



# ASA South West Region Newsletter

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Welcome to the new South West Region Club Newsletter.

Within this you will find news and information on an array of areas relating to aquatics.

We would like this newsletter to be useful and relevant to your club. If you have anything you would like in future issues please send to Stacey.vickery@swimming.org



#### **Changes in the Region**

In response to some recent changes at the ASA centrally the Region will be losing the valuable services of Alan Green, Bryony Gibbs, Neil Hutchinson and Lauren Wallace, the region wishes them well.

Chris Vickery, who was previously been part of the central team will be joining the South West Region team. David Flack, Regional Chairman said 'we are really delighted that the Regional Management Board have been able to secure the ongoing services of Chris.

'In recent months the Region has invested significantly in club admin support and in addition to securing Chris in her role as Divisional Administrator, the Region has also taken on Stacey Vickery as Club Development Support Officer and Jackie Hilleard as Regional Development Coordinator.

'We welcome them all to the South West Team and this demonstrates the Region's ongoing commitment to supporting Counties and Clubs.'

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# **Regional Updates**

- New Vacancy—Regional Pathway Assistant Team Manager— this is an excellent opportunity to develop and gain experience. Click here for the job specification.
  Applications close on Wednesday 26th April.
- Attention County Secretaries—should you wish to have your courses advertised within the Volunteer Training Calendar on the South West Region's website then please remember to email all details to <u>Chris Vickery</u>.

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# South West Snapshot—Safeguarding month

Each month we will be highlighting a relevant topic—this month it is Safeguarding.

This is essential information, and compulsory for all members to adhere to.

All **Safeguarding** guidelines are covered in the <u>ASA Wavepower Document</u>. Section 2 outlines all requirements for clubs regarding DBS Checks and Safeguarding Courses.

Below is a list of frequently asked questions that will help steer you in the right direction:

# What courses are approved by the ASA?

The recommended training is the ASA/Sports Coach UK Safeguarding and Protecting Children workshop (sometimes referred to as S&PC1). Sports Coach UK also run a generic Safeguarding and Protecting Children Workshop, contact your local County Sports Partnership for more information as the training varies from County to County.

#### What's the difference between Safeguarding and Time to Listen Courses?

Time to Listen courses are specifically for Welfare Officers whereas Safeguarding is for those with frequent contact with children and young people.

#### Who needs Safeguarding Training?

Training should be attended by those who have frequent contact with children and young people. In Section 2 of Wavepower there is a full list of who needs to attend along with who requires a DBS Check.

# How often should you renew Safeguarding/Time to Listen training?

Everyone must initially attend a face to face course which needs to be renewed every three years. To do this you can either attend another physical course or complete an online one. *NB. The online course can only be completed once a volunteer had attended the physical course.* 

Time to Listen Training needs to be renewed every three years.

#### **Find a Course**

Click here for a full list of courses.

#### **Courses and Training**

<u>IOS Website</u>—visit the website for courses coming up in your area.

If you have a requirement for a particular course in your area please contact Stacey Vickery and she will be able to advise you further.

**Volunteer Training**—click here to be directed to our up to date list of courses running.

### **Some Highlighted Upcoming Courses**

**10th April 2017**—Level 2 Swimming Teacher—GLL College, Culverhay Sports Centre, Bath.

18th April 2017 – Adult and Child Aquatics — Ferndown Leisure Centre, Dorset.

**22nd April**—working with Children with Educational Difficulties Seminar—Cirencester Leisure Centre.

**29th April 2017**– Level 1 Swimming Assistant (Teaching) - PFP Leisure, Warminster Sports Centre.





