



NORFOLK COUNTY ASA

Executive Committee Meeting –Wednesday 2nd June 2021

PRESENT: K Rumsey (Chairman), K Belton (Treasurer), Mrs K Woodhouse (Secretary), Mrs J Bussey (North Norfolk Vikings), C Galer (Officials Training), Mrs J Kendall (Open Water), P Kendall (Past President), A Lelean (Website), S Murray (Past President), I Patterson (City of Norwich), S Riches (Norwich Swan), A Smith (Past President), Mrs T Spinner (City of Norwich),

19. APOLOGIES: G Applin (President), Mrs D Barrett (Trophies), R Barrett (Records), Mrs S Buchan (North Norfolk Vikings), Mrs C Fasey (Thetford), S Fasey (Welfare Officer), Mrs J Grimes (Diss Otters), L Harvey (Championship Secretary), M Ogden (Dereham), D Peck (Development), Mrs C Rose (President Elect), S Rose (West Norfolk),

20. MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD ON 3rd March 2021

The minutes were amended as follows and accepted as a true record:

15. Swimmers and Members Achievements. Delete “Jacqui and Paul Kendall have been appointed as Open Water FINA Referees.” Jacqui has been reappointed for a second four year block but Paul has already served for a maximum eight years.

21. MATTERS ARISING

None.

22. CORRESPONDENCE

Swim England East Region – notification of a County Chairs and Secretaries Forum on 9th June which K Rumsey and K Woodhouse hope to attend.

Pat Hollis (Past President) – sad news that Kay Starling (Past President and GYSC), has died following a short illness. Funeral details were subsequently circulated. The County sent a £30 donation to the Sheringham RNLI in recognition of Kay’s many years of exemplary service on behalf of NCASA. The officers proposed that in future on the death of a past president (when we know about it) a donation should be made to that person’s nominated good cause. The meeting agreed that this would be a fitting tribute and £30 was seen as a suitable amount.

Richard Every (County Coach) – tendering his resignation as County Coach.

23. TREASURER’S REPORT

The balance sheet had been circulated in advance of the meeting.

A Smith asked about the Development budget overspend. This was attributed to the cost of the webinar series which had not been anticipated at the start of the financial year. Similarly Sundry Expenses far exceeded the set budget because it included further affiliation rebates to clubs.

24. CURRENT SWIMMERS’ and MEMBERS’ ACHIEVEMENTS

Olivier Vedrenne – set a new SEER Jnr Men’s 200m Breaststroke record.

Jessica-Jane Applegate – represented Team GB in the European Para Championships in Madeira winning 4 gold medals.

Olivier Vedrenne and **Molly Monk** were accepted for the British Swimming Glasgow Meet, which includes the European Junior Trials.

Stewart Murray (pool) and **Jacqui Kendall** (open water) who represented British Swimming as technical officials at the LEN European Aquatics Championships in Budapest.

Congratulations to all.

25. FUTURE ACTIVITIES

County Open Water Training is being offered by **Simon Edwards** at Whitlingham on Sunday mornings.

Proposed dates are: **13th, 20th, 27th June** at 8:30-10:30am and **11th July** at 10-11:30am. (6th June was considered too soon to arrange effectively but further dates could be added later). A fee of £5 per swimmer per session will be charged and collected on the day (£5 notes only). **Paul Kendall** to provide a risk assessment,

including COVID measures as soon as possible if we are to proceed. The Secretary will notify clubs of the proposed dates and ask that swimmers are made aware of the opportunity.

Open Water Officials Courses cannot take place at present as they require face to face training. With minimal competition, mentoring cannot take place either. Anyone who is interested in training as an OW official should contact the Secretary.

The **County Championships Working Party** will meet on Thursday 17th June to discuss what the 2022 Championships might look like. The Championship Secretary has already sought and received feedback from the coaches on what they would like to see for next year. Following this meeting a date for a Competitions Sub-Committee meeting will be set.

26. REPORTS

Open Water: The East Region event at Whitlingham on 18th July has been cancelled. Norfolk open water training will go ahead (see above). Details of the Swim England Open Water Festival this summer, have yet to be released. Jacqui Kendall attended the LEN European Aquatics Championships as a technical official.

Volunteers Coordinator: The inaugural meeting took place on 28th April 2021. Key subjects covered:

- Volunteering in COVID – numbers increased due to volunteers stepping up a COVID officers.
- Broad discussion on challenges being faced by clubs.
- List of Volunteer contact points for members at each club to liaise with if they are interested in specifics.
- WNSC and Loddon White Dolphins provided excellent guidance on fundraising.
- CONSC shared details of session led by Swim England on Return to Competitive Swimming.

There were no job descriptions to share with the group at the time but the Secretary has since contacted previous Incumbents of the roles we require and all have agreed to provide an outline description. Chris Searle has also agreed to provide a list of duties undertaken when he was County Coach. **C Galer** is liaising with Suffolk ASA who are in the process of updating their job descriptions. **T Spinner** to look at putting together some job descriptions ready for the next volunteers' forum on 30th June.

Records: Although Olivier Vedrenne has set a new SEER record, under current NCASA rules he cannot claim the equivalent County record as the time trial in which it was set was neither advertised nor open to the public. CoNSC were invited to submit the record request to **R Barrett** who, as Records Officer, would be asked to feedback to the Secretary within 21 days.

Development: The second round of development webinars had been well received with positive feedback from clubs. The talk by elite GB swimmer James Guy was particularly enjoyable.

27. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Competitions sub-committee: a date for the next meeting has yet to be set. A meeting will be called when there is clear guidance from Swim England as to when and how competitions will resume.
- There will be a refresher for County officials before the return to competition.
- Newly appointed FINA Referee, Stewart Murray, thanked the county's experienced referees for their training and support over the last few years.

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 1st September 2021. In order for the financial statement to be prepared at the end of the month, the Treasurer requested that future meetings dates be arranged for slightly later in the following month.

AGM: Wednesday 24th November 2021
Competitions Sub-Committee: TBC

All meetings will be held remotely via Zoom.