

Swim England North West Weekly Update – 9/7/26

NEWS

SWIM ENGLAND NORTH WEST REGIONAL AWARDS 2026



Reminder - Nominations for the SENW Regional Awards 2026 are now open! 🙌

🌟 Full information on the categories and how to nominate can be found here – [CLICK HERE](#) (*Deadline for nominations 21st July 2026*)

🌟 Swim England North West Regional Awards 2026 – [event details can be found here](#)



ARTISTIC SWIMMING COMBO CUP 2026

SENW Clubs shine at National Combo Cup – [CLICK HERE](#) for report



ARTISTIC SWIMMING NATIONAL MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026

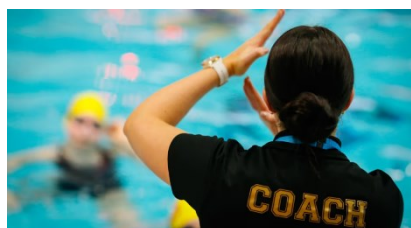
SENW Club competes at Artistic Swimming Masters national Champs 2026 – [CLICK HERE](#) for report



WATER POLO – U16'S INTER-REGIONALS

Mirroring the boys success last weekend, this weekend, the SENW U16 Girls Team crowned Champions at this year's Inter-Regional Water Polo Championships. 🏆

SENW Girls Under 16s crowned Champions! – [CLICK HERE](#)



Aquatics Coach Mentoring Programme 2026-27

Applications are now open for coaches, deadline midnight 25/8/26 – [CLICK HERE](#) for more information

REQUEST FOR ALL SWIMMING CLUBS

All North West Clubs are asked to please email swimnorthwest@swimming.org with 'group' photos of their athletes who have qualified for any of the upcoming National Swimming and Open Water Swimming Championships.

This will enable us to put together one post showing the success of our North West Swimmers. (Please note, any club with only 1 athlete, obviously an individual photograph is fine, but we do not want clubs with multiple qualifiers to send us with individual athlete photographs)



Please ensure photographs are sent to us from one of the club's key officers ONLY (**not parents**) any photographs sent through to us must have parental consent to be published on our website/social media platforms.

Athletes must all be wearing suitable clothing (ie. Club kit) – confirmation of consent for us to use the photographs to be held by the club, but clearly stated in the email by the club officer, stating the following: Club Name, Name of each athlete and which competition/s they have qualified for - please note, any photographs deemed unsuitable for any reason will not be included.

Please ensure photographs are sent to us by 9am on Monday 13th July to be included in our post.

This is the first time we have done this and if it proves successful, we will aim to do it for all disciplines moving forwards.

ARTISTIC SWIMMING

📅 Upcoming Events

- SENW Artistic Swimming Grade Day (12th July) – [CLICK HERE](#)
- SENW Artistic Swimming Grade Day (14th Aug - Virtual) – [CLICK HERE](#)

DIVING

📅 Upcoming Events

- Swim England Diving National Skills Finals – [CLICK HERE](#)

SWIMMING

📅 Upcoming Events

- 16-22 July 26 - Aquatics GB Next Gen Championships 2026 – [CLICK HERE](#)
- 24-29 July 26 – Commonwealth Games Swimming & Para Swimming 2026 – [CLICK HERE](#)
- 27 July –1 Aug 26 – Swim England National Summer Meet 2026 – [CLICK HERE](#)
- 7-8 Nov 26 – SENW Regional Winter Championships 2026 – [CLICK HERE](#)
- 10-13 Dec 26 – Swim England National Winter Championships 2026 – [CLICK HERE](#)

PARA SWIMMING

📅 Upcoming Events

- 4 Oct 26 - SENW & SENE Para Championships 2026 – [CLICK HERE](#)

MASTERS SWIMMING

📅 Upcoming Events

- 23-25 Oct 26 - Swim England Masters National Championships (25m) 2026 – [CLICK HERE](#)

OPEN WATER SWIMMING



🚨 Open Water Swimming - Safety Message 🚨

Strong Swimmer? It Can Still Happen – Learn to Float to Live

Over the past few weeks, the UK has seen a heart-breaking rise in accidental drownings in open water. These incidents are a devastating reminder that water is unpredictable, conditions can change in seconds, and even the strongest swimmers are vulnerable. As a community, we must look out for one another

and keep safety at the heart of everything we do. We would like to provide all Swim England North West members with a vital reminder of how to be safe in open water. 📄 [\[Click here for all the details\]](#)

📅 Upcoming Events

- **Swim England Open Water National Age Group Championships 2026 – [CLICK HERE](#)** for more information
 - Deadline for entries 15/7/26 @ 12 noon – [CLICK HERE](#)
- **Swim England Open Water National Masters Championships 2026 – [CLICK HERE](#)** for more information
 - **Full list of entries – [CLICK HERE](#)**

WATER POLO

📅 Upcoming Events

- 7-8 Nov - Swim England Under 15 Open Finals – [CLICK HERE](#)
- 21-22 Nov – Swim England Under 15 Female Finals – [CLICK HERE](#)

VACANCIES

Regional Vacancies

🚨 SENW Regional Welfare Officer (Voluntary role) 🚨

Swim England North West (SENW) is excited to announce a vacancy for an enthusiastic and passionate individual to join our team as the SENW Regional Welfare Officer.

This voluntary role will provide support to clubs and Welfare Officers across the North West Region, as and when required, or at the request of the Swim England Safeguarding and Welfare Team. 📄 [\[Click here for further details\]](#)

🚨 SENW Water Polo Management Group Vacancy 🚨

Do you have members in your club who are passionate about helping shape the future of water polo in the North West?

SENW hosts a Water Polo Management Group, which meets four times a year. This group plays a vital role in developing opportunities for our athletes, ensuring the North West has a strong and unified voice within Swim England, and contributing to the national direction of water polo. The group oversees the management of teams for Inter-Regional Competitions and continues to explore new ways to strengthen athlete development across the region.

We are now inviting each club to nominate a club representative to attend future meetings. Our aim is to ensure a broad range of clubs, perspectives, and playing abilities are represented, enabling us to work collaboratively and make decisions that are truly in the best interests of water polo athletes in the North West.

We would be delighted to have your club involved, please send contact details of your representative to clubdevelopment@swimnorthwest.org who can join the group on the next meeting, which will be held on the 14th July at 7:30pm.

Club Vacancies 📌



Blackburn Centurions SC – Level 2 Swimming Coach (Volunteer) 🗝️ [\[Click here for further details\]](#) closing date 12.7.26



Clitheroe Dolphins – Head Coach 🗝️ [\[Click here for further details\]](#) closing date 20.7.26



Stockport Metro – Head of Development (full time position) 🗝️ [\[Click here for further details\]](#) closing date 27.7.26



Stockport Metro – Lead & Assistant Swimming Coach (Academy/Development Squads) 🗝️ [\[Click here for further details\]](#) closing date 26.7.26

Swim England Vacancies 📌

Coaching Tutor Training

The Swim England coaching curricula prepares learners to develop the next generation of athletes. As a tutor of these certificates you can make a positive impact on the world of coaching in the disciplines of: Swimming, Diving, Water Polo, Artistic Swimming
SE are currently looking for Coaching Tutors 🗝️ [\[Click here for further details\]](#)



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES & TRAINING

Volunteer Training Courses:

- [Team Manager 1](#) (2nd September 2026, 6pm)
- [Team Manager 2](#) (7th September 2026, 6pm)
- [SE Safeguarding](#) (24th July 2026, 6pm)
- [SE Welfare Officer](#) (21st July 2026, 6pm)
- Safeguarding refresher module also available 🗝️ [\[Book your place\]](#) (In order to complete the Refresher course all candidates must be 18 years or over and have completed the 3 hour (face to face / online) Swim England Safeguarding course within the last 3 years).

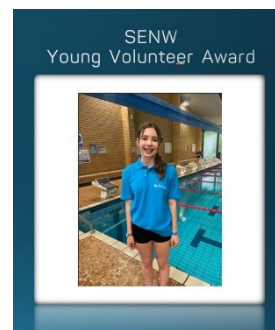
SENW Young Volunteer Award

We continue to receive posts from Young Volunteers, past and present who are eager to share their experiences on the Young Volunteer Award. Here's another!

Hopefully their experiences will encourage more young people aged 14-17 years to register and complete the award – click the picture below to read about the experience of this week's athlete:

If you are a current or past Young Volunteer that would like share your experience of the Young Volunteer Award – please email us, along with a photograph (preferably in your YVA T-Shirt) to clubdevelopment@swimnorthwest.org

- SENW Young Volunteer Award – 1 September – Fully Booked
- SENW Young Volunteer Award 🗝️ [\[Expression of Interest form for future dates\]](#)



Judge & Official Courses

- [Artistic Swimming Judge 1](#)
- [Artistic Swimming Judge 2](#)
- [Diving Judge 1](#)
- [Diving Judge 2](#)
- [Swimming Technical Officials – Judge 1 Theory](#)
- [Swimming Judge 2](#)



Governance Workshops

- [Club Chairperson](#) (mandatory)
- [Club Welfare Officer](#) (mandatory)
- [Club Development Forum](#)
- [National Clubs Forum](#)
- [National Chairs Forum](#)
- [National Welfare Officer Forum](#)
- [Online Chairs Information Session \(Part 1\)](#)

COACHING INFORMATION & OPPORTUNITIES

🌟 Aquatics Coach Mentoring Programme 2026-27

- Applications are now open for coaches, deadline midnight 25/8/26 – [CLICK HERE](#) for more information

🌟 Swim England National Programmes – Coaching & Team Manager Opportunities

- Interested in working with the Swim England National Programmes – Swimming for 2026-2027? Swim England are inviting Coaches and Team Managers to complete an 'Expression of Interest' form. 🗨️ [\[Click here for further details\]](#)

🌟 Coach Membership

- For aquatic coaches working at all levels of the Swim England Pathway – [CLICK HERE](#) for more information

🏠 Coaching Courses

- [Assistant Swimming Coach – Birkenhead](#) (Blended Learning). Closing date 6th August 2026
- [Assistant Swimming Coach – Liverpool](#) (Blended Learning). Closing date 17th August 2026
- [Assistant Swimming Coach – Stockport](#) (Blended Learning). Closing date: 7th Sept 2026
- [Swimming Coach – Sale](#) (Blended Learning). Closing date: 10th Sept 2026
- [Swimming Coach – Workington](#) (Blended Learning). Closing date: 23rd Sept 2026
- [Swimming Coach – Birkenhead](#) (Blended Learning). Closing date: 23rd Sept 2026

🏠 Coach Education

- **Swim England to evolve Coach Education with new curriculum and courses**

SE is evolving Coach Education to better reflect the realities of modern coaching and support positive experiences for participants across aquatics. A series of open drop-in sessions will be available to provide opportunities to explore the changes in more detail, ask questions and share feedback. The sessions are open to coaches, clubs and anyone with an interest in Coach Education. 🗨️ [\[Click here for further details\]](#)

🌟 UK Coaching Awards 2026

- Nominations are now open for the 2026 UK Coaching Awards – 🗨️ [CLICK HERE for more information](#)

ATHLETE OPPORTUNITIES

🌟 Swim England Diploma in Sporting Excellence (DiSE)

- Applications for the 2026 Swim England Diploma in Sporting Excellence (DiSE) programme are open. This two-year, Department of Education-funded initiative runs alongside Further Education (A-Levels or BTEC) and supports athletes on the talent pathway. The specific submission deadlines vary by aquatic discipline (Water Polo applications closed on 1/7/26)
- Aquatic Diploma in Sporting Excellence (DiSE) – **Diving** – [CLICK HERE](#)
(Deadline for applications 20/7/26 at 5pm)
- Aquatic Diploma in Sporting Excellence (DiSE) – **Swimming** – [CLICK HERE](#)
(Deadline for applications 25/7/26 at 5pm)
- Aquatic Diploma in Sporting Excellence (DiSE) – **Artistic Swimming** – [CLICK HERE](#)
(Deadline for applications 14/9/26 at 5pm)

(Water Polo applications have already closed)

LOCAL EVENTS

Cumbria Clubs

- **Cumbria United, Barrow sign up event 13th July 2026** ❤️
Cumbria United Against Suicide is a free county-wide project uniting sports clubs, coaches, and athletes from all sports and physical activity clubs to take a stand against suicide. The campaign uses the power of sport - teamwork, community, and solidarity - to reduce the stigma around suicide and open up life-saving conversations. 📄 [\[Click here for further details and to register\]](#)

Greater Manchester Clubs

- **Greater Manchester Sports Club Conference – Connect, Learn & Be Inspired**
Are you involved in running a grassroots sports club in Greater Manchester? Registrations are now open for the Greater Manchester Sports Club Conference on Saturday 25th July 2026, they are excited to welcome grassroots clubs from across Greater Manchester. 📄 [\[Click here for further details\]](#)

FOR SALE

📱 Mobile Phone Policy Banners for Sale

Support [Wavepower](#) compliance with pull-up banners for your changing rooms. 📄 [\[Order here\]](#)

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