



## STA's August 2019 Newsletter



## Recognising the Importance of Aquatic Helpers

In recognition of the all benefits additional support provides swim schools and swimming teachers within a lesson environment, STA is launching a new Aquatic Helper Certificate.

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## STA's Water Safety Squad - 2020

### Ambassador Search

Following on from the success of last year's STA Water Safety Squad, we are looking for five more amazingly diverse young people to join us in 2020! We are looking for youngsters aged 7-12 years who would love the opportunity to be proud ambassadors of our 2020 International Learn to Swim Week.

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## Lifesaving Tutor Online Upskill

### Available Now

In support of the launch of the STA Level 2 Award in Pool Lifeguarding, and following member feedback and requests, Safety Training Awards has added an online Lifesaving Tutor Upskill CPD programme to help update STA Lifesaving Tutors on the changes.

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## Top Roll of Honour for STA Tutor

Earlier this month while on holiday, STA Tutor' Yanek Kowal bravely risked his own life to save the life of a drowning 18 year man. In recognition of his heroism, he will be presented with an STA Roll of Honour Award at this year's conference. A Roll of Honour is the Association's highest accolade and recognises outstanding commitment towards safety and lifesaving.



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## New Marketing Resources for Members

To help members advertise STA courses and swimming lesson programmes, the marketing team have created a bank of copyright free photos and course posters. They are all available to download for free in the Members Resources section at [STA Online](#).



## CIMSPA Award Artistic Swimming CPD

In follow-up to the news about launching the leisure industry's first online artistic swimming CPD, titled 'Experience' with [Aquabatix](#), we are delighted to confirm that CIMSPA has awarded 'Experience' 1 CPD development point.

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## STA 2019 Conference Schedule Released!

The full schedule of speakers and seminars for this year's conference being held on Saturday 12th October 2019 in Stratford-upon-Avon has been released. Book your place for just £60, or combine with a bundle offer for the Pool Plant Convention or Autism Swim CPD, which are both being held at the same venue on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October.

[VIEW SCHEDULE & BOOK](#)

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## Pool Plant Convention - Speakers Announced!

The speaker line-up for STA's first ever dedicated Pool Plant Convention, which takes place on Friday 11th October 2019, the day before the annual STA Conference, has been revealed. [Click here](#) to view the schedule.

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## Splish, Splash, Splosh for Meningitis Now

This October we are exclusively supporting Meningitis Now with the launch of Splash Now. The brand new fun event, which will take place 21<sup>st</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> October, is designed to encourage little ones to splish, splash, splosh, and raise funds and awareness for Meningitis Now.

[REGISTER HERE](#)

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## Autism Swim CPD - More Places Now Available

Due to continuing popular demand, we have opened up even more spaces for the Autism Swim CPD being held the day before conference on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October in Stratford-upon-Avon. The half-day CPD is being led by Erika Gleeson, the Founder and Clinical Director of Autism Swim, who is flying in to the UK especially for conference. Book your place and combine with a bundle deal for the main conference.

[BOOK YOUR PLACE](#)

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## Take the Next Step This Summer

If you are looking to take the next step this summer and become an STA Tutor, several courses are available now for you to book onto.

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## Success for First Bursary Students

Huge congratulations to the first two bursary students, Michelle and Jo, who successfully qualified as Level 2 STA Baby & Pre-school Swimming Teachers with GLL College. The new **Swim Teaching Scholarship Programme** has been created by Konfidence in partnership with STA and GLL College, and over the coming months we look forward to helping more people like Jo and Michelle realise their teaching ambitions.

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## 60 Seconds of Summer

On 9<sup>th</sup> July, STA Trustee' Ali Beckman PD attended a play called '60 Seconds of Summer', which has been created to raise awareness and spread the message about water safety.

The hard-hitting play is based on the stories of Dylan Ramsay and Paul Lawson who tragically lost their lives in reservoirs. It was a very emotional evening for all involved.

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## Join the Safety Award for Teachers Working Group

As part of our commitment to raising standards, Safety Training Awards is creating a Safety Award for Teachers working group to ensure the qualification still meets the needs of the industry and is fit for purpose.

To become a member of the Safety Award for Teachers working group, please email [qualificationdevelopment@safetytrainingawards.co.uk](mailto:qualificationdevelopment@safetytrainingawards.co.uk) with a brief letter of interest outlining your experience working with the Safety Award for Teachers qualification. Deadline for applications to be submitted is 4th September 2019 by 5pm.

The first meeting will be held on Tuesday 17th September 2019 at STA Head Office. (Applicants must be free on this date)

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## And Finally...

The International Federation of Swimming Teachers Associations (IFSTA) revealed its new branding this month and launched a new [website](#), which we are proud to support as the founding member of the global organisation. Check out their new [Facebook](#) page here too!

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