**Swim England South West Region Request for Officials 2018**

Temporary & Interim December 2017

SESW Officials Organiser

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Dear Official,

The ASA SW Region would again like to request your help to run their events in 2018 and also other events at which we are asked to provide officials. Last year we had more officials helping which was very pleasing and we look forward to welcoming even more this year. As you will probably know Lynne Elliott sadly passed away in October so it is with immense sadness I am providing some initial and **very much interim** cover of the officials’ coordinator role whilst we recruit her successor. All the officiating community in the South West will sorely miss Lynne’s enthusiasm and dedication and if you would be interested continuing her legacy by taking on the officials coordinator role please see the enclosed job description. It’s worth saying you would not need to attend all the events in person in order to fulfil the role. Unless we recruit a successor **IT WILL MEAN NO GALAS from MAY onwards**

As some of you know this year we shall again be running the **Para Swimming CPD before the event on the 11th March**, lunch will be provided and then everyone gains experience at the gala in the afternoon. If you haven’t already done so please let me know who wishes to attend, we would love to see some new officials getting some experience. (Note you don’t need to attend the CPD if previously attended you would go directly to the gala).

At all events that cover more than one session during the day refreshments will be provided (**but please bring a water bottle for poolside)** and a contribution towards travel expenses at an agreed rate provided that **all the sessions for the whole day are attended as an official** (obviously where there is only one session then this counts). Those officials who volunteer for a whole weekend **may** be able to claim for accommodation\*, please see the attached conditions. It is essential that the Region knows who this will apply to as the budgets have to be monitored.

\*PLEASE NOTE \_ ACCOMMODATION COSTS WILL ONLY BE PAID TO THE MAXIMUM STATED ON THE CONDITIONS SHEET ATTACHED.

Please pass this letter and information on to your clubs and encourage other officials as it is difficult to contact everyone individually and we would be delighted to welcome new volunteers. The events cannot run without your help and the swimmers would not be able to achieve any qualifying times without the required numbers of licensed officials.

There is an exciting extra opportunity to officiate at the BRITISH MASTERS Championships being held in PLYMOUTH on June 8th – 10th 2018. The recruitment will handled be by British Swimming and to receive the invitation you need to subscribe to the British Swimming Officials Newsletter.

There are always some events where it is difficult to find enough volunteers, so I would ask you to consider them all - particularly the Masters events and the Para swimming event. The Inter County Masters is slightly different as the Region appoints the Referees, starter and 2 judges and the participating Counties bring a Judge and a Timekeeper each. Also at the Relay Event, Clubs are required to provide at least one Official for each session they have teams swimming and this helps achieve the required numbers. It would be a great help if clubs attending the relay gala would let the Officials Organiser know as early as possible (as soon as entries are confirmed) which officials are attending. Finally **for all competitions** please volunteer promptly - the last few days before an event is difficult to manage - particularly as the Officials Organiser has then to let the Meet Referee know. Our main concern is for the swimmers - we do not want to have to declare the event as unlicensed because there are not enough officials to fulfil the requirements with the consequence that times cannot be included on the ASA Rankings.

Thank you for your help, & please I need to know numbers for the Para seminar/gala as soon as possible. PLEASE Mark the other dates in your diary but wait until the new Secretary is announced before making any replies TO THEM. The Region looks forward to seeing everyone over the coming year. The contact details of the new post holder will be forwarded as soon as they are known. Yours sincerely



Temporary & Interim Organiser of SESW Officials for Regional Events

SESW Regional Officials Training and Development Coordinator

**Swim England South West Region 2018**

**Name**………………………………………………………………………….. **Club**…………………………………………….

**Address**………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..

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**E.mail**………………………………………………………………………… **Tel:** …………………………………………….

**License** Y/N **Reg.No**……………………… **Qualification.** R………. S…….. J2…….. J1……..

Date Event Venue Report Time Available Y/N

Sessions

**SW Region Events**

Saturday 5th May Summer Champs - Youth Plymouth Life Centre 8.45am 1 2

Sunday 6th May Summer Champs - Youth Plymouth Life Centre 8.45am 1 2

Monday 7th May Summer Champs - Youth Plymouth Life Centre 8.45am 1 2

Saturday 12th May Summer Champs - Age Groups Hengrove 8.45am 1 2

Sunday 13th May Summer Champs - Age Groups Hengrove 8.45am 1 2

Saturday 19th May Summer Champs - Age Groups Millfield 8.45am 1 2

Sunday 20th May Summer Champs - Age Groups Millfield 8.45am 1 2

Sunday 8th July Fast Five Gloucester GL1 8.50am 1 2

Sunday 23rd September Relays Millfield 9.00am 1 2 3

Friday 2nd November Winter Championships Millfield 5.45pm 1

Saturday 3rd November Winter Championships Millfield 8.45am 1 2

Sunday 4th November Winter Championships Millfield 8.45am 1 2

**MASTERS**

Friday 8th – Sunday 10th June **BRITISH MASTERS** Plymouth Apply through British Swimming

Sunday 7th October Sprints Millfield Tbc 1

Sunday 18th November Inter County Millfield 1.30pm 1

**PARASWIMMING**

Sunday 11th March Para Dev. Meet Horfield 4.00pm 1

Para Swimming CPD at UWE 11.00am

**ESSA**

Monday 30th April Primary Relays Millfield 6.00pm 1

Wednesday 26th September Senior Relays Millfield 2.00pm 1

I wish to apply for accommodation costs. Yes/No Dates…………………………………………………………………

**Paraswimming event March 11th ONLY** offers by return to Jill Beard at [beardfamilyuk@icloud.com](mailto:beardfamilyuk@icloud.com)

Please DO NOT RETURN other offers until advised of the contact details for the new Regional Officials Secretary.