



Gloucester City Swimming Club Limited

Minutes of GCSC Committee Meeting at Old Pint Pot 14th Dec 2016 from 6.30-7.30pm

Present: Rich D, Andy, Gavin, Sarah, Clair, Flavia

Apologies: Vic, Andrea, Brian

1. Minutes of last meeting

Approved for publication. Actions reviewed under relevant topic.

2. Coaches Summary

Detailed copy circulated. Key points summarised below.

Excellent results from Welsh Nationals, Para Nationals, Four Seasons and good representation at Taunton Deane, in parallel to a long course training session. Full report to be published following GB S/C Nationals this weekend.

85 County entries. Next year hope to also include Hartpury, Uni and Chelt College, where links are showing benefits. Competition Calendar for cycle 2 prepared to meet the needs of National qualification window. Primary focus will be Regionals.

L1/L2 Teaching /Coaching course completed successfully and another planned, however will avoid using GL1 facilities.

Christmas timetable published. Nutrition Talk arranged for 21 January. Timetable restructure on hold until April, pending further discussion. Most young swimmers have been moved into SSK3, so some potential timetable adjustment for SSK2 sessions. James attending England Programmes Level 2 camp in Millfield next week.

Low sign-up for camp, but still progressing other options.

Coaches Christmas Meal on 2nd January (10 attending). Huge thanks to all coaches, committee and everyone who makes the club work. Have a great Christmas and New Year.

3. Chairman's Summary

Details covered in relevant sections.

Make sure everyone gets a proper break, please avoid general correspondence during the holiday.



4. Financial Summary

Largely on budget, with additional costs being offset by donation for loaned starter box.

New account being set-up for Open Meet subsidiary company, but on-line application problems delaying completion and hence quoting account number in Open Meet pack. Contact bank to progress [**Rich D**]

5. Open Meets / Workforce

License approved for April meet. Pack to be published, once GL1 contract in place and new bank account details available [**Gav**]

Joe Lynch (Uni) needs volunteer time in various roles, including club management, so can support sponsorship and role of promoter for July, including license application [**Gav**]

Concern over helpers for 4 Seasons as many regular helpers swimmers are now too old. GCSC are hosting in May. Need to target parents of new SSK3 swimmers, but previous parent meetings have had minimal impact. Suggested a 'surgery' for "How to Enter Meets" and encourage volunteering from that [**Clair**]

Need to check which County weekend GCSC are hosting [**Clair**]

Certificates required from Safeguarding course (coaches required for Swim 21)

6. Competitions

County entries completed. Confirmed requirement for 5 coach passes at £30 ea, but need current DBS numbers for all potential helpers [**Vic**]

Target Meets Calendar being updated in-line with Andy's suggestions for cycle 2.

Refunds from Soundwell meet was very time-consuming. Discussed relative merits of paying up-front and potential refund if scratched, versus chasing payment. Given the current difficulty getting payment after an event, consensus was to keep current method.

Still no access to Competition account, ongoing complaint with Lloyds (déjà vu) [**Flavia**]

Cheltenham College gala was successful and a good opportunity for Junior Captain Morgan to lead the GCSC team, while Andy led the College team.

Some confusion over National Relay entries, but all sorted now.

Hotels advance booked for Summer Nationals. Annual Coach Pass to be applied for.



7. Membership

No outstanding squad training fees this month, except 2 from Chelt College, dealt with via Andy. Several 'visiting' swimmers over the holiday, all ASA registered, need to track attendance for appropriate charge.

1 trial in December, but subject to discussion with James over SSK capacity. 3 planned for January.

6 annual membership remain unpaid. All accounts have been checked for mis-payment, so now with Chair to confirm termination of membership [**Rich**].

Emergency contact list provided for Team Manager folder and updated medical details being collated for coaches. However, 28 membership forms yet to be returned with current details.

Meeting Siobhan in January to lapse or renew ASA membership.

8. Welfare

No issues

9. Communications

Workforce and Competition announcements and requests to be sent directly to Lisa. Training sessions to come through Exec, to confirm facility booking / cancellation.

Demo (WebEx) of Hy-Tek system to be arranged [**Flavia**], to confirm that all the advertised features meet our needs and are worth the cost. Lisa, Sarah and Gavin to attend (plus anyone else interested). No other local clubs to be able to check with.

10. Fundraising / Sponsorship

Re-advertise for volunteers in New Year [**Gav**]. Everyone to check currently published roles 'commitment' and update as necessary.

County Funding application to be progressed, as concern over Dec deadline [**Gav**]

11. Swim 21

Actions have been assigned to various members. Need to complete in December, to enable formal submission in January.

12. Member of the Month

Paul Fielder, Carolyn Bissett and Eleanor Lloyd for co-ordinating the team on the Sunday of Soundwell meet. To be advertised on notice board [**Clair**]



13. Any Other Business

Christmas Gala

71 swimmers entered, starting at 5.15pm. Team lists published for costume preparation. Raffle prizes required and soft toy competition running.

Buffet booked in GL1 Café immediately after gala (approx. 7.15pm)

Climbing

Arranged for 28th December. Sessions altered to reflect attendees, 21 in morning and 15 in afternoon. Several swimmers interested, but unable to attend due to being away over the holidays.

Nutrition Talk

Arranged for 21st January at Tewkesbury School. 50% can be funded by Region, application to be submitted [Gav]. Agreed not to charge, but request a donation to cover remainder. Communication to be drafted with details and forwarded to Network clubs [Gav]

Camp

Insufficient sign-up to run camp, many concerned over cost. Investigate running with less chaperones, or inviting Network clubs

Next Meeting: Thursday 12th January, 6.30pm at the Old Pint Pot