johnson was elected as Windermere Championship Secretary and Chris Carter as President Elect of the Association. The club would like to wish Chris all the best for his forthcoming year of office.

Ken Bailey spent a busy weekend during September raising money for the Altrincham Spastics Society. Ken completed a triathlon between Altrincham and Brighton which included one mile swims in seven swimming pools en-route.

Congratulations are in order for Kevin and Gaynor Normansell on the birth of their son, Philip and for Wendy and Fred James on the birth of their daughter, Kathryn.

To conclude, the club would like to thank the Manager and staff of Warrington Baths for their help and co-operation during the year.

Wishing you all an enjoyable and successful season in 1988.



Susan E. Corkhill  
Hon. Secretary.