



Gloucester City Swimming Club Limited

Minutes of GCSC Committee Meeting at Old Pint Pot 19th July 2016 from 6.30-7.45pm

Present: Clair, Andrea, Flavia, Brian, Vic, Andy, Gavin, Rich D

Apologies: Sarah, Rich G

1. Review of Previous Minutes

Previous minutes were approved.

2. Coaches Summary

Mostly covered at AGM. Notes to be provided to publish on web [**Andy**]

Level 3 performance and results at the weekend were excellent, with many PB.

3. Chairman's Summary

The Open Meet was a massive effort all round, huge thanks to everyone who helped make it a success, with many working all weekend. There were some issues with the timing system, very nearly causing the meet to be cancelled – maintenance concerns have been highlighted to GL1. Despite a forced later start, the pool was empty for an hour on Sunday morning, this has been raised with GL1.

AGM report to be provided to publish on web [**Rich D**]

Enjoy the summer break and look forward to working as a positive team for the benefit of the swimmers.

4. Financial Summary

Cashflow is slightly down, but normal for this time of the season.

The July Level 3 entries were slightly down on previous years. Anticipating a more significant drop in future due to negative comments about late finish. This has been discussed with GL1 with a further request to allow an earlier start.



5. Open Meets / Workforce

September Sprint Meet

Entries are coming in for September, but very slowly (*PMN: 10 GCSC and 2 external so far*). Internal deadline is 22-Jul, external deadline is 8-Aug. Other clubs to be encouraged, including relay entries [**Andy**]

Andy wants to enter 28 relay teams. Need to agree how to fund, previous discussions included a £1 per swimmer charge, contributing £112 towards the £280 cost.

October Level 2

Need to get pack out to other clubs / on the website ASAP.

Discussed options to reduce overall time (and thus earlier finish), including running 2 sessions, the second one with a break, rather than warm-up (i.e. wu,3h,wu,2.5h,brk,2h). Agreed to maintain 3 sessions, but reduce warm-up times to 55min / 45min / 30min

Soundwell's November meet advertised starting time of 7.30am was discussed with GL1 and advised that their booking is from 9.00am. So far GL1 have not committed to allowing us to use the 'empty' hour on Sunday, so issue pack with 10.15 Sat / 10.00 Sun start and hope to adjust later.

Vic volunteered to take on Promoter role for this meet.

Publish pack with late start, but reduced warm-up times to finish by 8pm [**Gav**] (*PMN: Paul needs at least an hour for first session scratches, so sign-in close 10 min before warm-up. 4 weeks is sufficient time for MM preparation, so publish closing date of 15-Sep*).

6. Presentation Evening / Quiz

Huge thanks to the Vaughans for giving a new trophy in memory of Amber, to be presented for dedication, rather than achievement. Nicky to be invited to nominate the first recipient [**Andy**]

Listing of recipients in hand [**Vic / Andrea**], require helpers for transport. Engraving for this season as well as last season is required, cost to be covered by ticket sales [**Vic**]. Cost of any necessary repairs to be identified [**Vic**]



Also proposed awards for Home Nations qualifiers. Vic has glass blocks and lanyards in country colours.

Reminder to be sent out including details of Fundraising account for payment. Specific invitation to be issued to recipients of trophy or awards to encourage attendance [Gav]

Steve Lloyd is writing quiz questions. Raffle prize donations from committee please. Timing on the night will be Junior presentation (James), quiz, food, Senior presentation (Andy), quiz.

7. Competitions

PMN: Sarah advised the following details.

City of Bristol Open Meet at Hengrove on 29/30 October. Internal deadline Fri 16th Sep, to give early entries before closing date of 30th. Need to know how many coaches passes required and get entry forms on website [Sarah]

SC Regionals at Millfield on 4-6 November. Internal deadline of 5th October (formal closing date 19th). Details and internal form ready to be circulated to relevant squads [Sarah]. Need to get SportSystem template for entries from Robert Margetts [Sarah]

8. Membership

New enquiry form published on website, including temporary membership to cover through trials.

Annual Membership renewal forms being redesigned, to include emergency contact details. To be circulated over the summer for return in September [Andrea]

Working with Siobhan to get a monthly update to ASA system.

Need help to identify new Hartpury and Uni swimmers [Andy]

New laptop obtained, need to transfer TM. Still an open question with HyTek about what our \$120 fee gets (no support). Due to the criticality of maintaining accurate membership info and ability to update times, agreed to upgrade both Team Manager and Meet Manager at a cost of \$360 [Flavia]



Check compatibility of new version TM with existing version MM, to avoid disturbing MM before October Meet [**Sarah / Paul**]

9. October Camp

Sign-up was low. However, could target at specific groups instead. Deadline for cancelling provisional bookings at Cardiff is end of August. Due to insufficient take-up, booking will be cancelled [**Flavia**]

Andy would like to do something in April 2017 and abroad in October 2017, attendee criteria needs to be very specific, i.e. distance / stroke capability.

Potential for stroke clinics at Cheltenham College in October half-term [**Andy**]

10. Timetable

V10 to be published with the change to Saturday land training

Restructure pending University commitment over land training resource. To be further discussed in September, then introduce at a convenient point, i.e. January.

11. Welfare

Couple of ongoing issues.

Suggestion to use ASA resources, i.e. video, to clarify expectations in squad/parent meeting.

Keen to focus on the positives.

12. Communications

No volunteer yet, so minimum activity of sending emails covered by Gavin.

13. Fundraising

Potential for corporate sponsorship opportunities to be investigated [**Vic**]. Amanda Perks has kindly offered £250 towards Open Meet.

Kerri Green is helping put together a funding application to Active Gloucestershire to support Club 6 activity.



14. Member of the Month

Vinay Karadia for stepping in to cover more sessions at Open Meet.

15. Any Other Business

Jacky setting up introduction for new Young Volunteers course.

Next Meeting: Calendar of dates for the season to be proposed