

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



SENW Artistic Swimming - Regional Training

30 athletes from around the Region were selected to take part in this season's SENW Regional Training sessions for Artistic Swimming. The Training consists of 3 x half day camps where athletes take part in a series of land and pool training activities. The most recent session, which took place on the 8th December 2024 was at Darwen Leisure Centre – a short video of the day, showing activities undertaken has kindly been put together and is attached to this update. The next session is due to take place in early May 2025 at East Manchester Leisure Centre – upon completion of the 3 sessions, athletes will then take part in the Inter Regional Games which will be taking place in Bristol at the end of May 2025. The Region would like to thank all the coaches and team managers for their support with these sessions which have been organised by the SENW Artistic Swimming Management Group.

Video included within this post.

Swim England North West Ltd Annual General Meeting 2025

This is the preliminary notice that the fourth Annual General Meeting of the members of Swim England North West Limited will be held on 12th April 2025 commencing at 10.45am. The meeting will be a 'hybrid' meaning that some members will meet 'face-to-face' whilst others will join via Zoom.

The AGM is one of the main ways to help ensure accountability of the directors of the company (the board) to the members.

Clubs that wish to have a representative at the meeting but are not currently a member of the Company please contact swimnorthwest@swimming.org for further details.

Swim England North West Summer Championships 2025

SENW are delighted to announce that the 2025 Summer Swimming Championships will be taking place in the following venues:

Manchester Aquatics Centre – 5th & 6th April, Liverpool Aquatics Centre – 26th 27th April, Manchester Aquatics Centre – 3rd & 4th May, click here for further details.

Swim England North West Regional Masters 2025

SENW are pleased to advise that a Masters Swimming Competition is in the process of being organised for Saturday 22nd February 2025 at Palatine Leisure Centre, Blackpool, click here for further details.

Swim England North West National Skills and Age Group Qualifier - Diving Competition

SENW Diving Management Group are delighted to confirm that their 2025 SENW National Skills Qualifier Competition will be taking place at: Manchester Aquatics Centre over 2 days: Saturday 29th March 2025 and Sunday 30th March 2025, click here for further details.

Swim England Diving Judge

Judge 1 Course – 3.3, 2.6, 24.9, 1.12.25 Click here to register your interest

<u>Swim England North West Regional Age Group Competition & Junior/Senior Championships 2025 – Artistic Swimming</u>

SENW Regional Artistic Swimming Management Group are delighted to announce that the 2025 Regional Artistic Age Group Competition and Junior/Senior Championships will be taking place on Sunday 9th February 2025 click here for further details.

<u>Swim England North East & Swim England North West – Multi Regional NAGs & Championships – Artistic Swimming</u>

SENE will be hosting a Multi-Regional (SENE & SENW) NAGs/Champs, the event will take place on Sunday 2nd March at John Charles Centre for Sport, Leeds. click here for further details.

Swim England North West Water Polo Volunteers needed

SENW is seeking dedicated individuals to step into key volunteer roles as Boys Talent Pathway/Inter Region Lead and Coaching Lead. These roles provide a unique opportunity to contribute to the development of young athletes, shape the future of our sport, and collaborate with a passionate team of professionals and volunteers. If you have the skills, experience, and enthusiasm to inspire and support the next generation of swimmers, we encourage you to apply.

For more information or to express your interest, please email swimnorthwest@swimming.org

Swim England North West Coaching Opportunities

SENW are regularly looking for coaches to get involved in their Regional Activities, these could include: Regional Development Programme (Swimming), Regional Distance Development Programme (Swimming) Regional Training Sessions (Swimming, Artistic Swimming, Water Polo & Diving), Skills Sessions, Para Swimming Training, In addition to assisting the Region to successfully deliver these activities, its aim is to provide individuals with gaining valuable experience, that can be used towards a coach's development. If you would like to be considered to assist on poolside at future Regional activities, please feel free to complete the following form - and we will be in touch. https://forms.gle/RXkvjbVtPnnrDn7F6

Swim England members given invaluable opportunity to shape coaching strategy

Do you want to help shape the future of coaching across aquatics? Would you like to share your views and contribute towards our new coaching strategy? Click here for further details.

Swim England Artistic Swimming Judge 2 course

SE are running an online Artistic Swimming Judge 2 course on 30th January & 4th February 2025 both evenings from 6-9pm. Candidates should have been active as a Judge 1 for in excess of a year. (i.e. have been qualified for over a year and judged at least twice in the last 12 months), click here for further details.

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.

A Beginner's Guide to Refereeing Swimming

This free interactive online resource provides support and guidance for officials refereeing small or locally-run competitions, <u>click here for further details</u>.

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 swimmorthwest@swimming.org to ensure you have the correct constitution model template to complete.

Coaching Courses

- SE Assistant Swimming Coach Sandbach (Blended Learning), Closing date 23.1.25 Click here
- SE Land Based Coach Qualification Louth, closing date 27.1.25 Click here
- SE Swimming Coach Preston (Blended Learning), Closing date 29.1.25 Click here
- SE Land Based Coach Qualification Leicester, closing date 2.2.25 Click here
- SE Assistant Swimming Coach Stockport (Blended Learning), Closing date 3.2.25 Click here
- SE Assistant Swimming Coach Birkenhead (Blended Learning), Closing date 7.2.25 Click here
- SE Assistant Diving Coach Manchester (Blended Learning), Closing date 6.2.25 Click here
- SE Land Based Coach Qualification Gloucester, Closing date 11.2.25 Click here
- SE Assistant Swimming Coach Sale (Blended Learning), Closing date 16.2.25 Click here
- SE Assistant Artistic Swimming Coach Irlam (Blended Learning), Closing date 13.3.25 Click here
- SE Assistant Swimming Coach Workington (Blended Learning), Closing date 31.3.25 Click here
- SE Assistant Swimming Coach Darwen (Blended Learning), Closing date 15.4.25 Click here

Click here to see available funding for coaching courses.

Volunteer Training Courses

- SE Safeguarding, 7.2.25, 6pm click here
- SE Welfare Officer Training (Time to Listen), 19.2.25, 6pm click here
- **Team Manager 1**, 20.2.25. 6pm <u>click here</u>
- Team Manager 2, 31.3.25, 6pm click here

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

NEW Swim England Foundation Safeguarding Course for Adults

This free online training session has been designed to give a basic understanding of safeguarding, welfare and best practice for adults within an aquatic environment. The course is aimed at parents, guardians or those who volunteer in a role that does not require a DBS and want to improve their understanding of the topic. Click here for further details and to access the course.

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 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, 3.3.25 click here.
- Club Chairperson information session **Mandatory attendance**, 10.2, 21.2.25 <u>click here.</u>
- Club Welfare Officer workshop **Mandatory attendance**, 24.1, 12.2, 28.2.25 <u>click here.</u>
- National Chairs Forum register here.
- National Welfare Forum 17.2.25 click here to register here.
- 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.

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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