

Scottish Water Polo Clubs Committee Meeting

Saturday 15th June

Stirling Court Hotel, University of Stirling, Stirling FK9
4LA

09:45 for a 10:00 start

10:00 until 12:00.



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Agenda

1. Introduction of the new FINA rules
2. Rules, disciplinary procedures and protocols
3. Volunteers & Scottish Water Polo Committee
4. Scottish National League
5. Scottish Water Polo Development
6. AOB



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Agenda - Detail

1. Introduction of the new FINA rules

2. Disciplinary procedure and protocols

- Disciplinary
- Complaints
- ITC Transfers

3. Volunteers & Scottish Water Polo Committee – vacant posts

- Domestic Co-ordinator
- Communications and Marketing
- Technical Officials co-ordinator
- Secretary

Projects

- Review and update of our website content
- Ownership and development of our Competition web-site League Republic
- Player registration management

4. Scottish National League

- assessment of 2018-19 and the 2019 “short season”
- plans for the 2019-20 season
- league co-ordinators
- referee co-ordinators
- U16 \ U19 age groups
- use of central venues
- SWP Pool Hire and allocation
- Entry fees and fines

5. Scottish Water Polo Development

- Support from Scottish Swimming
- Development tournaments
- Taster sessions
- Coaches Courses
- Officials Courses

6. AOB

- Aberdeen tournament



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Introduction of the new FINA rules

- Approval new rules in Dec 2018
- No new rules issued until Feb 2019
- FINA WATER POLO RULES 2019–2021
 - http://www.fina.org/sites/default/files/13-03-2019-corrections-2018_congress_amended_rules_def-1.pdf
 - <http://www.fina.org/sites/default/files/2019-feb11-clarificationsdef.pdf>
- Varying degrees of take up to date
- Local constraints
- We will introduce them from 1st July – which in effect means competitions for 2019-20 season



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Becoming familiar with new rules

- Read them (and the existing ones)
- Try them out in training and note experiences
- Look on-line for material
- Seminars will be held over the summer
- Review courses and understand how to upskill existing officials as well as train new ones



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SWP Implementation of the new FINA rules

Nominal	FINA Rule	Description	Will we be able to implement in Domestic Games in Scotland	Ease of interpretation -Easy \ Medium \ Difficult	Ease of Implementation -Easy \ Medium \ Difficult	Assessed impact on game scotland	
1	20.15	The possession time to be reset to 20 seconds after a) a corner throw awarded; b) a rebound after a shot which does not cause change of possession and c) after an exclusion.	YES	M - Training required, particularly for Table Officials	D - need changes to timing equipment	minimal	extra stopwatch RCP \ Dundee \ ASV \ TX \ NSA
2	14.3(d)	A goal may be scored from a free throw awarded outside 6 metres from a direct shot or after fake or dribble or putting the ball on the water. (Referees shall use signals if the foul happened outside the 6m line.)	YES	D - interpretation required	D - Training required for all parties	yes	Additional markings \ cones
3	new	Inside the 6m area, when a player is swimming with and/or holding the ball and is impeded (attacked) from behind during an attempt to shoot, a penalty foul must be awarded (unless only the ball is touched by the defender).	YES	D - interpretation required	D - Training required for all parties	yes	Additional markings \ cones
4	17.2	A player taking a corner throw may shoot directly or swim and shoot without passing or pass to another player.	YES	M - minimal interpretation required	M - minimal training required for all parties	yes	
5	12.1 new	Each team may request 2 time-outs during the game at any time while possessing the ball – A time-out calling device (button) should be used to call a time-out.	2 TIME-OUTS - YES BUTTON - Possible	E - self explanatory	E - as directed	yes	2 air horns
6	11.2	There shall be a 3-minute interval between the second and third period.	IF REQUIRED	E - self explanatory	E - as directed	yes	



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7	5.6	An additional substitution re-entry area will be at any place between the goal line and the centre field line for flying substitutions.	NO - LEN not implementing	D - interpretation required	D - Training required for all parties	none	
8	19.1	Free throw shall be taken from the location of the ball (except if the foul is committed inside the 2m line).	YES	M - minimal interpretation required	M - minimal training required for all parties	yes	
9	new	Referee to signal around 6m if player can shoot from a foul	YES	E - self explanatory	E - as directed	yes	
10	14.2	The goalkeeper is allowed to move beyond and touch the ball past the half distance line.	YES	E - self explanatory	E - as directed	yes	
11	10.1	The use of automatic visual effects, surrounding the penalty box. i.e. signaling a) the last 5 seconds of the expiration of the exclusion time b) the time when the excluded player is allowed to come back into the game.	NO		D - we will not have equipment	none	
12	new	The use of video monitoring system to determine goal or no goal (where available).	NO	D	D - we will not have equipment	none	
13	new	The use of audio equipment by the game referees.	POSSIBLY	D	D - we will need to have the equipment	none	
14	new	The use of game video monitoring system to identify and sanction incidents of brutality or extreme violence that occurred but were not appropriately punished or identified during a game.	NO	D	D - we will not have equipment	none	
15	new	The marker for taking a penalty throw at the side lines on both sides of the field of play must be in RED.	YES	E - self explanatory	E - as directed	yes	Additional markings \ cones



2. Rules, disciplinary procedures and protocols

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2. Disciplinary procedure and protocols

- SWP Disciplinary Code
- Complaints –
https://www.scottishswimming.com/media/2979036/2019-Info-Guide_Complete.pdf -
see Company Rules, sections R12, R13, R14, R15 pages 91 to 99
- Transfers -
<https://www.swimming.org/waterpolo/water-polo-transfer-information/>



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2. SWP Disciplinary Code

- This is standard across water polo across Great Britain
- Focus on the sanctions to be applied to offences reported by the referees
- All offences of Misconduct, Brutality or Red Card of a Coach must be reported by the match referee using the Reportable Offences Form
- Automatic Sanctions
 - Misconduct offences will receive an automatic sanction of 1 game.
 - Brutality offences will receive an automatic sanction of 2 games.
 - Red Card offences will receive an automatic sanction of 1 game.
 - Red Card offences involving brutality will receive an automatic sanction of 2 games.
- There is no right of appeal against an Automatic Sanction
- Publish document on web site



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2. SWP Disciplinary Code

- There is no recourse for coaches or team officials to complain about the performance of referee or delegate unless breaching FINA\LEN\BS\SS rules
- Referee Evaluation – this opportunity is on every match sheet – HOWEVER, we need change in our approach and have a referees coordinator to make this work
- There is no recourse for spectators to complain about the activities in a match or outside unless breaching FINA\LEN\BS\SS rules



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3. Volunteers & Scottish Water Polo Committee – vacant posts

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- AGM in November – new Chair needed



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4. Scottish National League

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SNL - Issues

SEASON: 2019 Short season | MATCH GROUP: Under 19s Girls

Under 19s Girls

DIVISION | MATCHES | RESULTS | STANDINGS | TEAM STATS | PLAYER STATS

STANDINGS

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	+	PTS
1	Dunfermline Water Polo Club	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	KKASC U19 girls	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	Portobello ASC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	Warrender Baths Club	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

DETAIL



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SEASON: 2019 Short season | MATCH GROUP: Under 19s Boys

Under 19s Boys

DIVISION | MATCHES | RESULTS | STANDINGS | TEAM STATS | PLAYER STATS

STANDINGS

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	+	PTS
1	Dunfermline Water Polo Club U19 Boys	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	Larkhall WPC U19 Boys	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	Menzieshill Whitehall U19 Boys	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	Portobello ASC U19 Boys	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	Stirling Swimming U19 Boys	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	Warrender Baths Club U19 Boys	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

SEASON: 2019 Short season | MATCH GROUP: Under 16 Boys

05/05/19 14:05	Dunfermline U16 boys	H - W	Portobello U16 boys	▲ Home walkover	🔍
05/05/19 13:30	Dunfermline U16 boys	H - W	Menzieshill U16 boys	▲ Home walkover	🔍
05/05/19 12:40	Menzieshill U16 boys	A - W	Portobello U16 boys	▲ Away walkover	🔍
26/01/19 19:05	Menzieshill U16 boys	A - W	Stirling U16 boys	▲ Away walkover	🔍
26/01/19 18:30	Dunfermline U16 boys	H - W	Warrender U16 boys	▲ Home walkover	🔍
26/01/19 18:05	KKASC U16 boys	A - W	Menzieshill U16 boys	▲ Away walkover	🔍
26/01/19 17:40	Stirling U16 boys	H - W	Warrender U16 boys	▲ Home walkover	🔍
25/01/19 21:05	Larkhall U16 boys	A - W	Warrender U16 boys	▲ Away walkover	🔍
25/01/19 20:30	Portobello U16 boys	A - W	Warrender U16 boys	▲ Away walkover	🔍
25/01/19 20:05	Dunfermline U16 boys	P - P	REN96 U16 boys	▲ Postponed	🔍
25/01/19 19:40	Larkhall U16 boys	A - W	Portobello U16 boys	▲ Away walkover	🔍
19/01/19 19:05	KKASC U16 boys	A - W	Portobello U16 boys	▲ Away walkover	🔍
19/01/19 18:30	Dunfermline U16 boys	H - W	Stirling U16 boys	▲ Home walkover	🔍
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18/01/19 20:30	Menzieshill U16 boys	H - W	Warrender U16 boys	▲ Home walkover	🔍
18/01/19 20:05	Larkhall U16 boys	A - W	REN96 U16 boys	▲ Away walkover	🔍
18/01/19 19:40	REN96 U16 boys	7 - 7	Warrender U16 boys		🔍
13/01/19 14:05	Larkhall U16 boys	A - W	Stirling U16 boys	▲ Away walkover	🔍
13/01/19 13:30	KKASC U16 boys	A - W	Stirling U16 boys	▲ Away walkover	🔍
13/01/19 13:05	Dunfermline U16 boys	H - W	Larkhall U16 boys	▲ Home walkover	🔍

SNL - Issues

Mainly focused on age group leagues

1. Last minute organisation
2. Unsure who will enter
3. Too many game cancelled – particularly U19, Men & Women
4. U16 – short games (& long travel times)
5. No appointment of referees (=> lack of support for younger referees)
6. Wasted pool time
7. Costs – lot more pool time being used for SNL, only for junior events



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SNL - Solutions

1. Last minute organisation
 - Allocate sessions now for first half of the season 2019-20
2. Unsure who will enter
 - Assume those who entered “short season” will follow on, so make plans based upon this
3. Too many game cancelled
 - Early publication of dates to allow clubs to plan
 - Encourage teams to use and promote League Republic
 - Use Saturday & Sunday sessions for Leagues (removing Friday night travelling issue)
4. No appointment of referees (=> lack of support for younger referees)
 - With early scheduling take opportunity to appoint referees
5. Wasted pool time
 - As result of the above, this should reduce
6. Costs
 - Revise costs
 - Continue to fine non attendees



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SNL - Other considerations

1. Last minute organisation
 - We cannot be 100% sure of pool availability so will have some unallocated session that can be used to flex requirements
2. Unsure who will enter
 - If expected teams do not enter then re-arrange their games
3. Home & Away matches
4. Involvement of Aberdeen



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2019-20

U16 (2005+)

- Girls
 1. Dunfermline
 2. Forth Valley
 3. K&K
 4. Larkhall
 5. Menzieshill
 6. Portobello
 7. Stirling
 8. Warrender
- Boys
 1. Dunfermline
 2. K&K
 3. Larkhall
 4. Menzieshill
 5. REN96
 6. Portobello
 7. Stirling
 8. Warrender

U19 (2002+)

- Girls
 1. Dunfermline
 2. K&K
 3. Portobello
 4. Warrender
- Boys
 1. Dunfermline
 2. Larkhall
 3. Menzieshill
 4. Portobello
 5. Stirling
 6. Warrender



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2019-20 – Potential Format

U16 (2005+)

- Girls
 - 8 teams
 - Play each other once
 - Each team plays 7 games
 - 28 games in the League
 - Needs 10 sessions with 3 games/session
- Boys
 - 8 teams
 - Play each other once
 - Each team plays 7 games
 - 28 games in the League
 - Needs 10 sessions with 3 games/session

U19 (2002+)

- Girls
 - 4 teams
 - Play each other twice
 - Each team plays 6 games
 - 12 games in the League
 - Needs 6 sessions with 2 games/session
- Boys
 - 6 teams
 - Play each other once; then top 3 play & bottom 3 play
 - Each team plays 7 games
 - 21 games in the League
 - Needs 11 sessions with 2 games/session



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Pool Allocations

- **SNL U16 & U19**
 - Saturday at RCP – 17:30 – 20:00
 - Sunday at NSA 12:30 – 15:00
- **U14/U16/U18 training**
 - Sunday at NSA 15:30 – 17:30
 - Rotate through the squads
 - Give extra sessions in weeks before competition
 - Identify training weekends
- **Senior Training**
 - Identify training weekends – Fri \ Sat \ Sun

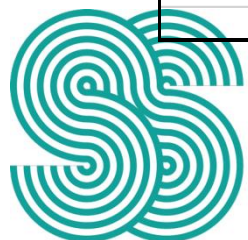


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Pool Allocation

British & EU Events	Other Notes	2019 week	Saturday RCP 17:30-20:00	Sunday NSA 12:30-15:00	Sunday NSA 3.30-5.30pm
		35	24-Aug U19 BOYS 1	25-Aug U16 GIRLS 1	25-Aug Not Booked
		36	31-Aug U19 GIRLS 1	01-Sep U16 BOYS 1	01-Sep NA
NSC U18 Boys & Girls		37	07-Sep U16 GIRLS 2	08-Sep U19 BOYS 2	08-Sep TO BE ALLOCATED
		38	14-Sep U16 BOYS 2	15-Sep U19 GIRLS 2	15-Sep NA
BWPL Men D5		39	21-Sep SCOT WOMEN	22-Sep SCOT WOMEN	22-Sep U16 Saltires Boys U14 Saltire Girls
		40	28-Sep 6PM ONWARDS U19 BOYS 3	29-Sep U16 GIRLS 3	29-Sep U18 Saltires Boys U18 Saltire Girls
BWPL Women D1	October Break 7-11	41	05-Oct U19 GIRLS 3	06-Oct NOT BOOKED email to shona 3/6/19	06-Oct Not Booked
BWPL Men D2 BWPL Men D5	October Break 7-11	42	12-Oct U16 GIRLS 4	13-Oct U19 BOYS 4	13-Oct U18 Saltire Girls U14 Saltires Boys
		43	19-Oct U16 BOYS 3	20-Oct U19 GIRLS 4	20-Oct Not Booked
BWPL Women D1		44	26-Oct SCOT MEN	27-Oct SCOT MEN	27-Oct U16 Saltire Girls U16 Saltires Boys



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Pool Allocation

British & EU Events	Other Notes	2019 week	Saturday RCP 17:30-20:00	Sunday NSA 12:30-15:00	Sunday NSA 3.30-5.30pm
Inter Provinsals - Bangor		45	02-Nov	03-Nov	03-Nov
BWPL Men D2			FLEX	NOT BOOKED	Not Booked
BWPL Men D5				email to shona 3/6/19	
		46	09-Nov 16PM ONWARD	10-Nov	10-Nov
			FLEX	U16 BOYS 4	U18 Saltire Girls U18 Saltires Boys
		47	16-Nov	17-Nov	17-Nov
			U16 BOYS 5	U16 GIRLS 5	Not Booked
		48	23-Nov	24-Nov	24-Nov
BWPL Women D1			Saltire U14 Girls	U19 BOYS 5	U14 Saltires Boys U18 Saltire Girls
BWPL Men D2					
		49	30-Nov	01-Dec	01-Dec
GUESS - IR U14 Girls			NA	U19 GIRLS 5	U18 Saltires Boys U14 Saltire Girls
		50	07-Dec	08-Dec	08-Dec
GUESS - IR U14 Boys			NA		Not Booked
		51	14-Dec	15-Dec	15-Dec
					Not Booked

2020 H1 will be published in October



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Communication

- Clubs confirm entry into competitions – end June
- Publish all fixtures on League Republic – End July



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5. Scottish Water Polo Development

- Continued support from Scottish Swimming
- Development tournaments
- Taster sessions
- Coaches Courses
- Officials Courses



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5. Scottish Water Polo Development - Development tournaments

- Central Pools can be allocated
- Standard template for the event
- Clubs take turns to organise
- Possibility for intra district events
- Entry fee



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5. Scottish Water Polo Development - Taster Sessions

- Central Pools can be allocated (and funded)
- Standard template for the event
- Clubs take responsibility
- Support with marketing from SS



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5. Scottish Water Polo Development - Coaches Courses

- Consolidation of demand for a course
- Most want local courses
- Organise by district
- Identification of tutors



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5. Scottish Water Polo Development - Continued support from Scottish Swimming

- The funding used for the WPDO post is still there – how do we best invest this funding?
 - What are our key needs?
 - Coach Development
 - Establishment of pathway
 - Organisation of our sport



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