

Haringey Aquatics Wins Sports Club of the Year

17 November, 2014 – Against the odds, Haringey Aquatics (HA) was awarded Sports Club of the Year at Monday night's Haringey Celebrate Sport 2014 Awards Ceremony held at Alexandra Palace.

Haringey Aquatics Chairman Matthew Whitty said, *"It is an absolute honour for Haringey Aquatics to win this prestigious award. The club has survived many challenges in the past year including the closure of Park Road and Tottenham Green swimming pools for refurbishment. The dedication and hard work of our coaches and volunteers has ensured the delivery of quality teaching and coaching in swimming, diving and water polo to young people across the borough."*

Under the direction of Head Coach Paul Doyle, Haringey Aquatics remains on a roll. In Doyle's five years at the club, he's transformed the club so it now competes at the highest levels, earning promotion into the Division I of the National Arena and M11 Junior League. He's produced two national swimmers, the first-ever female national, four regional champions, over 20 county medallists, and coached a swimmer who went on to captain a winning Oxford swim team -- all since 2009! At Northumberland Park Community School Pool, Sharon Austin, Haringey Aquatics Head of Teaching, has built a teaching team that has nearly 200 children learning how to swim.

As a result, Haringey Aquatics became a Swim 21 "Essential" Accredited Club in September, 2014, after a rigorous six-month audit process. The accreditation reinforced the club's growing reputation in North London for offering high quality swimming, diving and water polo programmes.

Coach Paul Doyle said, *"After nearly 40 years of coaching, winning Club of the Year is the culmination of a lot of hard work by HA coaching staff, tireless volunteers and dedicated swimmers. I can assure you this club's achievements are the results of the combined effort of each individual and swimmer, and I am proud of every one of them"*.

Haringey Aquatics is a multi-disciplinary club that offers swimming, diving, and water polo training in three pool locations in Haringey (Tottenham Green, Northumberland Park Community School and Crouch End). For more information, contact 07946180134 or e-mail us at teamharingey@gmail.com. Visit the web site at www.haringeyaquatics.org.uk or follow @teamharingey.