

Education

Referee Development - Grading/Mentoring/logbooks etc

SI education department is working on design and production of logbooks and a grading of all current Waterpolo referees in conjunction with the NWPC. There are four grades in Waterpolo, all active Referee's will receive their grade before the new season commences. We plan to have a delegate available at all Cup competitions and on a regular basis throughout the season to further develop our existing Referee's and those that are newly qualified.

Referee Seminar – 16th/17th Sept (Preferred date but TBC)

A FINA referee will run this seminar for currently qualified referees and coaches to go through current rules and provide a refresher.

FINA School – 1st/2nd Oct (Preferred date but TBC)

We are currently waiting on FINA to come back regarding availability. An expression of interest form is available for anyone who wants to put their name forward for the course. [Expression of Interest Link](#)

Update on Level 1 & Level 2 Coaching courses

Practical's have been delivered in Belfast, Dublin, and Galway. In the past 8 weeks 18 people have qualified as Level 1 coaches and 14 people have qualified as Level 2 coaches. Courses will continue to be run throughout the season and can be booked through Go Membership. [Book Here](#)

Table official course – Dates for new season

The SI Education Dept are currently working on an interactive e-learning version of this course. The plan is to have the theory element online and the practical will be completed in a face-to-face setting.

Strategic Overview with Swim Ireland

Digitalise Match Sheets

The NWPC are working on the development of electronic match sheets. The aim is that clubs will populate digital match sheets from the list of their currently registered players and Coaches. Clubs will have the facility to fill in team sheets ahead of the matches and table officials will be able to use these pre-populated match sheets to record all further information. This will help streamline the verification process as only those holding current registration/qualifications will be eligible for selection.

Athletes Commission

SI has set up an athlete's commission for swimmers which gives athletes an opportunity to feed into the SI board. We are currently looking at the development of an Athletes Committee for Waterpolo.

Competition Committee

A discussion has taken place regarding the formal appointment of a competitions committee. Terms of Reference for this committee will be drawn up and appointments made in due course by the NWPC.

Competitions / Leagues	
<p>Entries 22/23 League Entries</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Women's Div 1 – 6 teams • Women's Div 2 – 7 teams • Men's Div 1 – 8 teams • Men's Div 2 – 12 teams • U17 Leagues – 9 girls teams, 10 boys teams • U14 Leagues – 4 girls teams, 14 boys teams
<p>Fixture list 22/23 – Timeline for release</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fixtures will start on 10th September. • Fixture date release will be 2nd September at the latest. Clubs playing on the 10th September will be given advance notice prior to fixture release date. • The aim is to concentrate junior block games together. • Discussions are taking place with NAC management about the feasibility of running games on a month basis in 30metre format (25mtr for Ladies) in the main pool on Saturday evenings and Sunday afternoons.
<p>Dates for Cups</p>	<p>U13 Single Gender Cups - Oct 2022 (TBC) - Dublin/NAC U19 Cups - 18/19/20 Nov 2022 - UL U17 Cups* - 20/21/22 Jan 2023 - Lisnasharragh Men KO Cup D1 - 02/03/04 Feb 2023 - Galway U15 Cups * - 29/30 Apr & 01 May 2023 (TBC) - Galway ISC Cups* - 11/12/13 May 2023 - Bangor U12 Mixed Cup - 17/18 June 2023 - NAC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Qualifiers required in male cups, dates TBC
<p>Interprovincial Matches</p>	<p>These will be played in the second half of the season. This will include the three provinces – Ulster, Leinster & Connacht.</p>
<p>Next Meeting</p>	<p>Friday 19th August at 12:30</p>