

OXFORDSHIRE & NORTH BUCKINGHAMSHIRE ASA

President : Mrs Heather Patrick

Minutes of Executive Meeting held at Bicester Community College on Tuesday 26th March 2013

Present: H.Patrick , P.Shaw , I.Powell , J.Wilford , J.Murphy , M.Fuller , K.Phillips , W.Patrick & reps from Abingdon Vale , CMK , Didcot Barramundi , Newport Pagnell , Thame , Wantage White Horses Witney & District and Witney Synchro Swimming Clubs.

Apologies: T.Ward , A.Powell , A.Brewer .

- 50.0 Minutes of Executive Meeting held on 15th January were approved and signed.
- 51.0 Matters arising from Item 50
None
- 52.0 Correspondence
1. Invitation from ASA to attend Welfare Officer's Convention in September. Ally Brewer unable to attend.
 2. 2013 ASA Handbook received.
- 53.0 President's Report
Heather Patrick presented her Report which is attached.
- 54.0 Treasurer's Report
Ian Powell presented his Report which is attached
- 55.0 Disciplines
1. Swimming:- Ian Powell presented his Report which is attached.
 2. Fixtures:- No Report but 1. Even after discussions with Head Coaches at Counties we are still struggling to find a date for the Kingerlee Trophy . and 2.) Bedfordshire may run a I/C Gala at Luton , probably 10 – 13 age groups , in May for which we may get an invite and 3.) Scott Farnell, our County Coach , has arranged , as in previous years , Long Course Training for National Qualifiers at Coventry on July 7th and 14th.
 3. Record Claims: Peter Shaw presented 21 claims which are attached.
 4. Synchro :- Mandy Fuller presented her Report which is attached.
 5. Masters :- No one in Post so no Report.
 6. Disability:- No Report received.
 7. Masters Record Claims:- None received.
 8. Facilities:- It was reported that the Final Judicial Review preventing the commencement of the Building of the new Pool in Blackbird Leys , Oxford is to be heard in April. Wayne Patrick reported that the new Pool in Wolverton opens at the end of April.
 9. Officials :- John Wilford presented his Report which is attached.
- 56.0 Appointments :- Amanda Booth (City of Oxford) has recently been appointed to represent Oxford & North Bucks on the South East Region Coaches Panel.
- 57.0 Funding Applications:-
1. Wantage White Horses applied for \$371.25 (£244) to purchase Hy-Tek Meet Manager software And this was agreed subject to them purchasing from the UK stockist and receiving the 25% discount available.
 2. Mandy Fuller , on behalf of our Synchro section , requested funds for the purchase of Trophies to

Enable Synchro to have County medal presentations at the Novices competition at Reading on June 8th. During the past few years BSB have allowed ONB swimmers to participate in their Presentations. £300 is required to purchase initially medals for this year and 2-3 perpetual trophies and then £150 per annum in future years. The Executive agreed.

58.0 ASA South East Region

No Report received. PS did report to the meeting that Keith Sutton had recently been made redundant from his position of Regional Director. Nothing official has been received from the South East Region or the ASA about what the future holds for the leadership of our Region.

59.0 Development Plan 2013 – 2016

Peter Shaw proposed that we extend the 2009-13 Plan for the next 3 years as it has been successful and a contributory factor to the definite improvement in swimming standards in ONB over the past 4 years by providing Funds to allow more level 1 , 2 & 3 Coaches to qualify. The Plan ,in 2009 , proposed the spending of approx £5000 per annum with a proviso that there would be £10000 left in ONB Funds as at the AGM in July 2013. Though there has been a call on our funds from the SER that was highlighted in 2009 as being a reason why it may not be possible to sustain the Development Plan through the 4 years , we have been able to Fund Applications of just over £20000 over the 4 years and still have a Surplus of approximately £25000 at the 2013 AGM.

60.0 AOB

1. Geraldine Kelly brought up the issue of Licensed Meets and whether the latest changes were detrimental to the smaller clubs and whether the shortage of level 2 Meets was seen as a problem. A lengthy discussion ensued.
2. Heather Patrick thanked Geraldine for organising the spare Lap cards for the Champs.
3. The date for the Counties DE-Brief was set for **Tuesday 7th May at 7pm** at Bicester Community College (Café Area , Lower School Hall) and the venue has subsequently been booked for that date.

Meeting closed at 8.30

Next Executive meeting will be held on Tuesday 21st May 2013 at 7pm at Bicester CC.

ONB President's report March 2013

Two Sundays in February and two weekends in March hosted the Oxon and North Bucks County Championships. The standard of swimming was high, resulting in some new ONB county records being set and I would like to take the opportunity of praising all the swimmers and their coaches and their club's support in producing some excellent achievements.

I would like to thank John Wilford as Lead Referee for organising the official's duties, and thank all officials who gave up their time over the various sessions. Thank you to Anne Minihan and all the volunteers who did a sterling job and thank you to all the recording room personnel for keeping track of all the swimmers times and data. Thank you to Wayne Patrick and Karen Phillips the awards trustees in collecting in the championship trophies, ensuring they were engraved and organising the provision of this year's awards. Without your commitment to county swimming these championship events would not be possible.

A few years ago Peter Shaw (our County Secretary) encouraged financial support from the county to part fund professional development of coaching staff within ONB county throughout the 4 year plan from 2009 – 2013. This year there was a wide distribution of results across all clubs in the county in finals and top eight age group places. It would appear that part funding of level 3 coaching courses has helped towards raising the standard of swimming throughout the county. In the longer term this should provide our swimmers with improved coaching at a local level.

For those not able to attend the finals evening on Saturday 16th March the Val Wilford memorial trophy which is given in recognition of the outstanding contribution to the county by an individual was this year presented to Ian Powell in recognition of the extraordinary amount of work he achieves and does so exceptionally well with the utmost concern for the swimmers.

Thank you to everyone involved to make our 2013 Oxon and North Bucks County Championships the success they were.

Heather Patrick
March 2013

Treasurers Report - 26th March 2013

Income & Expense since last meeting

Exec Income and Spending, between 15/01/2013 and 26/03/2013

Category	Total
Income Categories	
Championships Income	£29,263.35
Sundry (Income)	£271.03
Total Income Categories	£29,534.38
Expense Categories	
Championships	£12,071.07
Gifts	£50.00
IT	£519.00
Sundry	£136.98
Expense - Unassigned	£0.00
Total Expense Categories	£12,777.05
Grand Total	£16,757.33

Net worth

Exec Net Worth, As of 26/03/2013

Account	Total
Bank and Cash Accounts	
Cash - Competition A/C	£81.46
Cash - General A/C	£153.20
Competition Account	£20,119.72
Creditors Account	-£7,080.30
Debtors Account	£0.00
General Account	£892.58
High Interest Business Account	£24,569.96
Net Worth as @ 26/3/13	£38,736.62
Championships outstanding invoice (Est)	£11,530.91
Net Worth as @ 31/3/13	£27,205.71

We also collected a total of £271.03 from the sales of finals start sheets this will be paid to Cancer Research. The above details the Net worth & income & expenditure since the last meeting.

Ian Powel, Treasurer, Oxon & North Bucks ASA

Swimming Secretaries Report – 26th March 2013

First off I would like to thank all the volunteers that helped out during the county championships as without their support we as a county would be unable to stage these championships.

During the championships the County purchased new PA equipment as the previous equipment held at Aqua Vale was unsuitable, this replacement equipment will now be stored off site.

This year we were streaming results to the website for all the gala's which apart from a few events not being posted proved very successful.

This year saw several records being broken and one British Record for Rosie Bancroft in the S10 class for 800m, unfortunately her 400m Freestyle was not ratified.

Attached is a draft breakdown for this year's County Championships, refunds are ready, will be handed out/posted out shortly. Estimates for Aqua Vale for £11530.91 are included in the figures, but it looks like the counties made approximately £6500 this year. This is an increase on last year with the majority of the increase due to increase spectator income.

Counties debrief meeting date to be advised, but it will be in the latter half of April, once date has been confirmed an e mail will be circulated amongst the clubs.

Finally I would like to thank Peter Shaw for taking on the role of promoter during the competition.

Ian Powell
Swimming secretary Oxon & North Bucks County ASA.

Competition Income and Spending

Between 01/04/2012 and
31/03/2013

Subcategory	Total
Income Categories	
Championships Income	
Admission Entries	£8,348.35
Age Group Entries-Individual	£17,550.00
Age Group Entries-Relays	£2,190.00
Age Groups Coaches Passes	£1,175.00
Photos Commission	£78.00
Sponsorship	£500.00
Total Championships Income	£29,841.35
Sundry (Income)	
Collection	£271.03
Total Sundry (Income)	£271.03
Total Income Categories	<u>£30,112.38</u>
Expense Categories	
Championships	
Catering	£170.50
Entry Refunds	£2,110.00
Hire Charges - Dance Studio	£156.56
Hire Charges - Pool	£798.00
Hire Charges - Pool (Estimate)	£11,530.91
Postage	£3.40
Printing-Copying	£2,302.80
Skins Prize Money	£220.00
Stationary	£146.57
Sundry	£298.21
Trophies	£5,865.03
Total Championships	£23,601.98
Expense - Unassigned	£0.00
Total Expense Categories	<u>£23,601.98</u>
Grand Total	<u>£6,510.40</u>

LONG COURSE

MEN

Junior

800 Free	Tom Flaherty	CMK	8.41.78	10/03/13	Leeds
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Open

50 Breast	Alex Murphy	AVSC	28.82	07/03/13	Leeds
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WOMEN

Junior & Open

50 Back	Shannon Motha	AVSC	31.36	09/02/13	Sheffield
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200 Back	Charlotte Evans	CMK	2.19.52	10/03/13	Leeds
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SHORT COURSE

MEN

Open

100 Breast	Alex Murphy	AVSC	1.01.49	16/03/13	Aylesbury
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400 IM	Joe Canlan-Shaw	COSC	4.24.70	17/02/13	Aylesbury
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WOMEN

Junior & Open

100 Back	Charlotte Evans	CMK	1.02.74	16/03/13	Aylesbury
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Junior

200 Free	Isobel Jones	CMK	2.03.25	16/03/13	Aylesbury
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400 Free	Isobel Jones	CMK	4.19.57	17/02/13	Aylesbury
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4 x 50 Free	City of Oxford		1.50.47	09/03/13	Aylesbury
	(Elizabeth Oliver , Isobel Meikle , Eleanor McNally , Lucy Smith)				

4 x 100 Free	City of Oxford		3.59.71	16/03/13	Aylesbury
	(Lucy Smith , Isobel Meikle , Emily Nisbet , Elizabeth Oliver)				

4 x 100 Medley	City of Milton Keynes		4.26.34	09/03/13	Aylesbury
	(Charlotte Evans , Merryn Odell , Bethany Barby , Isobel Jones)				

Open

200 Breast	Joss Ulyett	CMK	2.31.29	17/03/13	Aylesbury
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50 Fly	Joss Ulyett	CMK	28.48	09/03/13	Aylesbury
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100 Fly	Joss Ulyett	CMK	1.02.16	17/03/13	Aylesbury
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100 IM	Joss Ulyett	CMK	1.03.63	16/03/13	Aylesbury
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4 x 50 Free	City of Milton Keynes		1.47.34	10/03/13	Aylesbury
	(Natasha Pike , Joss Ulyett , Isobel Jones , Rebecca Marshall)				

4 x 100 Free	City of Milton Keynes		3.55.03	17/03/13	Aylesbury
	(Isobel Jones , Emily Jones , Joss Ulyett , Rebecca Marshall)				

COUNTY SYNCHRO REPORT MARCH 2013

Unfortunately I have to begin this report with the sad news that Janet Holdstock, SE Regional Synchro Manager passed away on the 13th March. Janet had been involved in swimming for many years and will be missed by friends from all disciplines.

On a cheerier note Witney swimmers attended the first running of the South East region Novice Competition at Farnborough on 16th March. All 9 swimmers performed well and for most it was their first ever competitive experience. Witney swimmers placed on the podium in every section.

A special mention should go to Fern Larsen and Annie Mclean for placing at their first competitions. Detailed results are shown below.

Last weekend 7 Witney swimmers attended a Skill assessment day at Reading. All did well with 6 swimmers passing their grades and the 7th narrowly failing on retakes. Full details are below.

Witney Synchro submitted their Swim21 accreditation but have not heard anything back yet.

Congratulations go to Genevieve Randall, 15, who started her synchro at Witney but currently swims for Bristol Central has now become a member of the Senior GB squad and has centralised at the HPC in Aldershot. She was one of 4, 15 year olds to win a place on the squad.

I have made further contacts with Henley Synchro who apparently have been without their regular pool for two months. I have encouraged them to push ahead with their team manager course and officials courses –I am hoping that they will be able to put forward some officials this year.

Mandy Fuller

Results in Full

Farnborough Comp:

Skill 0: 12& Under: 3rd Fern Larsen, 21st Ria Larsen, 24th Alice Travis , 28th Jacey Blake

Skill 0 13 & over: 3rd Annie Mclean

Skill 1 12 & Under: 3rd Maddison Squire, 13th Laura Turberville, 14th Libby Shaw

Skill 1 13 & Over: 2nd Eleanor Elder

Reading Skill Day

Skill 1 Pass: Laurence Boag-Matthews , Phoebe Muir, Caitlin Johns

Skill 2 Pass: Eloise Archer, Hannah Lonsdale, Olivia Hunt

Officials Secretary Report 26th March 2013

Mentoring and assessments are on-going, but still problems.

New Qualifications and Additional Qualifications since last executive meeting

(N) Judge Level 1 – Tracey Denton, Julie Kirk, Karen Neylon, Linda Currie, Andrew Nisbet

(A) Judge Level 2 – Siobhan Smith, Gerrard Saunders, Derek Moulder, Claire Wotherspoon

(A) Judge Level 2S – Andre Marshall

Well done to all.

Notification from ASA 31/1/13

Review being undertaken of ASA Handbook and Extracts of ASA Laws, to remove duplication.

As no changes have been made there will be no reprint of 2012 version which remains valid.

FINA congress meeting in July 2013, any changes decided will be published then will remain valid for 4 year period.

Speculation of change in FINA Rules re Breaststroke ! FINA Rules Update Sept 2013

British Swimming Workbooks to be reviewed and updated.

British Swimming Licensed Meets; There is a recommendation that the minimum level of qualification for a Level 3 Licensed Meet will be a **qualified timekeeper**.

Consultation exercise taking place to move the ASA Handbook and Extracts of the ASA Laws to electronic version (Referee will have to walk round poolside with an ipad)

League Gala's and Mentoring (minimum requirements)

League Galas are held under ASA Law and ASA Technical Rules, but there is an issue with the qualification of officials used.

National Arena League request competitions should run as a Licensed Level 2 (which has guidance)

But other League Galas are run as 'C' grade / unlicensed competitions. Teams are requested to supply 2 x Timekeepers and 1 x Judge but there is **NO** requirement for any of them to be qualified **JUST MEMBERS OF THE ASA**. This has led to some problematic situations, mainly nobody suitably qualified to act as a mentor.

ASA Guidance – Level 4 and unlicensed meets

The official acting as REFEREE should be a minimum qualification of Judge Level 2S

Minimum Officials

1 x Referee, 1 x Starter, 2 x Judge of Stroke, 2 x Finish Judge, 1 x Chief Timekeeper, 1 x Timekeeper per lane, Inspector of Turns 1 per two lanes at each end of the pool.

For mentoring to take place (as per the British Swimming Workbooks) the MENTOR MUST be an **experienced qualified official**. Unfortunately as this is not always the case it may therefore be that League Gala's will become unsuitable.

Forth Coming Courses

There will be a Judge Level 1 Course on April 7th (morning)

Contemporary Issues Seminar on April 7th (afternoon) for re-licensing

Judge Level 2 course on May 19th (morning)

FINA Rules Update on May 19th (afternoon) for re-licensing

Repeated in September with new Updates

Starter JL2(S) to Referee Seminar on June 2nd

At the moment the County has 18 qualified starters and 12 in training. This seminar is to give an insight of being the 'Referee'

County Championships

The County Championships ran very well with a full complement of officials for every session, thank you to all concerned. Over the Championship period of 18 galas, 76 officials gave their time, of which 29 had no child swimming, again thank you.

John Wilford

Hon: Officials Sec:

Oxon & North Bucks CASA