



# the flamingo pool

## News release

Axe Vale Swimming Association AGM  
(The Flamingo Pool)

Wednesday 21 September 2016 at 3pm

The Flamingo Pool manager, Steve Buxton reported a very positive year. He commented that last year's Aquagym success had resulted not only in a new income stream but it also saw the launch of the new 'Aquatherapy' GP referral scheme with benefits to both clients and the pool. He thanked Dana Haydon-Sycamore for her hard work in setting up this scheme and to those that went on the course to become qualified. Joe Street has taken over the scheme coordinator role.

Steve Buxton, also commented on the improvements that had been made to the building largely due to the continued support from the Axe Valley Festival. "Their help has continued to improve the pool throughout the years and we appreciate everything that they do for the pool".

Steve Buxton also thanked the Flamingo Pool committee, his team of staff and all the customers and hoped that next year would bring bigger and better changes.

The Axe Vale Festival continue to support Flamingo Pool. Without their financial input, life would be more difficult. There is always something requiring replacement or updating. Steve Buxton thanked the Axe Vale Festival and added that 'we appreciate everything that they do for the pool'.

Vinetta Cable, Hammetts Accountants, who presented the accounts, agreed with Steve Buxton, praising the facility and the way in which it has been run.

The Chairman, Richard Peacock, made the observation that Axminster is expanding rapidly which was very good for the future of the Flamingo Pool. He commented that "Swimming pools are generally expensive to run and we are fortunate to have been able to hold our heads above water". He also added that the 3G pitch had improved parking and increased spaces available to customers.

In conclusion Richard Peacock thanks Steve Buxton, the Pool staff and the committee for their support and announced that he had taken the decision to retire from the role as Chairman, but would remain on the Committee in which he hoped was a much quieter role. He was handing over the reins to his successor, Alison Vickers, who he thanked and wished good luck for her new role.

The Committee would welcome anyone who would be interested in helping to support this independently financed facility. The Flamingo Pool are a self-funded registered Charity who do not receive funding or grants. Please contact the Manager, Steve Buxton, 01297 35800 or email [info@flamingopool.co.uk](mailto:info@flamingopool.co.uk).

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**Notes to Editors:**

**The Flamingo Pool**

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