

ASA National Age Group Diving Championships 2015

Ponds Forge International Sports Centre
Sheaf Street
Sheffield
S1 2BP

Competition Dates: Wednesday 27th – Sunday 31st May 2015

Travel Dates: Tuesday 26th – Sunday 31st May 2015

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Edinburgh Diving Club is taking a team to the ASA National Age Group event. The coaches have nominated your child to participate and you have confirmed that he/she will be able to attend.

Early details of the competition from the organisers are in the attached pdf. The precise timings of the events are subject to change once all the entries have been received by the organisers.

Travel

We will be traveling down to Sheffield by train on **Tuesday 26th May, leaving from Waverley station at 10:10** (please aim to be there 25-30 minutes earlier to get registered and for the group to get onto the train).

We will return on Sunday 31st, leaving Sheffield at 17:21 and arriving back at Edinburgh Waverley at 20:56.

Hotel

We are staying at the Travelodge Sheffield Central, 1 Broad Street West, Sheffield S1 2BQ.

Meals/Food

Please make sure any dietary restrictions are on the medical form and let us know if there are other food factors we need to take into account. We absolutely understand that some of the divers may have very specific food requirements, so let us know.

The divers might wish to bring a bowl and a spoon with them if they want cereal at breakfast.

And of course, please remember to bring a water bottle which will be able to be refilled at the hotel and the pool.

Divers, Coaches and Chaperones

We will have 9 divers:

- Angus Menmuir
- Caitlyn Lumsden
- Danny Mabbott
- Hannah Cunliffe
- Lewis Thomas
- Madeleine Finlayson
- Mhairi Goodwin (in a separate competition taking place at the same time)
- Marianne Hume
- Ryan Jennings

We will have two coaches

- Mary Sless
- Jenny Leeming

We will have two chaperones

- Kenny Goodwin
- Debs Heatley

The phone number of the club mobile phone that you can use to contact the coaches or chaperones during the trip is **07503 677 298**

Medicines

Any regular medicines or treatments should be stated in the medical form. Please let us know if you wish the chaperones to keep hold of and/or administer any medicines (inc. inhalers). This includes the likes of calpol / paracetamol if they have a cold etc.

Club Kit

We ask that the diver travel in club kit from Edinburgh and during the trip. Please make sure that the kit in particular is marked with the diver's name as things can often go astray in the heat of competition and this will allow easier repatriation when they are left behind somewhere.

Valuables

We recognise the value in taking some entertainment along so there is no problem in bringing along the likes of portable games machines and phones along. However, they really do need to remain the responsibility of the diver.

The chaperones or coaches cannot take responsibility for valuables belonging to the divers – they will be too concerned for the wellbeing of the divers themselves. We will of course take efforts to keep an eye out for any items left behind in train, pool and hotel, but ultimately it's the diver's responsibility.

Payment

The total cost of the six days of the trip will be £250. This includes a subsidy from club funds to keep costs down. The entry fees of £31.50 that you have paid yourselves should be deducted, therefore the total to pay to the club is £218.50 (£50 deposit + £168.50 final). However, I know that some of you will also have paid entry fees for the Synchro event (£20 per pair), so these should also be deducted from whomever has paid for these.

Sorry it's a bit complicated this time round, but caused by the way the entries are registered and paid for this competition (which is in line with the FINA run senior competitions).

Hopefully most of the payments have now been made, but if not can I ask that these are made asap.

As usual we would much prefer if you could make an electronic payment, the details are as follows:

Account name:	Edinburgh Diving Club
Sort code:	80-11-00
Account number:	00272704

Please put your child's name and 'NAG' in the payment reference. You may have to sensibly abbreviate this information. I know it's not always easy to change the abbreviations at the bank, but if you can make sure that the diver name is in there somewhere, that will be fine.

Please note that on these sorts of chaperoned trips, parents/guardians are discouraged from staying in same hotel as the team (subject to local availability) and must not join the team for travel/meals.

Finally, if you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me. And Good Luck to all the divers (and coaches and chaperones!).

Regards

Gary Ross