

BRIGHTON DOLPHIN SWIMMING CLUB.

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, 6th September 2006 in the Activity Room, Prince Regent Complex Brighton at 7.30pm.

PRESENT.

Mr. Neil Davies, Chairperson

Mrs V. Potter, President.

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

Messrs. Anson, Gargan and Harris.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 21st June, 2006 previously circularised were signed as a correct record.

MATTERS ARISING

Under Director of Swimming, Suzanna had now left us.

Under Learn to Swim, the flyer had produced no volunteers.

EXECUTIVE MEETINGS

There had been no meetings.

CORRESPONDENCE including apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Mesdames Gill and Searle and Mr. Farrell.

1) Letter of resignation from Hilary Knott, our Diving Secretary due to pressure of work and the fact that our diving facilities were disappearing in the New Year. It was agreed to invite her to our Awards afternoon in November and to present her with something for her hard work.

CHAIRPERSON 'S REPORT

Mr. Davies reported that the pool would be closing for a period of 3 months when the diving boards would be removed and a movable floor installed in the diving pit.

There was also work to alter the facilities for changing into a "village".

Paul McGowan, our coach, has unfortunately had to resign due to personal problems.

TREASURERS REPORT

Membership stands at 301 with 106 first time members as against 266 members last year, resulting in an increase of almost £1000 in subscriptions.

Despite losses at Surrenden and Brighton College, overall takings over hire charges resulted in a profit of approximately £600.

New medals had to be purchased at a cost of £1339 and also tshirts for helpers but still a profit of about £1374 was made over the year.

ASA registration fees have increased by 75p for Category 1 and 50p for Category 2 to £4.25 and £17.50 respectively. Category 3 remains at £2.

South East Region fee has increased by £2.50 to £3 per member and there will also be a Sussex County fee of 50p per member for the first time this year.

This means that a total of £7.75 of the subscription fee will need to be paid to ASA, South East and Sussex, i.e. £4.25, £3.00 and 50p. for "ordinary members".

It was agreed to increase our subscription fees from £22 to £24 for adult members, from £18 to £20 for junior members, from £11 to £13 for under fives and for the associate fee of £6 to remain the same.

Mr. Davies had recently completed a National Level 3 course at a cost of £350 and

Mrs. Taylor proposed that the club contribute £150 of this. Seconded by Mrs. Simmonds. Agreed.

DIRECTOR OF SWIMMING REPORT

Mrs. Freestone advised that the annual audit for Swim 21 is due on 3rd October 2006. She would soon be contacting the teachers with regard to the next stage of NPTS Under Rule 4.6, it was proposed by Mr. Davies and seconded by Mrs. Taylor, that Pauline Freestone be elected to the position of Director of Swimming for a further year. Agreed.

MASTERS REPORT

10 swimmers had competed at the Sussex County Masters competition in June attaining 15 gold, 7 silver and 3 bronze medals. County records were achieved as follows: Jose Adam – Ladies 65-69 50m and 100m backstroke and 100m freestyle. Audrey Taylor – Ladies 70-74 100m breaststroke. Andy Farrell – Mens 25-29 100m butterfly and 100m freestyle.

National Masters will be at Sheffield over the last weekend in October and closing date for entries is 19th September. Mr. Davies has invited any Brighton Swimming Club swimmers who might compete to form a relay team under City of Brighton and Hove Squad.

LEARN TO SWIM.

Mrs. Freestone advised that she was hoping to restructure the teaching in the learners pool since we had 2 new adults who had shown interest in teaching, namely Ruby ? and Ron Hill.

GALA & SWIMMING

There was a 11/12 girls team being entered in the forthcoming Relay gala at Eastbourne on 10th September and 6 swimmers entered in the Brighton Open meet on 23rd September.

Future dates for the diary are the Eastbourne Open on 15th October, a team gala at Lewes on 7th October and the last of our Club Championships on 26th September.

SOCIAL

The profits on sweets this year is £265.45.

TROPHY

A request was made for return of all club trophies in order that they may be engraved and cleaned.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- a) Mrs. Freestone asked if she could introduce a speed badge scheme and this was agreed considering the distance badge scheme had proved to be so successful.
- b) A sub-committee was formed to cater at the forthcoming AGM of the County when Mrs. Simmonds would be installed as President. This consists of Mrs. Freestone, Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Potter, Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Simmonds.

The AGM was arranged for 7.30pm on Wednesday 29th November, 2006 at the Prince Regent complex

The meeting closed at 8.50pm with a vote of thanks to the Chair.