

Subject to approval at the next swimming committee

Hertfordshire Amateur Swimming Association Swimming Committee

Minutes of the meeting held at the Welwyn Civic Centre, 9 January 2014, at 8pm

Present: Caroline Holt (CH), Mark Horrod (MH), Karen Huckle (KH), Deborah Huggett (DH), Graham Huggett (GH), Ian Mackenzie (IM), Sheila Mackenzie (SM), Derek Milton (DM), Barbara Scorer (BS), Bryan Thompson (BT),

S14/01 Apologies for absence: Grant Chivers (GC), Derek Hughes (DH), Marilyn Hughes (MJH), Su Tysoe (ST)

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting

S14/02 – The minutes of the previous meeting are deemed as accurate.

2. Matters arising.

S14/03 There are a couple of changes to the Committee this year, MJH has moved from the Swimming Committee to the Workforce Development Committee, we wish her well and DH & GH have joined the Committee.

S14/04 (S13/41/31) Stanborough Festival is on for 2014 – the date has been set for the 25 May. Hercules run the Open Water Swimming as a Triathlon event with swimmers wearing wetsuits etc, BT to talk to them to run this as an Herts ASA Open Water event with swimmers wearing costumes. SM to look up ASA Laws re open water
BT to contact ST to contact Hercules and incorporate in the Open Water calendar.

4. Masters update

S14/05 No update at present. The Herts Masters has been booked for 21 June 2014 at The Venue.

5. Competition Update

5.1 BAGCATS/County Championships

S14/06 The Pools have been booked and the entry times are out. An Events Management Meeting needs to be booked in for the next week – 16 January.
U13 Relays to be swum early Saturday evening, information to go out on the Website as soon as poss.
There will be generic emails for everyone involved in organising the event.
BT has emailed LH to put the relays into Hytek, however LH is awaiting the new licence.
The covering letter states that the eligibility of the swimmer that all swimmers to be members of clubs by the closing date ie 7 February 2014.

BT to talk to the screen man re coverage at this years event and possibility of bigger screens, had also thought about maybe dropping cameras in the water – this may not be feasible for BAGATS as it could turn into a child protection issue.

The Hytek licence has been applied for however, Hytek have come back asking for dates of all the competitions that we wish use the licence for, we can have up to 4 events.

5.2 Development Meet

S14/07 – 16 November, 1 day event to be held at The Venue.

5.3 Daplyn Meet

S14/08 – 6 December, also to be held at The Venue.

Info packs for both events to be set during the Event Management Meetings.

6. BAGCAT Development Day 2014

S14/09 Following on from the Coaches Meeting at Regionals 2013, BT would like to expand this into a series of 5 or 6 ½ day sessions throughout the year. If the swimmers want to come to the last session they have to have been to at least 3 of the 5 sessions. To use Herts Coaches to run the events, Senior Coaches to set the day, then under the guidance of the Senior Coaches, the Junior Coaches to help deliver the day. Need someone from the Committee to organise and manage these sessions from the outset. This could be an issue as there are a lack of weekends available and most of the coaches are coaching several sessions most weekends.

IM/BT to talk to the Coaches at Monday's Coaches Forum.

7. Officials Update

S14/10 – this will disappear from agenda as will now come under the WDC.

8. Open Water Update

S14/11 No update

9. Development Plan

S14/12 – the plan was discussed and two points came out

- a) New column to show how much of the budget has been spent
- b) Item 2 (2.1 & 2.2) to come off the plan and move to WDC.

10. AOB

S14/13 – IM has issued dates for the following:

Herts Conference 21/22 Feb at the HSV

Team Manager 1 Course 22 Feb

Team Manager 2 Course 18 Feb

The courses are being organised by WDC and any support would be welcomed by DM.

All disciplines to advise IM of their requirements for Polo Shirts and Hats with plenty of notice – currently this is not being done.

S14/14 BT spoke to Lesley at Sportstek with regards to a upgrade and was quoted the full price. Hytek are now saying that the affiliates should display the logo on their website in order for clubs to get the reduced rate.

The licence for the County is currently \$250 for the upgrade each year. IM would like us to think about a move to Sportsys?

S14/15 BT pointed out to DH & GH that swimming had got into the habit of regurgitating the same events year on year and need t to look at new initiatives, however IM & KH pointed out that yes they are the same events but are being tweaked every time they are run.