

Bushey Amateur Swimming Club Annual General Meeting

Held on Saturday 21st January 2012 at Bushey Manor School

1) Welcome

Club Chair, Jane Willis opened the meeting and welcomed Club President Wendy Cook who thanked the Committee for running the club to such a high standard and Janet Wood and the teaching team for another year of high quality teaching. Wendy urged all swimmers to continue to listen to the teachers as with that would come even more success.

2) Apologies

Received from Christine Thomas and Tracey O'Sullivan.

3) Review of minutes from AGM held January 2011.

Club Chair, Jane Willis, confirmed that members had received the AGM document report by e-mail.

The meeting agreed the minutes of the previous AGM as a correct record. There were no matters arising from the minutes.

4) Chair's report

Jane Willis talked about the 3A's – Achievements, Accountability and Aims.

a) Club Achievement –

i) Performance – There were some excellent Gala performances in 2011, notably BASC won the Isabelle gala trophy. The Peanuts, HSL and Arena leagues also resulted in extremely good performances for individuals and the teams. Club records continue to fall and full details of these results can be found on the web site. The club has many great swimmers who take the friendliness and club ethos with them wherever they go.

ii) Financial – The club has a strong financial footing.

iii) Teaching - BASC teachers are increasing in qualifications, we have the highest number of level 2 teachers we have ever had and BASC officials show strong support to County and other Meets, which is very much appreciated by both the club and external bodies.

b) Accountability –

i) Ethical approach – code of ethics for parents, swimmers and teachers to be developed within the Club

ii) Contribution to community

iii) Value – give good value to club in terms of both teaching and financial.

c) Aims –

i) Swim 21 revalidation

ii) Developing club ambitions – Jane encouraged members to feed back any specific requests and suggestions which can be added and addressed in the 3 year plan.

iii) Regeneration – new Committee members are always needed, particularly from families with younger children.

5) Treasurers Report

The club has had a strong financial year, with a profit of £15,000. The action taken in 2010 to increase fees has meant that we have been able to hold subs for 2012 and obtain extra pool time. The accounts had been independently audited by Daniel Garcia; his help with this was much appreciated. Judith thanked the Social Committee Andrea Fraser and Lisa Taverner for their hard work which raised substantial funds at both the quiz night and summer funday, thanks also to Louisa Gooden who secured funding support in line with the social functions from Barclays.

Club Champs and Time Trials will return to mainly Saturday evening during 2012 to reduce the impact on Sunday swimming sessions.

Judith thanked Jon Wood as retiring membership secretary for all his support.

Judith requested agreement to increase the fees by £5 per term and membership as appropriate if considered necessary for 2013. Jane Willis detailed Judith's proposal and it was then formally proposed by Sarah Wray, seconded by Kevin Binns and agreed by the meeting.

6) Agreement of Travel Costs Policy

Herts ASA have a travel policy of re-numerating costs of people travelling on county ASA business.. The Committee have discussed this at length and prepared a draft travel policy to ensure that our volunteers are not out of pocket for any travel costs they may occur in undertaking functions for the club – eg teacher training and club official meetings at county level. Jane Willis requested that the club adopt this new policy, it was proposed by Caroline Shermer, seconded by Pam Brown and agreed by the meeting.

A copy of the draft policy was distributed by e-mail prior to the meeting with the AGM pack.

7) Presentations to retiring swim teachers and coaches.

Janet thanked all the teachers for their hard work during 2011.

Presentations were made to Jan Humphrys and in his absence Trevor Bisdee for the help they have given to the club over many years.

8) Election of BASC Committee for 2012.

Presentations were made to and Jane thanked the retiring Committee members Derek Swannick (Swim 21 and vice chair), Lisa Hawes (Disability officer) and Caroline Shermer (Workforce Coordinator) for their hard work.

The following Committee appointments were proposed:

Vice-Chair – Jackie Summerfield

Health and Safety – position is vacant

Disability Officer – position vacant

Membership Secretary – Christine Thomas

Swim 21 – position vacant

Workforce Co-ordinator – Samantha Saville

New non executive committee members – Yvonne Pope and Tracey O' Sullivan

The appointments were proposed by Janet Wood, seconded by Zoe Watson and agreed by the meeting.

100 Club – Thanks to Gillian and Louisa for running the 100 Club, Jane requested that where possible it would be much appreciated if family members bought a number to support the Club in 2012.

9) Election of Club Captains 2012.

Jane thanked the outgoing Captains for their hard work and help at Galas this year.

The results of the election for Club Captains 2012: Congratulations to:

Boys Captain – Jonluke Summerfield

Girls Captain – Kezzie Brown

Vice Captains – Steven Binns, Sarah Wertheim and Debbie Wood.

10) A.O.B

There were no items of other business.

The meeting closed and the annual awards ceremony followed.

Full details of all the awards presented are available on the BASC website.