

Club Support for Teaching Qualifications

In the past the Borough of Waltham Forest Swimming Club (BWFSC) has supported, when asked to do so, a number of swimmers and volunteers to achieve their teaching qualifications. This has enabled older swimmers to access Level 1 and potentially Level 2 training qualifications.

We have also offered advice in how to access funding via the 'Mayors London Sporting Legacy Fund' and other schemes, such as the 'Women into Sport' schemes that encourage women to both teach and coach. This potential line of funding has to be sourced by the claimant themselves.

It is the aim of the club to retain, by means of financial support, young swimmers who perhaps with their school/college commitments may otherwise leave the club creating a vacuum at the upper end when it comes to competing in league competitions.

Conditions for Offering Support

- 1. All candidates must be club members and should be of good standing with the club, financially and in terms of behaviour, attitude and attendance.
- 2. Candidates should have regularly swum and/or volunteered for the club.
- 3. Candidates must already be working voluntary on poolside on a regular weekly basis.
- 4. Candidates should have the endorsement of their coach/mentor.
- 5. Candidates should be prepared to undertake a minimum of pre-agreed additional voluntary hours of unpaid work as a swim teacher/assistant. This time will be logged.

Should the applicant feel they meet the criteria they should contact the committee who will review each application on a case by case basis. Successful applications may receive up to 50% of their course funded. The percentage and funding available will be reviewed annually by the committee to reflect the clubs financial position.

Successful applicants will be asked to submit evidence of the course booking and will be required to pay* for the course in the first instance. Upon passing the course and fulfilling the required unpaid voluntary hours BWFSC will reimburse the candidate for the agreed percentage funding.

Failure to undertake the voluntary hours without compelling reason may result with funding being withdrawn.

Should the club have IOS credits they may also be considered against any application made.

*financial hardship will be considered on a case by case basis.