



Swim & Save E-zine - September 2022



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FRIDAY 28TH AND SATURDAY 29TH OCTOBER 2022
LEICESTER MARRIOTT HOTEL

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SATURDAY 29TH
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Conference 2022 – Full Speaker Line-up

With our national conference taking place in less than a month's time, we are delighted to confirm our speaker line-up for this year's national conference which will run from Friday 28th - Saturday 29th October in Leicester.

Pool Plant Conference Schedule
(Friday 28th October)

Main Conference Schedule
(Saturday 29th October)

We hope you agree we have an amazing line-up of speakers confirmed – including for the first time in a number of years sessions in the pool on the Saturday with Wayne Goldsmith and Aquabatix.

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This year's conference headline sponsor is [Zoggs UK](#) and the sponsor of the Aquatics strand is [ThinkSmart Software](#).

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STA'S 90TH ANNIVERSARY

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28TH OCTOBER 2022

CELEBRATE STA'S 90TH ANNIVERSARY WITH US THIS YEAR AND JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF ENTERTAINMENT WHERE YOU'LL BE ABLE TO NETWORK AND DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY!

FROM 7:30PM - LATE

 **Teaching Swimming & Saving Lives 1932-2022**

Celebrating 90 Years of Teaching Swimming

To celebrate our 90th anniversary and the fact that we will all be back together at conference this year, we are inviting all delegates to a free evening of entertainment on Friday 28th October – starting at 7.30pm.

The first drink has kindly been sponsored by MOR Solutions Limited, and there will be a buffet and a disco. Please **when you book your conference ticket**, let us know on the form if you will be attending.



STA and Swim England Unite to Conduct a Workforce Audit

This month, we announced that we have joined together with Swim England for the first time to carry out a comprehensive [Learn to Swim and Workforce Audit](#).

The joint audit aims to collect key Learn to Swim and workforce data to identify the post-pandemic challenges the industry is facing and where support is most needed, as well as help to set benchmarks for the sector.

The survey runs until Friday 21st October and we would encourage all STA operators and swim schools to spare a few moments to complete it. Everyone who completes the STA survey and leaves their details, also has the chance to be entered into a prize draw to win 1 free place on an STA Award in Teaching Swimming course (voucher) or 1 free place on an STA Certificate in Teaching Swimming course (voucher) or £250 worth of STA LTS Awards.

[START SURVEY](#)



FAB Finalist!

We are thrilled to confirm that we have been named as a finalist at this year's FAB (Federation of Awarding Bodies) Awards in the top category of Awarding Organisation of the Year. The awards ceremony will take place on 20th October.

[READ MORE](#)

International
Learn to Swim Week
2023
#LoveWaterSafely

Providing everyone around the world the opportunity to swim

SAVE THE DATE
Monday 8th May –
Sunday 14th May
2023

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Health Leisure Life

Save the Date for ILSW 2023

Next year's International Learn to Swim Week, will be taking place from Monday 8th May to Sunday 14th May 2023. Save the date and [#LoveWaterSafely](#).



STA Award in Teaching Swimming Gains CIMSPA Endorsement

At the start of this month, Safety Training Awards announced that the STA Award in Teaching Swimming qualification has received CIMSPA endorsement in line with the Swimming Teacher professional standard, and is eligible for ReTrain funding.

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Looking to up-skill? Explore our [upcoming webinars here](#).



Cold-water Immersion in the News

The subject of cold-water immersion recently featured in the Medical Xpress with Professor Mike Tipton and Dr. Heather Massey invited to comment. And we are delighted to say that both Mike and Heather will be speaking at our conference next month on this very subject – the seminar is titled 'Cold Water Immersion: Kill or Cure'. They will also be hosting an open-water swimming Q&A session with Keri-anne Payne.

[READ MORE](#)



Free Hygiene / Swim Nappy Posters

Thanks to our partners Konfidence, STA members can now download for FREE two new pool / changing room posters that have been designed to help you communicate the swim nappy / hygiene rules of your establishment to customers.

There are two poster designs to choose from (or download both!) and they can be found in the members' resource area at [STA Online](#).

The posters have also been designed to encourage customers to choose an eco-friendly swim nappy combination with Konfidence's Splashy Swim Nappy made from eFLEX recently winning Gold for Best Swim Nappy and Silver for Best Eco-Friendly Innovation at the 2022 Organic Baby Awards.

Networking in Scotland

STA's Zoe Cooper and Jarred Hill travelled all the way to Perthshire at the beginning of the month as part of an active-net networking event with leisure professionals in Scotland – it was a great day, and provided the perfect opportunity to talk about STAnd Up for Swimming.



STA POOL PLANT – CHLORINE CHALLENGES

How Pools Could Tackle The Chlorine Shortage

(And Reduce The Risk Of Chlorine Gas Incidents Too)

The chlorine shortage has been an ongoing issue since 2020 and unfortunately it is not one that is going away any time soon. Here **Luke Griffiths** from the STA discusses the issues with supply, the possible link between this and chlorine gas incidents, plus looks at an alternative system that's available

The supply issues of chlorine are down to many factors, including Brexit, a backlog from China's supply chain caused by COVID-19. a

is Effective

Elimination

CAN THE HAZARD BE REMOVED? Not entirely, the pool needs a residual of chlorine.

CAN THE HAZARD BE REPLACED?

Discussing Chlorine Shortages

In the [latest issue of SPN - Swimming Pool News](#), Luke Griffiths, our Qualification Development Manager for Pool Plant, discusses chlorine shortages.

Luke will also be at the [Holiday Park & Resort Innovation Show](#) on 2-3rd November on Stand HP1152 showcasing STA's portfolio of pool plant qualifications.



Halloween Activity Ideas

It's nearly time to start thinking about Halloween, and to help members, we have free Halloween-themed resources available to download from [STA Online](#), which include ideas for games and a spooky STAnley colouring-in.

And Finally...

With shows and events reopening around the world, we are pleased to be officially supporting [Piscine Global Europe](#) this year, which will bring together international professionals from the pool and wellness sector in Lyon, France on 15-18 November.



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