

Title of Case Study	Sport Unlimited Snorkelling programme
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Project Timescale	60 weeks.

Marlin Sub Aqua Club – Knowsley Sports Development Office – Knowsley Facility management

<p>Summary of Case Study Sport Unlimited funding was utilised to bring together sports development, facility management and a local club to deliver the Swimming Teachers Association Pool Snorkelling Awards programme.</p>
<p>Why was it needed? The idea came about when the club indicated they were struggling to meet an increase in pool hire charges imposed by facilities. A meeting was arranged with Paul Dillon Smith from sports development to examine ways in which we could help the club become sustainable. Paul was also keen to implement another aquatic activity option to the local young people.</p>
<p>Aims and Objectives Increase capacity of club to deliver activities to the local community and for the centre if required. Develop a programme that will educate and up skill young people in aquatic activities Pilot a programme that will have the positive outcome of being adopted by partners</p>
<p>Main Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good numbers, initially low uptake with 20 young people registering on the second round of courses. • Club signed up to clubmark and near completion • Programme already implemented in another centre in Knowsley • Club now able to pay pool hire charges by building capacity to deliver a wider range of activities
<p>Who was involved? Knowsley Sports Development Marlin Sub Aqua club Facility Manager</p>
<p>How was it Funded? Through Sport Unlimited programme</p>
<p>How do you know it was good practice? Evaluations carried out (summary from round one, level 2 attached) and programme adopted by leisure centre. Good attendance and more young people showing interest.</p>
<p>Have you already done any Publicity or Promotion? Yes (sample attached)</p>

What Next?

Programme will be adopted by leisure centre and rolled out across the borough via Swim Development Manager

Concluding Key Point about the Case Study

Well managed programme with good ownership from all partners. Sustainability created also.

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**CHILDREN AT HUYTON LEISURE CENTRE ARE AWARDED THEIR LEVEL 1 POOL
SNORKELLING AWARD CERTIFICATES**

20 children participating in the Swim Teachers Association Pool Snorkelling Awards scheme at Huyton Leisure Centre have been awarded their level one certificates.

The STA Pool Snorkelling Programme is a series of 3 progressive awards (levels 1, 2 and 3), which are designed to introduce anyone from the age of 8 to the skills and techniques required for safe and enjoyable snorkelling in a pool environment.

The course, run jointly between Knowsley Sports Development, Huyton Leisure Centre & Marlin sub Aqua Club was delivered as part of the sport unlimited programme over a ten week period.

Mike Turner, an instructor from Marlin Sub Aqua Club was delighted with the commitment from the group

“I am so proud of all the children who have been working towards this award. It is a joy to see children being active, enjoying the pool and learning snorkeling skills too,”

For further information about The STA Snorkelling awards in Knowsley please contact Paul Dillon Smith on:

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Photo attached & below: Level one snorkelling class with instructors from Marlin Sub Aqua Club & Karen Greer from Knowsley Sports Development



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