

Please see latest regional information including events and courses that are coming up over the next few months.



Swim England North West Regional Awards 2024

SENW held their first 'Awards Night' for a number of years at the weekend. The event took place at the Holiday Inn Express, Leigh Sports Village, Leigh on Saturday 5th October 2024.

Congratulations go out to all those who were nominated for this year's Regional Awards, especially to this year's Winners, click here to see the full list of winners.



SE U18 Boys Inter-Regional Championships 2024

SENW would like to wish the Boys U18 North West Thunder team good luck for the upcoming Inter Regional Championships this weekend at Haberdasher's Boys School, Watford, Click here for details and live results.

Swim England North West Winter Regional Swimming Championships

SENW Regional Winter Championships will take place on the 2nd/3rd November 2024 at Manchester Aquatics Centre (25m), Entries to Opened – Monday 9th September 2024, Entries to Close – Tuesday 22nd October 2024 (11:59pm) click here for further details. Merchandise is also now available to purchase by clicking here.

SENW Water Polo U14 Boys Inter Regional Academy 19.10.24 - closing date 9am 14.10.24

SENW are pleased to announce the training session and selection of the team to represent the North West Region at the U14 Inter-Regional Championships 2024, click here to register.

Swim England North West - Technical Swimming Officials Co-ordinator Required

An opportunity has arisen to be a key figure of future regional swimming events in the North West, we are looking for a volunteer Technical Swimming Officials Co-ordinator, click here or further information.

Swimming Technical Officials - Judge 1 Theory

This online learning is the first step to achieving Judge 1 status for swimming technical officiating. It is accessible to anyone who wants to understand the World Aquatics rules relating to swimming and the process of being a Judge Swimming Official and Time Keeper. You must be at least 15 years of age at the start of the course, click here to book.

Reimbursement is available on full completion of the course (both theory and practical sections) please contact swimnorthwest@swimnming.org for further details.

Swim England Diving Judge 1 Course 15.10.24 & 3.12.24 - Registration of Interest

Click here to register your interest

Swim England Diving Judge 2 Course - Registration of Interest

Click here to register your interest

Swim England Artistic Swimming Judge 1 - 7th & 10th November (attendance at both is required to qualify)

Click here to register your interest

Para-Swimming Officiating CPD

The next Para-Swimming Officiating CPD is being held on Zoom on Friday 11th October. <u>please click here</u> for registration details for this course, as well as expressions of interest for any future dates.

SENW Young Volunteer Award (Online) 15.11.24

The Swim England North West (SENW) Young Volunteer Award (YVA) is designed to provide young people, between the ages of 14 and 17 the opportunity to develop the necessary knowledge, skills and experience to prepare them as Volunteers within Aquatic Sport. The Award has been designed to suit young people from any Aquatic Discipline, (Swimming, Water Polo, Artistic Swimming and Diving). Click here to book your place.

Governance Guidance – Club Structures and Templates

As part of affiliation to Swim England all clubs have to have a constitution i.e. the document that outlines the functions and the rules under which the club operates.

The constitution, together with the club's policies and procedures, helps to protect club members and officers, and makes the club run more smoothly.

If your Club/League/Local Association constitution is due to expire in 2024 please contact swimnorthwest@swimming.org to ensure you have the correct constitution model template to complete.

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) Lead

The role of an EDI Lead is key to a club achieving their EDI ambitions, the JD template is intended to help your club get started when recruiting your EDI Leads, <u>click here to access the EDI Job description</u>

Swim England publishes updated Judicial and Safeguarding Regulations

SE has published its updated regulations which aim to reduce the workload on club officials and volunteers by offering increased structure and support when dealing with complaints or safeguarding concerns, The revised Judicial and Safeguarding Regulations came into effect from 3 September 2024 and aim to ensure a fairer process for all involved, click here for full details

Wavepower version 2, effective from 3rd September 2024, Click here

Changelog

- Updated 'Responsibility for safeguarding within Swim England' section to amend the role description of the Case Management Group, and to add details of the new Disciplinary Officer role.
- Updated 'Contact Details' section to include Disciplinary Officer.
- Amendment to the "Abuse is..." text in the 'Definitions of Abuse' section.
- Updated the 'Reporting a concern about a child at risk of harm' section to include reference to the Disciplinary Officer role.
- Updated the 'Adult Safeguarding' section to include reference to the Disciplinary Officer role.
- Updated the 'Recording, information sharing, and confidentiality' section to include reference to the role
 of Judicial Committees.
- Updated Codes of Conduct to include a reference to reporting abuse, bullying, or unacceptable behaviour, even if the individual is just a witness.

GoCardless Swim England Water Polo National Age Group Championships (U15) 2024

The GoCardless Swim England Water Polo National Age Group Championships 2024 (U15) will take place at Alan Higgs Centre, Coventry on:

Championships Weekends - Female: 2 & 3 November 2024, Open: 16 & 17 November 2024, <u>click here for further details</u>.

Aquatics GB Para-Swimming Winter Meet 23/24 November 2024

This year's Aquatics GB Para-Swimming Winter Meet will be hosted by Swim England, Building on the inspiration of Paris 2024 Paralympic Games, this meet provides an excellent opportunity early in the season for para-swimmers from the home nations to compete for honours, Entries: Open 12 noon, Monday 14th October, Close 12 noon, Wednesday 6th November 2024 click here for further details.

Coaching Courses

- Assistant Coach (Swimming) Castleton (Blended Learning), Closing date 17.10.24 Click here
- Assistant Coach (Diving) Solihull (Blended Learning), Closing date 23.10.24 Click here
- Coach (Swimming) Stockport (Blended Learning), Closing date 30.10.24 Click here
- Assistant Coach (Swimming) Sale (Blended Learning), Closing date 23.10.24 Click here
- Swim England Swimming Coach Sale (Blended Learning), Closing date 1.1.25 Click here
- Swim England Assistant Swimming Coach Sandbach (Blended Learning), Closing date 13.1.25
 Click here

Click here to see available funding for coaching courses.

Volunteer Training Courses

- SE Safeguarding, 8.11.24, 6pm click here
- SE Welfare Officer Training (Time to Listen), 16.1.25, 6pm click here
- Team Manager 1, 5.12.24. 6pm <u>click here</u>
- Team Manager 2, 28.1.25, 6pm click here

A Safeguarding refresher module is now available to those who have completed the full Swim England face-to-face / online CPD, <u>click here</u>

Funding is also available for clubs that complete the refresher and face to face CPD via Swim England/IOS <u>click</u> here for full details.

Safeguarding and welfare

Swim England have launched a new free online course designed to give young people a basic understanding of safeguarding, welfare and best practice, It's aimed at young volunteers and members who don't have a designated role at a club that requires a DBS check, but want to improve their understanding of the topic. Click here for further details

Please note, if you are currently in a role that requires a DBS, the Foundation Safeguarding for Young People course doesn't replace the need for the Full Swim England Safeguarding in Aquatics course.

Swim England Good Club Governance Workshops

Swim England offer a number of workshops to support clubs and individuals undertaking these roles. To register your interest, please click one of the links below:

- Club Secretary and Membership Officer workshops, 27.11.24 click here.
- Club Chairperson information session **Mandatory attendance**, 16.10, 25.10, 6.11.24 click here.
- Club Welfare Officer workshop Mandatory attendance, 18.10, 28.10, 15.11, 20,11, 6.12, 9.12.24 <u>click</u> here.
- National Chairs Forum 18.11.24 <u>register here.</u>
- National Welfare Forum, 21.10.24 register here.
- Swim England Club Financial Forum 15.10.24 <u>click here to register.</u>
- Chairs online information session Part 1 Swim England have developed and launched a NEW online Chairs information session aimed at those who are new to the role, would like to find out more information about the role or would like a refresher. It runs through the roles and responsibilities of a Club Chair, what developing a club looks like, safeguarding and welfare information and where support is available to Chairs. Please click here to access the online information session.

Buddle

Buddle is there to provide free learning and support resources, to inspire and strengthen clubs and community organisations offering sport and physical activity, and the professionals that work with them.

Click here for further details. There's some useful guidance on Buddle's guide to fundraising.

Water Polo Coaching

We are inviting all Water Polo coaches in the North West to join our new Coaching Community of Practice WhatsApp Group. The group is to support each other, to ask and answer any questions that you may have and to share best practice., If you are interested in joining the group please email swimnorthwest@swimming.org With your name and club name.

Mobile Phone Pull up Banner - For Sale

Swim England's new version of Wavepower contains an important update with regards the usage of mobile devices in changing rooms, to help clubs manage this SENW are producing pull up banners for you to utilize around your changing room areas to highlight the importance, click here if you would like to purchase.

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Kind regards

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