

NORFOLK COUNTY A.S.A.
Executive Committee Meeting – 2 June 2010 – Hewett School

PRESENT M Watkins (Chairman & Hon. Secretary), K Belton, (Hon. Treasurer), A. Smith (Hon. Asst. Secretary), Mrs D Applegate, Ms D De Cruz, C Galer, G Garner, P Kendall, J MacDonald, S Murray, Mrs M Tallowin, J Toll, Mrs D Webster

19. APOLOGIES Mrs J Andrews (President), Miss K Bull, J Peggall, J Rose, K Rumsey

20. MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD ON 2 MARCH 2010

Agreed as a true record.

21. MATTERS ARISING

The Secretary still has to contact Kevin Wray about him attending a Norfolk ASA meeting to discuss developments in East Region. He will try to establish exactly what matters that he wishes to address. It was not thought that arranging a separate meeting would attract sufficient support.

22. CORRESPONDENCE

The Secretary summarised a list of items that had been received, some of which had been circulated to clubs or passed on to the appropriate officers.

The East Region chairman had requested a list of county representatives who should attend appropriate East Region discipline sub committees. Apart from the Board members from Norfolk (C Galer and K Belton), Stewart Murray was our elected representative on the Management Board. Discipline sub committee members would be Mrs S Lelean (Masters), P Kendall (Open Water), Mrs M Tallowin (Synchro), K Hall (Water Polo) and A Smith (Officials). Representatives are needed for the Swimming and Disability sub committees, and there is no Diving in Norfolk. The Secretary will advise East Region accordingly and provide contact details. It was noted that, in the absence of nominated officers, substitutes may attend sub committee meetings.

23. TREASURERS REPORT

The accounts as at 31 May showed income of £28974 and expenditure of £23126 giving a surplus on the year to date of £5848. Funds totalled £35643. The accounts showed an improved position against the estimated budget at this time. However bills for pool hire in respect of the County Relay and County Master's galas have yet to be received. All clubs had paid their county affiliation fees.

The Treasurer has established where the valuable trophies can be valued and this is in hand.

24. CURRENT SWIMMERS' ACHIEVEMENTS

None reported.

25. MINUTES TO NOTE

Competitions Sub Committee: 20 April 2010

Minutes noted.

The closing date for entries to the County Challenge Gala has been altered to 4 June due to the late distribution of entry forms.

26. REPORTS

Norfolk Junior League UEA City of Norwich 'B' had won the Copeman Cup and West Norfolk SC had won the Christine Clark Cup. The League AGM takes place on Tuesday 15 June (Room A17, Hewett School, Norwich) and some of the problems experience in 2010 (e.g. chronic overcrowding, late withdrawal of teams) will be discussed.

Facilities No report.

Officials Examinations. One further official successfully completed the JL2(S) Starter course and several JL1 and JL2 courses candidates had qualified following assessments at the County Championships. Keith Belton has been running courses for Young Timekeepers during the East Region championship galas at the UEA Sportspark. JL1 courses are about to commence in Dereham and Downham Market, and a JL2 course commenced in May in Great Yarmouth. A further

JL2(S) Starter course is also due to take place this month at Wymondham. Several Norfolk officials are currently attending courses organised by Chris Galer in readiness for the Referee exam at the end of the year.

It was reported that a number of persons from a new club had requested to be mentored at a recent gala. It was pointed out that only those who are currently on officials courses are to be mentored at galas (though there is no objection to newcomers 'trying their hands' at timekeeping at local club galas prior to starting on courses). Entries for courses (using the form on the web site) need to be submitted via the clubs to the Regional Organiser, Dave Metcalf, 3 Farsands, Oakley, Bedford, MK43 7SJ. (Tel: 01234 825289).

It is understood that funds are available from Active Norfolk for officials' courses but no details have been provided yet so any applications for funding should be referred to the Treasurer.

Officials Liaison Officials are needed for the County Challenge gala sessions on 20 and 27 June. Please contact Graham Garner (01603 411585). There had been a very disappointing turnout of officials for the County Masters gala in May which almost caused the cancellation of the gala.

Masters The Norfolk County Masters & Open Championships at the UEA Sportspark on Saturday 22 May was said to have been enjoyable. The East Region Masters & Senior Age Group Championships are on 2 October and the East Region Inter County Team Gala is on 21 November. Both will take place at Newmarket.

Synchro Norwich Synchro are taking part in competitions in Derbyshire and in Leeds. The possibility of another development day is being explored. There are currently no East Region Synchro Championships.

Water Polo Norfolk competed in the East Region men's inter county water polo tournament held in Watford. The team lost 2-3 to Herts, then lost 3-11 to Essex and so failed to qualify for the semi finals. They lost 5-8 to Suffolk in the 'gallant losers' game.

Open Water East Region's open water championships are at Whitlingham Broad on Sunday 18 July. As the event is also used as the Norfolk Open Water Championships, an administration fee of £25 needs to be paid to East Region before the event.

Disabled Swimming Kay Starling has resigned as the County's Disability Swimming Liaison Officer and a replacement is being sought.

Education Danielle De Cruz asked about the need for coaching courses leading to Level 1 and Level 2 qualifications. She will circulate details to clubs and ask for their requirements. She will then organise the required courses. Funding is available.

Records No report.

Trophies No report.

East Region A report was given verbally setting out the main matters emanating from recent East Region board meetings. The development of county conferences is being encouraged and will be supported by East Region personnel. The idea was welcomed if suitable interesting topics are included and sufficient support is expressed - but an organiser will be required. Targets for the number of young aquatics (including young timekeepers) are being exceeded.

County Development No Swimming Action Group meeting has been held recently.

Handbook & Web site The 2010 handbook was published at the end of March. The web site has been much improved with data being added to it very promptly.

Child Protection & Welfare The East Region Welfare Officers' Day on Sunday 18 April was well attended.

Press & PR Several photos have appeared in the local press following the County Championships and the County Junior League Final but more details of the swimmers and the results would be welcomed.

Membership No report.

27. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was none.

The next meeting of the County Executive will take place on **Thursday 2 September 2010** at Hewett School (Room A17).