

Memorandum

To: SWA Technical Officials
CC: Technical Education and Officials Committee
From: Georgi Powers, SWA Club Services Coordinator
Subject: SWA Technical Education and Officials Committee February Meeting Outcomes
Date: 7th February 2019

Hello all,

The SWA Technical Education and Officials Committee (TEOC) met on Monday, 4th February and in a bid to quickly and transparently communicate the decisions that were made at that Meeting, this TEOC update is designed to convey those messages.

1. SWA Meets Food and Beverage

The TEOC once again reiterate the decision that breakfast will not be provided to Technical Officials at any SWA Meets. Coffee will be provided by SWA at the pre-briefing. Please note, coffee is not to be taken onto pool deck during the heats or finals of any SWA Meets by Technical Officials, Coaches, Volunteers etc. Further, for evening Meets, dinner will be provided by SWA at 5:00pm. Additional meals will be provided based on the estimated timeline, and if the Meet should exceed the timeline. All TO's are requested to bring their own water bottle to ensure that they are hydrated during technical official duties.

2. SWA Technical Official Forum

A reminder that the Technical Official Forum for 2019 will be held on **Saturday, 18th May 2019 at AIM WA, 76 Birkdale Street, Floreat from 9:00am – 12:00pm**. SWA staff will be calling for registrations but it is anticipated that all Technical Officials (including Regional), make every attempt to attend this Forum. Please note that there will be sections that are applicable to both pool and open water swimming technical officials.

A reminder that SWA is offering all Technical Officials a 2019 Swimmer of the Year Awards ticket at a discounted price of \$90.00. Once again, all the details will be provided, including how to purchase, in due course.

3. SWA Website Technical Official Information

The TEOC would like to advise all Technical Officials that the process for assessment is outlined on the SWA website. In simple terms, once the online component has been completed, Technical Officials must undertake further practical training before they can be assessed. The TEOC is aware that this may be different to the process in other States, however, due to the high standards that SWA has in its Technical Officials, the Committee is of the view that the practical training between the online course and the assessment is essential. Once again, please refer to the SWA website for further details.

4. Technical Officials Appointments for Winter 2019

The TEOC once again advise all Technical Officials that from the beginning of the 2019 Hancock Prospecting Short Course Season, positions for all SWA Meets will be held for Officials in the TID programme and reserve positions for developing Officials. This is part of the SWA Strategic Plan 2019 – 2024 and further details will follow closely to the beginning of the Short Course Season.

Should you have any questions on these matters please don't hesitate to contact me in the office on 08 9328 4599.

Best Wishes,

Georgi Powers

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