

Minutes of the Norfolk County ASA Junior Swimming League Annual General Meeting

held at the Hewett School, Norwich on Tuesday 23 June 2009 at 7.30pm

Present: Malcolm Watkins (Chairman) John Toll (League Secretary) Robin Barrett (Thetford Dolphins)
Debbie Jones & Sara Crisp (Dereham Otters) Keith Belton (Norwich Swan) Adam LeLean (Diss Otters)
Sarah Hook (West Norfolk) Toby Ketland (Little Fish Norwich)

Apologies: Kevin Rumsey (President)

Minutes and Matters arising from 2008 AGM (24 June 2008): None

Review of 2009 Fixtures:

This year has once again been a successful Competition with the changed format for Round 1 of 2 x 6 Team Galas which limited the Pools we can use also due to limited Spectator accommodation. Although it has seen a few incidents which have generally been sorted out without too much problem for everyone. There were only 11 Teams competing, unfortunately Harleston had other commitments, and Downham had a clash with the Fenland League, although with their amalgamation with King's Lynn Warriors as the new West Norfolk Swimming Club, they had 2 teams, as did Great Yarmouth, there again was a clash with the Suffolk Summer League, which hopefully we have resolved it for next year. The First Round on 21 March had a problem at Diss Pool as there was Maintenance work, which the Otters Officers considered made it impractical to hold a 6 team gala. Diss Otters are in discussions with South Norfolk Council regarding compensation. Thetford Pool was fortunately available and the Otters hosted the Gala there, with some assistance from the Dolphins. The 2 x 6 team galas went ok, although there was a problem at Dereham as inadvertently CoNSC had entered 2 Over Age swimmers, basically due to the recent changes in personnel at the Club, once it was known, their points were deducted and they did not swim out of age in the rest of the Gala.

After the Galas the Recording Sheets were checked, the Clubs were allocated to the respective galas and the Pools determined, Copeman Cup Gala at Thetford, with the Christine Clark Cup Gala at Wymondham, and sent to Clubs. Unfortunately the League Secretary had followed the original Rule when compiling the Results instead of the current requirement of the 6 Teams with the most Gala points for the Copeman Cup Gala. When this was spotted by Keith Belton, a hurried change was made which then separated Swan and Thetford into different Galas, so allocating the Copeman Cup Gala now to Wymondham, and the Christine Clark Cup Gala to Thetford, and emailed the next day. *I apologise for this serious error, which I will not repeat.* A reminder was sent out on the 20 April. At this point Long Stratton spoke to the League Secretary as they had not read the 2nd letter changing the Pools, and had to urgently contact their swimmers. Unfortunately at Thetford observations were made to the Referee that Long Stratton were swimming ineligible swimmers in some events. When this was discussed with the Club, points were deducted for these events. A consideration regarding ambiguity in Rule 3 might be a problem, was discussed and changed as below, and this should eliminate any further misunderstandings, it was agreed to consider the matter closed. It is only acceptable to enter an overage swimmer in an Event, provided that the Referee and Recorders are notified in advance, so that no points will be given for that race.

The Copeman Cup was won by UEA City of Norwich, and presented by Mrs Cath Copeman, widow of Dick Copeman in whose name it was presented to the County in 1979.

The Christine Clark Cup was won by Thetford Dolphins, but unfortunately last years winners King's Lynn Warriors were unable to return it in time for the presentation, unfortunately Geoff Clark could not be present.

One success by Warrick Thompson, was to get a Press Report in the EDP Rising Stars section

Gala analysis:	Approx Spectators	Door & Raffle Receipts	Pool Cost	Surplus	Approx Spectators	Door & Raffle Receipts	Pool Cost	Surplus	
Round 1					Round 2				
Dereham	135	375.91	216.69	159.22	Thetford	95	260.20	215.28	44.92
Thetford	130	360.00	209.00	<u>151.00</u>	Wymondham	165	463.50	300.00	<u>163.50</u>
			310.22					208.42	

Totals: £310.22 + £208.42 + Affiliations £165.00 – provisional Expenses £83.07 = £600.57

Please note! The Wymondham Pool Invoice is being reviewed and may be decreased.

Review of the Rules for 2010

Rule 1 – no change

Rule 2 – as Harleston had not responded, it is assumed that they will not participate this year. Little Fish Norwich will join the League. West Norfolk and Dereham will only enter one Team next year. There had been no other notifications of 'B' Teams to-date, but Norwich Swan are still considering entering a second Team. Other Clubs should be reminded that if they wish to enter a 'B' Team then they should confirm this by the next Executive Meeting on 9 September. If more than 2 'B' Teams are entered then Rule 10 should be applied. As the Diss Pool may once again have Maintenance Work, it was agreed to provisionally book Thetford in case it was needed.

Rule 3 – delete from the second sentence: "may swim up in Age Groups, and".

Rule 5 – change to: "Ages to be as at Midnight on the date of the last scheduled Gala, as per ASA Laws and technical Rules".

Rule 6 – include Points adjustment should only 4 Teams compete in a Gala.

Rules 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 & 12 – no change.

Draw for Round 1: Host Club (seeded)

<u>Dereham</u>	Aylsham,	Long Stratton,	Great Yarmouth,	UEA City of Norwich	B1
<u>Diss</u>	Thetford,	Little Fish Norwich	West Norfolk	Norwich Swan	B2

The Gala Dates are as determined by the Competitions Sub Committee as Round 1 on 20 March 2010 and Round 2 on 17 April 2010, these dates have been determined to avoid a clash of dates with other local Junior leagues.

AOB –

Meeting closed at 8.45pm

Sent to: President: Kevin Rumsey, President Elect: Julie Andrews, Chairman & Secretary: Malcolm Watkins, Treasurer: Steve McCormack, Competitions Secretary Sally Thompson, Asst Secretary: Tony Smith, Robin Barrett, Chris Galer, Geoff Clark.

AVSC: Julie Witting, Claire Briggs D&DSC: Debbie Jones, Judy Preston, Adele Whitbourn

DOSC: Ruth Patten, Val Bull, Adam LeLean, Shirley Bull GYSC: Vikki Mayes-Smith, Paola Moore HPSC: Jason Garnham

LFNSC: Kriston Fox, Toby Ketland LSSC: Sarah Wratten, Liz Lim TDSC: Caroline McGill, Mark Kleinau

NSSC: Tina Thompson, Keith Belton, Graham Garner UEA CoNSC: Mark Bateman, Emma Fox, David Proud, Yasmin Holmes

WNCS: Steve Harvey, Chris Sykes, Stewart Park, Sarah Hook