

ASA East Region Delegate Report – 28.06.08

The Regional/County meeting following the Regional Board meeting on 18th May took place. Anne Adams-King attended and I put the point to her that, for the candidates attending and tutors running courses, there should be a cut-off date as tutors needed to know numbers attending so that they could produce the paperwork required and candidates needed to know in good time if the course was to be cancelled. She expressed surprise at this and she stated that they already had a cut-off date of 14 days before the course start date.

The ASA East Region Annual Council Meeting will take place on 13th September 2008 at the Marriot Hotel, Peterborough. Each club is entitled 1, 2 or 3 delegates depending on the number of members. Please encourage your club to attend in support of the Suffolk Regional Officers and members of the Management Board that put a lot of time in on your behalf. We have more representation than any other county.

This is the same date and venue as the Regional Dinner and we need to sell more tickets if this is to go ahead. Do join us for a good night out with the regular Suffolk attendees who really know how to party.

At the last meeting I reported Winter Championships in November would be Short Course at the request of the Coaches Forum which had about five of the most senior coaches in the region attending. Their view being that at that time of year Short Course is more beneficial to the swimmers. Since then there has been a lot of disquiet expressed by many of the other coaches as they feel there are not enough Long Course meets for the swimmers. There will be a meeting of the Technical Swimming Committee on 12th July so if your club has views on this then please send their coaches details and their thoughts to Don Neate as soon as possible.

I am organising the officials for both the Regional Masters events which are scheduled to be held in Suffolk. The Masters Championships at Bury on 5th October and the Inter-County Competition should be at Newmarket on 16th November so if you can help in any way please let me know.

The ASA East Region has appointed Debbie Emmons as new clerical assistant to replace Kim Stevens who is now working full time on Swim21.

Nine Suffolk clubs will be receiving rebates on their Regional fees for being Swim21 accredited.

Sixteen Suffolk clubs will have received two CPD vouchers for updating their constitutions in line with *asa* recommendations. We still have five clubs that have not yet updated theirs so we need a concerted effort to help them comply.

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