



## Volunteers Required to be Trained as Lifeguards

Head Coach Ian Bullock is undergoing extensive talks with Ian Gray the Leisure Operations & Development Manager for the Hartlepool Council. Ian Bullock is trying to secure additional pool time in the Mill House Leisure centre and this includes morning sessions. As a requirement for the morning session Ian Gray has asked if Hartlepool SC can supply their own National Pool Lifeguard and someone with a National Rescue Award.

So the Hartlepool Swimming Club is looking for volunteers to undergo Lifeguard training. We require at least one club member to be National Pool Lifeguard Qualified and acting as a lifeguard and another having a National Rescue Award for Swimming Teachers & Coaches.

Ian Gray is offering the training (normally £299) free of charge with the only proviso that the persons who volunteer must purchase the Lifeguards training book at a cost of £45. This cost will be presented to the committee where it will be proposed can the committee pay half the fee of the books.

The life guard training takes approximately 38hrs and at the end of it there will be an exam. Further details of the course will be provided by Ian Gray at a later date.

Ian Gray said that he has also asked about a scheme his section is about to launch – the Volunteers Scheme, which potentially could pay a club member / parent to lifeguard the 6.00am session reducing overheads, in other words He'd only need to bring in a Leisure Supervisor – this is early days, but looks positive.

In Conclusion:

The fact of it is this; the Dyke House Pool is seeing a steady increase in the swimmers attending all sessions. This means that we are running out of space the swimmers are training in and need to train in a bigger pool. We are actively seeking to resolve this concerning issue by pushing for our pool time to be in the Mill House Pool. With your help in volunteering to become a lifeguard the Hartlepool SC will be able to offer the swimmers the much needed additional space which Ian Gray is offering.

Thank you for taking the time to read this announcement. Please direct all enquiries to Head Coach Ian Bullock.

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