



President: R.Holman

**Minutes of the Regional Swimming Committee held on Wednesday 10th
October 2018 at the Regional Offices , Wellington**

<u>Present:</u>	B.Holman	BH)	President
	R.Margetts	(RM)	Competition Secretary & Chairman
	G.Cockill	(GC)	Board Representative
	J.John	(JJ)	Coach Committee representative
	S.Haigh	(SH)	Masters Secretary
	N.Vause	(NV)	Officials Secretary
	A.Smart	(AS)	Dorset
	L.Leffers	(LL)	RLO
	P.Gonsalves	(PG)	Somerset
	C.Elliott	(CE)	Cornwall
	A.Osborne	(AO)	Gloucs
	Y.Stead	(SY)	Club Development Officer
	C.Vickery	(CV)	Regional Office staff
	C. Tremellen	(CT)	Swimming & Events Management Secretary

Apologies: J.Stoneman, S.Yeoman, C.Robinson,

18/26 Minutes of previous meeting held on 21st June signed as accurate record

18/27 Matters arising

- 27.1 19.5 All gala equipment now delivered to JH. Agreed to split allowance 50/50 for this year and see how things develop.
- 27.2 20.5 8/10 lane finals – we can chose. Agreed to use all lanes available.
- 27.3 20.8 Competition Secretary – Chris Vickery now working full time and will take on many duties of competition secretary eg entries /results. RM will continue as Promoter and deal with programme and QTs. RM & CV to work together for remainder of year and RM will then support CV as required.
- 27.4 15.1 Backstroke Ledges – Hengrove have agreed to have them. RM dealing with order.
- 27.5 23.1 No reverse 800/1500 events in National Winter Championships so removed from our programme.

18/28 Minutes of Para Forum

- 28.1 After an initial meeting of all interested parties a forum was formed which met on Sept 24th. Review taken of activities throughout the Region..
- 28.2 Prog of development opportunities - to be held at Sherborne, Plymouth & Marlborough. 1st session booked at Oxley SC for Nov 14th :coaches CPD course in the morning followed by a Talent ID and classification sign off session in the afternoon.
- 28.3 Para/Disability gala – booking on March 10th cancelled – new date 2nd March TBC

28.4 Flash light for deaf swimmers. Event timing has one.

18/29 Minutes of Coaches Committee

- 29.1 Overseas meet – all went well with good outcomes. All swimmers had at least one second swim. It was thought that although the meet fulfilled its' purpose there were few if any alternatives at that time of the year. Agreed to move to Jan/Feb as there would be more choice and would fit the programme better. As a meet in 2019 would fall in the same financial year, the next meet would be in 2020. JJ was appointed Lead Coach and would start looking at what meets would be available.
- 29.2 Relay Gala – very poor entry so Coaches thought it best be abandoned.
- 29.3 Noted - 5 of the 18 coaches appointed for the 2014 programme came from the SW.
- 29.4 5 coaches from the Region have been accepted onto the Senior coach programme.

18/30 Masters Secretary Report

- 30.1 Masters competition at Hutton Moor – numbers similar to previous years
- 30.2 Masters Inter-County Gala – 18th November. Lane draw 2. Devon; 3. Cornwall; 4. Wilts; 5. Dorset; 6.Somerset; 7. Gloucs
- 30.3 Development Day – 13th Jan. Problems with booking at Bath now sorted out.
- 30.4 LGBT group in Bristol –affiliated to London
- 30.5 Next meeting 6th January – Sharon Locke to be invited.

18/31 Minutes of Officials Committee

- 31.1 J1 role out should commence in New Year. Should reduce number of volunteer hours. Will need to select 50-60 mentors to support the new scheme.
- 31.2 Agreed to appoint a Technical Director for all main galas. This person would be in attendance for all days of each weekend and act as Lead Referee prior to meet. Role description to be devised by Events Committee.
- 31.3 Regional events – all sufficiently covered. NV to look at using social media to fill the gaps in the future.
- 31.4 Support volunteers – lunches, polo shirts/bottles/travel. Events Com to discuss.
- 31.5 Radios could now be kept at the Regional office for CV to tale to meets. Noted radios will need replacing in the near future.

18/32 Licensing Officers Report

- 32.1 270 meets licensed for 2018. Experiencing issues with late applications, late report returns and payments. In past 6 weeks has had to cancel 6 meets mainly for lack of officials. LL feels number of meets need reducing as the current number cannot be supported by officials, swimmers and available weekends.
- 32.2 County dates for 2019 to hand and for 3 counties for 2020.
- 32.3 L1/L3 meet will be held first weekend in Jan and L1 on 15/16/17 February which clashes with Dorset Champs. Wilts have suggested running L1 meet on 22/23rd 2020 so not to clash with Dorset again.

18/33 Events Secretary's Report

- 33.1 FAST 5 ran well although food was poor – reduced bill
- 33.2 Relay gala – only 6 clubs competed, possibly due to clash with other events Following discussion it was agreed to continue to hold the relays. Agreed that both the relay gala and the FAST 5 days should be blacked out on the calendar.
- 33.3 Winter Championships – all set up. Talk on moving on to Uni to be held on Sun 4th .

- 33.4 Dates 2019 – Youths 4/3/6 May; A/G 11/12 & 18/19th May; FAST 5 30th June; Relay gala 22nd September; Winter Championships 1/2/3 November; Masters TBA.
- 33.5 Dates 2020 – Swim England have shortened the qualifying window to March 13th – May 10th. Regional dates Youths 2/3/4 May (confirmed); A/G 25/26 April & 9/10th May TBC.

18/34 Competition Secretary's Report

- 34.1 Summer Championship programme for 2019 finalised.
- 34.2 QTs to be re-examined.

18/35 Swimmer of the Year

- 35.1 CT listed SW swimmers achievements from Commonwealth Games and European Championships. Unanimously agreed to award to Jacob Peters of Poole SC. CT to collate his achievements.

18/36 County Representative Reports

- 36.1 Cornwall. Running a level 1 coaches course which is full. Lyndsay Dunn attended the TSC to discuss Talent Pathway programme which the County are finding difficult to fund. Holding a Development Day on 10th Nov with Safeguarding , club funding, young volunteers courses with a level 2 Team Managers course in the New Year.
- 36.2 Gloucs. Running various safeguarding & Team Managers courses. Teachers course in January.
- 36.3 Devon. Pathway running well – 2nd camp at the weekend.
- 36.4 Dorset. Development Day 24th November as Cornwall. Talent pathway running well
- 36.5 Somerset. Held a successful Development Meet.

18/37 AOB

- 37.1 Yvonne Stead will be leaving at the end of November. Post being advertise. YS thanked for all her hard work for the Region.
- 37.2 Masters records – B Buck no longer dealing with these. Will now be dealt with by the office. Bernie thanked for all his work collating Masters records.

DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS: 27th February; 26th June & 16th October

Signed _____
R.Margetts

POST MEETING NOTE – dates for 2020 now confirmed as

Summer Championships - Youth	2/3/4 th May at Plymouth
Age Groups	25/26 th April at Millfield
	9/10 th May at Hengrove