

Ye Amphibious Ancients Bathing Association

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June 2025

Welcome to the June 2025 edition of the club newsletter.

The 2025 Open Day is now behind us, and we are now into our 25/26 Championship season.

Our first event, the Club Single Tay, has taken place and a report is in this newsletter.

Following the stepping down of our President and Vice President from their posts, we had to call an EGM which was held on Tues 3rd June at Midlin Day Care in Pitkerro Drive and by Zoom for those who could not attend in person. In addition there were changes required to our constitution to bring it in line with the SASA model constitution, which required to be ratified at this EGM.

Following this event, the updated constitution was approved and can now be found on the members area of the website and on Spond.

Our new president is John Davie who will serve until AGM in 2027 and Vice President is Joyce McIntosh (who will serve until the AGM in 2025).

Thanks to all who attended and made their views heard. Another outcome from the EGM is that we were asked to look into the charities structure under OSCR. We are currently an unincorporated association but we may be better served by being a SCIO (Scottish Charities Incorporated Organisation). We are currently looking at what we would need to undertake that change our charity type with OSCR.

We are now in our busy season, and preparing for all our championships. We hope to see you over the coming months at our events. ***Remember all the event entries close at Midday, 4 weeks before the event date.***

Thanks to all the volunteers who assist in making all this happen for the swimmers. You are the heart of the club.



A WORD FROM OUR NEW PRESIDENT

Thank you for your support in bringing me to this role. There has been a significant increase in team working since the start of the new year and that is the spirit that I want to foster going forward.

We are here to support our open water swimmers in there journey of improvement and achieving their goals.

A lot of work has been done on both the clubhouse and boatshed over the winter months and I hope you will see those improvements when you come down to our events.

I want to encourage a warm, welcoming atmosphere, whether you are a swimmer or a volunteer, you are important to the functioning of the club.

If you have any issues, then please speak to one of the office bearers (we can't fix things if we don't know they are broken). My aim is to ensure that we have a good championship season, and that out boat crews, volunteers and swimmers, get the most out of the experiences that we have.

Our escort boats have had a paint job and the new sponsors detail added and are looking really good this season. We still have a couple of things to sort out on one or two trailers and one rib needs a new radio, but these will be attended to shortly.

John Davie
Club President



Spond Usage



For the 25/26 season, we would encourage all members to join the club spond app. It can be accessed via a web browser or using the mobile Spond app, which is available for both Android and iPhone.

Spond will be one of our prime methods of keeping members up to date.

Booking onto our harbour training sessions will only be available via the spond app. Training dates will appear 14 days before the event and members can sign up for either Swimmer / Boat Crew or shore Volunteer roles.

If insufficient safety crew or shore volunteers come forward to meet the needs of the swimmers, as defined in the risk assessment for the activity, then that session will have to be cancelled.

If you still need access to the app then drop either the membership secretary (membership@yeaaba.org) or the communication convener (communication@yeaaba.org) an email and we will send you a link to join the YeAABA spond club.

FUNDRAISING UPDATE



Below is a list of the planned fundraising events for this coming year

- Gala Day 29th June we are looking for helpers on the day. We do have the Monifieth swim at 4.50pm but should be finished by then. We will have hook a duck, tombola and lucky dip. ***Again any prizes with be gratefully received.***
- Quiz night on 3rd July in Doc Ferrys.
- Quiz night on 28th August in Doc Ferrys.
- 27th September Race Night/Presentation night at Crows Nest Carnoustie - Looking for Race Sponsors and Raffle prizes.
- 11th October we hope to hold a Beetle Drive in St Stephens B/Ferry.
- Halloween hamper £1 a strip draw will take place 24th October.
- Christmas hamper £1 a strip draw on 19th December.

Helen Dunnin, as always, will be at the pool on Fridays from 5pm to 8pm for any prizes that you wish to donate.

Easyfundraising: Please when buying something, join Easyfundraising first as we may receive a percentage of the cost of your purchases. Every little helps, as they say !!

A Busy Day on the Tay



Prior to our event in Sat 7th June the Tay was a very busy place with a regatta in full swing opposite Beach Crescent.

These are just a small selection of craft photographed in the space of 1 hour on the Saturday morning. Fortunately it had quietened down by the time our event got under way.

2025 CLUB OPEN DAY

Our open day 2025 took place on Sun 27th Apr at Broughty Ferry Harbour.

Thanks to everyone who came along to the day. It was great to see you all and we hope that we managed to enlighten you all as to what we can offer and what we do.

Here is a selection of photos taken on the day. All the photos of the day are on our website.



2025 SINGLE TAY

The Single Tay Championship 2025 took place on Sat 7th Jun.

This was a 1 Mile Cross Tay Swim from Tayport Harbour to Broughty Ferry Harbour.

There were 5 swimmers in the event and the results and some photos from the day are shown below. All the photos taken on the day are on our Facebook page and Website

Pos	Name	Time
1	Mhairi Murdoch	29M 38 S
2	Katie Oparka	35M 18 S
3	Annie McHugh	37M 34 S
4	Louise Dunnin	50M 04 S
5	Janet Wilson	1H 33M 11 S



Treasurers Update

At this time, we have a little over £18K in the bank. However, we have completed all the planned updates to the clubhouse.

We still have the damaged CCTV cameras on the south face of the clubhouse to replace, which were vandalised during May.

We are aiming to get this work completed by the end of June.

You will find details of our planned fundraisers elsewhere in the newsletter. Please support them if you are able to.

CLUB HANDBOOK



The club members handbook is has been updated following the EGM and is available from the members section of the club website and also on SPOND.

BOAT SPONSORSHIP

We now have sponsors for all of our blue boats. Thanks to those new sponsors who have come on board. The names have been added and some were out on our First Championship swim.

CLUB CALENDAR

Our club calendar for the upcoming season which will has all our swim and training dates listed, as well as our proposed fundraisers and any other important dates, is now available.



The calander runs from April 2025 to March 2026.

50/50 Club Draw

Draw: March 2025 **Drawn** 01 Apr 2025

Prize	Amount	Number	Name
1st	£71.98	65	John Walker
2nd	£48.02	13	Vicky Taylor
3rd	£36.00	26	Val Lindsay



Thanks to the Helen Dunnin, Margaret Moodie and Louise Dunnin for making the draw at the Apr Monthly meeting.

LEARN TO SWIM (LTS)



Our LTS is building up slowly.

To break even we still need a minimum of 50 in the LTS, so it is essential that we continue to promote this as much as possible.

We have been contacting other local swim clubs to ask if they have any kids on their waiting lists that we could take until they have a space for them. This would help greatly to boost our numbers.

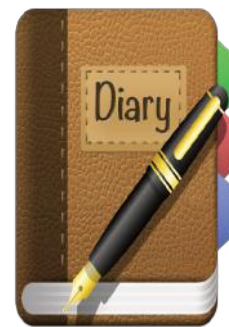
A 2nd Facebook ad has been posted and has gained a few swimmers. This ad will be active until the end of June.

Any enquiries, please contact Louise Dunnin via email at swimschool@yeaaba.org

The LTS sessions run from 5 - 7 pm and the club members session runs from 7 - 8 pm on a Fri evening at St Johns High School in Dundee (Term time Only).

Dates for the Diary

- 29-06-25 Broughty Ferry Gala Day Stand
- 03-07-25 Quiz Night (Doc Ferry's)
- 28-08-25 Quiz Night (Doc Ferry's)
- 27-09-25 Race Night / Presentation Night
- 11-10-25 Beetle Drive (Provisional)
- 24-10-25 Halloween Hamper Draw
- 19-12-25 Christmas Hamper Draw



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