

Griffins continue their M11 junior Speedo league success with another emphatic win in the second round.

On Sunday 11 May, the squad, coaches and supporters met to board a team coach to travel to Braintree for the second round of the Speedo league. Expectations were high after the first round success and they were met by some fantastic swimming by younger members of the club.

Griffins started strongly winning 10 out of the first 14 events and although they were unable to maintain this dominance over the next 11 events, with some spirited swims they still led at the half way point by 9 points.

Further excellent swims followed in the second half of the gala particularly in the relay events where Griffins showed strength in depth. A tremendously exciting squadron relay saw them being pipped at the finish for first place but that could not dampen the spirit and enthusiasm that the whole team displayed. With 22 first places, Griffins ran out worthy winners.

Griffins	235 points
Greenwich BM	207 points
Erith	181 points
Braintree & Bocking	176 points
Basildon	132 points
Harlow	62 points

The third and final round is due to take place on Sunday 29th June 2008. Griffins will be swimming at Braintree, warm up 3.30pm for 4pm start. Any support would be most welcome to the squad in their bid not only to secure promotion to division 1 but to win the league. Griffins currently top the league and are drawn to swim alongside Halstead who are their closest challengers but against whom they have not yet swum. The winners gala comprises the top six teams in the league with the others swimming in the consolation gala.

League table after rounds 1 & 2

	Club	Gala points	League points
1	Griffins	473	24
2	Halstead	472	24
3	Greenwich Boro Mariners	418	22
4	Anaconda	380	21
5	Braintree	367	20
6	Rochford	322	20
7	Erith	336	7
8	Basildon	291	5
9	Canvey Island	277	5
10	Eltham Stingrays	269	3
11	Hitchin	266	3
12	Harlow	128	2
