



NORFOLK COUNTY A.S.A.

Minutes of Competitions Sub-Committee – Tuesday 9th July - 2019 – Hewett Academy

PRESENT: Mrs K. Woodhouse (Secretary), Mrs D. Barrett (Trophies), R. Barrett (Records/County Colours), Mrs C Fasey (Thetford), L. Harvey (Championships), S. Murray (East Region Representative), Mrs C. Rose (Team Manager), A. Smith (Technical Director), Mrs T. Spinner (CON).

- 1. APOLOGIES:** D. Peck (President), K. Rumsey (Chairman), K. Belton (Treasurer), G. Applin (President Elect), Mrs E. Bowen (Junior League), C. Galer (Officials Exams), J. Naylor (City of Norwich), S. Park (Norwich Swan), S. Rose (Press & PR), C. Searle (County Coach), Ms S. Vanderloo,

- 2. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 23rd April 2019**

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as a true record.

- 3. MATTERS ARISING**

None.

- 4. REPORT ON NORFOLK COUNTY MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIP - 11th May 2019**

See minutes of the Executive Meeting 5th June 2019 where a full report was given to the meeting by the Masters Secretary.

- 5. REPORT ON COUNTY CHALLENGE GALA - 22ND & 23RD JUNE 2019**

This year there were fewer swimmers attending County Challenge.

Problems with the AOE and starting equipment persisted and in one session manual timing was used. The equipment is serviced annually, usually prior to the Icení Gala in September, but the system is old, the back-up buttons are corroded and the plug-in ports on poolside are impractical and get dislodged easily. The system needs updating especially in terms of the new licencing requirements regarding secondary strobes. L1 and 2 meets need to have a secondary strobe facility available from September 2019. From September 2020 a secondary strobe will be required at L3 meets and AOE at L4.

Mrs Barrett asked if the list of responsibilities for Clubs hosting galas on behalf of the County could be sent to the host club prior to each gala with a courtesy letter. This would help define the role of the host club. The Secretary will ask for the list from the Treasurer and arrange its publication on the County website.

- 6. REPORT ON EAST REGION INTER-COUNTIES GALA – 7TH JULY 2019**

Norfolk attained FIRST place. This is the first time Norfolk has won the competition. It was extremely close with the lead changing on numerous occasions but Norfolk just beat Suffolk by two points! There were no disqualifications within the Norfolk team. Congratulations to all the swimmers who represented the County so wonderfully and thanks to the County Coach and Team Manager for their hard work.

As there is nowhere to display the trophy it was decided that our most capped swimmer at the gala, Nathan Wells, would be asked to take care of the trophy. He will be asked to bring the trophy to the County Championships so that all the swimmers will have the opportunity to see it. The Secretary will ask the Treasurer if our insurance will cover it.

Four County relay records were broken: Men's Junior Medley Relay, Ladies' Junior & Senior Freestyle Relays and Ladies' Senior Medley Relay.

- 7. ARRANGEMENTS FOR JUNIOR INTER-COUNTIES GALA - 22ND SEPTEMBER Gala 2019**

The coach has been booked and the Team Manager and County Coach will be attending.

With lots of first time county swims anticipated from younger swimmers, a high level of demand is expected for County shirts and hoodies. A closing date for orders will be put on the order form. The Team manager will forward a list of swimmers as soon as they have been selected so that the volume of orders can be estimated and catered for. The suppliers have increased the price of the shirts by £3

8. ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE NATIONAL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS - 6TH October 2019

The team will be selected and informed after this summer's National competitions. The Team Manager notified the meeting of her intention to stand down at the AGM. She was thanked for her hard work over her term of office.

9. FIXTURE LIST

21st July 2019	NCASA and East Region Open Water Championships – Whitlingham
22nd September 2019	Junior Inter-County Gala – Luton
October 2019	National County Team Championships – Ponds Forge, Sheffield
18th/19th January 2020	County Championships (Long Distance Events) – Sportspark, UEA
25th/26th January 2020	County Championships (Main Events) – Sportspark, UEA
1st/2nd February 2020	County Championships (Main events + skins and relay) – Sportspark, UEA
22nd/23rd February 2020	Warwick Thompson – Thetford
10 th May 2020	Norfolk Masters – Sportspark, UEA
20 th June 2020	Special Olympics – Sportspark, UEA
20 th /21 st June 2020	County Challenge – Dereham

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Championship Secretary explained that the distance qualifying times had been adjusted and would be sent out to club coaches for feedback. They should then be circulated to clubs before Nationals.

The officials meet software review has yet to take place. S. Murray, K. Belton, L. Harvey and G. Applin will meet before the next Executive meeting to discuss whether the County will purchase the software for County and Club use and to address any GDPR concerns.

Up to date County records and the record breakers roll of honour lists are ready to publish on the website.

With only two County galas being swum each year, County Colours will take much longer to achieve as will the bronze, silver and gold awards. R. Barrett to review and update the current points system.

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 15th October 2019