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## **1.0 Recommendations**

1.1 That the contents be noted.

## **2.0 Purpose of Report**

2.1 To advise members of the facilities usage.

## **3.0 Detail**

- 3.1 Attached at Annexe 'A' is a breakdown of public usage for the swimming pool, squash courts and tennis courts for the financial years 2004/05 to date.
- 3.2 The Amateur Swimming Association Level 1 Teaching Course is being staged during February 2009 half term, and a Level 2 Teaching Course is programmed to follow during the Easter Holiday period.
- 3.3 This year's annual Swimathon event at Etwall Leisure Centre raised £8,528.49 for Marie Curie Cancer Care and The Swimathon Foundation. Due to ELC impressive achievements in Swimathon 2008, Etwall Leisure Centre is being offered the chance to become a Gala pool for Swimathon 2009. The Swimathon Gala pools are the 100 best pools in the country. Qualification for Gala pool status is dependant on the centre's size, facilities, but most importantly our ability to promote, manage and run outstanding Swimathon events. The Swimathon organisers are very keen for ELC to be a Gala pool in April 2009 and build on last year's performance.

In return Etwall Leisure Centre would receive the following benefits:

- Enhanced marketing materials
- Enhanced website listing and presence
- Support from Gala pool coordinators
- Greater PR support and assistance

### 3.4 Etwall Eagles Swimming Club

Etwall Eagle Masters team have enjoyed their most successful twelve months to date. The team which currently has swimmers aged 19 to 61 has certainly put the village of Etwall and the South Derbyshire area on the swimming map with some fantastic results during the past twelve months.

The team has set nine separate East Midland relay records, won a National title and currently ranked first in the men's British Masters Decathlon Competition.

Julie Gibson a long standing member of EESC is world ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> at the 200 metres butterfly with a further three top ten world rankings. This year she has achieved 8 national titles and established a new British record in her age bracket.

Ruth Lowe who competes in the 50 – 54 age group enjoyed an excellent twelve month period winning no fewer than seven national medals including four golds, and breaking thirteen East Midland records across all four strokes.

Christopher Steeples a member of EESC but trains and does most of his competitions as part of the elite Deventio Excel Squad is also part of the 2012 Olympic Training Squad.

- 3.5 Punishing Events held their annual Triathlon event on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September. With over 600 athletes this is the largest and most prestigious pool-based triathlon event in the East Midlands, with athletes swimming 400m, cycling 18km around the country roads, and finally tackling the 5km run finishing on the school playing fields.

## 4.0 Financial Implications

- 4.1 None

## 5.0 Background Papers

- 5.1 Statistical information Etwall Leisure Centre/South Derbyshire District Council.