



MUNSTER COMPETITIONS COMMITTEE

REPORT TO AGM 2019

The Munster Competitions Committee is comprised of the following members : Joe Mc Carthy, Tim O'Connell, Mary Phelan, Michael Foley, Ross Hurley, Alan Fennan and Pat Brennan.

During the 2017-18 season the Committee were responsible for the running of

- 3 Development 1 meets,
- 4 Development 2 meets,
- 3 Regional Qualifying Meets (1 Short Course and 2 Long Course , one of which included swimmers from Connacht),
- the Munster Short Course Championships,
- the Munster Long Course Championships,
- the Munster Minor and Senior Schools Championships and
- the Regional Age Group Open Championships which was amalgamated with the Connacht Region.

In all a total of over 6000 swimmers (most swimmers competed in more than one competition) competed in excess of 11,000 events.

As in the years some challenges were raised during the season, but these were dealt with as they arose. These included a club being unable to host a Development gala at the last minute – this was overcome with the assistance of Alan Fennan who accepted the entries from the clubs involved and included the swimmers in the Development Meet being held in that area. A huge thanks to Alan for his work on this.

Other challenges raised included Officials being over swimmers, and parents being rude to Officials.

During the season the Technical Group met with regard to qualifying, consideration and cost off issues for competitions. They also discussed fees and meet conditions. These meetings are very well attended and are very worthwhile.

The Competitions Committee also met with Officials with a view to the appointment of Officials for galas for the entire season. Again this appears to have been very beneficial as Officials are now aware of which galas they will be required for in the future.