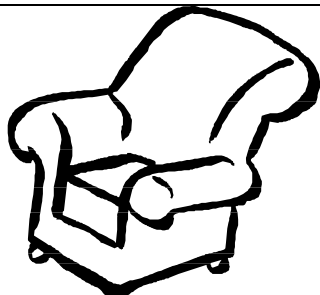




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From the Chair...

Our infamous & hectic Tuesday evenings are now well underway at the Mytchett Canal Centre and hectic they certainly are. With many more boats at our disposal being kept at Mytchett, kayaks and our ill used Canadians are all now being fully utilised. Members are leaving their boats there which is clearly convenient for them and saves transporting them each week on roof racks, more boats have been made available for 'boatless' members which leads to less sharing and waiting for their turn.

The pool sessions on the Sunday evenings are continuing to be well supported. These sessions are ideal for a general splash about and honing your capsize, support strokes, rescues and rolling skills all finished off with a rough and tumble polo session.

Richard Somerset

Club Marathon

The Club is running a marathon again this year. It will hopefully bring in lots of money which can be used to support Club activities. WE NEED your support. Either bring a boat and race or phone Brian Gandy to offer your assistance a wide variety of jobs from car park marshalling to sandwich making can be found. The date Sunday 9th June The place Canal Centre, Mytchett Brian Gandy 01252 622630

Tuesday Nights

Our regular Tuesday evening session on the canal is on the move again. From Tuesday 11th June we will be meeting at Reading Road Wharf, Fleet. We will be having an Extraordinary General Meeting on Friday 27th September to discuss the location of Club nights.

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News

BCCC Hasler Marathon Race

Sunday 9th June 2002
At Canal Centre, Mytchett

The Club has run a Hasler Marathon Race each year for the past 17 years. We expect over 100 paddlers this year and would like you to be one of them.

Hasler Races

For all ages from 10 years to over 70 years. If you are new to the sport, you enter division 9. You race four miles (Canal Centre to Ash Wharf and back). You can go in any type of canoe or kayak, but (obviously) a fast one is best. Please see Paul Batchelor or Brian Gandy for more information and help.

Fun Race

For those who do not want to go in the Hasler race. You race over 2 miles (Canal Centre to Great Bottom Flash and back). Any type of canoe or kayak - single or double. Only £2 per head.

Hey, listen! For all competitors, there is a cheese sandwich, piece of cake (the best on the marathon circuit) and a drink, all in the price. You might even get a prize!

Just come and watch (or help)
You will be made very welcome if you just wish to come and watch.
More details available from Brian Gandy 01252 622630

“Green” Newsletters

A number of people have asked me if they can have Waterfront sent to them electronically instead of a paper copy. If you want to join the paperless office then please send me an email to say so and include your preferred format of .doc or .pdf. Send to liz.murnaghan@ntlworld.com and copy in Brian Gandy on Brian.Gandy@talk21.com

Liz

Taster Day.

Our, now annual, 'taster day' is scheduled for Saturday 29th June at Fleet Wharf from 13.00 to 16.00. This is clearly open to all members and prospective members alike so spread the word amongst your friends, neighbours, and colleagues and bring them all along! We will be running this in conjunction with NEHWCA so will have plenty of boats at our disposal but bring your own along as well if you wish.

CLUB WEBSITE

The BCCC Club Website is currently being updated, and can be found at <http://homepage.ntlworld.com/matt.lockey/>. This is a temporary location as I hope to eventually replace the existing website which is currently at <http://www.bccanoeing.org.uk/>. If anyone experiences and difficulties with the new site please contact me and let me know on the following numbers or email address. If anyone has any good photographs (originals please), interesting articles, links to good sites, or general suggestions for content then please could they let me know by giving me a call on 01252 684583 after 1730, 0118 976 3300 during the day, or emailing me on matt.lockey@ntlworld.com. This is your website, so I would appreciate as much input from you as possible. Thanks for all your help.

Matt Lockey

Gossip

Beware of men in tights!

If a man in tights approaches you to paddle a K2 back 2 miles to Crookham Wharf (where we keep this boat) after a Hare & Hounds session do look hard at his tights. What you are looking for is a tell tale bulge (carkey shaped of course!). If you do not see this bulge then you will get to Crookham Wharf and then have to paddle back the 2 miles to get said keys!

Strange men with straps!

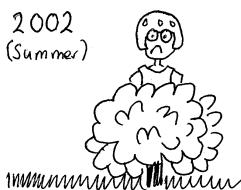
Have you spotted some grown men acting strangely at the pool sessions with knotted ropes and straps? Well not for the faint hearted or young eyes I can tell you!

Tuesday evenings

We will be back at Fleet Wharf from Tuesday 11th June. We have had a lot of favourable comments from our trial session at Mytchett. Members have liked the convenience of being able to store boats in the barn. There has been none of the hassle with the trailer and finding drivers for it. Wet bodies have liked somewhere dry to change. Spectators have liked picnic benches. No one has complained about flush toilets.

There will be an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Club on Fri. 27th September to discuss the location of Club nights. You will receive more information by post nearer the time, meanwhile your committee is busy evaluating the cost of a number of options.

Fleet Wharf :-
How the facilities
have grown...



TRAINING

Congratulations to Dave Mantell who recently attained Coach level 2 status, passing with flying colours!

1 Star what now?

BCCC like, I believe, many other clubs have many members who get their 1 Star award and that is all they require for the rest of

their paddling career. Others will strive for more and more badges and for various reasons such as: coaching, the challenge, white water etc.

If you want to move to the next stage and the 2 Star level what can you do next?

1. Practice, Practice, Practice!

That is all of the strokes you 'should' have mastered at the 1 star level.

2. Paddle over greater distances, this will improve your technique and enjoyment of the sport.

A bad technique will, hopefully, be corrected by more experienced paddlers around you and improve your overall paddling efficiency.

On Tuesday evenings there is usually a group going off for a 1 to 3 mile leisurely paddle (not to be confused with the marathon team going out for speed alone!) go with them.

On the third Saturday of each month we run a Hare & Hounds session which is a series of personal time trials. Any boat is suitable, you have a choice of 3 or 6 miles and these events currently start and finish at Fleet wharf. See the clubs calendar or notice boards and contact the organiser for further details.

On a final note, the clubs coaches will be looking for paddling experience in all of the above when assessing you for your 2 star award, so go on join in!

Richard Somerset

TRIPS AND TOURS

The calendar at the back of this illustrious publication will have the current known trip details but it is hoped to keep the web site up to date as well. Keep an eye on the notice boards at the Wharf, Fleet and Mytchett for latest details.

Cardington

This year we were unable to get any of our preferred days i.e. before the summer holidays begin but after the exam period. But not withstanding such is the diligence of the organisers that we are able to share with another club from Lowestoft. So this year's dates will be 22/23rd June. Costs I understand are aimed at breaking even much like our own event so should be about £6 per boat per day. Those wanting to make a long weekend of it can arrive Friday evening and of course any help with the set-up and dismantling of the course would, I am sure, be gratefully received.

For those not familiar with this venue just outside Bedford it is an artificial slalom course which takes water from the Ouse. Plastic boulders line the flood channel which is about 5 metres wide giving paddlers a series of obstacles which can look and feel like a real white water river but only 1-2 feet deep!

Visit for the day, camp or B&B nearby and there is usually a BBQ on Saturday evening. Directions will be available nearer the date.

Richard Somerset

Boxing Day Paddle 2001

This is a fancy dress paddle. Some members take it a little more seriously than others!



Sunday 7th July

A repeat of last year's successful Barbeque and Pool session. The Pool at Odiham has been booked from 2pm to 4pm with a BBQ afterwards. Bring your own bangers and beer, we will supply the heat. (It's gonna be hot, hot, hot!)

Sunday 21st July

Tea Shoppe Tour - River Wey

Starting at Shalford just outside Guildford assembling at 10.00 paddling to Send a distance of about 9 miles. Suitable for anyone 'upto' that distance with 1 star minimum. We will be stopping for lunch en-route so bring your sandwiches and hot and cold drinks whatever the weather.

Sunday 28th July

Solent safety cover for charity sponsored swimmers. Paddle across to the Isle of Wight (6/7 miles) collect your swimmer and shadow him or her back to the mainland. Suitable for at least 2 star paddlers with at least a 2 meter boat with a reasonable amount buoyancy.

For further details contact: Richard Somerset

BCCC Summer Camp in France

The Club's summer holiday trip to France in 2002 is going to be to the River Cele in mid-southern France (near Figeac in Midi-Pyrenees). Places are being booked on a campsite with direct access to the river, in the middle of the canoeable section between Figeac and Cabrerets for the period 26 July to 12 August. We will be able to canoe also on the River Lot, which is nearby. Five "families" have booked so far for all or part of that time – one caravan, one camper van and three tents.

These summer holidays however are far from being dedicated to canoeing, we take bikes with us too, and go for walks, the occasional horse ride, and go sightseeing or do nothing at all. Sometimes we eat separately on the campsite, or have a joint barbecue, or go to a restaurant (either together or not). Although there are lots of activities to do, you can be as lazy or as active as you like. Interested? Please ring Charles Hicks on 01252 850657, (or e-mail hicks.canal@btinternet.com).

My start to Canoeing

I first found out about (and got interested in) canoeing when I went to Calshott Activities Centre with my school. When I got back home on a Friday, I found out that there were canoeing sessions down on the Basingstoke canal every Tuesday evening. So, on Tuesday afternoon after school, I (actually my parents) bought some shoes that we thought would be good for canoeing in (only to find out later on that the dye came out of them and turned my socks a lovely shade of blue!). So, on the Tuesday I headed off down to the canal with my Dad, and wondered if I could have a go.

We were told by some oldish chappy (Richard Somerset), that I could have a go when (if) the canoes ever arrived. So we waited, and waited, and waited, until they finally turned up. I was eager to get into a canoe, but I had to put on a buoyancy aid first (personally at the time I couldn't see why they were needed – something about safety I think!). I got in one and started paddling around, when I heard Richard asking Dad if he wanted a go. I paddled back because I wanted to hear his excuse for this occasion (his excuses never have been very good). So here it is “I would love to, but I'm not in the right clothes”. Useless excuse – clothes can be washed, that's why washing machines were designed.

The following week he came dressed like he actually wanted a go. It was quite a while before any canoes were available for him (they only have one XXX Large). I thought in the meantime he could get used to the water by going for a quick swim. Once again, he refused. I would have pushed him in, but 30 stone lumps don't move particularly well. A canoe finally became available, so he got on a buoyancy aid and headed over to the bank. Richard started telling him how to get in without falling in, but I thought he could just let him try it and if he fell in then he could learn from his mistakes. Unfortunately not though. So he got in and paddled around for a while, until it was time to get out.

When I found out about spray decks, I thought it was a good idea to give Dad one, because if he gained anymore weight his canoe would fill with water and he would disappear under the surface. But we were told, “You need to be more experienced before you can have one”. I thought why bother, I'm sure if one person from a whole club mysteriously disappears to the bottom of the canal and never returns, nobody would notice.

Soon there was a barbeque afternoon down at RAF Odiham's pool. Mum, Dad and I went down there, hoping for a bit of fun. One of the games we did involved one person to paddle along the length of the pool, pick someone up, go back to the start, pick someone else up and so on. There were two teams doing this, and the first team to get everyone on the boat at the same time was the winner. Funnily enough dad was in the boat for our team. I was thinking that as soon as someone else got on the boat it would sink - but it didn't. I was one of the people to get on his boat, and I grabbed onto one edge. After a couple of seconds, the boat tipped up. Dad had never capsized with a spray deck on before. He made it out though.

One day, we heard about a 1* course that would soon be on, so we both signed up for that (it took a while to persuade Dad into it). That was easy, but he didn't like capsizing in the canal - wimp. He ended up doing it though, and came out more alive than I had hoped for. Oh well, there's still other chances! We both passed with flying colours luckily.

Next came the 2*. That was a bit harder (obviously), but we still passed - after lots of practice at the pool.

Eventually I got a wetsuit down in Newquay (not that there's anything wrong with the ones up here that is). I thought this would be useful in case I ever get a dunking in freezing cold water. By now though, I seem to have enough gear to open a shop!

There have been a few trips down on the Guildford weir, which we have attended, but I found it a bit rough really. I stayed on the edge, where the water doesn't flow as fast. I'll like it more when I gain experience.

I have also recently started a rolling course, which is good fun. I still can't get the hang of the coming-up bit. The going-down part is easy though! That's all for now.

Martyn Small

Editors note: You can read his Dad's version of events in the last issue of Waterfront.

FOR SALE

Fibreglass general purpose Snipe in reasonable condition plus buoyancy aid, spraydeck and paddle.

Offers up to £50.

Phone Mr R Wilkinson 01252 617286

The DW 2002, almost there!

For those unfamiliar with this event it is a 125 mile paddle from Devizes to Westminster. Started now over 50 years ago it is either a race for the 'straight through' teams of K2 paddlers (the record is just over 15 hours!) to the intrepid singles and juniors who do the event over 4 days paddling a section every day.

Pete Absolom, my back seat Mr Motivator, and I set off at 10.07 on Saturday morning from Devizes with potions, body grease, padding and plenty of advice from those who had done this event before. Pointing the boat East with a wave to our support crew (our trusty wives) we got into our relaxed pace towards the first portage and with 125 miles and a further 76 portages ahead of us, gulp!

The first hazard that we had already experienced on previous races over the Waterside series on the Kennet & Avon section was a certain swan, jealously guarding his mate on this rather narrow canal section. Using our previous idea of meeting bravado with bravado we started hissing at the swan as he approached us. He, again, decided that we were perhaps a bit too big and noisy to tackle and went back to his reeds

The next least favourite feature for me is the Sevenack tunnel, approximately 200 metres long, dark and rather disorientating. Following a narrow boat through seemed to both settle the water down a bit and reduced the bright 'blob' that takes over your eyes and had in the past left me feeling quite dizzy (what's different you might say!) Safely through and on to the numerous portages along this section, breaking into a run while we had the energy to do so. A warm day meant that we were getting through quite a bit of fluid constantly being replenished at our frequent re-fuelling stops when we met up with our support crew. Grab a finger of Marmite sandwich, flap jack or energy bar and onward.

Passing a few slightly slower crews now and some gallant C2 (Canadian)boats, fancy being on your knees for over 20 hours! The Kennet & Avon section is reckoned to be the hardest section because it is not only shallower, so you get bottom drag, but with little to no current it is all muscle work. Along this section several people who had done this event in the past, Charles Hicks, Liz Coleman and Brian Gandy were out to encourage us on. They had been very helpful before the event with tips for training and equipment etc.

As we approached the Thames it was getting dark and at Dreadnaught Reach just outside Reading where the Kennet joins the Thames we made a slightly longer stop for warmer clothes and light sticks for personal safety. Boat lights were not required this year so our torches stayed behind. With a warm drink inside us we thrust the boat, our trusty clubs Falcon, onto the Thames and pointed it towards London. We were paddling in middle of the river to gain as much current as possible, but alas a hardly discernible current this year due to the lack of recent rain. The Thames winds it's way through the Royal County of Berkshire with more bends than I remembered. I could not see very far ahead to steer the boat on occasions due to the lack night vision and the moon being constantly hidden behind clouds. We made several bad guesses to some bends when all I can see is an inky bank ahead of me, but we did not run into any banks or trees!

Our faithful support crew would meet us at portages every 5 to 8 miles, which would be on average every hour. A familiar voice boomed out at us at one portage, "who is this with you Pete, Father Christmas?" Chris Belton had spotted us and my woolly hat had what looked like a snowflake pattern on the front of it hence the remark. At, as I remember, Hambledon lock we had caught up with 2 other crews and followed them across the lock and then weir but to our amazement onto the far bank and amongst houses and back gardens. Were we in the same race we asked ourselves! It turned out that we were all disoriented and had missed the get in point back on the other side of the river several hundred meters back! A little gentle cussing and we were back on track, do not always follow others they may be just as lost as you are!

This section of the river was now all new to me and spotting the correct egress point at the lock or weir was sometimes a little difficult. We got a little too close to some safety chains on one occasion spotting the glowing egress arrows (made by light sticks) just in time. Looking for these light sticks or marshal's torch lights had me heading towards moored boats, dog walkers and houses on several occasions. A pair of the militaries night vision goggles would have been very useful at times!

Now approaching Bray Lock, near Maidenhead, at about 1.30 am the weir was certainly easy to hear but we could not see where the lock channel was located, closer to the weir we at last spotted the gap in the darkness but a little too late because the weir current had now got hold of the boat. Now those of

you used to canoeing terms will know that a sweep stroke and bow rudder in this position would get any smaller kayak smartly out of the current and a few power strokes and we would be on our way. But a racing K2 can not be thus handled and we were quickly swept against a moored barge and without any means to fend it off or pull ourselves clear..... we were swimming in very deep water!! Swimming boat and paddles clear of this obstruction into still water we were hauled out by the marshals at this check point. Warming up in the relatively warm hut with several hot cups of tea eventually stopped our compulsive shivers, what to do next? After about 90 miles and 14 hours paddling and up until then feeling 'on'

*for this epic trip, we were not quite so confident now. Certainly chilled and with energy reserves depleted with this 5 - 10 minute swim we made the decision to retire.
No current thoughts of next year.*

Many thanks for all of the support before, during and in deed after this trip.

Richard Somerset & Pete Absolom

*PS. We do have definite thoughts about next year!
(Margaret & Pauline)*

My introduction to White Water Kayaking

On Sunday 21st April, myself and eight other people went down to Shepperton weir to learn about white water kayaking. I have done some of this already at Guildford weir, but I wasn't particularly keen on that. We started off just playing around with the slalom poles at the weir, slowly working our way up towards the weir itself. Obviously as we progressed up, the water got rougher and rougher. Every attempt I was making it a bit further up, until it got too rough for me to cope with. I thought I did well for a beginner.

Later on, we all headed off up part of the river. A while later we came across a small weir, which we played in for a while. All that you could really do in it was just paddle up to it, and then just keep going forwards. It's quite easy to keep in straight, as the water is 'holding' you in. As soon as you stop paddling though, the water brings you back out, and tries to tip you in if you don't keep in a straight line. We finished in here not long after, and kept going round this little river. We soon reached yet another weir, and someone got tipped in. I kept my distance, as I didn't fancy going for a swim in that cold water. We got out at one of the banks there and stopped for lunch at about half twelve.

Straight after lunch, we headed through the bushes and into another part of the river. We got in again and a little way along there was yet another weir! Little did I know that we were expected to go down this one. I thought we'd keep going on. After most people went down, it came my dad's turn. He took long enough trying to get under the bridge, but eventually made it and down he went. It was my turn next. I thought it couldn't be too bad as everyone else did it without going in. So, I headed towards the top and down I went. I seemed to have chosen the worst bit, as the water was at its roughest just beneath me. Oh dear! Still, I made it down without a dunking. Then, just ahead was a very small drop, only a couple of inches at the most. From here on, there wasn't any point in paddling, as the water carried you along, but you do still have to steer to avoid the trees that are there. We were then told that right ahead of us there were about four steps that we had to go down. There was a risk of getting grounded if we didn't paddle fast enough, because the water was so shallow. I made it down easily again though, and then it was just back onto the Thames to where we started. The only bad thing about all of this was that we had to paddle up stream most of the time, rather than down stream. So therefore most people were pretty worn out, including me. I am certainly getting more confident with white water, and it doesn't seem as bad as it looks. I suppose when you're in quite a long boat; you don't really notice the bumps in the water, although goodness knows what it's like in a short stumpy little one (or playboat if you want me to be technical). On the whole I enjoyed it, and I'm looking forward to going there again.

Martyn Small

Editors Note: Martyn failed to mention that whilst paddling up the Wey backwater we met some paddlers from Isleworth CC. They asked the Editor and Lee Matthews if they were part of a Youth Group! Richard, Dave and Alan will be pleased to know how well helmets cover the grey bits.

Hare and Hounds Results

Feb

1 st	Alan Coleman & Jonathan Johns	K2	10.52.00	11.57.30	65.30	10pts
2 nd	Simon Forrest	K1	11.06.30	11.59.07	52.37	9
3 rd	Richard Somerset	K1	11.02	11.59.08	57.08	8
4 th	Liz Murnaghan	Hobbie	10.56	12.01.58	65.58	7
5 th	John F Corbett	GP	10.40	12.02.30	82.50	6

Mar

1 st	Charles Hicks & Brian Gandy	K2	11.00.30	11.59.30	59.00	10pts
2 nd	Liz Murnaghan	K1	10.55	12.00.05	65.05	9
3 rd	Gordon Miller	K1	11.03	12.02.00	59.00	Visitor
4 th	Debbie Carpenter	Laance	10.48	12.02.37	74.37	8
5 th	John F Corbett	Laance	10.39	12.02.38	82.38	7
6 th	Alan Coleman & Jonathan Johns	K2	10.54.30	12.11.40	77.10	6

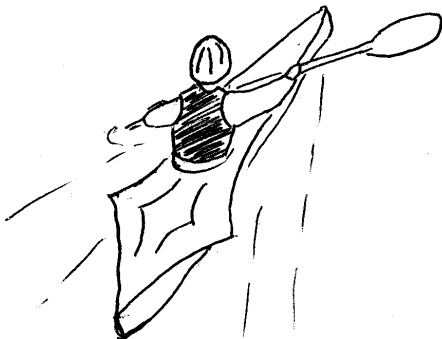
Apr

1 st	Alan Coleman & Jonathan Johns	K2	10.48	11.54.45	64.45	10pts
2 nd	Liz Murnaghan	K1	10.55	11.56.44	61.44	9
3 rd	Pete Absolom	K1	10.56	11.57.03	61.03	8
4 th	Tim Middlehurst & Paul Batchelor	K2	11.14.30	11.58.57	44.27	7
5 th	Brian Gandy	K1	10.56	11.59.09	63.09	6
6 th	Paul Stearn	K1	11.04.30	11.59.13	54.43	5
7 th	Debbie Carpenter	Laance	10.48	12.00.02	72.02	4
8 th	Richard Somerset	K1	11.03	12.00.12	57.12	3

May

1 st	Paul Stearn	K1	11.04.00	11.54.10	50.10	10pts
2 nd	Richard Batchelor	K1	11.11.30	11.56.15	44.45	9
3 rd	Brian Gandy	K1	10.54.00	11.57.00	63.00	8
4 th	Liz Murnaghan	K1	10.56.30	11.58.15	61.45	7
5 th	Pete Absolom	K1	10.57.30	11.58.18	60.48	6
6 th	Richard Somerset	K1	11.03.00	11.59.30	56.30	5
7 th	Alan Coleman & Jonathan Johns	K2	10.55	12.00.20	65.20	4

Bridget Jones tries White water racing



"Does my bum look
big in this?"

CAF

Marathon Report

Congratulations to Paul and Richard Batchelor who won the Vet/Junior class of the Devizes to Westminster race. They were over 3and1/2 hours ahead of their nearest rivals and completed the course in 17hrs 10mins. Who will be cleaning the massive pot they collected?

We have been to a few marathons. The Reading Circuit race was not one of our best performances. If we thought last year's results were bad then take a look at this years! Woodmill was big and bouncy, with waves to surf, entertaining in a K boat. James Freemantle won Div9 in his first attempt at marathon. A 2nd from Paul Massam and 3rds from Richard Somerset; Paul Batchelor; Debbie Carpenter and Tina Murrey also deserve a mention.

Training Times

Tuesdays 1930 Fleet Wharf
 Thursdays 1515 Crookham Wharf
 Saturdays 0920 Crookham Wharf

Just turn up with some kit and we will find a boat suitable for you.

For any further information ring Charles Hicks on 01252 850657 or Paul Batchelor on 01252 845510 or e-mail batchjp@aol.com

Kids Corner

Knock Knock
 Who's there?
 Canoe.
 Canoe who?
 Canoe help me with my homework?

A few dates for the calendar.

EDITOR'S BIT

Please keep sending in those pictures and cartoons. A picture can say a thousand words, turn to page 4 and tell me which you would prefer. Lots of summer holiday paddling will be taking place so please forward those articles so that more people can hear of your exploits. See you all at the Club Marathon

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(Articles preferred in *.rtf - rich text format)

**The closing date
 for issue 91 is 8th
 Sept 2002.**

June02	
1 st /2 nd	Windsor Vets Marathon Contact Paul Batchelor 01252 845510
1 st /4th	Surfing trip to Bude See inside for details
1 st /4th	Poole Harbour camp See inside for details
9th	BASINGSTOKE CANAL MARATHON Help needed Contact Brian Gandy 01252 622630
22/23	Cardington Weekend See inside for details
22nd	Club Hare and hounds Contact Paul Batchelor 01252 845510
23rd	Introduction to White water Shepperton Slalom contact Liz 01276 514766
July02	
7 th	Big BBQ and pool session. See inside for details
20th	Club Hare and hounds Contact Paul Batchelor 01252 845510
21 st	Teashoppe Tour .See inside for details
21 st	Pool Session . Contact Michael Carpenter 01252 877903
26 th	Start of French Trip (To 12 Aug) See inside for details
28 th	National Marathon Championships Contact Paul Batchelor 01252 845510
28 th	Solent swim safety cover See inside for details
Aug	
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