OXFORDSHIRE & NORTH BUCKINGHAMSHIRE ASA

President: Mr John Wilford

Minutes of Executive Meeting held at Bicester on Tuesday 22nd November 2011

Present: J.Wilford, P.Shaw, H.Patrick, J.Murphy, A.Brewer, M.Fuller, W.Patrick & reps from Banbury, Didcot Barramundi, Kidlington, Maxwell, Newport Pagnell, Thame, Witney Synchro S.C's. Also present Lisa Darnell (SERAO).

Apologies: I.Powell, S-A Clavaud, A.Powell, K.Phillips, A.Minihan, C.Eddy (Max), D.Law (AVSC).

- 29.0 Minutes of Executive meeting held on 27th September were approved and signed.
- 30.0 Matters arising from 29
 - 22.1 Also a £100 donation to Bucks Sports Awards was agreed.
 28.1 Keith Corbett to liaise with Awards Trustee (WP) regarding purchase of Val Wilford Commemorative Trophy.
- 31.0 Correspondence
 - 1. Invitation to attend Consultation Events on 1st & 2nd November for ASA Strategy 2013 17.
- 32.0 President's Report

John Wilford presented his Report which is attached. The Meeting that John's final paragraph refers to is being held on Tuesday 6th December at Bicester Community College at **7.30** PM.

33.0 Treasurer's Report lan Powell's Report is attached.

- 34.0 Disciplines
 - 1. Swimming: PS read a statement regarding 2012 Championship Venues which is attached
 - 2. Fixtures :- PS presented Alison Powell's Report which is attached.
 - 3. Records:- PS presented County Record Claims which are attached.
 - 4. Synchro:- Mandy Fuller presented her Report which is attached.
 - 5. Masters:- No one in Post so no Report.
 - 6. Disability:- No Report Received.
 - 7. Masters Records:- David Hall sent in 53 Masters Record Claims.
 - 8. Facilities:- PS presented Karen Phillips's Report which is attached.
 - 9. Officials:- John Wilford presented his Report which is attached.
- 35.0 Funding Applications
 - 1. Buckingham Swans requested funding to purchase Hy Tek TM Software (Silver) at a cost of approx £185. The Executive agreed the request.
- 36.0 ASA South East Region
 Lisa Darnell presented her Report which is attached.
- 37.0 AOB:- None

Meeting closed at 8.10 pm

Presidents Report 22nd November 2011

Bit of a mixed bag this time

Oct 16th

I travelled with the County Team to Sheffield for the Inter Counties; the County Team was fantastic with many good swims. I must congratulate them on their fine performance which resulted in us coming 3rd in Division 2, up from 10th last year, this means we are promoted to Division 1 for next year. I would also like to say thank you to Ali, Jo, Andy and Greg for all their hard work prior to the day and at the event, my thanks also to Pete Masters and Neil Wheatley our travelling officials. My thanks also to all the swimmers coaches for their hard work.

Oct 28th

Invited to be present when Stantonbury Pool was remeasured after modification carried out, sadly pool is now short in 5 lanes (2,3,4,5,6) when the timing pads are in situ. It was only 2 lanes (5,6) before the modifications. Pool is not recommended for competition use using AOE. No decision made as yet on outcome or future, on-going. Perhaps Karen can update us.

November 11th

Attended Newport Pagnell S.C. presentation evening. Where I presented awards for recent club championships. Very enjoyable evening. Thank you for the invitation.

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Now wearing two hats – President – Referee

Following a serious incident that happened recently at a competition, I would like to arrange a meeting as soon as possible for all County Referee's, Club Chairpersons, Head Coaches and Welfare Officers of all clubs in the counties. I do not wish to sound demanding but I feel so strong about this issue and the ramifications of it and how it could reflect on this County, that I think it is imperative all the above attend in their own clubs interests.

I know this may be difficult to arrange but I feel it is a necessity. I do not feel it is sufficient for one person to represent a club and report back, three areas of accountability are involved and they need to be addressed individually.

I apologise but at this moment in time I cannot go into greater detail. But I can state that no members of the host club were involved. This all relates to a visiting club from out of this County.

I am not trying to cover anything up or hide anything – this incident happened; I do not want it to happen or even the possibility of it ever happening again.

John Wilford President Oxon & North Bucks Counties ASA

Treasurers Report 22-11-2011

Exec Net Worth As of 22/11/2011

Account Total **Bank and Cash Accounts** Cash - Competition A/C £23.07 Cash - General A/C £165.18 **Competition Account** £1,962.58 **Creditors Account** -£5,614.00 **Debtors Account** £0.00 £315.11 **General Account** High Interest Business Account £27,653.32 £24,505.26 **Net Worth**

Exec Income and Spending
Between 27/09/2011 and 22/11/2011

Category Total **Expense Categories** Athlete Development £758.40 County Gala's £750.00 Donation £100.00 IT £1,231.92 Sports Gear Purchases £144.60 Sundry £203.62 **Total Expense Categories** £3,188.54

Grand Total -£3,188.54

The above details the Net worth & income & expenditure since the last meeting.

Ian Powell

Treasurer, Oxon & North Bucks ASA

Swimming Report

Statement regarding County Championships 2012

"We wished to have a Plan B to offer as an alternative in case we felt that the major refurbishment at Aqua Vale would compromise our ability to hold the County Championships there in 2012. (400's + AG Relays (Pt 2) on 19th Feb and 2 Main Weekends on 10/11 & 17/18 March). That Plan B would have to include both Bletchley and Stantonbury Pools. John has outlined why Stantonbury can not now be included in that Plan.

Bletchley is available for one of the Main weekends in March but , and this was confirmed at the weekend , in our opinion running a Main weekend at Bletchley would only allow 200 - 220 swimmers to be accommodated in each session. This takes into account all factors such as changing , spectating , marshalling ,Cafe and parking. That would obviously necessitate a similar reduction of swimmers per session for the other Main weekend at Aqua Vale.

Though there will anyway have to be a reduction in swimmers per session from the norm for the morning sessions of 300-310 to approx 250 at Aqua Vale to allow for the reduction in general space in the Centre, it is felt that to take a risk on Aqua Vale, after receiving certain assurances from the Aqua Vale Manager, and hope that all areas that we need to be operating are functionally at the time of the Champs in Feb/March, is the appropriate action and will have the least affect on swimmer acceptances. "

Fixtures Secretary Report

Please accept my apologies for not attending tonight's meeting and also for not sending a report.

Summary of news from Fixtures Secretary

Some great swims in October saw us neck and neck at the top of Division 2 during the event, with the final outcome being that we are now promoted to Division 1 for next year's event. Really good news and well done to all the swimmers who took part and and contributed to this result. Thanks to Greg, Andy and Jo for their support on the day, as always it was a great team effort. Thanks also to Pete Masters and Neil Wheatley for being our officials and of course John for supporting us as president.

Awaiting updates re pools and fixtures for Regional events for next year before booking Kingerlee but will try and organise this over next month.

22nd November 2011

Record Claims

MALE

Short Course

<u>Open</u>

50 Breast Chris Aust City of Oxford 28.84 Sheffield 30/10/11

Long Course

<u>Junior</u>

50 Fly Alex Murphy Didcot Barramundi 26.59 Bath 20/11/11

County Synchro Report November 2011

Things have been quiet on the Synchro front lately.

The squad are preparing for the National Age Groups Championships in Gloucester over weekend December 3rd & 4th.

The new session at Headington School for 8-10 years age group has started and this session is now covering costs. The aim is to contact al schools by email for their parent newsletters and for a new course to start in January. The current swimmers report that they are enjoying the sessions. We are also aiming to start a new set of swimmers on Saturday mornings at Witney in January.

Louise Fuller passed her Level 1 coaches qualification and is now working on poolside. She is now looking for a Level 2 course for next year and is also interested in a water polo unit for Level 1.

OXON & N.BUCKS 'MASTERS' NEW RECORDS AS AT 22 NOV 2011 SHORT COURSE RECORDS

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1	50	LADIES	30-34	JOANNE EATON	Co Oxford	29-Oct-11	33.75	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
2	100	LADIES	18-24	YOLANDA SPEARE	Witney	28-Oct-11	1:06.86	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
3	100	LADIES	30-34	JOANNE EATON	Co Oxford	28-Oct-11	1:12.37	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
4	200	LADIES	30-34	JOANNE EATON	Co Oxford	30-Oct-11	2:40.36	Br Nationals, Sheffield	*
5	50	MEN	25-29	CHRISTOPHER AUST	Co Oxford	29-Oct-11	27.40	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
6	50	MEN	35-39	DAVID DENNY	Co Oxford	29-Oct-11	29.37	Br Nationals, Sheffield	*
7	100	MEN	18-24	JOSEPH CANLAN-SHAW	Co Oxford	30-Oct-11	56.81	Br Nationals, Sheffield	*
8	100	MEN	35-39	DAVID DENNY	Co Oxford	28-Oct-11	1:01.95	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
9	200	MEN	35-39	DAVID DENNY	Co Oxford	30-Oct-11	2:18.16	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
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10	50	MEN	25-29	CHRISTOPHER AUST	Co Oxford	30-Oct-11	28.84	Br Nationals, Sheffield	BR
11	50	MEN	30-34	PETER WILLIAMS	Co Oxford	30-Oct-11	30.52	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
12	50	MEN	45-49	MATTHEW GOMEZ	Co Oxford	30-Oct-11	33.03	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
13	100	MEN	25-29	CHRISTOPHER AUST	Co Oxford	28-Oct-11	1:04.67	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
14	100	MEN	45-49	MATTHEW GOMEZ	Co Oxford	28-Oct-11	1:14.57	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
15	200	MEN	25-29	CHRISTOPHER AUST	Co Oxford	29-Oct-11	2:26.81	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
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16	200	LADIES	50-54	MARGARET SMITH	Co Oxford	29-Oct-11	2:33.39	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
17	400	LADIES	40-44	SARA DYKES	Co Oxford	30-Oct-11	4:49.29	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
18	800	LADIES	18-24	JOANNA DAVIES	Co Oxford	29-Oct-11	10:57.66	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
19	50	MEN	45-49	MATTHEW GOMEZ	Co Oxford	30-Oct-11	26.28	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
20	100	MEN	25-29	CHRISTOPHER AUST	Co Oxford	29-Oct-11	52.69	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
21	100	MEN	35-39	DAVID DENNY	Co Oxford	24-Sep-11	56.35	S.E.Region, Aldershot	*
22	200	MEN	18-24	JOSEPH CANLAN-SHAW	Co Oxford	30-Oct-11	1:53.34	Br Nationals, Sheffield	*
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24	400	MEN	35-39	DAVID DENNY	Co Oxford	30-Oct-11	4:13.80	Br Nationals, Sheffield	

25	400	MEN	45-49	MATTHEW GOMEZ	Co Oxford	30-Oct-11	4:45.33	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
26	800	MEN	35-39	DAVID DENNY	Co Oxford	29-Oct-11	8:47.46	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
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27	100	LADIES	18-24	YOLANDA SPEARE	Witney	29-Oct-11	1:12.54	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
28	400	LADIES	18-24	ALICE DINSDALE-YOUNG	Co Oxford	29-Oct-11	6:13.65	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
29	100	MEN	18-24	JOSEPH CANLAN-SHAW	Co Oxford	29-Oct-11	58.76	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
30	100	MEN	25-29	CHRISTOPHER AUST	Co Oxford	29-Oct-11	58.86	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
31	100	MEN	30-34	PETER WILLIAMS	Co Oxford	29-Oct-11	1:01.80	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
32	100	MEN	45-49	MATTHEW GOMEZ	Co Oxford	29-Oct-11	1:08.11	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
33	200	MEN	35-39	DAVID DENNY	Co Oxford	24-Sep-11	2:19.67	S.E.Region, Aldershot	
34	200	MEN	45-49	MATTHEW GOMEZ	Co Oxford	28-Oct-11	2:29.77	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
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36	400	MEN	35-39	DAVID DENNY	Co Oxford	29-Oct-11	4:45.95	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
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49	4 x 100	200 +	Co Oxford	29-Oct-11	5:02.57	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
50	4 x 200	72 +	Co Oxford	30-Oct-11	8:54.01	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
51	4 x 200	160 +	Co Oxford	30-Oct-11	8:53.53	Br Nationals, Sheffield	BR
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52	4 x 50	100 +	Co Oxford	29-Oct-11	1:59.33	Br Nationals, Sheffield	
53	4 x 100	160 +	Co Oxford	29-Oct-11	4:30.67	Br Nationals, Sheffield	BR
		* 1st leg of relay					

Facilities Officer Report November 2011

Stantonbury Campus Pool

Update of current position is as follows:

The pool was measured on 28th October and after all the work we have done, the pool seems to have actually contracted and is now 13mm short in lanes 5 & 6 with only lane 1 being compliant with pads in at 25.00m dead! John Wilford (County President, Referee and Official's Secretary) was present and has said that only manual timing can be used. (see John's separate report). As such we now only have one certified competition pool in Milton Keynes and that is Bletchley LC.

This means that the pool is no longer allowable for AOE (not sure what we are going to do with CMK's £20k worth of timing equipment) and as such will need to be manually timed. We will lobby the council and Campus to either fund the work needed to re-profile the shallow end wall or make the new Wolverton Pool a competition pool.

We are also trying to get Stantonbury Campus on board with the 'inspired facilities' funding initiative in order to try and get the pool certified and also improve the spectator experience to open up Stantonbury for events not just restricted to swimming.

Ian Ashley met with the Campus on 15th November. The following is an edited version from his report.

The Campus say that the Stantonbury pool is there because it is a school pool and whilst they open it up to the public, it is primarily a facility for the school (Stantonbury Campus). They choose to open the pool even though it does not make money as a sustainable independent pool.

All of the activities that take place in the pool are dependent on the pool and hall being heated and available within health and safety guidelines, nothing more. The main part of the pool "cake" is made up by LTS lessons, PE Lessons for the school, public swim, water polo, pool fitness, parties, fun sessions, CMK club training etc. etc. The real icing on the top is the fact they can hold a high level competition, as they do for athletics etc.

This means that whilst the pool is short, the only thing it restricts the campus in doing is holding high level swimming competitions and that must remain in perspective as that is not a reason for them to spend thousands of pounds and put up with loss of revenue from long closures.

However Stantonbury will speak to their contractors with regard to the pool and the civil engineers to ascertain what needs to be done as a feasibility study in order to come up with a plan of action to modify the shallow end of the pool (Lesser of 2 evils – double tiled, and get rid of the metal intake/concrete in lane 5, less wall to move etc etc) and retile the deep end so no protrusions.

This feasibility study will obviously cost money and the Campus would not necessarily foot the bill so we would be looking for contributions/funding.

After the feasibility study we will know what is needed to be done and what is possible. It is at this point that we'll know (cost aside) whether the work could be undertaken from a structural perspective.

We will then have a plan to correct the pool, and a quote for doing the work, whatever that may be. It is important we have the specific details and costs to then apply for funding. There is a view that the pool is unstable following the movement some years ago so this needs to be investigated further. A figure of £80,000 to £100,000 has been mentioned to re-profile both walls and that would need serious funding.

There is a certain amount of match funding that is available which we could apply for and as such we would go after Sport England through their Inspired Facilities Funding that is supported by the National Lottery. Hopefully the Hockey Foundation may then Match Fund whatever we get. The Campus may also have access to certain funding streams.

There are some massive barriers in getting Stantonbury Campus certified as a competition pool again, and it will be a hard struggle to convince various parties that it is worth the funding as it really does only benefit the elite swimmers that would compete there. We need to focus on the lack of competition pools available to the immediate area and try to ensure we save this one.

NB. Some us believe that the Stantonbury pool is a lost cause and we should focus our energy elsewhere

Blackbird Leys/Temple Cowley

Update of current position is as follows:

Work on pool begins before decision is made

6:00pm Monday 21st November 2011

FURIOUS campaigners have hit out at Oxford City Council for starting building work on a pool at Blackbird Leys Park before a decision has been reached on its Town Green status.

A group of 14 estate residents opposing the city council's plans to build a £9.2m swimming pool on the Pegasus Road park submitted an application to turn the park into a protected Town Green in a bid to delay work and ultimately scupper the project.

Despite a decision pending from Oxfordshire County Council contractors have already begun work at the park.

A spokesman for the city council said: "We are carrying out some preliminary work at the Blackbird Leys Leisure Centre site which will have no long-term effect on the playing field.

"We have not heard of any final decision regarding the Town Green application.

"However, this work will speed the process up of starting work on the site, if we do get the go-ahead."

If the pool is built in Blackbird Leys Park it will almost certainly seal the fate of Temple Cowley pools which are earmarked for closure, supporters fear.

Jane Alexander, who is lobbying to keep the Temple Road pool open, said: "I think it's incredibly arrogant of them and probably stupid because if the town green status is approved they will waste more money."

Commenting on the cost of preliminary work on gas pipes at the site a spokesman for the city council, said: "The cost of the work is approximately £25,000 and is part of a £9.23m pound project.

"The works can take up to eight weeks from order to delivery, which would hold up the main contract, so we have taken the decision to proceed with the work now based on legal advice that the Town Green application will be unsuccessful."

No date has yet been set for a decision on the application.

Report ends

Officials Sec: Report November 22nd 2011

We have conducted more assessments

7 new JL1

Wayne Patrick, Simon Dougal, Angela McLean, Michaela Moroney, Ian Ashley, Steve Fabes, Rachael Mostefi

8 new JL2

Andrew Kirk, Christine Rennie, Derek Nolte, Shelley Radford, Lizzy Rowland, Tony Cliffe, Bob Armstrong, Steve Hancock

We have run the following courses with candidates from 14 clubs in the Counties

November 6th

Officials Courses for 42 x J1 in the morning followed by 18 x J2 in the afternoon

November 13th

Officials Course for 10 x J2S Starters Course

Thank you to Chris Howes (Kidlington & Gosford) for arranging venue

Thank you to CMKSC for allowing us to mentor/assess 25 officials over the Weekend 19/20 November at their Open Meet. This was the first Licensed L2 Meet under the new guidelines to be run in the County and to have 33 licensed officials, of the correct balance per session is to be commended. I appreciate the hard work involved, but this shows it can be done.

But on going mentoring facilities are still a big issue

Because of high demand for J1 courses I intend to run another course late January(29th)

John Wilford

Hon: Officials Sec:

Oxon & North Bucks Counties ASA

OXFORDSHIRE & NORTH BUCKIINGHAMSHIRE November 2011

Regional update

The teachers and coaches conference held on the 22nd October was a huge success, with great feedback, thanks to all of you who sent representatives along.

Thank you also to those who attended the online membership renewals workshop in Guildford. We are now trying to set up some new dates – with a proposed workshop at Holiday Inn on 1 December in Oxford or Banbury – details TBC. If you prefer to find out about the new system from the comfort of your home, you can log in to attend a 'virtual workshop' via your computer. Log onto swimming.org for the application. Dates:

- Monday 21st November, 7pm start
- Friday 25th November, 7pm start
- Wednesday 30th November, 7pm start
- Monday 5th December, 7pm start
- Tuesday 6th December, 7pm start
- Wednesday 7th December, 7pm start

Zonal Meets 28/29 January 2012

The 2012 Zonal meet qualifying times are on the website, paper copy attached.

Swimming in Britain – your club's opportunity to influence the future

The ASA is inviting your club to help shape the future of swimming and other aquatics disciplines beyond London 2012.

The first stage of this nationwide consultation process allows your club to put forward its views on what is important to your club and what you would like your club's future to be after the London Olympic Games and Paralympic Games. Your feedback will ensure that the next four year strategy (2013-17) for swimming and aquatic disciplines reflects the needs of clubs and members.

To take part in the consultation, you may wish to respond through a collective club response by either consulting first with the club committee or perhaps holding a members forum to establish a collective view from a range of people.

Swimming clubs can respond to the survey at: http://waconsultancy.com/surveys/swimming/clubsurvey_intro.htm

The wider consultation process also includes consumer responses and clubs can assist with this process by circulating the consumer survey to individual club members and any wider networks.

All swimmers and non-swimmers should respond to the survey at: http://waconsultancy.com/surveys/swimming/consumersurvey_intro.htm (Note: you must be 18 or over to respond to this survey).

Governance

The Regional Board has considered looking at the new voluntary code of good governance for sport and recreation sector. This document has been produced by the Sport and recreation alliance to help national governing bodies of sport ensure that they efficient and accountable to their memberships and stakeholders.

There are seven principles that the board will sign up to and out of these, will assess where it is strong and weak and look to address these weaknesses.

The seven principle are: - Integrity, Defining and evaluating the role of the board, Delivery of mission and purpose, Objectivity, Standards, Systems and Controls, Accountability and Transparency, Understanding and Engaging with the Sporting Landscape.

To find out more information please go to www.sportandrecreation.org.uk.

Office and Finance Administrator

Joan Massie has now unfortunately left the ASA and her post is currently empty. We will endeavour to fill her post as soon as possible, and if you have anyone who may be interested in hearing more about the role, please get in touch. In the meantime, please direct any queries to Keith or Lisa.

ONB area update

County Sports Partnership Sports Awards:

There have been a few short listings to swimming in both Counties, so congratulations to:

Oxfordshire:

Club of the Year: Abingdon Vale Swimming Club

Coach of the Year: Scott Farnell – Swimming

Junior Sports Person of the Year: Alex Murphy – Swimming

Buckinghamshire:

Club of the year: Maxwell Swimming club City of Milton Keynes swimming club

Swim 21

Thank you to the ONB clubs who all submitted revalidation paperwork on time. The Regional Panel recommended City of Milton Keynes SC, Newport Pagnell SC, Thame SC and Witney & District SC for revalidation, official confirmation will be awarded at the National S21 Panel on 14th December.

The following clubs in ONB are due to reaccredit in 2012; City of Oxford SC – May Regional Panel / June National Panel Wantage White Horses SC – August Regional Panel / September National Panel Witney & District SC – November Regional Panel / December National Panel. If these clubs need any assistance with working towards accreditation, please do not hesitate to contact Helen Mack.

If clubs would like to submit for accreditation/reaccreditation or revalidation online, please note you can now obtain your club password from Helen Mack on Helen.mack@freedom-leisure.co.uk

2012 Swim 21 Dates

Deadline for File Submission	Regional Panel	National Panel
Friday 3 February	Thursday 23 February	Wednesday 21 March
Friday 27 April	Thursday 17 May	Wednesday 20 June
Friday 27 July	Thursday 16 August	Wednesday 26 September
Friday 26 October	Thursday 15 November	Wednesday 12 December

British Gas Funding.

18 Clubs from the South East submitted British Gas Grant Applications for the November panel. These included ONB applications from City of Milton Keynes SC, City of Oxford SC and Didcot Barramundi SC.

4 applications will be selected to proceed to National Panel.

At present, no information is available as to whether British Gas Grants will be available in 2012. Information will be provided to ONB and the clubs as soon as it is available.

South East Region Newsletter

Following the re-launch of the South East Region newsletter, we are always looking for news and stories to share, if possible with pictures to brighten the pages! Please send those articles to me and ensure you note in the subject that it is for the newsletter.

The newsletter can be viewed on the Swim South East website. It contains information about funding and articles about clubs and swimmers across the region.

UKCC courses

Coming up soon:

Level 1 teaching – Leon School – January Oxford – February half term Aquavale – 11 Feb

Level 2 teaching – Aquavale – starts 25 February Wantage – Easter hols – dates TBC Aquavale – 9 June

Level 1 coaching – Abingdon School – starts 7 July

Level 2 coaching – Abingdon School – starts 9 May Information on the IOS online website:

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If you require any help with booking onto courses please do not hesitate to contact Katie Fensome at the IOS (Katie.fensome@swimming.org or 01509 640470)