

Minutes of the Swim England South West Region Water Polo Technical Committee, held on Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> October, at the regional headquarters at Castle Business Centre, Castle Road, Chelston Business Park, Wellington, Somerset, TA21 9JQ, at 7.30 pm start.

1. Present:
  - I. Stuart Noyce (chairman and substitute for Devon representative),  
Phil Garrard (water polo finance officer),  
Roger Downing (responding SESWR Management Board representative)  
Chris Pryke (Dorset representative),  
Simon Tomlinson (chief coach women and substituting for Somerset),  
Stacey Millet (SESWR Club Development support officer),  
Sarah Tomlinson (Bristol & West Water Polo League representative),  
Mike Coles (secretary).
2. Apologies:
  - I. Apologies were received from  
John Spicer (chief coach of the men, and representing Gloucestershire),  
Martyn Thomas (Specialist),  
Brian Steer (Devon representative),  
Chris Ducker (Wiltshire representative),  
Chris Elliot (ASASWR Management Board representative).  
Anthony Stephenson (Cornwall representative).
3. Stacey Millet gave a report on her request to run a Level 1 water polo coaches course for clubs. It was proposed that this would be run under Taunton Deane water polo, and would be held at King's College, South Road, Taunton, Somerset, TA1 3LA on Saturday and Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> March 2018. It was also mentioned that the school was very keen to increase their equipment for water polo, and as such rather than receiving monies for the hire, it would be provided equipment of an equivalent price. Stacey and Simon would liaise on the booking and also what was needed by King's College. Stacey then left the meeting.
4. Approval of Minutes of Meeting of 24<sup>th</sup> July 2017
  - I. Water Polo is now on Facebook under <https://www.facebook.com/Swimenglandswwp/>
  - II. Also, water polo is being advertised through news items and pieces of interest on the Swim England South West Region Website at <https://www.swimwest.org.uk/water-polo>

- III. The meeting was informed that this will be the only places that water polo will be advertised and all players, coaches and teams should be aware of this and keep an eye on these sites. It was further reported that the south-west office regularly puts out a newsletter and if they wished to subscribe to this then there was a link on the south-west website on the home page <https://www.swimwest.org.uk/> You need to scroll down to find the link to subscribe.

5. Matters Arising from those Minutes

- I. Actions needed on writing to the old secretary, James Baker who resigned back in the summer.
- II. It was noted that Simon Tomlinson had now been appointed as the Chief Coach for women's water polo in the south-west.
- III. It was reported by the secretary that Suzy Stevenson of Swim England had not replied to her invitation to attend this meeting.
- IV. Sarah Dunsbee of the water polo management group of Swim England would be contacted as regards to the positions of Level 1 and 2 water polo coaches now that a new course had been released.
- V. Doug Litt to be contacted as to the whereabouts of the missing Lighthouse Trophy which had been presented to Devon in 2015 but had not been seen since.

6. Notice of Items for AOB

- I. There were no items for Any Other business.

7. Management Board Feedback & Budgets for 2017-2018

- I. Roger Downing gave a report to the meeting saying he was now pleased and would be reporting back to the board, that the water polo committee was now functioning well and that communication lines had now been set up.
- II. He also reported that he was happy with the budget that had been set and that water polo was now looking at income as well as expenditure in its budget.

8. Swim England Inter-region championships 2018

- I. Hotels had been booked for both the men's and women's inter-regional competitions. It was said that going forward, players contributions would vary according to travel distances. Both this year's competitions were at Walsall that was not so bad.
- II. The Swim England Water Polo U14 Girls Inter-Regional Championships 2017 will take place at Walsall Gala Baths from 2 – 3 December.

- III. The event (for players born 2004 or later) will be hosted by the West Midlands region.
- IV. The South West region landed the 2016 U14 Girls' Inter-Regional title with victory over the Midlands in Walsall.
- V. The Swim England Water Polo U14 Boys' Inter-Regional Championships 2017 will take place at Walsall Gala Baths from 9 – 10 December.
- VI. The event (for players born 2004 or later) will be hosted by the West Midlands region.
- VII. North West Tigers won their second title in three years at the 2016 Boys' U14 Inter-Regional Championships in Walsall, beating defending champions North East Steelers in the final.
- VIII. Suzie Tomlinson of Taunton, and wife of Simon, the chief coach, was appointed by the committee as team manager for the ladies team.
- IX. Colin Hunt was appointed as the men's team manager.

#### 9. SE SWR Inter-County Championships 2017 Entries & Competition

- I. Stuart Noyce is overseeing the booking of pools for the county championships, together with Colin Hunt.
- II. For competition, entries see Appendix I.
- III. It was agreed that if the availability of pools was not favourable for the competitions being held during December, then January 2018 would be looked at as a possibility.
- IV. As soon as all dates were known they would be published to let those counties who had entered.
- V. Counties were thanked for their patience and assured that this would not happen in 2018 as competitions pools for the following year were already being looked at.

#### 10. Regional Academy Update

- I. Both the boy and girls sessions received complaints as regarding the lack of notice, but as Colin Hunt explained he had tried to let all those interested know the dates as soon as possible. However he was happy that the lines of communication going forward would be those mentioned before, and he had access to both.
- II. For the second part of the academy venues of Hengrove and GL1 were being investigated by the pool booking team of Noyce and Hunt.

- III. Phil Shears had agreed to step in if Sue Hunt was unavailable due to international duties on the girl's academies, with Simon Tomlinson leading.
- IV. On the boys, John Spicer would lead, assisted by Luke Bray.
- V. Dates for part 2 would be in January, February, April, and June, and in so doing would miss exam periods.
- VI. It was agreed that going forward only travel expense would be paid for the head coaches and assistant coaches (two at each session), and these coaches would be written to by the secretary. This would be based on 45p per mile, and coaching fees would not be paid.
- VII. Club coaches would be encouraged to attend, but no travel payments will be permitted.
- VIII. The next trial dates would be put up on Facebook and website.
- IX. See Appendix II for communications by Colin Hunt as regards to Academies and inter-regions.

#### 11. Reports from Chief Coaches

- I. Male Chief Coach: No Report
- II. Female Chief Coach Simon Tomlinson reports:
  - i. : Regional Trials – Hengrove- 23 rd Sept 2017. 31 Girls attended the trials with apologies being made, and potential for another 6 to attend the next session.
  - ii. Age group spread was as follows.
    - 2001- 4 Girls
    - 2002- 10 Girls
    - 2003- 10 Girls
    - 2004- 2 Girls
    - 2005- 5 Girls
  - iii. All girls who attended were deemed of a suitable standard to be offered attendance at the regional academy. I feel that it should be highlighted that the next girl's tournament is due to be on 2/3<sup>rd</sup> December under 14's (2004). As things stand there are only 7 girls who could play in this tournament and therefore some form of promotion amongst the regional clubs is required to get more girls to attend the next Academy training date.
  - iv. It should also be noted that the only age group to have any Goalie's being represented was the 2001/2 age group.

## 12. County Officer Reports

### I. Cornwall

In Cornwall, there are still only 2 junior water polo teams, Penzance and St. Austell. In addition, Newquay has a senior team. We do not have a county league for junior or senior, but we aim to play each other a few times every year. If we play a senior touring side Penzance and Newquay will mix to form a team.

Speaking for Penzance, we have over 50, eight to sixteen-year-olds as playing members, so there still remains a lot of enthusiasm.

Cornwall had 9 players trialling at the regional training academy, 6 more than last year. We expect this number to increase next year.

Two 15-year-old boys from Penzance have played for Exeter in the Bristol and District league this year to gain playing experience, and a number of St Austell players have played for Devonport.

We are entering 5 teams in the inter-county tournaments this year, and are hoping for the financial support of Cornwall ASA. Rachel Beadle from St.Austell is dealing with the entries.

In conclusion, water polo is a growing sport in Cornwall, but we rely on teams and tournaments out of the county to get good playing experience. And even though in the past i tried to generate interest from other clubs in the county, there is still only a few clubs that play.

### II. Devon

Stuart reported that there was not a lot going on in Devon at the moment, bar the finals of their county championships. A meeting of the county committee was scheduled for Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> October, and he would inquire at that meeting the whereabouts of the Lighthouse Trophy.

### III. Dorset

Chris Pryke, the newly elected representative explained that he was still feeling his feet in the post. He had attended the executive meeting for Dorset the previous month, and he was meeting with water polo colleagues across the county to get their feelings about what is required.

### IV. Gloucestershire

Colin Hunt gave a brief scenario of what was happening in Gloucestershire but was unable to give a full report.

### V. Somerset

Simon Tomlinson told the meeting that Somerset was re-establishing its Somerset Water Polo League. It was being looked into what could be held, but certainly, all four clubs, Taunton, Frome, Bath University and Weston-super-Mare, were willing to hold a senior competition across the winter months, and the possibility of a junior competition was certainly being looked into.

Trials were due to be held on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October to select the county teams at 12 and under, 14 and under, women and senior men. This is the most teams entered by the county for many years and shows the resurgence of water polo in the county.

VI. Wiltshire

No report

13. Reports from following officers:

I. Finance Officer: See Appendix III

- i. Chairman Stuart Noyce congratulated Phil Garrard on his superb work to date and said that the committee now had more information than it had ever had on the finances of the water polo group.

II. Development Officer

- i. Mike Coles reported that he had managed to get a referees course arranged at last, but was at very short notice. It would be held on Saturday and Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> November, at Hutton Moor Leisure Centre, 10am-5pm on Saturday and 10am-1pm on Sunday. The cost of the course was £20 per person (charge limited by Swim England). Room hire was £100 per day, and on top of that would be the tutor expenses and travel expenses). Course tutor was Damien Taylor (entry forms attached).
- ii. Mike was also trying to get a team manager's course specifically for water polo arranged but was having some difficulties. Roger Downing agreed to look into the problems.

III. Masters Officer

Stuart Noyce was looking into various competitions for masters water polo both locally and nationally.

IV. Officials Officer

Mike Coles continued with informing the meeting on the shortages of officials, etc and hence the importance of the referees' course. He spoke of the difficulties in getting courses arranged and the need for course tutors across the country.

#### 14. Information from Swim England

- I. Nothing to report.

#### 15. Items to communicate and use of SW Comms Channels

- I. Colin Hunt asked about setting up Closed Facebook Pages or the various academy ages where information could be sent directly to those participating such as meet times and training schedules, etc.
- II. These would separate for each age group and sexes.
- III. Mike Coles explained that he would be able to set these up, with himself in overall control and team managers overseeing content.
- IV. A code of conduct would be set up and if any unsuitable or inflammatory remarks and comments appeared, then the individual would be suspended from both the account and the academy.
- V. Mike further elaborated that he was busy at the moment, but would endeavour to get these set up in due course.

#### 16. AOB

- I. Nothing for any other business.

Date of Next Meetings, please put in your diaries.

**Monday, 5th February 2018**

**Monday 9th July 2018**

SWR Inter-County Championships 2017 Entries

Comp	Cornwall	Devon	Dorset	Gloucestershire	Somerset	Wiltshire	Total	Proposed Format	No. Games per team	Total No. Games
12+U M	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	6	2 Leagues	2L + 1P=3	9
14+UM	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	6	2 Leagues	2L + 1P=3	9
16+UG	Yes	Yes		Yes			3	Round Robin	2	3
16+UB	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes			4	Round Robin	3	6
18+UB		Yes		Yes			2	Round Robin	2	3
Ladies		Yes		Yes	Yes		3	Round Robin	2	3
Mens	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	6	2 Leagues	2L + 1P=3	9

Possible Comps together

1. Mens and Ladies – 12 games
2. 16+UB and 16+UG – 9 games
3. 14+UM and 18+UB – 12 games
4. 12+UM – 9 games – or round robin

## Appendix 1

### South West Regional Academy 2017/18

I am pleased to be able to inform you that you that you have been selected to continue attendance at the Regional Academy for the remaining sessions dates of which will be notified by separate emails.

Please Note that an email will be coming out shortly to invite to a specific session time - this has been requested by the Head Coach and coaching staff to enable them to better target training session for players. This is not an indication of the ability of the individual.

Current venues for the South West Regional Academy's and Inter-Regional tournaments.

Of Note: October sessions in addition to training, will allow trialling for those players (boys and girls) who were not previously trialled during the September 2017 sessions.

Please note each Sessions - 2 hours for each group,

21st October - girls RTC session 2 @ Hengrove - Bristol (12.30-14.30 for 2003-2005 and 14.30 -16.30 2001-2002)

28th October - boys RTC session 2 and trial for IR @ Gloucester - GL1 (17.00-19.00 for 2003-2005 and 19.00 -21.00 2001-2002)

11th November - girls RTC session 3 and trial for IR @ Hengrove - Bristol (12.30-14.30 for 2003-2005 and 14.30 -16.30 2001-2002)

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2/3 December - girls Inter Regional - Walsall

9/10 December - boys Inter Regional - Walsall

Players attending the Regional Academy shall be required to pay £60 to attend the Academy (minus any Trial payment) and will be expected to attend all session where possible. If you already know that you cannot attend one or more sessions, then please let me know.

Please note that there is no discount for the payment of £60 irrespective of the number of sessions that may not be able to be attended for any reason other than attendance at a National Academy.

if you have already made a Trial payment of £10 please pay the remaining amount as directed below.

- (a) £10 Pounds should be provided to Colin Hunt on the day of the Trial session, and a further £50.00 online or by cheque (this will be £60.00 if you were unable to pay the £10 for the trial on the 23rd Sept).

- (b) Once invited the final remittance should be paid by Direct Transfer (as the preferred option) to the following bank account details as:

ASA South West Dev (ASA SW Dev.ACC)

Lloyd's. 30-90-54

Account 04630314

When paying final remittance you should reference the payment in the following format:

WPRA- (B or G for Boys or girls) Name

So (example of payment ref)

WPRAB-CJHUNT

- (c) or a Cheque can be sent to Colin Hunt by post (or in person at the Oct session only) to 44 Nettleton Road, Benhall, Cheltenham GL516NS and made payable to 'ASA SW'; including the follow REFERENCE 'ASASWRA – [INSERT FULL NAME OF PLAYER]'. On the back.

(example)

a. ASASW WPRAB-CJHUNT-2001-£50

- (d) in addition could you Please provide the following information to Colin (CC Above):

1. Telephone Number of 2 contacts (together with names and relationship) in the case of emergency;
2. Details of any medical conditions of which the Academy coaches should be aware.

- (e) Important information for the next Training session.

1. Players who were not able to trial/attend in September have been invited to trial in October and accordingly, the October sessions may seem 'busy'. However, please be assured that having been selected from the September session you will not be the subject of a selection process in the further trial. A list of players selected is below for ease of reference.
2. In order to provide more focused training for individuals, training session timings may be changed, this is not a statement of a player's standard or ability, but merely to allow the head coaches to focus a certain type of training to the individual. Any such changes to session time will be emailed separately.
3. For your information, once Trails are complete, Head coaches will be looking to assess each player to allow inter regional competition teams to be put together for each age group. Any comments made in respect of training focus should be actively encouraged in order to allow each of our athletes to perform to their highest standard to compete for the final team squad. It should be noted that those squads will change throughout the year due to the natural ebb and flow as player's skills and strengths mature. Each individual player will progress at their own pace and it should be remembered that training for all is the focus, so give it your best and we look forward to the sessions ahead

Yours sincerely

**Colin Hunt**

On Behalf of Coach John Spicer

ASA South West (Water Polo) Male Head Coach.

Dear Players and Parents.

South West Regional Academy 2017/18

Please find below the current timetable for South West Regional Academy Sessions. We shall be publishing the full dates (including 2018 sessions) as soon as pool booking is confirmed.

Current venues for the South West Regional Academy's and Inter-Regional tournaments. In addition, if you are, or know of, 2004 age group players, who may have the required skills and standard to Trial for the SW Regional Academy please let us know.

Of Note, October sessions in addition to training will also allow trialling for that player (boys and girls) who were not previously trialled during the September 2017 sessions.

If you have not yet had a trial and you wish to do so please email me with your details (Name, DOB, Club) so that I may add you to the list for trialling in October.

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## Statement of Accounts 1 April to 30 September 2017

	Income	Expenditure
<b>Admin</b>		
Admin Professional Fees	£0.00	£71.10
Admin Travel	£0.00	£284.55
Admin Catering	£0.00	£50.97
Admin Printing and Stationary	£0.00	£16.80
<b>Regional Academy</b>		
Athlete Fees	£10.00	£10.00
Sundry Expenditure	£0.00	£54.00
Professional Fees	£0.00	£110.00
Travel	£0.00	£1,088.82
Pool Hire	£0.00	£2,102.07
<b>Competitions</b>		
Athlete Fees	£960.00	£50.00
Sundry Expense	£0.00	£800.00
Travel	£0.00	£467.85
Accommodation	£0.00	£1,137.00
Catering	£0.00	£419.66
Pool Hire	£0.00	£208.00
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	£970.00	£6,870.82
<b>Excess of Expenditure over Income</b>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	£5,900.82	
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	£6,870.82	£6,870.82

Admin Professional Fees				
Date	Date	Date	Date	Date
08/09/17	Tomlinson	Committee		£49.50
24/07/17	Steer	Committee		£21.60
<b>Total</b>			<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£71.10</b>

Admin Travel				
Date	Name	Reference	Income	Expenditure
23/05/17	Thomas	Meeting		£76.65
26/05/17	Coles	Meeting		£54.90
02/05/17	Spicer	Meeting		£90.00
08/08/17	Coles	Meeting		£40.50
14/08/17	Garrad	Committee		£22.50
<b>Total</b>			<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£284.55</b>

Admin Catering				
Date	Name	Reference	Income	Expenditure
23/05/17	Baker	Meeting Refreshments		£50.97
<b>Total</b>			<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£50.97</b>

Admin Printing and Stationary				
Date	Name	Reference	Income	Expenditure
24/07/17	Steer	Postage		£16.80
<b>Total</b>			<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£16.80</b>

<b>Total</b>			<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£423.42</b>
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Athlete Fees				
Date	Name	Reference	Income	Expenditure
08/06/17	Mathews		£10.00	
11/07/17	Mathews	Refund		£10.00
<b>Total</b>			<b>£10.00</b>	<b>£10.00</b>

Sundry Expenditure				
Date	Name	Reference	Income	Expenditure
24/06/17	Bossom	Academy - Barnstaple		£54.00
<b>Total</b>			<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£54.00</b>

Professional Fees				
Date	Name	Reference	Income	Expenditure
29/04/17	Webb	Academy - Millfield		£10.00
29/04/17	Robinson	Academy - Millfield		£10.00
29/04/17	Manzan	Academy - Millfield		£40.00
04/05/17	Litt	Academy - Millfield		£10.00
27/05/17	Litt	Academy - Exeter		£10.00
27/05/17	Robinson	Academy		£10.00
27/05/17	Webb	Academy - Exeter		£10.00
27/06/17	Litt	Academy - Millfield		£10.00
<b>Total</b>			<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£110.00</b>

Travel				
Date	Name	Reference	Income	Expenditure
20/04/17	Proctor	Academy - Millfield		£72.00
29/04/17	Webb	Academy - Millfield		£72.00
29/04/17	Robinson	Academy - Millfield		£34.20
29/04/17	Manzan	Academy - Millfield		£65.00
29/04/17	Bossom	Academy		£88.20
04/05/17	Litt	Academy - Millfield		£70.20
12/05/17	Hunt	Academy		£152.00
21/05/17	Celardo	Academy		£119.70
27/05/17	Litt	Academy - Exeter		£25.05
27/05/17	Robinson	Academy		£89.37
27/05/17	Webb	Academy - Exeter		£26.50
26/06/17	Robinson	Academy - Millfield		£44.20
27/06/17	Litt	Academy - Millfield		£70.20
02/07/17	Proctor	Academy		£72.00
04/07/17	Bossom	Academy - Millfield		£88.20
<b>Total</b>			<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£1,088.82</b>

Pool Hire				
Date	Name	Reference	Income	Expenditure
07/04/17	PARKWO	NDEV01417		£454.14
30/04/17	MILLFIEL		1844	£860.80
04/05/17	LEGACY	LEPYR0104		£193.53
30/06/17	MILLFIEL		1909	£593.60
<b>Total</b>			<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£2,102.07</b>

<b>Total</b>			<b>£10.00</b>	<b>£3,364.89</b>
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Athlete Fees				
Date	Name	Reference	Income	Expenditure
15/05/17	Berry		£50.00	
22/05/17	Garrad		£50.00	
30/05/17	Celardo		£50.00	
06/06/17	Spicer	Trial 2002	£110.00	
15/06/17	Perkins	Refund		£50.00
15/06/17	Kearey		£50.00	
26/06/17	Quantick		£50.00	
03/07/17	Way	Maddock	£50.00	
03/07/17	O'Hara	O'Hara	£50.00	
06/07/17	Spicer	Z Long	£50.00	
15/07/17		500389	£200.00	
15/07/17		500388	£250.00	
<b>Total</b>			<b>£960.00</b>	<b>£50.00</b>

Sundry Expense				
Date	Name	Reference	Income	Expenditure
05/06/17	WESTMID	Entry x 2 - Boys U16 + Girls U16		£700.00
22/07/17	WESTMID	No Ref		£100.00
<b>Total</b>			<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£800.00</b>

Travel				
Date	Name	Reference	Income	Expenditure
01/07/17	Wheeler	U16 Northampton		£112.35
07/07/17	Celardo	Northampton		£149.40
08/07/17	Tomlinson	U16 Girls - Liverpool		£206.10
<b>Total</b>			<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£467.85</b>

Accommodation				
Date	Name	Reference	Income	Expenditure
01/07/17	Tomlinson	U16 Girls Liverpool		£640.00
04/07/17	Spicer	Northampton		£497.00
<b>Total</b>			<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£1,137.00</b>

Catering				
Date	Name	Reference	Income	Expenditure
08/07/17	Tomlinson	U16 Girls Liverpool		£149.34
04/07/17	Spicer	Northampton		£270.32
<b>Total</b>			<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£419.66</b>

Pool Hire				
Date	Name	Reference	Income	Expenditure
06/06/17	CHELTSC	2002 trials		£208.00
<b>Total</b>			<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£208.00</b>

<b>Total</b>			<b>£960.00</b>	<b>£3,082.51</b>
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Date	Name	Category	Reference	Income	Expenditure
23/09/2017	Simon Tomlinson	Travel - Regional Academy	Regional academy - Hengrove		£38.70
23/09/2017	Sue Webb	Travel - Regional Academy	Regional academy - Hengrove		£90.00
26/09/2017	Hengrove Park Leisure Centre	Pool Hire - Hengrove, 23 and 30 September	HENG018780		£604.80
02/10/2017	A SANDERS	Regional Academy - Girls	WPRAG-ASANDERS	£50.00	
02/10/2017	M ROBERTS	Regional Academy - Girls	WPRAG-MROBERTS	£50.00	
05/10/2017	Roger Bossom	Travel - Regional Academy			£101.70



**Water Polo Grade D Referee Course  
Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> November, 10am-5pm  
& Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November, 10am-1pm**

**Hutton Moor Leisure Centre,  
Hutton Moor Road, Weston-super-Mare, BS22 8LY**

Swim England South West Region Water Polo are holding a referee's course on the aforementioned dates, and being held at Hutton Moor Leisure Centre, Weston-super-Mare, BS22 8LY. It will provide the tuition and exam elements of the British Swimming Water Polo Grade D Referee qualification. It is aimed at water polo players, coaches and others who wish to take up refereeing at local & regional level, and at referees with practical experience who wish to become qualified. Candidates will also need to complete a practical assessment at a future date in order to gain the Grade D qualification.

**Tutor:** Damien Taylor

**Costs:** The course fee is £20, and should be payable by BACs to the Swim England South West Region's account:

*Sort Code: 30-90-54*

*Account Number: 04630314*

*Reference: WP-Ref-2017*

**Minimum age:** Candidates should be at least 16-years-old. Applications will be accepted from those approaching their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday. If they pass, their qualification will become valid on that date.

**Pre-work:** Candidates must familiarise themselves with the current FINA water polo rules. These are available on the FINA website which you can find by clicking on the link [http://www.fina.org/sites/default/files/2017\\_2021\\_wp\\_rules\\_06102017\\_new.pdf](http://www.fina.org/sites/default/files/2017_2021_wp_rules_06102017_new.pdf) And in the ASA Technical Handbook, available from Swim England Head Office.

**Timetable:**

Saturday, 4 <sup>th</sup> November, 10am-6pm:	Tuition on Rules and Application (including meal breaks)
Sunday, 5 <sup>th</sup> November, 10am-1pm	Tuition and exam paper

**Applications:** Please complete the application form overleaf and send pay for the course via BACs by Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> October, 2017. You will be sent confirmation of your place on the course.

**Contacts for further information:**

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## Application Form for British Swimming Grade D Referee Course

Please reserve me a place on the 2017 Grade D Referees' Course

First Name: .....

Surname: .....

Preferred name (if not first name): .....

Address .....

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Postcode: .....

Phone: Home: ..... Mobile: .....

Email: .....

Club or School .....

Date of Birth.....

ASA Registration number (if any): .....

Return form via email to: [mike.coles1956@gmail.com](mailto:mike.coles1956@gmail.com)

To be returned by Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> October, 2017.

**If returning by post send to:**

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