



WTA NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME

Hopefully winter training is going well for all of you, I know a great deal of you are taking the chance to hone your running in cross-country and road races throughout Wales.

Final plans are being made for the 2005 season with Welsh and British national championships being confirmed. Also confirm is the new **WELSH GRAND PRIX SERIES** and qualification races for World and European championships.

WTA AGM

Wales would like to invite all WTA members to the Annual General Meeting on **Saturday 12th March**, at the Welsh institute of Sport (WIS) Cardiff. The meeting will take place in Bute suite 1 from 4pm onwards.

The WTA is also looking for volunteers to take Welsh triathlon forward. The commitment is a few hours 6-8 nights per year.

All volunteers are welcome. If you would like to help shape the future of triathlon in Wales please contact the regional development officer with any questions and names of volunteers before the end of February.

WELSH CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 2005 Welsh championships will be as follows;

Sprint distance triathlon – Harlech, 17th April 2005

Standard distance triathlon – Bala, 18th September 2005

Duathlon – Llanelli, 10th July 2005

Eligibility for Welsh championships is dependent on current WTA membership.

WTA MEMBERSHIP

WTA membership forms will be published before the end of February. Some slight changes to the membership have meant a delay in the production of the membership information.

Membership forms will be sent out to all those who receive the newsletter, sent out to all clubs and published on numerous website.

The WTA appreciate your patience as they attempt to create an improved membership package

WELSH GRAND PRIX SERIES 2005



17TH APRIL	HARLECH SPRINT TRIATHLON
5TH JUNE	BALA MIDDLE DISTANCE TRIATHLON
26TH JUNE	PEMBROKE SPRINT TRIATHLON
3RD JULY	COSMESTON SPRINT TRIATHLON
7TH AUGUST	CEREDIGION SUPER SPRINT TRIATHLON
21ST AUGUST	TUSKA SPRINT TRIATHLON
18TH SEPTEMBER	BALA STANDARD DISTANCE TRIATHLON

Further details of the series will follow in the next newsletter.

BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 2005 British championships will be as follows;

(age group) Sprint distance triathlon – Redditch, 22nd May 2005

(Elite) Sprint distance triathlon – Llanelli, 5th June 2005

Middle distance – Bala, 5th June 2005

(age group) Duathlon – Milton Keynes, 10th June 2005

(Elite) Duathlon – Llanelli, 10th July 2005

(age group) Standard distance triathlon – Ashford, 17th July 2005

(Elite) Standard distance triathlon – TBC

QUALIFICATION RACES

ITU WORLD AGE GROUP TRIATHLON CHAMPIONSHIPS - HONOLULU

Shropshire Triathlon – 12th June 2005

Dambuster Triathlon – 26th June 2005

National championships, Ashford – 17th July 2005

ITU WORLD AGE GROUP DUATHLON CHAMPIONSHIPS - NEWCASTLE, AUSTRALIA

Cambridge Duathlon – 17th April 2005

National championships, Milton Keynes – 12th June 2005

Edinburgh Duathlon – 19th June 2005

REFEREE DEVELOPMENT

The BTA has just release its new level 1 referee qualification. The award requires the candidate to complete a home study pack and referee a race under the guidance of a referee 'mentor'. Once completed the candidate is qualified to referee at a local / club pool based event, or as an assistant to a more senior official at other events.

Cost of the pack is £10 for a qualification which could benefit individuals and/or could represent significant savings to a race organiser.

If you would like an electronic copy of the pack, please contact the development officer.

DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

If you have any questions about triathlon within Wales or would like anything to be included in the newsletter please contact the development officer.

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