

STA Swim & Save E-zine - May 2012

## Welcome to the Swim & Save E-zine

### New QCF Swimming Teaching and Lifesaving Qualifications

In accordance with Ofqual and SQA requirements, STA will now be moving across to unitised qualifications which will become mandatory in **July 2012**. These new qualifications have new titles and contain revised content and course syllabi. [Click here](#) for more information on STA's new **Swimming Teaching** qualifications.

[Click here](#) for information on STA's new **Lifesaving** qualifications.

### STA's Got Talent!

STA is very excited to be able to announce that STA's **Zoe Cooper** will be on **Britain's Got Talent** this Saturday as part of **Aquabatique** - a unique underwater entertainment act comprising four synchronised swimmers performing in a glass tank. [Click here](#)

### Carole Webster Joins STA

STA signals its commitment to growth with the appointment of **Carole Webster** as Regional Development Manager. [Click here](#)



### Anchor House News

Alongside **Carole's** appointment, **Zoe Cooper**, STA's Shropshire Swim Academy Co-ordinator, has been promoted to STA Development Manager. The Technical Team will also welcome back **Claire Brisbane** this month, who will be providing expert support on Lifesaving and Aquacise.

### New Partnership with Alba Pools

Alba Pools takes on the new Pool Plant programme from [STAadmin.co.uk](http://STAadmin.co.uk) to provide real time swimming pool and spa solutions. Read the full story [here](#)



### River Safety Funding Secured

Shropshire has the highest rate of drownings recorded as compared to any other UK



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### Swim an Olympic Mile with Mencap

Places are still available for the Mencap Mile, which takes place on **30th September**. To find out more [click here](#).

### National Conference Promotes Best Practice

Book your place at the CPD

To support all the digital developments at STA, **Theo Millward** has been promoted to Head of IT, with **Brett Preston** as IT Manager.

### Why Don't You Do the Channel?

**Kris Apps'** team take on the Channel – not the English Channel, the Rottneest Channel! Read the full report [here](#) by **Kris Apps**, who used to represent STA in Cornwall before emigrating to Australia a few years ago.



### Drowning Prevention in the Spotlight

The National Water Safety Seminar, hosted by RoSPA, took place on **Thursday 26th April**, and brought together more than 100 professionals with responsibility for water safety across the UK. The seminar came just weeks after new figures revealed there were 420 water-related deaths from accidents or natural causes in the UK in 2010. [Click here](#)

### Members News

STA would like to feature more news from members in the eZine – if you have a good news story that you would like to submit for consideration, please [email us here](#).

county. As a result, STA's Shropshire Swim Academy has gained £2000 funding from Shropshire Council's River Safety unit in order to promote water safety across the county.

**STANley**, STA's water safety mascot, will be heading up the summer campaign with the funding being used to provide discounted learn to swim, snorkelling and NaRS cross lessons.



### Tutor Course Dates

A Swimming Tutor Course is planned for **9th -12th July** at The Mount School in Dalton Terrace, York. Please contact **Carol Saunders** on **07835 929013** for further details. A Moderators Course is being held at Anchor House on **12th June**. Contact **Yan Kowal** on **07719 669 567** for details.

accredited National Coordinating Committee conference which represents Swimming for People with Disabilities. The event takes place on **13th and 14th October** in Ascot. For more information [click here](#)

### Maintaining Your School Pool

**Richard Lamburn**, STA's Pool Plant Technical Officer provides advice on pool plant management in schools. [Click here](#)

### Teaching with Woggles

Woggles are a very useful tool in helping children to acquire the skills of rescue. Read **Irene Joyce's** handy swimming tips article [here](#). Via **STA's Facebook page**, teachers have also been sharing their woggle ideas – referenced in the article.

### Members News

Pictured here are members of Downpatrick School of Lifesaving who recently completed STA's STC (B). Also included (front middle) are **Des Cossum**, STA Tutor / Examiner and the School's Head Coach **Michael McCartan** who tutored the course.



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