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Dear Member

June 2008

Templemore Amateur Swimming Club was formed 25 years ago this December.

Throughout the next swimming season (September 2008 – June 2009) the Committee have arranged to celebrate the Club's silver anniversary in four special ways.

First, you will notice our **new logo** on this letter. It will also form the basis of a **new Club kit**.

Second, we will hold a **birthday party** for our current swimmers in **February 2009**.

Third, to recognise the input of adult volunteers, parents and friends without whom the Club could not function, we will host a special buffet event in **May 2009**.

Last but not least, we are a Club in the heart of the East Belfast community. It seems that no matter where you go - if you mention Templemore someone will have either swum in the pool or knows someone who has been a member of the Club.

The Club has benefited many people throughout its relatively short history and anyone I have met always remembers us with fond affection.

We feel it is fitting that we work towards putting something back into the sport and into the local community. And we feel that a **SWIMATHON** best meets our aims and objectives.

On **Saturday 1st November 2008** at 5pm, we will start a 25 hour swimathon. We have developed this event in conjunction with the **NI Chest Heart & Stroke Association** to which ALL the money raised will go. We are channelling the money we raise towards an initiative that will address the benefits swimming has - particularly for children who suffer from asthma.

Our aim is to raise **£25,000**. This is a very big target so we really need your help! When you return in September we will give you more details but in the meantime we would like you to…

- Mark the 1st and 2nd of November 2008 in your diary. We would like every member (past and present) to take part as well as parents and friends
- Have a think of how you can raise as much money as you can
- Make contact with anyone you know who may own a business and may be prepared to send us a donation or provide some sponsorship for our new kit (feel free to pass on my contact details)
- Keep an eye on the Club website for more information
- Spread the word!

Have a great summer and we look forward to seeing you all, if not at the Summer School, on Saturday 6th September.

Kind regards,

Gary Proctor
Chairman