

## BRIGHTON DOLPHIN SWIMMING CLUB.

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> July, 2007 in the Activity Room, Prince Regent Complex Brighton at 7.30pm.

### PRESENT.

Mr.Neil Davies, Chairperson

Mrs V. Potter, President.

Mesdames Smith, Taylor, Naish, Hayes, Gill, Freestone and Simmonds.

Messrs. Anson and Gargan

### MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2007, previously circularised were signed as a correct record. It was noted that there had been an omission from Correspondence. This letter was from Brighton Swimming Club thanking us for the use of Brighton College on a Friday night during the closure of Prince Regent when their Master swimmers had joined with ours.

### MATTERS ARISING

Under Matters Arising, the Objectives meeting was still outstanding.

Under Chairperson's Report, nothing had come of sharing with Phoenix Athletic club at Brighton College on a Friday and it was thought that this session is not viable at present. It was agreed to cease the hire and maybe try again in September, after the school holidays.

Under AOB , the signs for the changing village had been prepared.

### EXECUTIVE MEETINGS

There had been a meeting to discuss whether a pool clock could be purchased and this has been duly ordered from Swim Shop. To date, it had not yet arrived.

### CORRESPONDENCE including apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Linda Doidge, Paul Harris and Ian Thompson.

1) Letter from South East Region advising of the Annual Council Meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> September, followed by an Awards and Dinner/Dance at the Grange Hotel, Bracknell.

### CHAIRPERSON 'S REPORT

Paul McGowan had expressed a wish to return and it was agreed that we would require an official letter from the ASA stating that they approve.

Mr. Davies advised that he thought that Shiverers might be open to joining the City Swim Squad and this would be discussed at a forthcoming committee meeting of said Squad.

### TREASURERS REPORT

Membership stands at 233 compared with 288 for this time last year which is only 50 down.

Income from Prince Regent and King Alfred was £9849 against pool hire of £5658

Income from Brighton College was £2317 against pool hire of £3300.

Registration fees of £1686 had been paid to the ASA.

It was agreed that as from September, the junior entrance fee should be increased from £1.80 to £2.

## DIRECTOR OF SWIMMING REPORT

The NPTS is coming to the end of the year and awards for long distance badges would be competed for on July 8<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>.

Membership for the Learn to Swim section has been closed as the classes are overcrowded. There were problems with mixed abilities and continuity. This is a difficult problem to overcome as swimmers do not attend each week and neither do some of the teachers. It was discussed at length and the general feeling was that maybe the 6 lanes in the main pool need not have one teacher per lane which would free a teacher to help with the learners.

There had been a Funding Workshop which had been attended by Pauline Freestone, Audrey Taylor and Margaret Simmonds. They were advised that there is plenty of funding available providing the wording of the application is done correctly. If anyone has any ideas of anything for which we may require funding, please let Pauline know. It was agreed that the prizegiving afternoon should be held again in November at the same venue.

## MASTERS REPORT

The Handicap Points Cup was fairly successful with swimmers enjoying the competition.

Neil Davies and Pauline Freestone had competed at the National Masters in Manchester and Pauline had attained 1 silver and 1 bronze medal and Neil had received 3 bronzes. Congratulations were extended.

At the recent Sussex Masters in Horsham, Pauline had broken the County record for 50 metres freestyle and 100 metres freestyle. Neil had broken the County record for 50 metres breaststroke.

John McGrath had recently competed at High Wycombe and had attained a national Top Ten ranking (which enables him to enter any pool in the country for free)

## LEARN TO SWIM.

Mrs. Potter advised that she would not be standing as Secretary at the AGM. The meeting thanked her for all her hard work over the 27 years.

## GALA & SWIMMING

Tom Anson had recently competed in the Regional championships and had attained 9<sup>th</sup> place in 200 metres backstroke.

At the recently Ringer gala we had competed with a team of only 14 and it was thought that if our team was not strengthened by October, we would have to consider withdrawing from the gala.

4 swimmers had recently competed at the Leatherhead Open.

## SYNCHRO

Mrs. Doidge reported that most of the section was working hard and were at present at a competition in Germany.

## TROPHY

It was agreed that from the "redundant" Diving Trophies, 2 be allocated to the new Masters Points Cup Competitions. Margaret Gill would see which ones were the most suitable.

## ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There being no other business, the next meeting was arranged for Wednesday, September 26<sup>th</sup> 2007, and the meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

