



Middlesex County Amateur Swimming Association

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Minutes of the Swimming Committee Meeting held on 21 January 2025

Via Zoom

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	Those in attendance: - Jeanette Edmiston (Chairperson), Colin Jones, Leah Pullen, Gillian Neal, Pam Crofts, Andy Dixon, Tina Franchi, Ann O'Leary, Apologies for absence: Karin Vazirani, Evelyn Ingleton, Sam Whitmore	
	Meeting Opened 7.30PM. Previous meeting minutes from September 11 plus notes issued in lieu of a meeting on November 1 circulated for completeness ahead of this meeting. No observations made by anyone present. Agenda for the evening was brief and would revolve mainly around notable changes identified or new reflections received concerning the County Championships for 2025 since the full Executive Meeting of January 14.	
	County Championships 2025 Security/Marshalling TF had circulated a summary received from Everyone Active at LAC setting out the background to marshalling protocol-This implied what had been the house rule that a specific nominated Security Company (Wise Security) had to be employed at any event at the LA was not now mandatory. In summary, if marshalling MCASA would need 8 volunteers to be marshals' – 1 to be nominated Supervisor, requirement for Hi Viz to be worn, radios to be sourced to keep in touch MCSSA senior members present/LAC senior staff members present set on a different frequency to those been used by MCASA Officials. Previously agreed to borrow radios c/o C&W SC. No bag checking required but overall numbers entering the building would need to be identified- Swimmers/Parents and Officials. It had been implied it was an all or nothing approach as far as the LAC were concerned – no mixing and matching of security and marshals.	

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	It was noted that Essex had recently staged an event at the LAC they had continued with Wise Security. Decision- Security or Marshalling: In an ideal situation use Marshalls- number of volunteers permitting – on February 15 there is an event in the stadium next door, could Wise Security offer some limited support on that day? Officials/Volunteers Sign up form's available c/o the County Website. TF monitoring progress. Selected other MCASA Swimming Committee members also have access to the updated files. In summary the bare minimum official's requirement was 22/23. No session yet at the required level – Very mixed picture when looking at the statistics session by session. Agreed that the communication process to remind clubs/individuals to sign up would begin in whatever way was best appropriate. Medical Support TF canvassing for support from professional GP's involved in volunteering organisations she is connected with plus messages outstanding with St Johns Ambulance/Scout Movement. Requirement to have 2 persons present at each session. Backstroke Ledgers JE-Agreement reached with London Region to hire theirs's for the event – Paperwork together with payment/refundable deposit had been made. Food/Refreshment Options Officials/Volunteers LP- Very limited menu option – Tea /coffee in the morning and at the break-choice of 2 meals at lunchtime – catering for 55. Total invoiced cost from the LAC for the event circa £3.6K. Agreed following discussion to supplement the LAC offer with own local purchases – biscuit's/cakes- smallish items which could be moved easily. Medals/Trophies LP- New medals at the store – need collecting nearer the event and transporting to the venue. JE- Permanent Trophies- To bring 3 boxes to the event. Event Summary- Latest View LP- File distributed earlier in the evening to the Committee– Highlights:	

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	Payments Received – All clubs bar 2 (Enfield & Staines) had paid alongside their entry files. These 2 clubs were to be reminded immediately that payment was due and sanctions could be imposed if they did not comply. Refunds-Calculated refunds would be re-imbursed to the clubs at the close of the Championships, just in case there were any deductions to this that needed to be made -i.e. Non-compliance for swimming in finals etc. New Passes AOL would be present on the first day to distribute to individuals/club's new passes produced. Swimming Development Camp March 1 LP-No issues identified so far – It would be a zoom event – invitations issued- attendees payments received. AOB MCASA Constitution CJ- MCASA Constitution- Had there been any comments since /queries about the new constitution approved at the ACM.? JE- One question outstanding for her had been from Trevor Hyde – TBC. This then initiated a debate about the validity of a new Masters club based at the LAC wishing to join Middlesex. General agreement reached that this request should be passed back to London Swimming. Residential Swimming Camp- August- Teambuilding Exercise LP on behalf of John Slater (County Coaching Team) Could the committee give consideration to the organising of a weeklong swimming camp- potentially the last week in August for those swimmers who would be invited to represent the County in October? Suggestion was debated, a number of potential options were put forward – location(s)/length of the camp/number of potential issues identified as well. Agreed that more details needed to be provided and a formal summary produced which could be discussed, progressed to the full executive etc. Meeting Closed at 8.45PM Schedule of remaining planned meetings 2025: Tuesday 11 March 7.30PM (Next Meeting) Tuesday 29 April 7.30PM Zoom Tuesday 10 June 7.30PM In Person Tuesday 23 September 7.30PM Zoom Tuesday 21 October 7.30PM Zoom	

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