

NORFOLK COUNTY A.S.A.
Executive Committee Meeting – 4 June 2013 – Hewett School

PRESENT Mrs S Lelean (President), K Rumsey (Chairman), Mrs D McRoberts (Secretary), K Belton, (Treasurer), A.Smith (Asst. Secretary), Mrs M Tallowin (President Elect), Mrs E Bowen, P Kendall, A Lelean, J Macdonald, S Murray, D Peck

20. APOLOGIES B Banham, L Harvey, J. Peggall, Loddon White Dolphins

21. MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD ON 6 MARCH 2013

Agreed as a true record.

22. MATTERS ARISING

13 (3) Rules of Norfolk ASA Adam Lelean is working through the county rules and hopes to circulate a revised version to officers in the reasonably near future with a view to getting agreement and submitting them to the 2013 AGM.

13 (7) Election of Officers, etc The posts of Development Secretary and Press & PR Officer remain vacant. It was suggested that a job description be prepared and circulated to clubs to seek possible nominees.

13 (8) Swimability Gala This has been arranged for Saturday 15 June at Riverside Pool. Entries have been received on behalf of 49 competitors for some 150 swims though, sadly, none are from Norfolk ASA registered clubs. Helpers are required to run this none-ASA but so worthwhile gala for severely disabled youngsters. It was suggested that, if it is run again in future years, it should be advertised on the web site.

13 (10) Norfolk Records The missing records from 2001 to 2012 have been traced and lodged with the Norfolk Records Office (account 2010/148 refers). The records comprise AGM and Executive minutes, annual accounts and handbooks.

23. CORRESPONDENCE

A few items of recent correspondence, though none of great significance, were reported.

24. TREASURERS REPORT

The accounts as at 31 May showed income of £37156.34 and expenditure of £27266.93 giving a surplus of £9889.41 on the year to date. Funds totalled £49662.09. The £1000 subsidy relating to the National Inter Counties Championships had now been received. Suffolk ASA has paid 669.62 for their involvement in the Long Distance Championships. The only item that was considerably different from the budget was a large increase in the income for gala entries. Expenditure was broadly in line with the budget.

25. CURRENT SWIMMERS' ACHIEVEMENTS

London Paralympic S14 champion, Jessica Jane Applegate, continues to break British records.

26 MINUTES TO NOTE

Competitions Sub Committee: Tuesday 16 April

Minutes noted.

Arrangements were discussed for the County Challenge Galas later in June, a team was selected for the forthcoming East Region Inter-Counties Championships Gala at Luton and a provisional Fixtures List for 2014 was agreed (subject to confirmation of some dates and venues at the July meeting).

27 REPORTS

Norfolk Junior League. The final galas were held on Saturday 27 April. UEA City of Norwich 'A' had won the Copeman Cup at Wymondham and Dereham Otters had won the Christine Clark Cup at Thetford. Detailed results have been circulated to participating clubs. The league AGM will take place on Tuesday 25 June at Hewett School (Room A17).

Facilities. New AOE equipment including reaction starting blocks and a giant scoreboard had been installed at the UEA Sportspark. New 6-line scoreboards had also been installed at the Wymondham and Thetford pools.

Officials Examinations. Since the last meeting 9 JL1 and 9 JL2 candidates had successfully completed their courses. Further assessments are due to take place during the County Challenge Galas. FINA rule changes are due to be published in September and this will require all officials to attend a short update course.

Officials Liaison. There had been an adequate number of officials available for the County Masters Gala in May. Officials are now required please for the County Challenge Galas at Dereham on 23 and 30 June.

Masters. The Norfolk Masters Championship and Open Meet took place on Saturday 18 May at the UEA Sportspark and ran smoothly thanks to the officials and other helpers. Despite a clash of dates with a new Masters gala in Luton, there was still a large entry especially from Norfolk competitors.

Synchro. The East Region routines took place on 16 March at Stevenage and swimmers had also attended another competition in Nottingham. Trials had been held for the East Region Development Squad and 5 Norfolk swimmers had been selected. 3 senior swimmers had attended a basic judging course. It was suggested that there was no reason why Norfolk County Synchro Championships could not be incorporated in the East Region Synchro Championships (as happens with Open Water Swimming).

Water Polo. No report.

Open Water. The East Region Championships (incorporating the Norfolk Championships) takes place at Whitlingham Broad on Sunday 14 July. Both officials and other helpers are required please including setting up beforehand and clearing up afterwards. The 2014 courses for open water officials will take place on 26 and 27 April. It was emphasised that the ASA was not involved with the recent shambolic swim around Southwold Pier (where many swimmers had had to be rescued from a strong outgoing tide) though several of Norfolk's swimmers had participated in the event.

Disabled Swimming. No report.

Records. No report.

Trophies. No report.

East Region. A 5-year development plan has been prepared. It includes Team Manager training modules and attendance is mandatory before clubs can take away swim teams in the UK and abroad. A new format for Swim 21 is due to be published shortly. An on-line 21 question evidence report will replace the much more arduous process currently in place for re-validation or re-accreditation. Details of a Swim 21 bursary and courses for older swimmers were also outlined. The 2013 East Region Winter Championships, back in long course mode, have been switched from the relatively new Basildon pool (which is unwilling to accommodate the East Region galas for at least the next three years) back to the UEA Sportspark. The championships will be held on 7 and 8 December.

County Development. A level 1 coaching course took place in Norwich after Easter and a level 2 coaching course is due to take place in Norwich starting in late July.

County Handbook. The 2013 Handbooks have been distributed. Should Norfolk Syncho championships be held in future (see above), it was agreed that the results should appear in the County Handbook.

County Website It is hoped to revamp the website in due course as and when time permits.

Child Protection & Welfare. A 'Time to Listen' (NSPCC) course had been attended.

Press & PR. No report

Membership No report.

28. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Several matters relating to the East Region BAGCATS Championships were mentioned but these will need to be taken to the next East Region Swimming Sub Committee.

It was noted that the UEA City of Norwich 2013 'Big Bang' Gala will now take place over two days, on 2 and 3 November, in long course mode and will be level 1 licensed.

It was also noted that the Dereham Otter's 2013 IcenI Gala will now take place over two days, on 28 and 29 September, and will be level 3 licensed.

The next meeting of the County Executive will take place on **Wednesday 4 September 2013** at Hewett School (Room A17).