



## Swim & Save E-zine - November 2024



## STArLIGHT Shines Bright at the 2024 Fab Awards

For a second year in a row, Safety Training Awards has picked up a top honour at the Federation of Awarding Bodies (FAB) Awards – this year the team were thrilled to be named the 2024 'AO of the year for delivering real impact on equity, diversity and inclusion' for STArLIGHT and its work in disability swimming.

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## OneRen Expands Its In-house Training Model

OneRen, the Leisure Trust for Renfrewshire Council, has signed a new training agreement with STA as part of its plans to upscale the operation of its ATC (Approved Training Centre) and extend its in-house tutor workforce for swimming, lifesaving and first aid in 2025.

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## Levelling Up In Scotland

Earlier this month, we were pleased to announce that the STA Award and Certificate in Teaching Swimming has been reaccredited for 5 years and relevelled at SCQF Level 7 with SQA Accreditation.

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The banner features the title "STA's Learn to Swim PROGRAMME" in a blue and purple font. Below the title is a row of seven colorful certificates labeled "GRADE 1" through "GRADE 7". Each certificate has a large number and a circular seal. Below the certificates, the text reads: "A PROGRESSIVE PATHWAY WITH EACH GRADE FOCUSING ON STROKE DEVELOPMENT, WATER SAFETY & ESSENTIAL SWIMMING SKILLS, AND DESIGNED TO GIVE POOL OPERATORS AND SWIM SCHOOLS GREATER FLEXIBILITY." To the right of this text is a purple box with the words "OUT NOW!" in white. The background is blue with white water splashes and a silhouette of a swimmer.

## LSP Makes Waves

It's been just over a month since we launched the new graded Learn to Swim Programme (LSP), and we are thrilled that customers (new & existing) are already making plans to introduce it early in 2025 – look out for more news over the coming months.

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## **Adding Sparkle To Young Swimmers In Wales**

Our CommUNITY STArTERS campaign is set to help children and young people with disabilities and/or developmental difficulties shine in Wales, with Sparkle Appeal becoming the latest recipient of our charity grant in October.

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## Haul of Endorsement

This month, we were delighted to receive confirmation that over 30 of our CPD's have been endorsed by The Chartered Institute for the Management of Sport and Physical Activity (CIMSPA).

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## **Introduction To Hydrotherapy Pools – New Online CPD**

A new online CPD titled 'Introduction to Hydrotherapy Pools' has been launched, which is hosted by Pool Plant Tutor David Westbrook.

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**Out and About This Month**



The EQA team were back on the road this month, and they travelled to Belfast in Northern Ireland and then onto Co.Meath in Ireland. Here is Maria Timperley and Anne-Marie Harriman pictured in Belfast.



STA's Kayle Brightwell and Zoe Cooper joined in the celebrations at [Community Leisure UK's Seriously Social Awards](#) in Manchester; and as sponsors, they presented the 2024 Employment and Skills Award to Tees Active. Kayle and Zoe are pictured here with awards host Sally Gunnell OBE.



It was a busy day for the team at the [CoursePro Sports Course Summit 2024](#), with STA's Zoe Cooper (pictured here alongside Brett Preston) invited on to the panel to discuss the challenges in swimming and future trends.



In support of the [What's On 4 Kids National Children's Activities Awards](#), Paula Chapman represented STA at the glittering awards evening in Southampton, which saw 280 guests celebrate the achievements of those that make a real difference in children's lives.

## And Finally ...

Our Black Friday weekend sale is now live over at the [STA Swim-Shop](#) – there are savings on awards, webinars, CPDs and more.

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