

## Minutes of SW Para/Disability Swimming Committee Meeting, 11<sup>th</sup> May 2022 via Zoom

- 1. Present:** Graham Cockill (Chair)(GC); Chrissie Robinson (SESW Region Chair)(CR); Paul Robbins (SESW Region Management Board)(PR); Cathy Ralph (Cornwall)(CR); Kay Willcox (Somerset)(KW).
- 2. Apologies:** Martin Lees (Swim England); Kerry O'Reilly (Gloucestershire).
- 3. Minutes of meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2022:** Agreed as an accurate record.
- 4. Matters arising from minutes of 16<sup>th</sup> February meeting:** None
- 5. SW Para-Swimming Development Plan (January – December 2022)**

### a) Dates/Venues of Future Regional Training Days

Stacey Millett is currently in the process of finding a suitable date (in June or July) for the next Regional Training Day, possibly at Taunton School. Details will be published once finalised.

PR informed the meeting that Marlborough School has resumed taking swimming bookings, so it was agreed that we should explore the possibility of holding the Autumn Term Training Day there.

### b) SW Para-Swimming Championships 25<sup>th</sup> September 2022

- 1) Horfield Pool is booked for the gala from 15.30 to 19.30, with the creche booked from 12.00 to 15.30 for Officials' training.
- 2) ML is exploring whether Hengrove Pool can be booked for classifications (Filton Pool is unavailable). PR suggested using Bradley Stoke Pool if Hengrove is unavailable. ML has secured a team of classifiers. Action: ML
- 3) The final version of the Meet Pack will be checked by CR, to ensure it is clear when the use of the initials SE refers to Swim England or the South East Region; that the promoters are named as Graham Cockill and Paul Robbins; and that the awarding of medals is clear and agreed with Sue Dors. Action:CR
- 4) We need to agree with the SE Region that the SW will pay the expenses of SW Officials, and the SE Region will pay the expenses of their officials. All other gala expenses will be covered by the SW Region as host. Action: GC
- 5) Chris Vickery will process entries. Coaches will be expected to marshal during the warm up.
- 6) Still to be arranged: Announcer; Recorder of Results; general marshalls, door staff; finalise licence with Licensing Officer. GC to ask Stacey to place a request for volunteers in next month's SW Newsletter. Action GC
- 7) CR suggested that the SW Region consider arranging training for announcers.

**c) Start Para-Swimming Centres – new clubs for 2022?**

There is no information as yet on recruiting a Wiltshire club to be the next Start Para-Swimming Centre.

**6. Para-Swimming Secretary:** the vacancy remains open.

**7. Any other business**

A new Certificate of Exception has been introduced to replace the Certificate of Swimming Disability. Information and guidance about it can be found at the following link:

[Swim England update resources to further improve inclusion in swimming](#)

**8. Date of next meeting:** CR will send out a doodle poll to all committee members to find a suitable date for the next meeting.

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