

National Water Polo Committee
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To: Secretary – All Swim Ireland Water Polo Clubs
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21st February 2020

**NOTICE OF:
IRELAND WATER POLO ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2020
IRISH SPORTS HQ, DUBLIN 15
SATURDAY 21ST MARCH 2020**

Dear Secretary,

Notice is hereby given that the Ireland Water Polo Annual Conference 2020 will take place on Saturday 21st March 2020 in Irish Sports HQ, National Sports Campus, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15 commencing at 10.00am.

This is an important date on the Water Polo Calendar and an opportunity for Clubs to express their views and contribute to the decision-making process for our sport.

Further detail including Agenda, Motions/Recommendations, Elections and Reports will be sent to all Clubs in due course. In the interim, we are seeking certain documentation and information from Clubs. We are seeking nominations in respect of positions on the National Water Polo Committee and to the role of President.

Details of all posts are contained at Appendix A and relevant forms for completion are at Appendix B. Any member of a Water Polo Club may put him/herself forward through his/her Club to stand for election provided that the following procedures are complied with:

1. Nominees must be members of a Club and hold a valid Water Polo Club Membership.
2. Nominees must be nominated by their own Club and at least one other Club.
3. All nominations must be made through the Nominee's own Club on the Nomination Form (Form 1 at Appendix B).
4. Nominee completes and signs the Nominee Consent Form (Form 2 at Appendix B).
5. Regional Nominees may only be nominated and supported by Clubs in their own Region.
6. All Nominations must be supported by at least one other Club in Nominee's own Region on the Supporting Nomination Form (Form 3 at Appendix B).

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The documentation duly completed and signed must be sent by post or email (marked “Confidential”) to: Water Polo Administrator, Swim Ireland, Irish Sport HQ, National Sports Campus, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15; email; waterpolo@swimireland.ie and must be received by:

Deadline: 12 noon Friday 6th March 2020

MOTIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS

Each Club is permitted to submit Motions/Recommendations for consideration at the Conference provided that the following procedures are complied with:

1. Recommendations must be in typed format and signatures provided as appropriate.
2. Any Motions/Recommendations proposing changes or amendments to the Water Polo Rule Book must make specific reference to the particular rule(s) in question and outline any impact on any other rule. The National Water Polo Committee will consider any submissions.
3. Must be sent by post or email (marked “Confidential”) to: Water Polo Administrator, Swim Ireland, Irish Sport HQ, National Sports Campus, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15; email: waterpolo@swimireland.ie and must be received by:

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We look forward to welcoming you to the AGM.

Sincerely

Suzanne Clarke
Secretary
National Water Polo Committee

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Appendix A

Details of Ireland Water Polo Posts

NOMINATIONS

1. **President** – The Water Polo President shall represent the interests of Water Polo at all ceremonial and representative occasions as required. Wally Clarke was co-opted to this position in December 2019. Wally has indicated that he would like to fulfil this role for the coming year.

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2. **Chairperson** – The Chairperson is responsible for leading on good governance and the efficient running of the National Committee and Ireland Water Polo in conjunction with the Swim Ireland Discipline Support Manager. They should be someone with the necessary skills to fulfil this role. Barry Magill has served for a two-year term and is eligible to stand for a further two-year term. Barry has indicated that he would like to continue in this role for another term.
3. **Secretary** - The Secretary is the first point of contact for all club queries taking suitable and timely action on all matters in conjunction with the Swim Ireland Discipline Support Manager. They should be someone with the necessary skills to fulfil this role. Suzanne was co-opted to this role by the National Water Polo Committee following on from the Annual Conference 2019. Suzanne Clarke has indicated that she would not like to continue in this role.
4. **Leinster Representative** – The Leinster Representative is the spokesperson on behalf of their region. They are required to attend the regional committee meetings and report to the National Water Polo Committee in relation to the activities within said region. Mick Kelly was nominated by the Leinster Region for this role in January 2020. Mick is eligible to serve for a two-year term. Mick has indicated that he would like to fulfil this role.
5. **Ulster Representative** – The Ulster Representative is the spokesperson on behalf of their region. They are required to attend the regional committee meetings and report to the National Water Polo Committee in relation to the activities within said region. Wally Clarke was co-opted to this role by the National Water Polo Committee following on from the Annual Conference 2019. Wally is eligible to serve for a two-year term and he has indicated that he would like to fulfil this role.
6. The Water Polo Rule Book allows for a Munster Representative but currently there are no active Water Polo Clubs within the Munster Region therefore the National Water Polo Committee will co-opt a member to that role. Members may indicate in writing if they are interested in the role and following the Annual Conference the National Committee will co-opt an eligible member to the role.

Nominees for these posts must be members of a Water Polo Club and must hold a valid Water Polo Club Membership. All nominees must be nominated by their own club and at least one other. Nominations must be made using the forms at Appendix B. Should more than one nomination be received for any of the above posts an election will take place at the Annual Conference.

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Appendix B – WATER POLO ANNUAL CONFERENCE FORMS

**WATER POLO ANNUAL CONFERENCE FORM 1
IRELAND WATER POLO CLUB COMMITTEE NOMINATION FORM**

Return to Swim Ireland Head Office no later than 12 noon on Friday 6th March 2020

We, the undersigned, confirm that a Committee meeting of:

Club: _____ Region: _____

was held on (date) _____ at (venue) _____ and that

(Name of Nominee) _____ was duly nominated at this meeting for the position of

*Signed _____
Club Officer Club Officer

Date: _____

* Must be signed by two Club Officers

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**WATER POLO ANNUAL CONFERENCE FORM 2
IRELAND WATER POLO NOMINEE CONSENT FORM**

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NOMINEE NAME: _____

POSITION NOMINATED FOR: _____

I am aware that my Club _____

has nominated me for the above position and I consent to this nomination.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

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**IRELAND WATER POLO ANNUAL CONFERENCE FORM 3
CLUB COMMITTEE
SUPPORTING CLUB NOMINATION FORM**

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*Signed _____
Club Officer

Club Officer

Date: _____

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