

Report on Open Water Championships -2nd July 2017

This years' event saw a 100% increase in entries over previous years', resulting in a very busy day for everyone. The event organisers were able to give everyone who entered the opportunity to swim. Once again, the event was blessed with fine weather, which also helped to make the day a success. Four different distances were swum – 1k, 1.5k, 3k and 5k. The 1.5k race was the biggest event of the day with nearly 120 entrants resulting in the need to swim the race in several “waves”.

The Regional event is a “qualifying” event for the National Age Group Open Water event. The first 3 swimmers in each of the relevant age groups are eligible to swim at the National event. This year the Region had eligible swimmers in all qualifying age groups (last year there were several events in the older age groups where the Region did not have qualifiers).

The full results can be found on the London Swimming website [HERE](#)

The organising committee would like to thank all those who helped make the event a success including helpers, officials, coaches and swimmers. Once again a good number of parents supported the event.

Currently the event is organised by a small group of people (5) and next year 2 of the team are not available due to other swimming duties. The organising committee is therefore looking for further volunteers to come on board and help run the event. If you are interested can you please contact

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