



# Essex Swimming League



Affiliated to London Region ASA



## Annual General Meeting 2011

Held on the 3 August 2011 at Basildon Sporting Village, Cranes Farm Road, Basildon, Essex

The Chairman opened the meeting and thanked everyone for coming. The meeting commenced at 19.05.

### Attendees:

M Westwood (Becontree S.C), S Turner & H McLaughlin (Dunmow Atlantis S.C), E Beager (Eltham Stingrays S.C), T Scott (Harlow Penguins S.C), B Carver (Hornchurch S.C), S Westwood (Leyton S.C), R Jupp (Newham S.C), A Mullender (Basildon & Phoenix S.C), D Drake (Rochford S.C) & B Kapp (Waltham Forest S.C)

### Apologies:

Becontree S.C, Braintree S.C, Halstead S.C, Harwich S.C, Killerwhales S.C and Leyton S.C.

### Applications from clubs who wish to join the league:

It was stated that Dunmow Atlantis S.C and Harlow Penguins S.C wanted to join the league for the 2011/2012 season. It was proposed by S Westwood seconded by R Jupp and all agreed they would be happy to accept these clubs into the league.

S Westwood then welcomed Dunmow Atlantis S.C and Harlow Penguins S.C who were attending their first meeting.

### Minutes of previous meeting:

The minutes of the previous AGM were read out by S Westwood.

It was proposed by R Jupp seconded by B Carver that the minutes of the previous meeting were approved. All agreed.

### Matters arising:

Licensing of the league was investigated by the sub committee and it was decided this would be too difficult to do at this time especially as the rules around licensing are likely to be changing.

Basildon and Phoenix S.C have now completed their merger and have decided to only enter one team in the league this year.

### Treasurer report:

A statement of the accounts is attached. B Kapp stated that the affiliation fee for 2011/12 should remain at £50 per club but said it may have to rise next year due to the rise in pool cost. It was said that there is a healthy balance in the bank account. The meeting then approved the accounts.

### Results of the 2010/2011 competition:

The results of the year's competition were read out.

Winners of each division are as follows:

Division 1 – Romford Town S.C

Division 2 - Canvey Island S.C

Division 3 – Killerwhales S.C

Division 4 - Edmonton Phoenix S.C

### **Election of the officers and committee:**

Chairman	S Westwood
Vice Chairman	R Jupp
Treasurer	B Kapp
Secretary	M Westwood
Executive	A Mullender, B Carver, D Drake and E Beager

### **2010/2011 competition:**

A letter of resignation had been received from Dagenham S.C which was duly accepted by the meeting but with much regret. The letter detailing their decision was read out to the meeting.

A letter from Becontree S.C was read out regarding their move to form a new club. The new club will be called Barking & Dagenham Aquatics S.C. It was stated in the letter that the new club would still like to take part in the league this season and as such the meeting decided that as Becontree S.C are already in division 4 (The division any new club would be placed in) this would not be a problem to the league if this change happens during this years competition.

### **Divisions:**

#### **Division 1**

Basildon & Phoenix S.C  
Braintree S.C  
Canvey Island S.C  
Rochford S.C  
Romford Town S.C  
Runnymede S.C

#### **Division 2**

Halstead S.C  
Hornchurch S.C  
Killerwhales S.C  
Newham S.C  
Witham Dolphins S.C

#### **Division 3**

Clacton S.C  
Edmonton Phoenix S.C  
Harwich S.C  
Leyton S.C  
Waltham Forest S.C

#### **Division 4**

Barking & Dagenham Aquatics S.C\*  
Dunmow Atlantis S.C\*  
Eltham Stingrays S.C  
Epping Forest S.C  
Harlow Penguins S.C\*  
Havering Dolphins S.C

\* New Club

### **Dates:**

#### **Divisions 1**

22 October 2011  
14 January 2012  
17 March 2012  
19 May 2012

#### **Divisions 2**

19 November 2011  
21 January 2012  
24 March 2012  
26 May 2012

#### **Divisions 3**

19 November 2011  
14 January 2012  
24 March 2012  
19 May 2012

#### **Divisions 4**

22 October 2011  
21 January 2012  
17 March 2012  
26 May 2012

**Rule changes:**

The following proposed additions to the rules were presented to the meeting (references to rules number in bracket)

1. Any club wishing to add to the A.G.M agenda must do so no later than 4 weeks before the date of the A.G.M (3)
2. Failure to pay these invoices may result in the matter being club being referred to the ASA (13)

There was some discussion about the changes to rule (13) in regards to every club being required to pay a deposit of £100 (due to a matter that had arisen before this A.G.M and was dealt with by the executive committee) to cover any fines that they may incur during the season. It was felt by the majority of the meeting that this was not required and that the above change would be enough.

**Open forum:**

It was suggested by R Jupp that the winning clubs from each division should sign for the trophies as it is becoming difficult to locate where they are at the end of the season. It was further stated that the trophies should also be returned a month before the last gala so they can be presented to the winning clubs at the final gala of the season. B Carver said she would be willing to take on ensuring that all trophies were returned each year.

B Kapp talked about the purchase of some addition starting equipment and proposed that 1 starting box, 2 stands and 2 microphones be purchased by the League so that all league galas had the correct starting equipment. He also said that he was investigating the purchase of a PA system that could be used at pools where either a PA system was not available or was ineffective. D Drake said that his club had a very good one and he would let B Kapp have the details. It was agreed by all that these purchases be made as they would enhance the galas.

E Beager asked if this year Eltham's pool could be used to host a gala. A discussion followed regarding venues to be used and it was decided not to use Fullwell Cross or Loughton this coming season for various reasons. B Kapp stated that he would look into the possibility of using Eltham, Basildon and Harlow pools as well as the pools that were used last year minus the exclusions detailed above.

The pack and the running of a league gala was explained to Dunmow Atlantis S.C and Harlow Penguins S.C as they may need to co host a gala this season even though there new to the league..

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 21.00hrs.