

**Wigan BEST was established in 2004 and runs alongside the Wigan Council Swim Squad.**

**Membership of the Wigan Council Swim Squad is gained through the monthly fees which are paid via Direct Debit to Wigan Council. This covers the training that takes place at the various pools around the borough and is managed directly by Wigan Council.**

**Membership to Wigan BEST is gained via a one-off payment of £40 which is collected on an annual basis. This membership allows swimmers to compete as part of Wigan BEST both at open competitions and Arena League competitions if selected. Membership also allows swimmers to attend swim camps when they are available and participate in any offers or sponsorship provided by Wigan BEST. Wigan BEST is managed by a committee of volunteers.**

Firstly, on behalf of the committee, can I thank everyone for their continued support over the past, very challenging, 15 months. It is fantastic to see so many of our swimmers back in the water!!

It now looks as though we may be moving in the right direction and that competitions may be back on the agenda. Therefore, we are now going to restart the club membership from Tuesday the 1st June.

**Thank you for your ongoing support.**

**Membership**

**Membership of Wigan BEST** is paid on an annual basis usually in January. However, due to the unusual circumstances that we have seen ourselves in over the past 15 months we are moving this membership enrolment to June this year. If you are currently a member of Wigan BEST, i.e. you paid your membership in January/February 2020, then this will have continued until June at no extra cost.

The new membership fees will now be collected during the month of June with all membership to be completed by **3oth June 2021.**

**If you have already paid membership fees between January and June 2021, please check the box on the membership form to indicate this, these fees will be used for the membership year June 2021 to June 2022.**

The membership this year will be £40 for all swimmers. Please see the information in the box above to see what is included in the Wigan BEST membership.

**Please complete the attached membership form electronically and return to Sarah, Club Secretary, at** **clubsecretarywiganbest@yahoo.com** **If you have any queries about membership, please email Sarah directly at this address.**

**To clarify:**

* **fees are £40 for all swimmers. Please pay via bank transfer, details on membership form.**
* **If you have paid between January and June 2021 please indicate on the form.**
* **If you have outstanding credit from 2020 galas and wish to use this, please indicate on the form.**

**Membership 2021-2022**