

***Minutes to Bushey Amateur Swimming Club Annual General Meeting 2015.
Held on Saturday 27th February 2015 at Bushey Manor School.***

Welcome and opening remarks from Acting Chair and the Club President

At 5.40 Alan Brown Acting Club Chair, opened the meeting, welcomed members and introduced the Club President Wendy Cook.

Wendy Cook welcomed everyone. She informed the meeting that this year will be Bushey swimming club 90th anniversary. Bushey was a club that was not just about swimming but also about friendships.

Review of minutes from 2014 AGM held January 2015

Acting Club Chair, Alan Brown, confirmed that members had received the AGM document report and Minutes to AGM held in January 2015. The meeting approved the minutes of the 2015 AGM as a correct record, Proposed by Lou Gooden and seconded by Jill Elsen.

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

Acting Chair's report

Alan Brown asked for the constitution to be accepted as there were no changes. The constitution was accepted by Kevin Binns and seconded by Susanne Sulaman.

Alan announced that the club will be having a 90th celebration on the 26th June at Bushey Grove. It would be a picnic/ fun day and time in the pool.

Alan gave a short presentation of the club history and paid tribute to the past Club Presidents. Alan introduced Jack Jackson to talk about the next 5 years swimming plan.

Jack informed the meeting that 2015 was a really successful swimming year with the Bushey performing well in the leagues, the most club records beaten ever and the most number of swimmers competing at Regionals.

Jack informed the meeting of the new club structure. Decision of what swimming group swimmers were allocated the coaches looked at T20 results, technique, swimming times and attendance.

More pool time would be allocated to all groups except that the current Erica group will have less time. This may change later on.

Long term there is a plan to bring in a more senior squad that may involve early morning swims.

The main change of the club structure was the introduction of a swim4fitness group. This is a voluntary group that is for swimmers that want to swim for fitness rather than competitive swimming. The group will also be for swimmers that may be recovering from injury.

Jack informed the meeting of other changes such as changes in club champs for older swimmers, time trials to be licensed. The new structure would commence on the 7th March and members would be emailed details of their new group.

Jack also informed the meeting that the club had 3 new level 1's teachers trained up.

Jack thanked everyone in what will be an exciting time for Bushey.

Treasurers Report

Judith Charman informed the meeting that the finance remains robust although the club made a loss in 2015 made a loss this year. This was down to an increase in pool time and the introduction of a paid coach (see Treasurer report for further details). The committee also took the decision not to increase the subs until 2016 due to the delay in the introduction of a paid coach.

Judith thanked Sarah Springer for running the 100 club and Pam Brown for chasing late payments. Judith proposed that the committee be allowed to raise the subscriptions and memberships as appropriate.

Presentation to teachers and retiring teachers/committee members

Alan thanked the committee, existing teachers and welcomed 3 new teachers.

Club Captains issued gifts out to the teachers and members of the committee leaving. Clare Marett and Judith Charman were awarded the Vice President award on behalf of their 6 years services to the committee.

Election of Officers

Alan Brown informed the meeting that there were a number of posts up for election. The following appointments were proposed:

Club Chair - Mark Fagan

Club Secretary - Caroline Clarke

Club Treasurer - Yvonne Dieobi

Social Secretary - Caroline Presland

Health and Safety - Brian Butler

Kit Secretary - Lynne Hauff

Ex officio

C White, Adele Ross

Welfare officer: Clare Kirwan

Alan informs the meeting that a vacant position of Press Officer and a male Welfare officer is vacant if anyone was interested in taking up these posts. No volunteers came forward at the meeting.

Alan asked for all the Election Officers to be proposed. (The above posts were agreed in a block vote) Pam Brown proposed and it was seconded by Lou Gooden.

Election of Club Captains

Alan thanked the retiring Captains.

The results of the election for Club Captains 2016 were announced.

Congratulations were given to:

Boys Captain – Robert Shermer

Girls Captain – Jenny Marett

Vice Captains – Charlie Hauff, Lara Sulaman and Aisha Jones

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There were no other items on the agenda of other business

Alan then handed over to the new Chair, Mark Fagan for the awards presentation. Mark thanked Alan for stepping up to the role of Chair for the majority of the year and the awards were announced.

Awards of Trophies were presented to winners by the Club President.