



Essex Swimming League



Affiliated to London Region ASA



Annual General Meeting 2016

Held on the 9th October 2016 at Basildon Sporting Village, Cranes Farm Road, Basildon, Essex

The chairman opened the meeting and thanked everyone for coming. The meeting commenced at 10.05.

Attendees:

M Westwood & J George (Barking & Dagenham Aquatics S.C), C Marshall & A Mullender (Basildon & Phoenix S.C), C Stevens & J Stroud (Brentwood S.C), H McLaughlin & D Tucker (Dunmow Atlantis S.C), C Adcroft & L Wiles (Harwich S.C), F Gold (Hornchurch S.C), S Westwood (Leyton S.C), C Ellis (Runnymede S.C), S Haynes (Saffron Seals S.C), S Wood (Witham S.C)

Apologies:

B Craver (Hornchurch S.C) & Paul Norris (Leyton S.C).

Minutes of previous meeting:

The minutes of the previous AGM were circulated by M Westwood.
It was proposed by L Wiles, seconded by H McLaughlin that the minutes of the previous meeting were approved. All agreed.

Matters arising:

None.

Treasurer report:

A statement of the accounts is attached. A Mullender reported that there had been a small loss in funds this year (£105) due to the reduction of clubs taking part and the fact there had been no fines issued. The takings on the door at the Division 1 galas remain good although the other divisions were taking slightly less over the past few years. J Chan (Harlow Town S.C) had emailed S Westwood; his email was read out explaining that Harlow Town S.C had concluded discussions with the pool operator over arrangements in regards to their payment of VAT on bookings. The league had always got Harlow Town S.C to make the booking on our behalf but this was no longer going to be possible. A Mullender said that he was happy to speak to the pool regarding this and see if we can reach our own agreement with the operator.

The chairman expressed her thanks to Andy for his hard work as Treasurer.

The accounts were proposed by S Wood, seconded by L Wiles. All agreed.

Results of the 2015/2016 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 - Epping Forest S.C

Division 3 - Saffron Seals S.C

2016/2017 competition:

Canvey Island S.C, Chelmsford S.C, Epping Forest S.C, Halstead S.C & Newham & UEL S.C have resigned from the league.

Emails were read out from all clubs which gave their reasons for withdrawing. L Wiles again voiced her concerns that we need to be careful of clubs withdrawing from the league to enable them to come back into the league in a lower division. S. Westwood explained that he didn't feel this was the case but yes we had to be mindful of this possibility but it would be virtually impossible to prove.

Applications from clubs who wish to join the league:

It was stated that Barking and Dagenham Aquatics wanted to re-join the league for the 2016/2017 season and Brentwood S.C and Runnymede S.C wish to join the league. It was proposed by A Mullender seconded by L Wiles and all agreed they would be happy to accept these clubs into the league.

M Westwood then welcomed the new clubs to their first meeting.

Formulate 2016/2017 divisions:

The result of the survey, which was sent out prior to the AGM, was read out.

1. Number of Divisions:

- (a) Two Divisions - 6
- (b) Three Divisions - 3

Therefore the majority wanted the two divisions.

Also it was stated by M Westwood that as there were only 14 clubs competing this year it would be better to have 2 divisions as it would make a better competition and atmosphere for the swimmers and spectators.

It was proposed by C Marshall seconded by H McLaughlin and all agreed.

2. Format:

- (a) Stay with current format - 5
- (b) Adopt a format where all teams are mixed across four galas to achieve a final ranking - 3
- (c) Adopt a new format where the top and bottom 2 clubs are switched after each gala - 1

Therefore the majority wanted to stay with the current format.

It was proposed by S Westwood seconded by S Wood 12 agreed 1 abstained.

After looking at last years results these are the two divisions:

Division 1

Basildon & Phoenix S.C
Braintree & Bocking S.C
Dunmow Atlantis S.C
Harlow S.C
Romford S.C
Saffron Seals S.C
Witham Dolphins S.C

Division 2

Barking and Dagenham Aquatics
Brentwood S.C
Eltham Stingrays S.C
Harwich S.C
Hornchurch S.C
Leyton S.C
Runnymede S.C

Dates:

Divisions 1 & 2

25 February 2017

25 March 2017

6 May 2017

3 June 2017

S Westwood said he would book the pools ASAP

Election of the officers and committee:

Chairman: M Westwood

Vice Chairman: C Marshall

Proposed S Westwood seconded C Adcroft. All agreed

Treasurer: A Mullender

Secretary: S Westwood

Executive: B Carver, L Wiles, P Norris, S Wood, S Haynes

Proposed S Westwood seconded H McLaughlin. All agreed

Open Forum

A Mullender said he wanted to formally thank all the officials for their support their year.

A Mullender informed us that he had tried to get the Essex Swimming League results onto the Essex Swimming website but had been informed by F Gale that it was not their policy to support any leagues on their website. This caused a lot of discussion and C Marshall said she would look into it.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 11.27hrs

	2015-16 Accounts		
	Current Year 16th Sept 2015 - 15th Sept 2016		Prior Year 1st Oct 2014 - 15th Sept 2015
Cash - Brought forward	£6,263.42	vs. Prior Year	£6,540.17
Current Account	2,263.39		2,710.57
Deposit Account	4,000.03		3,829.60
Income	4,871.32	(93.59)	4,964.91 (254.04)
Fees	800.00	(50.00)	850.00 0.00
Fines	-	(100.00)	100.00 50.00
Door Receipts	4,069.52	55.02	4,014.50 (303.30)
Interest	1.80	1.39	0.41 (0.74)
Other	-		-
Expenditure	4,976.66	(265.00)	5,241.66 629.63
Pool Hire	4,659.00	(85.80)	4,744.80 376.80
Room Hire	68.00	1.70	66.30 (62.50)
Stationery	123.10	(152.77)	275.87 217.07
Website	-	(94.29)	94.29 62.86
ASA Affiliation	25.00		25.00
Officials Expenses	15.00	15.00	-
Equipment	86.56	86.56	-
Gifts	-	(35.40)	35.40 35.40
Other	-		-
Season Profit (Loss)	(105.34)	171.41	- 276.75 (883.67)
Uninvoiced Debts*	1,125.00	1,125.00	-
Cash Balance - c/f	£7,283.08	1,019.66	£6,263.42 (276.75)
Current Account	3,281.25	11-Sep-16	2,263.39
Deposit Account	4,001.83	15-Sep-16	4,000.03

* Becontree Pool hire -3 galas in 2015-16 season