



# Swim England South West Regional Newsletter

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Welcome to the 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.millett@swimming.org](mailto:Stacey.millett@swimming.org)

### Congratulations—Swim Mark News!

Congratulations to the following clubs who have either completed their Swim Mark reaccreditation or are newly accredited this June Panel:

#### Reaccredited

Exmouth Swimming & Lifesaving	Backwell SC	Honiton SC
Kingsbridge Kingfishers SC	Tiverton SC	West Wilts Diving Club
Marlborough Penguins		

#### New Accreditations

Newquay Cormorants	Plymouth Leander SC	Yeovil SC
Tornadoes of South Dorset SC		

Any clubs interested in becoming Swim Mark Accredited [click here](#) to fill in a registration form. Completed forms need to be emailed back to Jackie Hilleard and she will then provide further information.

### Regional Updates



- **Date for your diaries**—Sunday 10th September, **Regional ACM**, Holiday Inn Taunton.
- **Open Forum for Clubs**—Sunday 10th September 12pm, at the Holiday Inn Taunton—the Club Development Committee want to hear your views on club development and discuss the barriers you face as a club committee. Any topic can be discussed including volunteering, licensing, fundraising, etc. It will also provide an opportunity for you to meet the members of the Club Development Committee. Lunch will be provided. To book your place email [chris.vickery@swimming.org](mailto:chris.vickery@swimming.org)
- **Team Bath Synchro Summer Camp**—18th-21st August 2017 at the University of Bath, Sports Training Village. For more information and to apply email [secretary.teambathsc@gmail.com](mailto:secretary.teambathsc@gmail.com).
- **Swim England National Open Water Festival**—30th-31st July 2017 at Rother Valley Country Park. For more information and to sign up visit the website—[www.swimming.org/openwaterfestival](http://www.swimming.org/openwaterfestival)
- **OMS Updates**—clubs are reminded to update OMS when swimmers move house, have new telephone numbers or update any personal details. We need to have the most up to date information for sending out selection information.
- **Millfield Pool Closure**—due to the closure of the pool the relay gala has been moved to Plymouth and the Masters have been moved to Horfield (dates remain the same).

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# Swim England South West

## South West Snapshot—Club Matters



### **What is Club Matters?**

Club Matters provides free, convenient, practical resources to help you run and develop a sustainable sports club.

### **What are the benefits?**

Using the resources enable clubs to attract and retain new members. You will receive practical tips and guidance along with tools to help you understand your club and members better. There are also opportunities to improve and develop your own skills within your club situations.

### **What is available?**

Through the website there are online modules with lots of hints and tricks to get you started, including organisation structures, budgeting, cash flow and good governance. The modules are approx. 30-40 minutes in duration

Modules cover the following areas: Club Finance, Club Management, Club People and Club Marketing.

### **How to register?**

Visit the Club Matters website on—[www.sportenglandclubmatters.com](http://www.sportenglandclubmatters.com)—and follow the steps to sign up and register your club.

## Clubs Required to Pilot Use of new 'Club Awards'

Swim England are currently developing a new progressive awards scheme for swimmers in competitive swimming clubs. The awards are aimed at swimmers new to competitive swimming or early competitive level. To ensure that these awards meet club's needs, we are currently seeking clubs who would like to pilot the use of these awards in their club sessions during the period September to December 2017. It is expected that the draft awards criteria would be available for coaches of pilot clubs during July to allow coaches time to plan the use of the awards in their club. Clubs will be required to provide feedback following use of the draft awards and in return will be provided with a number of awards for their own club use once they are produced.

If your club would like to be involved in piloting the use of these awards please contact [Emily.taylor@swimming.org](mailto:Emily.taylor@swimming.org).

## Courses and Training

**IOS Website**—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 Millett and she will be able to advise you further.

**Volunteer Training**—[click here](#) to be directed to our up to date list of training opportunities.

**IOS Courses**—[click here](#) to be directed to our website and full list of courses.

### **Some Highlighted Upcoming Courses**

**4th August**—Swim England Swimming Coach \*Blended Learning\*, University of Bath

**1st September**—Swim England Swimming Assistant (Coaching) \*Blended Learning\*, Rossmore Leisure Centre

**3rd September**—Swim England Swimming Assistant (Coaching), The Activity Zone, Malmesbury

