

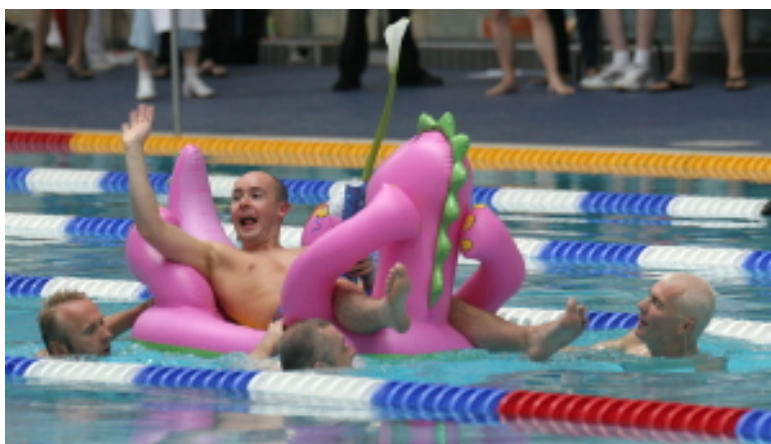
# News Splash 11

Autumn 2005

**PRIDE GAMES**



*Review 2005 & Plans 2006*



## Coming Soon

- Pride Games Film Presentation - date and venue TBA
- Northern Wave sponsored Swim Against Malaria Saturday Dec 10th 12-6pm - Manchester Aquatics Centre
- Northern Wave AGM Wed Dec 7th, 8pm - Aquatics Centre
- Pride Games Dinner 2006 - early Feb (date TBC)

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# PRIDE GAMES

## Review 2005



Pride Games 2005 was a huge success, with lots of praise from many people. With 15 sporting activities and 2 days of competition and sport for all and 8 Team Manchester sports groups involved, it was the largest LGBT sporting event ever in the North West with 700 participants!

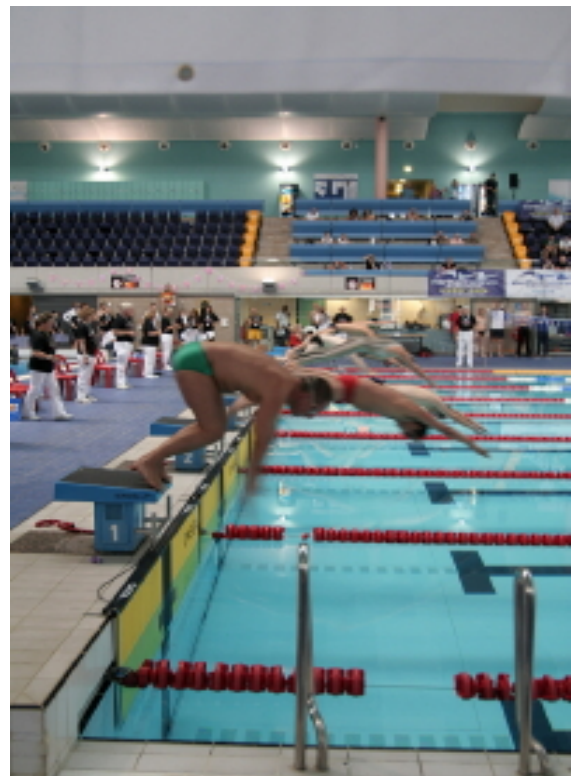
New Clubs were formed and others assisted to get more organised and others were taught how and were to bid for funds. All of this was led by and directed by a team from Northern Wave.

Key goals were to raise the profile of LGBT sports and leisure, develop our clubs and form new partnerships to help us in the future - all were achieved.

The 4 main sponsors of Pride Games were Proud City, Salford City Council, Salford Community Leisure and the World Outgames Montreal 2006.

The legacy of our games is the formation of the Pride Games Partnership and plans in development for future events in 2006/07 coupled with a long term goal of bidding for the World Outgames 2013.

- Participants came from 18 countries
- 10 people came out as gay for the first time
- The BBC made one of 2 films of the games
- 2 new sports groups were started for the event
- 33 organisations sponsored Pride Games
- There were 7 taster activities available
- Metrostress organised masseurs for all venues
- Local sports groups worked together for 1st time
- Manchester Pride helped with press and PR
- Flexi-dive provided scuba diving free to all
- 5 new sports groups are currently planned



# The Gayest Place on the Planet in 2006! Open to all Abilities

Northern Wave is taking both a Swimming and Water Polo Team to the World Out Games In Montreal 2006. We have interest from about 50 members so far. There is interest in 10 different sports and the Choral event from Manchester groups. We are working together with other groups to fundraise to support travel to Montreal. If we are successful there will be an application process handled by an external group.



**1<sup>st</sup> worldOutgames**  
**Rendez-Vous**  
**Montréal 2006**

A Team Manchester charter flight is planned - Availability on this flight is subject to booking your travel with Man Around holidays, the official tour operator for Montreal 2006. \$10 from each booking with them goes towards running the Games.

## What do you need to do?

- Go to [www.montreal2006.org](http://www.montreal2006.org) and register - NWSC Team Code is **88630**
- Payment is required to secure your registration
- Look at the programme as you may need 10 days to fit open & close ceremonies in
- If you book with Man Around 2nd sport fee can be knocked off holiday price
- Visitors and supporters are welcome but need to register as above for ceremonies - a first sport entry fee is included in the reg price, so why not enter something?



If you need more information about the games contact Trevor 07941 384 988



Venues, above swim, below Water Polo



St Catherine's St, Gay Village



Rendezvous in The Village sports day





## Members Consultation

Over the past months our swim training sessions have been getting progressively busier both Sunday's and Tuesdays. There has been a 50% increase in people wanting to train, whilst at the same time we have been losing them because there is too little space.

A recent club coaches meeting focused on solutions

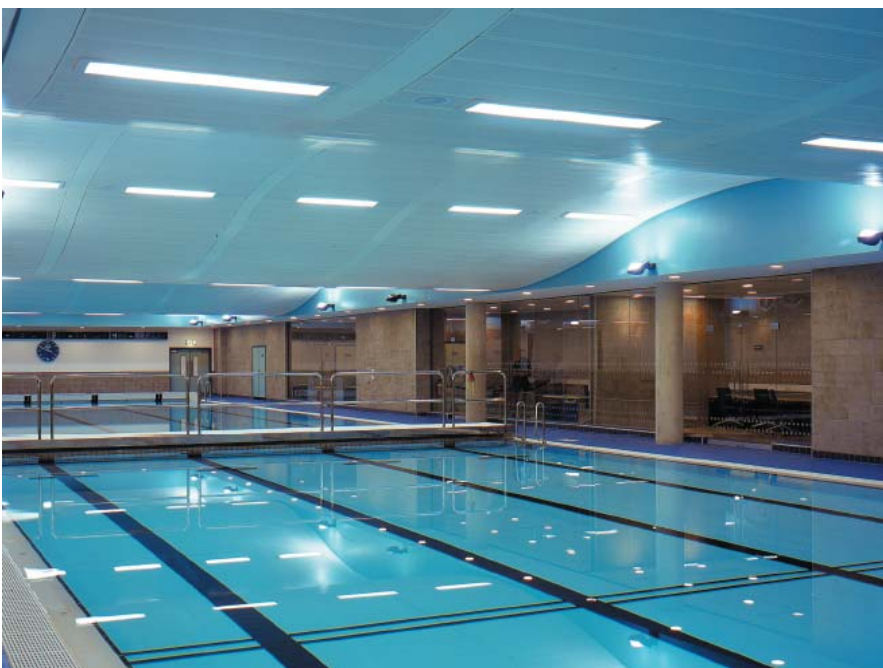
- Improve space utilisation
- Co-ordinate and improve training opportunities

The proposals include

- Using both pools at Moss Side, with the main pool laned off but with space for a more disciplined casual swim and turning the small pool into a fun area with music, floats / inflatables and an occasional masseur
- Sunday to be split into 2 pools, except for the last Sunday of the month when it would be 50m. Giving us 8 lanes and a coach per pool. Included would be stroke specific lanes for improvement, casual swim space and more room for training.

A team of volunteers will be seeking your views & ideas

**(Monthly improvement workshops start in January)**





## *Club Shirts £10, Trunks £10 & Ladies Cossies by request*



The trunks are long-lasting 'Speedo Endurance',  
so no sagging bottoms with these.  
Very stylish indeed, yes please!

Order yours when you pay to swim, or from Trevor  
by phone or e-mail, or just ask.



Northern Wave Supporters Club  
For partners and friends of NWSC.

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Wives contact Graeme on  
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## **Masters Swimmers**

Increasingly when our Swimmers or Water Polo players register for an international or Masters Tournament they are asked to provide a license number.

The license is important for a number of reasons:

- it is an insurance policy for the individual
- it enables you to compete at any internationally recognised licenced events
- It allows you to claim new records if you happen to set one
- It is your membership of the Amateur Swimming Association. A kind of credibility passport

To date NWSC has paid these fees for members at £17 each. We only buy them for competing members.



## Another success for the Sharks...

During the Halloween weekend the Manchester Water-polo team (the Sharks) participate in the first London water polo tournament. Six teams were present (Amsterdam, London 1-2, Paris, Manchester and one international team).

The games were quite short only 2 times 5 minutes each but the fun was there. That was the first tournament for some of our player, congratulations to Dave, Jack, Lee, Peter and Paul who played very well. Congratulations to Trevor as well who proved to be a very good goalie. Everyone is now looking forward for the next tournament that should be London again in Easter bank holiday weekend. However, we may have the opportunity to play a friendly game in Amsterdam at the St-Valentine's tournament.

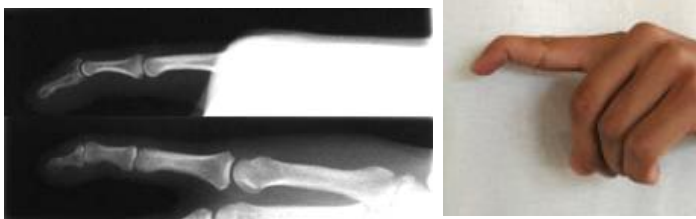


Not to mention that even if the team finished 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> (not time to play the play off – Amsterdam finished 1<sup>st</sup> and London 2<sup>nd</sup>), Manchester surely won the party tournament as some of us did not sleep.... oh dear.... **Well-done boys!**

Ludo, Water polo captain

### Where did you put your finger Ludo?

Last week during the London water polo tournament Ludo managed to injure his finger...While the Sharks finished 3<sup>rd</sup> at the tournament, Ludo came back with a mallet finger!!



## Meanwhile.....

While Tony, Tim, Bing and Barry were winning medals and bannas! at the Halloween Swimming Tournament in Antwerp, Ludo and Barry exchanged a few text messages:



### Congratulations on a fantastic swim XX

**Barry:** Results from Antwerp: Barry 1 silver, Tim 2 gold and 1 silver, Bing banana...how are the sharks doing?

**Ludo:** Well done boys. Here, 2 games played and 2 drawn plus one casualty. That's me, hurt my little finger and I m now at A&E for an x-ray... But one very cute rugby player is also waiting here... full of grass on his knees and sweaty...hmmmm

**Barry:** Suggest recruit cute boy for the team... Did you injure your finger on the water polo field or on a cute boy!

**Ludo:** Well I wish...I bumped into a stainless steal lesbian! There is another rugby player here even cuter...I am starting to love that New London Hospital....Heard the boys finished 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Barry:** Congrats on 3<sup>rd</sup> place for the team and last position on NHS waiting list for you!

**Ludo:** Never mind.... view is fantastic here...but never put your finger on a lesbian, glad I got my finger back...

**Barry:** Results of party in Antwerp: 2 home at sensible time and 2 last seen disappearing into a leather bar! Brunch is great but you wouldn't like it – It's a Finger Buffet...



Ludo has organised a Northern Wave swim for Malaria at Manchester Aquatics Centre. For December 10th 12-6pm

### The aim

Our aim is to have a million people swimming all around the world largely on the same day and to raise a substantial amount of money for the fight against malaria.

For every £1 million we raise we will stop 15,000 people from dying, 70% of them children under 5.

**Almost  
3,000  
Children  
die every  
day from  
Malaria !**

We will have a million people swimming if approximately 20,000 people around the world agree to organise a swim where they live for on average 50 people. If a swim has 10 people or 110 people that's fine too; the number per swim doesn't matter.

100% of the money we raise through the swims will be used to buy bed-nets (mosquito nets), specifically long lasting treated nets (LLTNs).

We will ensure the nets are installed over people's beds by collaborating with a range of organisations that have distribution expertise.

There has never been a global swim involving the swimming community across the world.

### Sponsorship

We hope every swimmer will raise some sponsorship money. After all, that's what this is all about. There is no minimum amount of money an individual has to raise. Each person raises money on a best efforts basis.

Most people will raise money through traditional sponsorship i.e. by asking relatives,

friends, colleagues etc to sponsor them an amount per distance or a fixed amount. If you are sponsored 'fixed amounts' and not an amount per length etc, you then have the option of collecting the sponsorship money up front in the weeks before the swim and not afterwards. Some swims might decide to charge an entry fee to those taking part instead of swimmers raising money individually. It's up to you.

### More Information

For more local info contact Ludo 07970283675 or check out the web site:

[www.worldswimformalaria.com](http://www.worldswimformalaria.com)



## Eurogames Bid



### Christmas Party

Partners in Pride Games are invited to a joint Christmas social / party at Moon Bar, Sat Dec 17th from 7pm.

It is being organised jointly by GHAP and NWSC and should be a fun night that we can go on from. No entry fee.



Following on from our successful Pride Games and in support of the EGLSF who had no host city for Eurogames 2007, we decided to become a bidding city.

An outline bid has been submitted and it will have a few extra sports than Pride Games 05 and a closing and opening ceremony. We now have many new partners supporting our bid, thanks to Pride Games.

### Training Camp

To add a new dimension to NWSC swim training and help our team prepare for Montreal 2006, our coaches are planning a Training Camp for next Spring. It will include technique workshops, swim training sessions and some fun activities.



It is expected to be at Lancaster University campus. It is open to all those who want to give it a try and we are bidding to keep the cost down.

### NWSC AGM

Northern Wave's Annual General Meeting will take place at Manchester Aquatics Centre Wed Dec 7th in the Activity Room up above the pool 8pm. There will be a presentation about the future and a Pride Games film will be shown.

### Committee Meetings

Our next committee meeting is scheduled for Wed 16th Nov. If you have any issues you would like raised please post them or tell a committee member and it will be put on the agenda.



### Sunday Night Swim

Sunday 7.30 - 9pm weekly is our second swim session. It is great for improvers and event preparation as we have 2 coaches. Owing to its growing popularity we are looking at ways of expanding the available space.



### NWSC Water Polo

Our water polo club is every Thursday 7 - 8pm at Miles Platting Pools. If you fancy it come along and give it a try.



# AGM & Elections

Northern Wave's Annual General Meeting will take place at **Manchester Aquatics Centre Wed Dec 7th, 8pm** in the Activity Room up, just off the terrace above the pool. There will be a presentation about the future and a Pride Games film will be shown.

The agenda is:

- Minutes of the last meeting
- A review of the past year
- Secretary's report
- Treasurers report
- Amendment to the constitution (about a new post for water polo)
- Elections
- Swim development proposals
- Vote on swim development proposals
- AOB

Northern Wave Committee posts are held for two years and these elections are staggered to ensure continuity of operations. At this years AGM the two posts are up for re-election are Club Secretary and Social Representative.

There have been two nominations, Ludo Otterbien for Water Polo Representative and Ben Klemenzson as Club Secretary.

Nominees will be called upon to make a short presentation to the meeting to introduce themselves and how they feel they can contribute to our club if elected.

As our club progresses it is becoming increasingly important that committee post-holders play an active role in our affairs to share the work load. I hope to see you there.

Trevor Burchick, Club Chair

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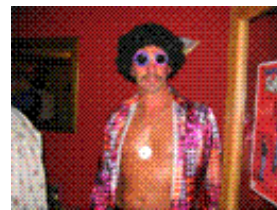
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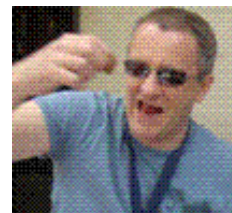
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**For Swimmers & Supporters**

**Swim & Water Polo Events 2006**

**Pride Swim Amsterdam  
!0 years Birthday celebration  
Sat Feb 11th**

**London Easter Meet  
April 16th Short course swim &  
water polo**

**Northern Wave Training Camp  
Venue & date TBA**

**Rendez Vous Montreal  
World OutGames 2006  
[www.montreal2006.org](http://www.montreal2006.org)**

**Pride Games Lite  
19-20th August 06**

**Halloween Water Polo Tournament  
28-29th Oct Manchester 2006**

