



East Midlands Regional Updates – 19.05.2023

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www.eastmidlandswimming.org

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IoS Club Account

In early June how clubs access Assistant Coach and Coach club offer price spaces will change slightly, full details will be sent to all clubs once available.

The key change is that the club offer discounts will automatically be applied to club's IoS account, due to this we would encourage all clubs to ensure they have set up a club account ahead of the change.

IoS 'Company' accounts can be setup **here**.

We would encourage where ever possible the 'personal' account that also needs to be created is set up with a generic club email address to make succession and continued access easier.

Open Water Technical Officials Course

New Date added- Saturday 3rd June

The course is primarily aimed at new Open Water officials, they can either be completely new to officiating or hold an officiating qualification in another discipline. However, if you know of existing Level 1 officials who wish to upskill please ask them to complete the survey so that we can establish demand for a session just for this purpose.

The cost of the course is £20 for new officials, which will include a practical logbook and their first licence upon qualification, or £15 if they already hold a licence in another discipline. The cost for the upskilling course will be advised once demand has been established.

The link to register interest in the courses is

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/SEOWT023>

Team Manager 2 - workshop requirements

The team are looking to organise our next Team Manager 2 workshop.

We want to ensure we place this at the most suitable time for our clubs that carry out overnight stays or travel abroad. A reminder that from the 1st of September all teams will require a minimum of two Team Managers with Team Manager 2 for overnight stays and travel abroad.

We would appreciate if clubs could email us (eastmidland@swimming.org) registering their workshop requirements in term of when their next overnight stay or travel abroad is should you have members that would benefit from attending. The deadline to submit your requirements is Wednesday 24th May.

Senior Coach - Swimming

A reminder that the Senior Coach applications close at midnight on 22nd May 2023.



Safeguarding Courses

Swim England Safeguarding courses can be accessed **here**. There are courses available at varying times up to the end of the year, we would advise early planning as these courses are popular .

Swim England Safeguarding renewal courses can be accessed **here**. This course should only be completed by those who already have a a Swim England face to face course in place.

Approved Centre Sports Structures is also offering Swim England Safeguarding courses including the option for clubs to book specific courses if they have 10-12 members. All details can be found **here**.

Membership reminder

We have recently been made aware of issues within clubs relating to volunteers not being members, and also regarding AGMs being run incorrectly.

A reminder to all clubs:

·Any and all persons helping within the club (in a paid or voluntary role) must be a club and hence Swim England member.

·At club AGMs or SGMs the only persons allowed to vote or be heard are “paid up members who have reached their 16th birthday” – please note parents do not have a right to speak or vote on behalf of their children unless they are paid members in their own right. Some clubs have implemented the following clause in their constitution to address this:

[For every family with one or more children under the age of 18 a minimum of one parent or guardian must be a member of the Club and all relevant fees paid]

Please could we encourage and remind clubs to consult their constitution (particularly sections 9-12 for unincorporated clubs) prior to their AGM in order to ensure it is run correctly.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Coach, Team Manager & Chaperone policy (was Supervision policy)

The policy along with the accompanying FAQs are available via the following link:

<https://www.swimming.org/swimengland/swim-england-relases-supervision-ratios-policy/>

Environmental Sustainability Survey 2023

Sport England and their consultants are keen for clubs to help shape their Environmental Sustainability Strategy through the **survey link**. The deadline for submissions is Friday 26th May.



Important change to safeguarding training requirements.

From 1st of January 2024, the Swim England Safeguarding CPD will be the only acceptable training for those working or volunteering within our clubs, counties and regions.

All current approved training will be valid until it expires.

Training is a mandatory requirement for coaches, teachers and all volunteer roles who require a DBS and must be renewed every 3 years.

This update also addresses a gap in the national governing bodies training policy to cover 16 and 17 year olds who are in a 'Position of Trust'. From the start of next year, Swim England Safeguarding Training will be required for those in this age group that are in coaching or teaching roles and are delivering a Swim England recognised activity.

Swim England Senior Swimming Coach

Applications are now open for the 2023 Swim England Senior Swimming Coach programme. Applications must be submitted by midnight on the 22nd of May 2023.

[Please click here for more information.](#)

SwimMark - July clubs

All July SwimMark clubs should now have received an email from Helen Bickerstaff.

Emails were sent to the club Chairs, Secretaries and Accreditation Coordinators but going forward will be sent only to accreditation coordinators so please ensure this role is filled on OMS with an up to date contact email address. If you have any queries, or would like support, virtually or face to face, please do not hesitate to email

helen.bickerstaff@swiming.org

Good Governance Chairs and Welfare Officers workshops

We have been made aware that from November 2023 it will be a mandatory requirement for all Club Chairs and Welfare Officers to have attended their relevant Good Governance Workshop. A workshop is run for all roles every month. For more details please go to our workshops page. The requirement for Masters clubs will only be for a Chair's attendance, not welfare officers.



Regional Workshops

For details of upcoming Team Manager workshops please [click here](#).

National Workshops/CPDs

Club Secretary & Membership Officer workshop

Thursday 1 June
Wednesday 28 June

[Click here to register](#)

Club Chair workshop*

Monday 12 June

[Click here to register](#)

Club Welfare Officer workshop*

Monday 22 May
Wednesday 21 June

[Click here to register](#)

***Please note: from November it will be a mandatory requirement for all Chairs and Welfare officers to have attended a workshop for their role.**



[Swim England Child Safeguarding - online course](#)

[Swim England Safeguarding refresher course - \(NEW\) - only for those who have previously attended the SE Safeguarding online course](#)



National Chairs Forums

Monday 17 July, 6pm

If you are a club chair and would like to join register, please email Clubdevelopment@swimming.org

New National Welfare Forum

Swim England will be hosting a new National Welfare forum. The forum will enable important updates to be shared and will act as an opportunity for all Welfare Officers - and others involved in supporting Welfare and Safeguarding concerns - to come together to share good practice and seek support for issues raised.

The forums will take place on a bi-monthly basis. Please [click here](#) to register.

Competitions



Regional Open Water Competition 2023

We are pleased to confirm that our 2023 Regional Open Water competition will take place at Lake 86, Cotswolds Water Park on the 25th of June.

Conditions including entry links can be found here:

<https://swimming.box.com/v/EMWMSW-OpenWater2023>

East Midlands Festival of Swimming - Save the date - 22nd/23rd July

The 2023 East Midlands Festival of Swimming will be held at Moorways Pool, Derby on the 22nd and 23rd of July. Full information along with entry information will be available soon on the East Midland Regional Championships website.

Funding



Regional Course & CPD bursaries 2023

The 2023 bursaries applications are now open, all details can be found on the [Regional website](#). All other funding opportunities, including links to county funding information, can be also found on our website.

Club Offer Courses

For details of upcoming courses, and for the club offer booking process [please click here](#). In order to benefit from the club offer rate, and to use your SwimMark £100 voucher (if applicable) you will need to follow the club offer booking process.

An assistant coaching course under club offer rate is £221.25 (down from the full price of £375). A coaching course under the club offer rate is £455.40 (down from £660).

Please can we encourage all clubs to set up an IoS club account using a generic club email address (i.e. secretary@swimclub.co.uk) so the log in details can be passed on if the account holder leaves their role. If you need help creating a club account, please follow the below link for a how-to guide:

<https://eastmidlandswimming.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/Company-user-guide.pdf>

