



Special Olympics
East Herts



MINUTES

Disability Swimming Herts County Development Meeting

Monday 31st March, 2014
Sawbridgeworth, Herts.

Present:

Ian Mackenzie
Sheila Mackenzie (HASA Sec)
Jackie Harvey
Carl Cooper (Specialist)
Janet Warrington (Disability Mgr.)

Apologies:

Grant Chivers (HASA Fin)
Sandra Hagley-King
Ros Cramp (Specialist)
Leanne Brace (ASAER – RCDO)
Hayley Sage (Diving)
Jean Cook (HASA Chairman)

Item		Action
Dis14/16	Minutes of the last meeting were agreed as true and correct.	
Dis14/17	Matters Arising 3.9 :12 & 14/2 – IM has now received DVDs for the three sessions	
Dis14/18	Diving – HS is working with Luton and Stevenage. She has set up with Hatfield to commence soon. She is also looking to work with Southend.	
Dis14/19	Herts Conference 2014 – very successful weekend with five different education sessions occurring. Kevin Ayers ran the backstroke masterclass. The class room session was excellent, however, HSV set up the pool so that we were working widths and this did not work as there were no backstroke flags. Next time we need to make sure we have access to 25m lanes rather than widths. Sheila Mackenzie ran a Guide to refereeing for starters. This was so successful with the interaction that only a part of the whole course was achieved, Sheila intends to continue with the course with additional sessions in the coming months. On the Sunday Billy Pye led the development day which was excellent. Following this a Disability Regional Development session took place including some water time, We had a 'Keeping Safe in Sport' course, but were oversubscribe so we set up a second course. The two courses accommodated 26 youngsters, who were supported by a welfare officer on each course. Although we were unable to find someone to run the Hy-Tek forum, Ian Mackenzie facilitated a group of eight which proved to be very successful.	

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Dis14/20	The two Team Manager courses in the preceding week were under subscribed. The catering was not up to its usual high standard, even to the extent that they short measured us. We did not get sufficient detail of the learners on the Safeguarding courses. We needed to get next of kin details when the youngsters booked in. This needs to be considered for all learners.	
Dis14/21	Financially it was also successful. With the support of HSP and ASAER the net cost was just over £1300 with about 130 participants.	
Dis14/22	IM produced a report for the Herts ASA website and the ASAER website	
Dis14/23	Regional Training – Linked with Billy Pye Development Day, was also very successful and the result of the training session reflected in the National Competition the following week. The talk from Carl has been revamped and is now available on the website	
Dis14/24	ASAER disability committee: (DSE) Nationals – ER won overall. Although successful there are issues with the management team and the expenses. These need to be resolved. SM to take it up with the ASAER Disability manager to provide job descriptions. IM to resolve the financial aspect.	SM IM
Dis14/25	Disability Zonal Camp(ASA) – Basildon 5 th April 2014 BS Champs – Glasgow – 10 th April 2014 BS Para Swimming Champs – Glasgow 18 th April 2014 SO Eastern Region(St Albans) 26 th April 2014 Last event DSE/ASAER Championships 24 th May 2014 Herts School Games – HSV – 26 th June 2014 Para Day – QE Olympic Park – 30 th August 2014 DSE/ASALR Championships – 4 th October 2014 SO Eastern Region(East Herts) 25 th October 2014 DSE/ASA Nationals - Manchester– 22/23 November 2014	
Dis14/26	AOB a) Although we gave disability athletes the opportunity of taking part in the County competitions and qualifying times were advertised, no promoter conditions were issued. This has to be corrected next year. This will clarify amongst other things, the medal awards.	JH & IM
Dis14/27	b) Level Water are moving into East Region and on their radar is Hoddesdon SC.	
Dis14/28	c) Conference 2015 – It was decided to consider working with HSP again. It was also decided to ask Billy Pye to do a second presentation. We would get his availability first and then work with HSP to decide which weekend 14/15 or 21/22 February 2015. We will also look to Regional Training again including gym/land training and water time. We will build the weekend around Billy	IM
Dis14/29	d) The Borough of Broxbourne has employed two	

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	Hoddesdon SC Teacher/Coaches who will provide one-2-one lessons for people with a disability.	
Dis14/30	e) DSE/ASAER Championships 25 th May 2014 There are likely to be two teams of classifiers on 24 th and on 25 th May 2014 with the option of classifying up to 20 athletes. The cost of the classifiers and the facilities to carry out the classification is now picked up by the ASA.	
Dis14/31	Date of next meeting 23rd June at 13.00 in Sawbridgeworth	