

# Halliwick AST

# **Newsletter** ✓

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## A message from the Chair

BT Community Connections is offering £1 million worth of Internet-ready PCs to groups including <u>swimming clubs</u>. Awards valued at around £1,000 will be made to more than 1,700 community organisations nationwide and will consist of an NEC multi-media PC as well as a contribution towards a year's Internet subscription.

Applications are to be made by an individual representing a swimming organisation and the closing date for the first round was 12 April, whilst the second round is 9 August, 2002 and round three is 28 February, 2003.

For full details, application forms and guidance notes visit their web site: <a href="www.btcommunityconnections.com">www.btcommunityconnections.com</a>
This information came by way of our 'eagled-eyed' President, Phyl McMillan, who noticed it in the April edition of the ASA's Newsletter 'Wavelength'.

It is with great personal sadness that I tell you of the death of **Anne Bence** on June 11th, after a short illness at the relatively young age of 78. Anne, with her great friend George Male, were founder members in 1968 of **Borehamwood Otters SC** in Hertfordshire. She was a great supporter and believer in Halliwick and our work.

As I have said before, please feel free to contact me direct about any article in this Newsletter.

I may not have the answer, but I feel sure that I can put you in contact with someone who does, though in the case above, I was able to help!

Patrick Hastings, Chairperson.

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Please note my **NEW** E-mail address: **Patrick.Hastings@btopenworld.com** 

#### **INTERNATIONAL HALLIWICK ASSOCIATION (IHA)**

Since our last report in the Halliwick AST Newsletter, things are going well with us at the IHA. We hope that you have all noticed the more regular IHA Newsletters which are becoming an increasingly good forum for members of the IHA to communicate and exchange ideas, thanks to the hard work of Christiane, one of my co-workers on the Executive Committee. We have also now fully reviewed our membership and are, we hope, being of some use to those members. Just a reminder that fees for membership for 2002-2003 are now due and should be paid as soon as possible, if not already paid. We are all very excited about the Conference being arranged in Slovenia in October 2002 ("see Dates")

for Your Diary") and if you would like more information then please get in touch:

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#### **News from Kensington Emperors SC - London**

Congratulations to the following people who have been awarded their **HIC** (Halliwick Instructors Certificates) **Roberta Dennis - Darren Price - Dianne Gabitass** 

Each year Instructors attend the Halliwick Course held in London, both the A & B and Advanced C & D and so far 9 of our Senior Instructors have attended the Advanced Course, together with 2 Senior Instructors from Barking Beavers SC Joan Martin, Chief Instructor

Our re-launched Website www.halliwick.org.uk, which has been a great hit, is continually being up-dated & now has a new page entitled - 'What's New!'

This will be used to 'post' forthcoming events, new additions and changes to dates etc., and came about as a direct result of a request from a reader to high-light the forthcoming '2002 National Swimming Championships'.

Please take the opportunity to visit it. Once again, let us know what you think of our Website and what further information needs to be included. E-mail suggestions to the National Chairperson <a href="mailto:Patrick.Hastings@btopenworld.com">Patrick.Hastings@btopenworld.com</a>
Can I appeal to Clubs to let us know if they would like <a href="mailto:their">their</a> own Web site included under <a href="mailto:our website">our Web site</a> 'Links' page.

If this Newsletter has **not** been sent to the <u>correct</u> Club contact, it is important that you write to Eric Dilley at the ADKC Office to give him the correct contact so that our records can be updated.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - 2002 / 2003

Saturday - 14 September National Management Committee Meeting, London

Saturday - 12 October 2002 National Swimming Championships to be held

at the new Southbury Leisure Centre, Enfield, North London

Weekend - 4/6 October International Halliwick Association (IHA) - Meeting & Seminar in Slovenia

(to be attended by 5 Halliwick Lecturers from the UK)

Sunday - 3 November National Executive Committee Meeting, Oxford

Sat/Sun - \* 23/24 November National Education, Publications & SHTE Committees Meetings

will be held in London. On the Sunday the Seminar topic will be 'PowerPoint and its use for lecturers on courses', led by Paul O'Byrne

#### \* Please note the change of dates from 19/20 October as shown in the April Newsletter

Saturday - 18 January, 2003 National Management Committee Meeting, London

Sunday - 2 March, 2003 AGM & National Executive Committee Meeting, Birmingham

#### A message from the National Publications Committee

The Publication Order Form is now being up-dated annually. Please ensure that you destroy any old ones that you have and visit our *'Publications' Website* page to download the latest version.

Have you attended a course and received a 'Certificate of Attendance', which is not a 'Certificate of Skills'? Why not consider applying for a 'Competency Certificate'. Our new booklet 'Assessment of Competence Certificates', price £4, outlines the experience and pre-requisites needed to obtain such a certificate.

Are your swimmers reaching their full potential and is their progress being recognised? Are they and you aware of the up-dated booklet, 'Teaching and Testing Halliwick Proficiency Badges', price £4?

Are you a 'Mentor' for a trainee lecturer or would you like to become a Lecturer? The new booklet 'Lecturers' Information Pack' outlines everything relating to lecturing from trainee to Senior Lecturer as well as International recognition, price £4.

Pamela Wood - Chairperson, National Publications Committee

#### **National Education Committee report**

April 21 was my first meeting as Chair of the Education Committee. I was very impressed with the huge volume of work being undertaken and by the commitment and support of everyone involved. Last year, throughout the country, we held 18 Part A courses (231 participants) and 15 Part B courses (200 participants). In addition 3 Advanced Teaching Courses (previously Group Leader and Tutor Instructor) were held with 28 participants. Many thanks to all the organisers, lecturers and assistants who helped to deliver these courses.

Several publications have been recently updated including:- *The Course Organisation Pack; Lecturers Information Pack; Assessment of Competency Certificates.* A working party has been appointed to review the manual handling information. The 1992 publication, *Guidelines on Manual Handling Tasks at the Swimming Pool* has now been withdrawn from use until it has been updated.

We were disappointed to learn that Pam Scott our long serving secretary has decided to resign her post. Pam has served the Education Committee with dedication and efficiency for very many years. She will be greatly missed and we thank her for an outstanding contribution. We need to fill this vacancy at our next meeting. For date see 'Dates for your Diary' above. Please contact me with any nominations for this important post.

The Education Committee weekend will be of benefit to anyone wishing to learn more about teaching swimming to people with disabilities and we invite all interested individuals as well as ASTRA representatives to attend.

Philip Puckrin - Chairperson, National Education Committee

**Stop Press!** Congratulations to **Jackie Rea,** a member of the Hull team, who has been endorsed as a recognised Halliwick Lecturer.

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Dates & Venues of future Halliwick AST Training Course(s) on The Halliwick Concept (formerly known as 'Method') appear on **our Website**.