



SWVA Newsletter May Extra 2022 Issue 372

Hi << Test First Name >> ,

SW Champs returned last weekend after a two year Covid break, new venue, new format, reports below.

Inter Regional Beach training dates, a few places left & SW League Presentations, .

and finally, SW AGM & Awards - Time to get your nominations in.....

Regards

Dave Reece

SWVA

Inter Regional Beach Training 2022



Building on the success of last year's program and tournament, training for this summer's SW U18 Inter Regional Beach squads begins with our first session on Sunday the of 29th May at the Cardiff Beach Centre.

Boys have a four hour session, 11am to 1pm, then 2pm to 4pm. Girls will be a single 3 hour session, 12 to 3pm. To book, please see the SW events page at: [SW Bookings](#)

Note: It's an open booking for Girls, for the Boys, please contact the Head Coach Ben Fairweather first, details on the booking page.



Further sessions are currently being planned around the region, as we look to build up the team for this year's final's. Which will be held over the weekend of the 9-10th July in Cardiff, look out for more dates shortly.

Thanks to Flo and Ben and the rest of the coaching team for arranging.

2022 SW Championships Results

After a two years break, the SW Championships returned for 2022 with the 50th running of the event. It was also a new venue, Plymouth Marjon University and a slightly different aspect on the event this time around. With entries limited to the top 20 teams from around the regions, which came from the SW League and the NVL.

After two days of competition, Exeter Storm from the SW League took the men's title and Bristol from the NVL took the Ladies title. Full Results on the web site at:

<https://www.swva.org.uk/sw-championships>

Men's Final

Exeter Storm vs Wiltshire Mavericks

Exeter Storm won 2- 0 (25 – 17, 25-10)



2022 SW Champions: Exeter Storm



Runners Up: Wiltshire Mavericks

Men's Semi-Finals

Exeter Storm beat City of Bristol 27 – 16

Wiltshire Mavericks beat Bristol VC 24 – 23

Ladies Final

Bristol vs Royal Wootton Bassett

Bristol won 2 – 0 (25 – 16, 25 – 13)



2022 SW Champions: Bristol



Runners Up: Royal Wootton Bassett

Ladies Semi-Finals

Bristol beat Torexe 23 – 17

Royal Wootton Bassett beat Plymouth 24 – 16

Small Hall Volleyball – Yeovil



Following discussions with LED the club are pleased to announce that following investment by LED, Bucklers Mead Leisure Centre now has the capability to use their small hall for volleyball.

Wall fixings are in place and a net has been purchased that allows for small sided volleyball games to be played using the badminton court lines. This is ideal for our juniors as this is the format used for VE and SWVA junior competitions.



The club has already taken full advantage of these new facilities by holding dedicated training sessions for its current u15 girls and boys teams over and above the normal, general junior training sessions on Thursdays.

From: https://www.yeovil-vc.org.uk/home/news/20220327_bucklers-mead-vb-in-small-hall

2021/22 SW League Presentations



The SWVA League Presentations took place today at Plymouth Marjon after this years SW Champs event. The awards were presented by Rachel Swindell, SW Fixture Secretary.



2021/22 SW Ladies League Winner: Torexe Ladies



2021/22 SW Ladies League Runners up: Royal Wootton Bassett



2021/22 SW Ladies Player of the March Award: Anna Podlas (C&G VC)



2021/22 SW Ladies Player of the March Award: Jenny Manarang (Yeovil)



2021/22 SW Men's League Winner: Exeter Storm



2021/22 SW Men's League Runners up: Cheltenham & Gloucester



2021/22 SW Men's Player of the March Award: James Bibby (Yeovil VC)

SWVA AGM 2022



AGM

Annual General Meeting

I would like to provide you with notice of the SW Volleyball Association Annual General Meeting. We hope to be able to make this our first face-to-face meeting since 2019. This will take place on Saturday June 11th, 2022 at 10.30am and will take place at Priory Community School, Queensway, Weston super Mare, BS22 6BP.

I hope that you will be able to attend and help us to plan the future of volleyball in the SW.

I will distribute the agenda and Annual Report as soon as possible in early June. Could I please therefore ask you to send OFFICERS / AREA REPORTS TO ME BY May 30th by email.

Could you please let me know if you would be willing to stand or if you know of other suitable candidates willing to stand for office (we have a number of vacant positions)

We also have a few positions available, if you can help, please ask for a nomination form.

- Vice Chair
- Coaching Secretary

- Junior Development Officer
- Child Protection Officer

Ron Richards

rricha7122@aol.com

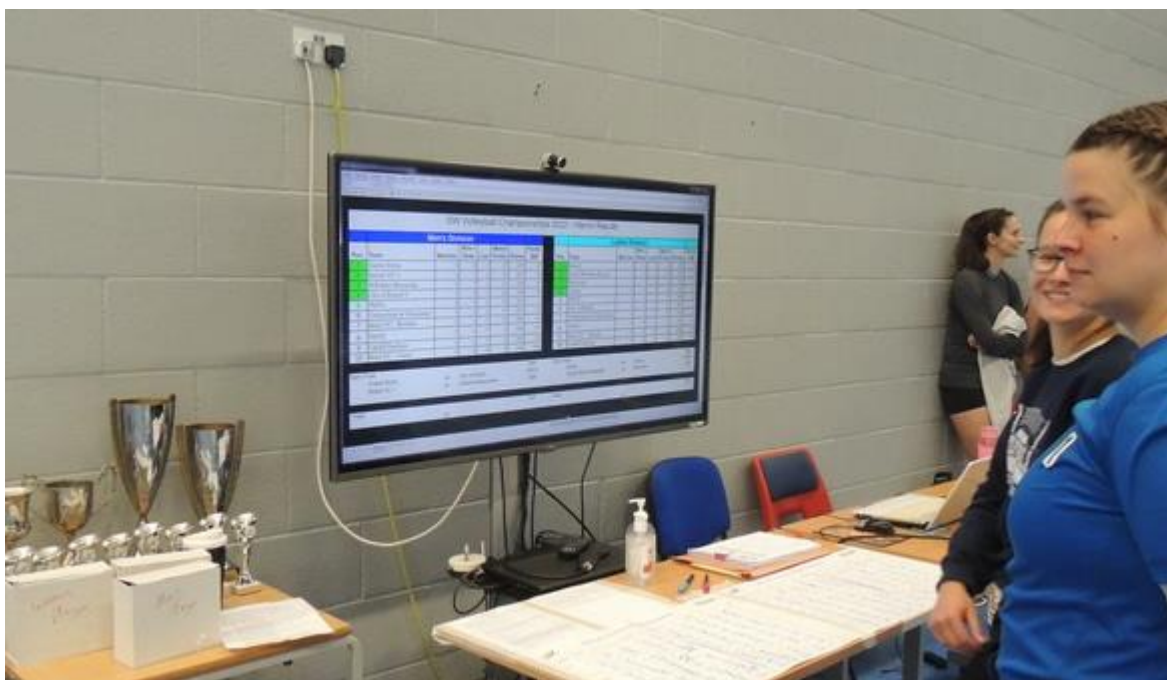
SW Champs 2022



After many years at the Plymouth Kitto Centre, the SW Champs moved across town to the Plymouth Marjon University for this year's Championships. A three court venue with the usual facilities for the 20 invited team (170 plus players) at this years event.



Many thanks to the Plymouth Mayflower VC who provided and shipped in all the additional volleyball posts, referee stands, event volunteers and to Torexe VC for providing the nets and the remaining court equipment.



As well as the SWVA web site, the big screen kept everyone up to date this year.



Many thanks to all our VE referees who volunteered their time and helped out where required to keep the event running smoothly.



As always, the final event of the weekend was the SWVA League presentations, details elsewhere on the web site.



Plus, a spirit of the tournament award which went to Piers Bakes, who was on hand to deal with our First Aid incident's (and the resulting paperwork). Many thanks from all of us.



More Photos at: [SW Champs 2022 Photos](#)

SWVA Awards Nominations 2022

Annual Awards Form



2021 Doreen Dingle Award for administration – Martin Oram

The South West Volleyball Association appreciates the importance of volunteers in our sport and the huge contribution they make. The Annual Awards go a little way to recognise their contribution and we hope that clubs and members will nominate those who they believe have put in their time and energy to assure the future development of volleyball.

All nominees for volunteer awards must be part of an affiliated club or association. Nominees for the coach or referee awards must be currently registered Volleyball England Coaches or Referees (or have recently retired from long standing registration / membership). Nominators must follow guidelines given below as well as providing any additional relevant information that may apply.

Past winners at: [SWVA Awards](#)

Award categories:

Awards

Doreen Dingle Administrator Award

Bert Williams Referee Award

SW Coach Award

Commitment to SW Volleyball Award

SW Contribution to Volleyball Award (U25)

2021 Winners

Martin Oram

Charlie Huitson

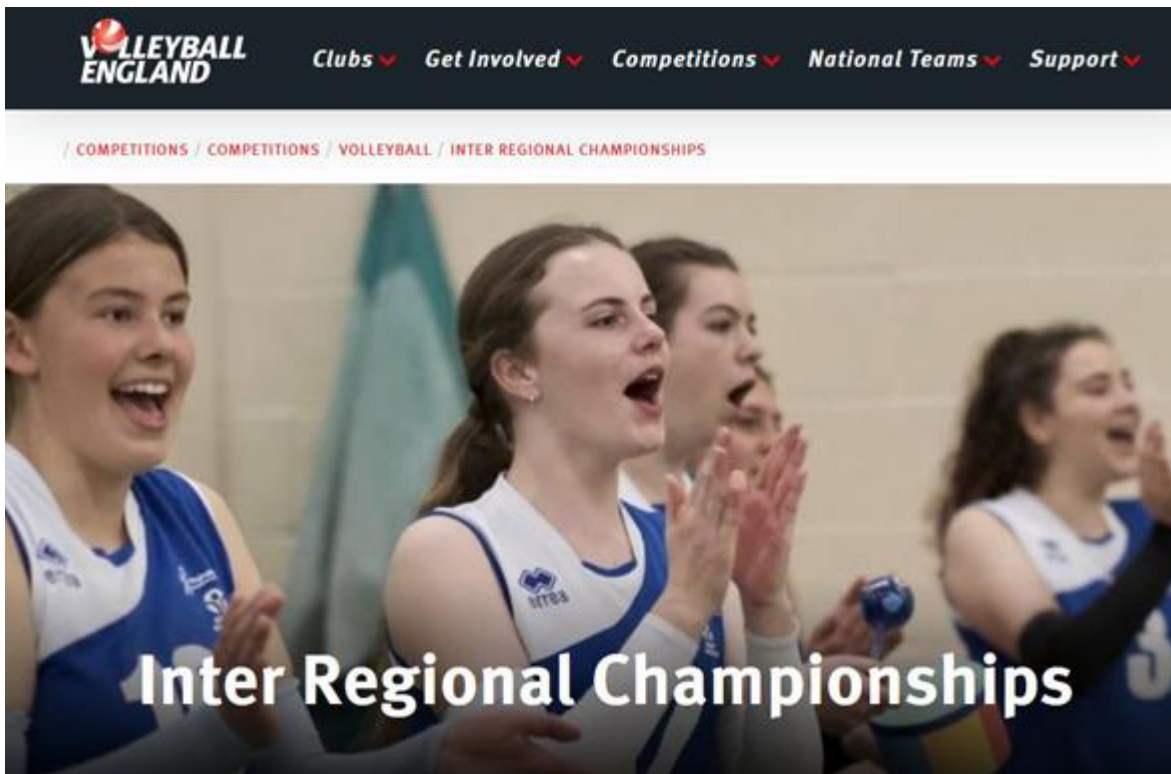
Kate Falkner

Ron Richards

Helen Rushby

The deadline for all nominations is 30th May 2022. Please use the nomination form at: [annual awards form](#) or download a paper copy: [SWVA Volunteer Awards 2022 blank nomination form](#)

New VE Web Site



Volleyball England has a new web site, with the SW Girls on their IRC page. Plenty of drop-down menus to choose from and a number of web site errors at the time of writing, which I'm sure will get sorted soon.

VE writes – Today, Volleyball England is proud to publish a brand-new website

Regular users will notice a vastly improved experience of using the site, while newcomers' first impression of the sport will be boosted thanks to the modern and vibrant design.

For the first time Volleyball England now has a fully responsive site that will adapt to whatever device you're using – whether that's a desktop computer, a mobile phone or a tablet – meaning no more pinching the screen to zoom into web pages.

A smarter navigation and search function combined with a re-organised sitemap

We have also taken the opportunity to elevate content in support of [clubs](#) and refresh other [information around volleyball pathways](#) – both of which are key [strategic areas](#).