



Dear Member's,

It is impossible to write this report without mentioning the impact that COVID has had on the sporting landscape. In the North East last year, 49 events were delivered as well as a record number of GO TRI Sessions. This year was shaping up to be another good year for the region before the virus hit, but we are hopeful with your support, that we can get back to the level of activity that we have seen over the past couple of years. Whilst we have not been able to deliver the activity that we had planned, we have continued to support through Kay Stokes and BTF the club network through the release of return to play guidelines, club forums and regular correspondence. We will continue to do this as government guidelines change, and it is one of our prime objectives to support clubs getting back to delivering safe and enjoyable sessions for their members. The pandemic has however created opportunities for us to adopt new ways of working and the majority of CPD, coaching courses and volunteer training will now be moved online. This will hopefully make it easier for our volunteer network to access courses. We have also been able to release new CPD such as the Coaching Children in Triathlon course and more will follow. During this time many project groups have been formed to assess our offers and some exciting new projects will be launched soon, as we look to add more value for our members, offer more support for clubs and take triathlon to new audiences. It has been a frustrating period, but we thank you for your patience during this time and we look forward to brighter times and hopefully a packed 2021 season in the North East for everyone involved in the sport.

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The figures below show an update from the 1st April 2020.

Club Development Affiliated North East Clubs 2020: 41

Events 2020-21 Permitted events: 5

GO TRI GO TRI Events: 1

GO TRI ACTIVE Sessions: 0

Coach Education and Officials For 2020/21 looking to book in for 2021, facility dependant.