

SUSSEX COUNTY AMATEUR SWIMMING ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF SWIMMING COMMITTEE MEETING held on Wednesday 2nd April 2014 at 6.30pm at County Hall, Lewes

PRESENT: Mr P McCallum (Chairman), Mrs C Barber (President), Mrs M Tuppen (Hon Secretary), Mrs D Pickering (Swimming Secretary), Mr B DeVal (Development Secretary), Mrs C Hobbs (Welfare Officer), and elected members Mr B Smith, , Mr A Lobley, Mr P Blyth, Mrs K Woolliscroft,

APOLOGIES: Mr A Gimson (Vice President), Mr M Elliott (Treasurer), Mrs Pauline Draper (Disability), Mr P Williams, Mrs J White

Item No.		Action
10/2014	MINUTES OF MEETING held on 5 th February 2014 were signed as correct by the President.	
11/2014	MATTERS ARISING (Not covered by the Agenda) Development as published. Disability claim for lifeguard has been received and paid.	
12/2014	CHAMPIONSHIPS & AGE GROUPS 2014/2015 All results on the website. Not many hiccups. Brian DeVal told the meeting there have been 8000+ hits on the new website. Dominic Polling broke many County records. Brian DeVal asked if Daniel Brooke could get some recognition as he broke a junior championships record, but didn't win a championship. Margaret Tuppen said there should be a certificate for the record. Peter McCallum thought the championships went very well and only had to turn one unauthorized person off the poolside. Whips: we need to duplicate heat numbers signage so this can be displayed at two ends of the pool. It will mean another volunteer for this job. Medal Table: There was a problem with final results coming down late. The 2nd weekend was fine. Margaret Tuppen asked for a finals sheet with all the results, but was told the system cannot do this. Not all clubs collected their medals. We might need to revise the way of giving out medals next year. Brian DeVal sent the members of the swimming committee a list of all the comments from the website. This was not for discussion outside the committee. Ray Barber saw the list of comments and sent a complaint under the Data Protection. ASA legal department have been contacted and the advice was NOT to discuss item 3 at the meeting. We have to insure that the behaviour of officials, coaches and	MT

	swimmers is exemplary. Officials should be dealing with Health & Safety issues. The Event Manager & Swimming Secretary will have to try and avoid this issue happening again. Chris Hobbs asked about clarification as who is the Data Controller at the county.ASA as governing body are the Data Controller and the County has Data Processors The following items from the above mentioned list were discussed: Item 1: Programme is designed that way Item 2: Bagcats come from the heats and is a separate competitions within the counties Item 4: We have spoken about this before and if these volunteers weren't at the medal table, the medals would not be given out. They volunteer for this job and we would lose willing volunteers which will have to be replaced by others – we already have shortage of volunteers. Phil Williams has been helping at the table and hopefully can sort out a different system Item 5: Same programme as last year. Perhaps there is scope for a little tweak in the programme. Item 6: Same as Item 2 in most respects. Bagcats came from heats, so last sentence is incorrect. Item 7: Brian DeVal going back to the management at K2 about putting a frame around the vents, so that cold air can come out and the bags are raised. Secretary to write to K2 and ask for a formal reply as to why the temperature cannot be lowered. Item 8: Dealt with previously. Item 9: On behalf of the management committee Margaret Tuppen has apologised. All they want is an apology from Brian Smith. At Nationals & SER swimmers get fined if they DNS without formally withdrawing. Chris & Deedee to look at changing our conditions. Item 10: No comment needed Item 11: As Item 2 Item 12: Re parking – we never know what events go on at the same time at K2 and usually there are sign up on the A23. Item 13: Conditions for squads are published on the website. Item 14: They can strive for regions and nationals, but we need to improve standards in Sussex. Item 15: Thank you Item 16: As Chris said it is very difficult managing the list of officials, especially if some only want to do part of a session. If the swimming programme is changed, then this may not have any relevance in the future. I think most of us try and talk to all the	CH/DP DP DP DP
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	officials and there is certainly no “Top Table”. Item 17: Suggestion to go and sit at the back of the balcony. Item 18: OK thank you. Item 19: This is up to the clubs coaches and team managers to deal with. They have to make sure swimmers are in the whipping area on time. Item 20: We will try and get more volunteers, but regarding drinks only 4 clubs had been asked by Crawley. This will change next year when we have to organise the door and drinks as well. When sending out a request for volunteers to the clubs we received very few replies and most of those came from just 1 or 2 clubs. Item 21: OK – Thank you Item 22: We always try to give sufficient rest between events and will be looking James Nock’s email after the first Saturday was briefly discussed. It was considered childish by the people who it was sent to. Not everybody has seen it. Deedee to write to James and ask him for a copy of last year’s letter and who it was sent to. We will then discuss both letter and email at the next swimming committee. The result of the LC vote was: 10 for and 6 against. We will move ahead with LC championships in 2015 on dates similar to 2014. Application for L1 license to be made once everything has been arranged. Winter championships in 26October & 2 November + 100IM. AL, BS, PW & KW are on the subcommittee. Provisional bookings at Horsham have been made 26/10 & 2/11 and L3 license to be applied for, once the programme has been agreed. This will all be reviewed after a year.	DP
13/2014	RELAY & DEVELOPMENT GALAS 2014 (Short Course Winter Championships) Horsham is booked for 7th September 2014 for the relay gala. No need to license this gala. Winter championships discussed above.	
14/2014	SUSSEX SQUAD, INTER COUNTY AT SHEFFIELD & TRAINING Nigel to be asked for dates for trials for the Inter County. We will ask clubs swimmers to swim for places. Events will be as per Sheffield. MT told the meeting the hotel was booked. Possible date for Christ Hospital is 28th May. Uptake for lanes this week at K2 has not been good, so 2 clubs have an extra lane. Brighton 2 Atlantis	

	Hailsham Littlehampton 2 Eastbourne Shiverers might like the spare lane. Next event will 5th July. Carol Barber asked for an Olympic Swimmer to take the training i.o. their own coaches. But this is what we have for the Elite training day and is very costly.	
15/2014	VOLUNTEER CPD DAY2014 The Safeguarding & Time to Listen workshops will be at Dorothy Stringer School, Brighton	
16/2014	BUDGET & DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2014/15 Budget has already been approved	
17/2014	DISABILITY SWIMMING No report received before the meeting.	
18/2014	ANY OTHER BUSINESS It was agreed that the Conditions group will meet with the subcommittee to discuss the championships and any conditions that will need to be changed. Andy Lobley asked if management could please reconsider having food for the coaches as some leftover food was probably thrown away. The coaches would like to quickly grab a coffee and sandwich and talk to some of the other coaches. Brian Smith sent an email on 21st March re organising a truncated team gala – 2 heats & 2 age groups in long course pool. Brian DeVal suggested there was not enough time to organise something like that, but look at 2015/16 season. Deedee produced a copy of the printed version of the county programme, which had some strange things on them. Brian DeVal to check what he sent to the printers. Chris said that Peter Wright was going for his referee's exam in May.	

DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS:

25th June, 20th Aug, 1st Oct & 3rd Dec 2014 – Brian DeVal to book room

The meeting closed at 8.55pm

Signed dated