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## Honorary Life Vice-President Tyrone Blackett, Dulwich Dolphins SC

Who better to receive an honorary life vice-presidency than someone who this year celebrates around forty years as a swimming coach?

Tyrone Blackett, head coach of Dulwich Dolphins SC, is widely regarded as one of the most inspirational, energetic, knowledgeable and well-respected coaches in the county.

He started as a swimmer at Leander SC in 1974, with freestyle and butterfly being his favoured strokes. As a determined young teenager back then it took him just three months to set a butterfly record.



After undertaking some private coaching he was asked to become a club coach and took the difficult decision to end his own swimming career.

He has coached swimmers to national and international level. He has also attended a staggering 39 years' worth of Surrey competitions.

When Dulwich Dolphins was founded in 2012, Tyrone has been a mainstay of the Surrey-London competitive and community-based club ever since.

The club continues to grow from strength to strength in south-east London where it has strong links with local schools, many of which supply pools for training sessions.