

ASA SOUTH WEST REGION

President S.Dors

Minutes of the Swimming Committee held on Thursday 13th October 2016 at the Regional Offices at 6.30pm

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| <u>PRESENT:</u> | S.Dors | (SD) | President |
| | R. Margetts | RM) | Chairman & Competition Secretary |
| | L.Elliott | (LE) | Officials Secretary |
| | S.Haigh | (SH) | Masters Secretary |
| | C. Elliott | (CE) | Cornwall |
| | M. Britton | (MB) | Gloucestershire |
| | A.Smart | (AS) | Dorset |
| | P.Gonsalves | (PG) | Somerset |
| | G. Cockill | (GC) | Board Representative |
| | C. Tremellen | (CT) | Swimming & Events Management Secretary |

Apologies: L. Leffers, J.John, J.Stoneman, S.Yeoman

16/26 Minutes of meeting held on 16th June signed as true record

16/27 Matters arising

- 27.1 16.3 Letter of thanks sent to R. Johnson, retiring Masters Secretary
- 27.2 19.5 CT not yet contacted pools re employment of security.
- 27.3 21.1 Dorset were grateful to RM for changes to 2017 QTs
- 27.4 23.1 Backstroke platform session cancelled. Dorset queried whether coaches were unavailable to assist. Noted that only 2 applications from swimmers received.
- 27.5 23.4 Funding – Dorset had decided against running an 800/1500m event.

16/28 Zagreb Report

- 28.1 Head coach and CT reports had been circulated. Noted that the event was ideal for our swimmers as they all achieved 2nd swims but reaching the podium was quite hard.
- 28.2 Recommendations agreed –
 - i) Team return to Zagreb 2017. Ages to be 15 – 19 with possibly 4 older swimmers.
 - ii) Team size increased to 30.
 - iii) Selection only from swimmers who have competed in SW Regional 2017 Summer Championships or Regional 2016 Winter Championships.
 - iv) Swimmers to be in full time training and have accepted their invitation to GB or ASA home Nationals
- 28.3 Swimmers over age 18yrs should have DBS certification
- 28.4 CT to create information flyers to distribute at Winter Championships
- 28.5 CT recommended that the Assistant Team Manager was appointed early so that they could work with Lindsay re organisation with view to being lead TM following year. CT to create information/form for Winter Championships

16/29 Licensing Officers Report

- 29.1 RLO not in attendance but sent written report.
- 29.2 Aquae Sulis want to run level 1 meet on February 24/25th 2017. This clashes with 4 County events. Committee not in agreement but would approve a meet on 18/19th February as only Cornwall and Dorset (if they agree) had County blocks and any swimmer requiring British Championship time could attend AS meet.
- 29.3 2018 – query whether Wilts & Somerset could move out of 1st weekend in Feb which would leave a completely clear weekend for a L1 meet.

16/30 Coaches Report

Minutes circulated prior to meeting

- 30.1 Zagreb meet reports had been circulated but as the Head coach was unavailable discussion was put off until next meeting after TSC deliberations.
- 30.2 Open water – coaches found the discussion with the open water representative very useful. OW committee had accepted some recommendations and providing finances were available were holding an event in September 2018 in a lake (venue TBC)
- 30.3 Dorset welcomed the requested pathway and now have an Open Water Secretary and plans for sea training sessions, funded by Dorset, which will be open to all clubs
- 30.4 Regional training camps now completed.
- 30.5 Coach development – coaches conference will be held on Nov 26th. CT to provide flyers for distribution at Winter Championships.

16/31 Officials Report

Minutes circulated prior to meeting

- 31.1 Seminars had been held in 3 venues across the Region attended by 58 officials. A further 36 received copies of information later.
- 31.2 Para-Swimming CPD will be held prior to Para gala in March
- 31.3 Officials training – T/Ks passes will now be recorded which will ease confirmation especially for L4 meets.
- 31.4 4 year National programme of Referee & starter training: information received on experience required before applying. Intake will be annually for first few years
- 31.5 Swim suits completely covering the body for religious beliefs: all agreed that this was acceptable but discussion nationally as whether this should include regional level.
- 31.6 Query regarding remuneration for young volunteer officials (up to age 24) at competitions was rejected by all Regions
- 31.7 Photography – no longer a requirement to sign a register to use camera device however some information was required to ensure safe distribution on social media.

16/32 Masters Secretary's Report

- 32.1 Regional event entries were low. Was this because it was long course?
- 32.2 National masters conference is on 12th November
- 32.3 Regional masters training day – agreed to abandon for January as no organisation yet. SH to look at appropriate time of year and what is needed.
- 32.4 All inter-County information has gone to Counties
Lane Draw – 1. Gloucs, 2 Somerset, 3 Dorset, 4 Cornwall, 5 Devon, 6 Wilts
- 32.5 RM not available for Inter-County due to National meeting. Stand-in now sorted.

16/33 Events Secretary's Report

- 33.1 The PA at the relay & masters galas not working properly. Have booked alternative PA for Winter Championships.
- 33.2 No complaints re giving single medals at Masters.
- 33.3 Complaint from Mt Kelly at relay gala over behaviour of some 16/ov teams. Committee deplored behaviour but will swim events as straight finals if necessary in future.
- 33.4 Hengrove – noted that at recent gala the club arranged own caterer. CT requested same facility but was turned down.
- 33.5 PG unhappy that £5 daily charge now applied at the 'field' car park at Hengrove
- 33.6 Signing photo book no longer required. CT to inform pools and make arrangements for information to be circulated at Winter Championships.
- 33.7 All in hand for Winter Championships.
- 33.8 2018 dates circulated see below.

16/34 Competition Secretary's Report

- 34.1 Changes to age group programme 2017: 800/1500m freestyle removed from sessions and programme re-jigged to create afternoon at Millfield for L D events allowing more competitors.

16/35 Swimming Secretary's Report

- 35.1 Development plan: slight change to plan previously circulated reducing Para-swimming amounts following discussion with D. White.
- 35.2 Contingency plans. Some to hand still waiting for remaining officers' information.
- 35.3 CT attended Regional Swimming Managers (RSM) meeting. Discussion around Masters and Open water.
- 35.4 Funding – a few more applications received recently.
- 35.5 Congratulations to SWR GB Olympians especially medallists: Jazz Carlin silver 400 & 800m Free, Siobhan O'Connor silver Individual Medley & James Guy silver in Free & Medley Relays. Also Ben Proud, & Cameron Kurle.

16/36 Swimmer of the Year

- 36.1 CT listed medallists at Olympics as above. Jazz Carlin voted swimmer of Year

16/37 County Representatives Reports

- 37.1 Dorset
 - i) Development Competition – entries up on 2015.
 - ii) No financial loss 2016 competitions (except LD).
 - iii) Licenses granted for 2017 Championships and Graded meet. Conditions/format still to be decided for Development meet.
 - iv) Sincere thanks to RLO for support for Graded meet L4 license
 - v) Inaugural network meeting took place in September with 6 clubs plus 3 wishing to be included.
 - vi) Two L1 coaches courses in progress (30 candidates) Spare places offered to Salisbury
 - vii) Safeguarding courses scheduled in-County. Awaiting tutor.
 - viii) L2 Team Managers course before Christmas. Impossible to find volunteers to train as tutors or find Tutors in region. Now using tutor from SE Region.

37.2 Somerset :

- i) Competition: Development meet held at beginning October
- ii) County Training – none
- iii) Team Manager training – on going
- iv) PA system – too many people fiddling with machine which causes problems.

37.3 Gloucs

- i) Team Manager training – MB plus 1 other running courses.
- ii) Para Swimming – Bristol pathway now set up. ASA did presentation Now have squad of 12 swimmers, some are classified other waiting.
- iii) City of Bristol SC now merged Bristol Central & Bishopsworth.
- iv) N. Gloucs area working towards network.
- v) National inter-county team event – Gloucs not sending a team.

37.4 Cornwall:

- i) Team manager training – L2 course soon – 12 attendees
- ii) Development day on 15th Oct – Young Volunteers course (18), land training (Devon also invited), Swim 21 workshop & County forum.
- iii) Development gala on 20th Nov
- iv) County training ongoing
- v) Level 1 coaches course being held soon.

37.5 Devon

- i) Competition dates now confirmed just waiting for conditions to be finalised
- ii) Mt Kelly pool now open with several clubs using it.

16/38 AOB

- 38.1 CT to check date of Masters inter-county 2017 & 2018
- 38.2 Schools relays at Millfield – numbers excessive

Dates of meetings 2017February 23rdJune 22ndOctober 12th

 C Tremellen Secretary

 R. Margetts Chairman
2018 dates

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| Para Swimming | 11 th March | TBC |
| Summer Championships | 5/6/7 May | Plymouth TBC |
| | 12/13 May | Hengrove |
| | 19/20 May | Millfield |
| FAST 5 | 8 th July | Gloucs |
| Relays | 23 rd September | Millfield |
| Masters | 30 th September | Millfield |
| Winter Championships | 2/3/4 th November | Millfield |
| Masters inter-County | 18 th November | Millfield |