



Sealion Swimming Club

For people with Disabilities



Nick
PR Officer and Gala Organiser

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[Coming up in June. Sealion Swimming Club trip to Whipsnade Zoo](#)



On **Saturday June 13th**, we are going to Whipsnade Zoo. This event is their annual special needs day and there will be increased specialist facilities and interactive events at the Zoo for this occasion. Fill out an application form and return it to a member of the committee as soon as you can. **Be quick though. Places are likely to sell out fast!!**

[Changes to the committee.](#)

Your Committee.



Alan
Pool Coordinator



Nabs.
Aqua Instructor



Colin
Social Activities



Jane
Committee



YOU?
Secretary

We currently have 2 vacancies for:
CHAIRPERSON
and
SECRETARY.



Linda
Membership



Dave
Treasurer



Beryl
Committee



Tim
Committee



YOU?
Chairman / Chairwoman

If you feel you would like to put yourself forward for this position, come and find a member of the committee to discuss this.

In addition to the 2 vacancies, we are **always looking for extra committee members** to help run the club. There is always LOTS to do to keep the club going.

Recent AGM

On 7th March we held a very successful AGM at The Recital Hall at Nascot Wood Junior School.

Main points from the AGM are as follows:

- Numbers have dropped slightly this year. We finished the year with 73 members. We had 2879 attendances this year in comparison with 3237 last year, which is a drop of 358.
- The use of the sports hall has also been in decline. If we want to continue to make use of this extra facility, we **MUST** use it.
- Please make sure Linda Wood (Membership Secretary) has your current e-mail address, as this is the easiest way for us to contact our many members.
- Also, please **REPLY** to emails when requested. At Christmas, Linda only received 2 replies when you were asked about Christmas nibbles. This makes catering for these events very difficult unless we have a better idea of numbers.
- Jane Stonelake stood down as Chairperson after many years; however she will remain on the committee. Thank you Jane for your past and continued commitment to the club.
- Treasurer's report: The Club ended 2014 with a deficit for the year of £1,412. As a result of this, the Club's funds decreased from £15,481 at the start of the year to £14,069 by the end of the year.
- We have had to increase our membership fees slightly this year, but even at the new rate of £40 for families and £20 for individual membership, this still is outstanding value for money.
- We ran an in-house Gala in September which was thoroughly enjoyed by members and only cost £71 to run. There will be another one in September this year.

Also, many thanks to Councillor Karen Hastrick, Vice Chairman of Watford Council, for attending our AGM, speaking to us and presenting the awards.



Sealion In-house Gala September 2015

Finally, we will be holding our **Annual Sealion Gala in September**.

As Gala Organiser, the most time consuming part of running a Gala is getting people timed prior to the big day.

This takes at least 10 Saturdays. So, **please come and find me in the pool to get timed for your event** during one of the Sealion sessions during July and August, so that you can take part.