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Swimming Officials Committee Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 1st March 2023

		Action/By
1/23	Those Present:- Gillian Neal, Andy Dixon, Jacek Redek, Pam Crofts, Marc Barrott	
2/23	Apologies:- Brian Kapp	
3/23	<u>Minutes of Previous Meeting:</u> Were Agreed.	
4/23	<u>Matters Arising:</u> 4/44 Ralph had held a session for trainee J1's to coincide with the date and location of the County's Development Camp. Attendance was disappointing but the discussion crated by questions was very useful.	
5/23	<u>Update on Current Courses:</u> 1. Tony has completed session 1 of a J2 course. He has, sadly, decided to retire before completing session 2. Pam and Ralph are liaising about session 2. Gillian and Andy have completed session 2 for their courses. People are also already asking about further courses. 2. Starters courses have now been completed but, again there are people looking for new courses.	
6/23	<u>Projected New Courses:</u> The list of applicants was considered. No dates or locations yet agreed on.	
7/23	<u>FINA Updates:</u> Ralph had attended a presentation by Swim England on 28 th February and intended to run the presentation for qualified referees and referee candidates for London Region. The County would then need to disseminate the presentation to all other officials as soon as possible. Subsequent to the meeting it was arranged by email to offer face-to-face courses in 3 locations. Saturday 1st April, Southbury Road. Sunday 2nd April Hillingdon Leisure Centre. Sunday 16th April, Chiswick Business Park. Courses to be hosted by Gillian, Pam and Andy. In the event Gillian hosted both 1st and 2nd April and Ralph 16th April. Pam mentioned that Ralph had also mentioned that he had received enquiries about Contemporary Issues Courses. SE are currently updating the on-line course and using that would seem the simplest way forward.	
8/23	<u>Admin for Trainee and Newly Qualified J1's:</u> Pam suggested the meeting consider a means of providing a record of all new J1 trainees and newly qualified J1's. This would involve Ralph possibly	

	<p>passing on details of trainees from his 3 monthly list and asking all referees to notify when final sign-off given for completion.</p> <p>Gillian suggested sending every club a letter asking for a list of their currently active officials and trainees. To be considered further at next meeting.</p>	Matters
9/23	<p><u>Sustaining a New Supply of Officials:</u></p> <p>Marc raised the question “How does Middlesex help clubs develop new officials and keep the pipeline going. It is no longer self sustaining”. It was accepted that some clubs achieve a better flow of trainees than others. Pam suggested much of this depended on the volunteer coordinator and that finding out how clubs who seem successful in this might help. She suggested Marc speak to Vicki Lead from Enfield who has provided a number of new officials. Also that both CSCSC and Hackney have had some success. Suggested the way forward is to educate the volunteer coordinators.</p>	MB
10/23	<p><u>Any Other Business:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) As already reported, Tony Burton has decided to retire from the world of swimming. ii) Marc and Jacek to shadow the next round of J2 courses so they are able to run future courses. Suggested that Pam run a course at Barnet and Gillian at Hillingdon/Greenford/Perivale area. Andy was currently concerned to commit as expecting to be abroad with work for a while soon. 	
11/23	<p><u>Date of Next Meeting:</u></p> <p>To be agreed by email</p>	