Hello ORCA Swimmers and Parents,

I hope you are all well and looking forward to coming back to club.

OCL have made me aware they plan to open the Royton pool on the 25th July, the committee held a number of meetings since the notice by OCL were we have provisionally agreed to restart training on the 27th July, the committee and training team have been working hard to make sure we have processes in place to meet strict criteria that has been outlined by ASA and OCL to ensure everyone keeps safe. As time progresses, we expect these to be incrementally eased and the operation of the club will move back to a more normal operation with the further introduction of competitive events.

If you remember, when we went into lockdown we asked you to cancel your payments to club, to ensure we did not add any financial concerns to you our ORCA family during this time. As we now prepare to comeback, I need to ask you to re-start your payments to club once more so the club can begin to operate as before. When we re-start, we will be paying pool fees – which accounts for the vast majority of the monthly fees made to the club. Although we are introducing a safe re-start with reduced numbers in the first couple of weeks, we plan to ramp up to offer the full training timetable in the coming weeks, subject to us testing and adjusting any procedures to ensure safety as the paramount importance in the operation of the training activities.

Please could you re-start payments by Standing Order – as of 1st August - at the monthly fees set out below.

Nat West Sort Code : 01-00-39 Account Number : 12102385

Please use the swimmers name as Reference

National Plan £18.50 per Month

Bronze 1 Session per week £22 per Month

Silver 2 Sessions per week £25 per Month

Gold 3 Sessions per week £33 per Month

Advanced Trainers (Manchester, Oldham Salford) £12.50 per Month

As we are restarting earlier than the August monthly fees are due, we are likely to incur pool hire fees for the end of July, we would be pleased if any parents could offer a voluntary contribution of £5 for the first week back. This could be paid with the first Standing Order or at the club on your first session. This would greatly help the club finances for the outgoings over the shutdown period and support any additional pool fees incurred as we restart.

We have decided not to restart Direct Debit payments at this time and hope you can support payments by Standing Order.

We very much look forward to seeing you all back training and continuing our journey part of the ORCA family.

Thanks

Pete

ORCA Chairman

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