

STA Swim & Save e-Zine - June 2013

Welcome to the Swim & Save e-Zine

More Success for STA's Swim Academy Model

The STA Swim Academy, which first launched in Shropshire in 2011 and is now helping to raise swim teaching standards across the country, has achieved further success after figures in Rochdale revealed a huge increase in enrolments and income. [Read more](#)

Working Closely with Swim Australia

In May, STA's **Theo Millward** attended IFSTA's Asia Pacific regional meeting in Australia, which has resulted in a hugely beneficial working partnership being formed with **Swim Australia** and **ASCTA**. Theo said: *"STA, Swim Australia and ASCTA all have different strengths and areas of expertise; and coming together to co-share our knowledge, educational resources and digital capability will be really beneficial for us all."*

Work Experience in Oz - Apply Now!

STA has secured a once in a lifetime opportunity for 2/3 fully qualified STA swim teachers to go to **Brisbane**, Australia, where they will receive paid work experience and training over a 4-6 week period at the fantastic **Dunlop Park Pool** - www.dunlopparkpool.com (accommodation is also included). Dates are available in October–December 2013 and January-March 2014. For further information or to apply before the 31st July deadline, please send your CV and cover letter to julie@sta.co.uk.

STA Speaks to Billy Pye

Kayle Burgham, STA's Aquatic Technical Support Officer, recently spoke to Paralympic swimming coach **Billy Pye**. During the interview he revealed his passion for the sport and confirmed the importance of a good and engaging learn-to-swim programme for a swimmer's development pathway. Read the full interview [here](#).

STA Welcomes Partnerships with Four New Swim Schools

This month STA welcomes four new swim schools - **Aquarius Swimschool**, **Splash Paddle Swim**, **Swim with Sharon** and **Train2Swim**. All have signed a 3-year partnership agreement with STA, which sees them exclusively taking on STA's swimming teaching and learn to swim programmes. More news will follow in future issues.

Positive Start to RAPs

RAPs (Register of Aquatic Professionals) has got off to a flying start with nearly 1,000 industry professionals applying already – and we are thrilled to note that STA Tutor Jo Cooper was one of the first to sign-up, see [here](#).



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Lessons in Open Water Swimming

At the beginning of May, STA President **Dave Candler** and Inspire Leisure Littlehampton successfully ran the UK's first accredited Open Water Swimming Coaching courses – the STA Level 1 Award for Pool to Open Water Swimming Coaching and the STA Level 2 Award for Open Water Swimming Coaching course. More [here](#)

Back to Summer School

The full schedule of courses and CPDs has now been confirmed for STA's **Summer School**, which is taking place in Walsall between **5th and 16th August** – see the full details on the poster [here](#) (click to enlarge) or for more information, see our **Summer School webpage**. To secure your place, email claire@sta.co.uk.

Insurance Cover for All STA Qualifications

Insurance is one of the key benefits of becoming a member of STA and we are often asked what it includes. So for clarity, we can confirm that **Ault**, STA's insurance brokers, provide up to **£10 million** public liability insurance to fully paid-up Qualified and Associate Members of STA (not Junior Members) when acting within their STA approved qualifications (or accepted equivalent), and in an activity of the Association. Visit the **Members Insurance webpage** on our website for more information.



A Swimming Teacher's Psyche

"*Psychology For The Swimming Teacher*" was the name of a training session that STA Regional Organiser **John Holden** recently organised in Norwich - and he believes this could be the very first training day of its type in the UK, with swimming teachers coming from all parts of the East Anglia region and as far away as Sussex to attend. [Read more](#)

International Members News

With schools in Qatar insisting that all swimming teachers have a pool safety qualification, **Celia Scott**, resident STA Tutor in Qatar, is busy teaching STA's Pool Safety Award – the latest teachers to become qualified are from **Al Maha Academy School** for boys (all pictured here).



Course Reminders for Tutors

This August and September in London at the Sylvestrian Leisure Centre, STA's technical team will be holding a **Pool Plant Tutor** course on the **15th - 16th August 2013**, and an **Aquatic Tutor Course including PTLLS** on **26th-29th September**. Please contact claire@sta.co.uk for further details.

Moderating Tutors Course in Bury

STA Tutor **Yanek Kowel** is organising a Moderators/IV Tutors Course in Bury Lancashire on **17th June 2013**. Call Yanek on **07719 669567** for further information.

And Finally...

Thank you to everyone who took part in our Members Communication Survey - the feedback has been

fantastic and we will report the findings shortly.

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