



## Welcome to the May Club Newsletter

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### Covid-19 Resources



During these tricky times Swim England East Region hopes that our newsletters help to bring some guidance and support to our members. We continue to update our [Covid-19 webpage](#) with useful resources for clubs whilst pools are closed.

Most importantly though, we wish our members good health during these times and look forward to seeing you again soon.

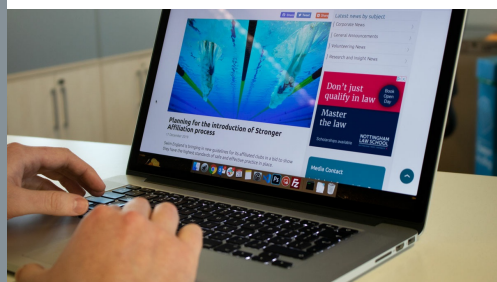
### Water Polo Strategy and East/London Forum

The [Water Polo 2020-2025 Strategy](#) has been released to provide a clear vision from the Leadership Group, and details key targets for the sport. The strategy has been produced after extensive consultation around the country.

In addition to the strategy release, water polo also has an offer of invite to a water polo forum for East and London clubs on 7th May at 6pm. Sean King, Coaching Lead on the Water Polo Leadership group, and Matthew White, Founder of Drenched Mini Polo, will both be in attendance.



If you would like more information, please email [waterpolo@eastswimming.org](mailto:waterpolo@eastswimming.org).



### Stronger Affiliation Workshop

Swim England is to host a series of webinars to ensure clubs will be compliant with its new Stronger Affiliation process. Clubs that do not have SwimMark will need to be compliant with Stronger Affiliation by January 2021 to affiliate.

The East Region webinar is taking place via Zoom on the 7th May at 7.30pm. If you would like to book a place, simply complete the [online booking form](#).

### Safeguarding Workshops Online

Swim England now offers an online Safeguarding webinar as part of the online resource package. It is essential for all teachers, coaches, and other poolside personnel to undertake a safeguarding workshop every three years.

For more information, visit the [Institute of Swimming webpage](#).

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## Swimming Judge Level 1 Deadline Extended

Swim England has confirmed that volunteers training to become Swimming Technical Officials are to be given an extension to complete their course due to the coronavirus pandemic.

More information can be found on the [Swim England website](#).

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## Swimming Coaches Conference and Forum Opportunities

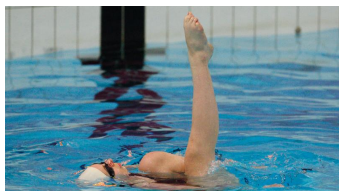
Many swimming coaches attended the regional coaches conference, which was a huge success. Owing many other regions having to cancel or postpone their conferences, Swim England are kindly hosting an online event on 6th June with a [number of zoom presentations](#) across the day.

To sign up, email [swimmingtalent@swimming.org](mailto:swimmingtalent@swimming.org) before Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May. There is no charge to attend.

The region is also hosting weekly swimming coach catch ups via zoom. If you are interested in joining, and haven't already signed up, please email [east@swimming.org](mailto:east@swimming.org).



## Artistic Swimming Club Support



A monthly support document is provided from Swim England for artistic swimming coaches.

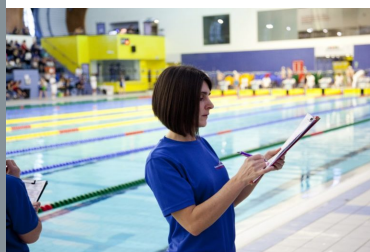
If you haven't received the [May Edition](#), contact [volunteering@swimming.org](mailto:volunteering@swimming.org) and you can be added to the distribution list.

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## Regional Chairperson's Forum

The region's next forum for our club Chairpersons will be taking place on the 5th May at 8pm.

If you would like to receive the invitation details, please email [leanne.brace@swimming.org](mailto:leanne.brace@swimming.org).



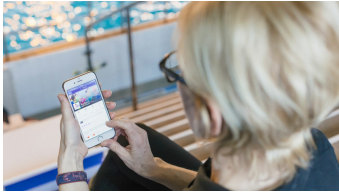
## Team Manager Workshops

Team Manager Module 1 workshops are going online to help volunteers continue to train during the pandemic.

The region will be hosting some online workshops over the next few months so please check our [website](#) for more information next week.

It is 'business as usual' for SwimMark, so please don't forget to keep your club governance up to date during this time. If you need any support, please do contact the staff who will be happy to help.

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### Online Method for DBS checks

DBS checks can still be carried out during lockdown. Each club Welfare Officer will have received information on how to do this, so if yours is due for renewal, or you are looking to start the process, speak to your Welfare Officer in the first instance.

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