

# MIDDLESEX COUNTY AMATEUR SWIMMING ASSOCIATION



NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE

## ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING

WILL BE HELD AT PERIVALE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION HQ  
EALING CENTRAL SPORTS GROUND, HORSENDEN LANE SOUTH,  
PERIVALE, MIDDLESEX, UB6 8AP

**THURSDAY, 22 NOVEMBER 2018 AT 7.00PM**

**TO TRANSACT BUSINESS AS PER AGENDA HEREWITH**

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of September 2018  
Gillian Neal, Secretary  
97 The Larches  
Hillingdon  
Middlesex UB10 0DW

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Club delegates must report to the Verification Officer to hand in the Verification slip and for the purpose of having this notice stamped after qualification to vote has been verified.

### NOTICES

#### REPRESENTATION

Clubs are entitled to representation to the council meeting as set out below.

Over 250 members	3 delegates
50 to 249 members	2 delegates
Under 50 members	1 delegate

Club Secretaries, unless delegates from their Clubs, are not allowed to vote.  
I would ask you to forward the enclosed Notice of Meeting to your delegates.

#### AGENDA

- 1 Notice convening the meeting
- 2 Apologies for absence
- 3 Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Thursday, 23 November 2017 (see attached)
- 4 Report of the Executive 2017/2018 (to follow)

- 5 Accounts 2017/2018 (to follow)
- 6 Election of Officers, Office Holders and Executive 2018/2019 (nomination form attached)
- 7 Constitutional Amendments (if any – details to follow)
- 8 Appointment of Independent Examiners

# MIDDLESEX COUNTY AMATEUR SWIMMING ASSOCIATION



## MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING

HELD AT PERIVALE COMMUNITY CENTRE  
HORSENDEN LANE SOUTH, PERIVALE, MIDDLESEX

ON 23 NOVEMBER 2017

Those present: -

Flo Barnes (President & Ealing), , Ralph Shortland, (PP & Ealing), Ian Woollard (PP & Barnet Copthall), Andy Woska (PP & Barnet Copthall), Tony Burton (PP & Brent Dolphins), Frances Prentice (Barnet Copthall), Sam Whitmore (Ealing), Colin Jones (Sea Byrds), Gillian Neal (Sea Byrds), Natasha Coupland (Harrow), Maria Abrams (Ealing), Sofia Marcal Whittles (Chelsea & Westminster), Jeanette Edmiston (Teddington), Bob Bloomfield (Brompton), Phillip Prentice (Barnet Copthall), Allan Thornton (County Coach & Ealing), Pam Crofts (Haringey), Leah Pullen (Ealing), Brian Kapp (Haringey), Karin Vazirani (Ealing) and for the Presentations – Ilyas Raya, Maurice Devereaux, Craig Devereaux, Angela Whittaker, Leah Whittaker and Pietro Lombardo.

### 1. **Convening the Meeting**

The President, Flo Barnes, opened the meeting at 7.20pm.

Flo then presented the Girls Van Beets trophy for outstanding achievement in Speed Swimming in 2017 to Leah Whittaker (Ealing). Allan Thornton gave a brief outline of Leah's achievements: Gold, Silver and Bronze at English Nationals despite being a year out of age and, therefore, unable to qualify for British Nationals. The Boys Van Beets trophy was awarded to Pietro Lombardo (Ealing) for outstanding achievement in both British and English Nationals.

Flo also presented the Ron Turner Award to Ilyas Rava (West London Penguins). He was awarded the trophy for his achievements in Water Polo together with his attitude and being a superb role model for the younger players. He has not been playing very long and, in fact, answered an advert asking for people who would be willing to play for Hillingdon Borough in the London Youth Games.

Flo then presented the President's Plate for 2017 to Allan Thornton for his contribution to the County as County Coach. This is Allan's last year in that role.

## 2. **Apologies for Absence**

Norman Edwards (Heston), Suzette Mahammad (Harrow), Susan Fletcher (Ealing), Sarah Wren (West London Penguins), Teresa Jones (Hillingdon), Wayne Hirst (Ruislip & Northwood Masters), Trevor Hyde (Ealing) and Souad Abdellaoui (Seymour Synchro).

## 3. **Minutes of last Council Meeting – November 24th 2017**

Proposed by Andy Woska and seconded by Tony Burton. Adoption of the minutes was agreed unanimously.

## 4. **Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising.

## 5. **Report of the Executive 2016/17**

Flo stated that she had enjoyed her year as President. She had managed to get to all disciplines at some point during the year, even water polo.

Health & Safety – Ralph said that it was important to remind everyone that it was very important to carry out risk assessments for all activities – land training, external trips etc. Clubs must follow the rules and regulations at all times.

Safeguarding – Maria said that things had been going on during the year but could not say any more as, obviously, these items are confidential.

Diving – there has been a lack of pool availability. Therefore, there has been nothing happening as far as the County is concerned. Richard Lerman is trying to negotiate with Park Road Leisure Centre, Crouch End to hold a competition.

The Reports accepted: proposed by Ian Woollard, seconded by Pam Crofts. Unanimously agreed.

## 6. **Financial Report –Accounts 2016/17**

Flo said that she and the County were very grateful for Phil Prentice taking over the role of Treasurer half-way through the year.

Accounts: copies were provided at the meeting.

Phil said the accounts in the report had been sent to Smith Malhotra who had examined and returned them. Once accepted at the ACM, they will be formally signed off by both the Treasurer and Smith Malhotra.

Finances accepted: proposed by Sam Whitmore, seconded by Gillian Neal. Unanimously agreed.

## 7. **Election of Officers, Office Holders and Executive for 2016/17**

The President then installed Frances Prentice as President for 2017/18. The new President then presented the Past President's Jewel to Flo and Frances thanked Flo.

The new President then took the Chair.

There had only been one nomination for the posts and Frances read the list:

President Elect – Gillian Neal  
Secretary – Gillian Neal  
Assistant Secretary – Natasha Coupland  
Hon Treasurer – Phillip Prentice  
Assistant Treasurer – Norman Edwards  
Swimming Competitions Co-ordinator – Leah Pullen  
Secretary Masters Committee – Ian Woollard  
Secretary Swimming Competitions – Pam Crofts  
Secretary Swimming Officials Committee – Ralph Shortland  
Secretary Synchronised Swimming Committee – Souad Abdellaoui  
Secretary Disability Committee – Brian Kapp  
Secretary Open Water Committee – Brian Kapp  
Secretary Diving Committee – Richard Lerman  
Trophies Secretary – Frances Prentice  
Medical Officer – Christopher Woollard (Wycombe) as and when required  
Welfare Officer – Maria Abrams  
Health & Safety Officer – Ralph Shortland

Proposed all should be elected en bloc: proposed Ralph Shortland, seconded Andy Woska. Agreed unanimously.

The following posts remained vacant:

Legal Advice Officer  
Secretary Water Polo Committee

The following were elected to the Executive Committee:

Colin Jones (Sea Byrds), Suzette Muhammad (Harrow), Samantha Whitmore (Ealing), Karin Vazirani (Ealing), Sofia Marcal Whittles (Chelsea & Westminster), Bob Bloomfield (Brompton) and Jeanette Edmiston (Teddington).

Proposed all members accepted: proposed by Gillian Neal, seconded by Flo Barnes. Agreed unanimously.

## **8. Constitutional Amendments**

Pam Crofts explained the reason for the change she had proposed increasing the number of places on the Swimming Committee from 5 to 8 and giving full voting rights to the County Coach.

Proposed by Tasha Coupland, seconded by Leah Pullen. Unanimously agreed.

Flo to amend the handbook accordingly.

## **9. Appointment of Independent Examiners**

It was unanimously agreed that Smith Malhotra Limited be appointed as the County's Independent Examiners for the forthcoming year. Proposed Flo Barnes, seconded by Andy Woska. Unanimously agreed.

10. **AOB**

Bob Bloomfield stated that the terms of entry (60 day rule) for the Development Meet were not fair to new swimmers. Frances said that that item was going to be discussed in the Exec Meeting following the ACM. Bob was happy to leave it at that.

Bob also wanted to talk about changes to the Terms and Conditions for the Development Meets, which Frances said would be discussed at the Exec Meeting following the ACM.

The President closed the meeting at 7.56pm

# Middlesex County Amateur Swimming Association



## Nomination Form Officers / Executive Members 2018/2019

Post to which Nominated: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (BLOCK CAPITALS)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Post Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Proposer: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Seconder: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

NB: The Nominee does not have to be a member of the Executive Committee but must be a member of the Association

Completed forms should be with the County Secretary, Gillian Neal (by post (97 The Larches, Hillingdon, Middlesex UB10 0DW) or e-mailed to [secretary@middlesexswimming.com](mailto:secretary@middlesexswimming.com)