

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SWIMMING MID NORTH COAST Inc.
HELD PORT MACQUARIE GOLF CLUB 31/05/09

CHAIRMAN. President Alan Newman

PRESENT A.Pilkie (L), M.Jopling (K), M.Cornall (Whm), W. Koudela (B), Ian Harkness SNSW, F. Rowles (L), A. Newman (M), P. Guyer (K), R. Guyer (LM), C.Gill (K), A. Gibbons (T), R. Dunn (T), J.Thurgood (K), A.Jopling (K), B.Taylor (B), B.Kinsela (CH), D.Cooper (PM), N.Peck (PM), L.Dewbery (PM), T. Baker (CH), R. Marchment (CH), M.Marchment (CH), S. Blanch (M), D. Howe (M), C. Stollery (S), B. Zerbe (S), J. King (F), P. Sanders (F), M. Clarke (F), T. Shakespear (Whm) , S. Freeman (M), D. Kirkland (TSA), H. McClunkey (TSA), C. Pearson (M), L. Wright (LM), T. Kingston (GI), C. Mapstone (PM).

APOLOGIES. J.Barnett (K), J. Lenton (T), L.Donovan (M), L.Coombes (LM), T. Maher (B), G.Webb(K), Tea Gardens/Hawks Nest Club.

NON ATTENDANCE. Bulahdelah, Stroud Seals, Woolgoolga. Wauchope.

MEETING OPENED at 9.40AM. by President Alan Newman. Ian Harkness, Executive Director of Swimming NSW was welcomed to the meeting.

PREVIOUS MINUTES. Minutes from A.G.M. held 25/05/08 were confirmed as circulated.

BUSINESS ARISING. Nil.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Inwards and outwards correspondence listed and circulated to the Clubs prior to meeting. Of special note.

(i) Swim NSW. Ballot papers for B.O.M elections. **Moved** That this item be dealt with by the Executive.

Seconded

Carried

Moved "That the correspondence as listed and presented be received."

Seconded

Carried

REPORTS. PRESIDENT.

Report was read by the President.

- (1) 8 Clubs were visited during the 12 months by the President and ALEC Convenor Janelle Barnett.
- (2) Congratulations to Port Macquarie Club on winning the District Point score and Sawtell for winning the Handicap Shield.
- (3) All Area swimmers who competed at State and National Championships. Also Area Record breakers and members of the New Zealand Touring Team.
- (4) Thanks to all the workers and Committee members.
- (5) Condolences to those who have lost loved ones during the year.
- (6) Attended a President's meeting last November at which declining membership was discussed.
- (7) Amalgamation. I suggest that we carry on until advised otherwise.
- (8) Web site. Please make use of this facility.
- (9) Conclusion. Please encourage your Club members to become more active at our Area Meets. Contact Janelle Barnett for training. Be aware that your Club can have qualifying times recognised if you have a qualified Referee, Qualified Starter and qualified Timekeepers.

Moved that the report be received. **Seconded**

Carried

REGISTRAR. Report read to the meeting by D. Howe.

Moved that the report be received. **Seconded**

Carried

PUBLICITY OFFICER. Report was circulated to the Clubs prior to the meeting.

Press releases were sent out to the media and the print media still very helpful and eager to print the local results as well as State and National results.

Reports on the AGM, Block Meet results, State and Open Championships and Development days received publicity. The New Zealand trip was in the news with a Team Meeting to be held at Port Macquarie before they leave 17th. May. The press have been invited to attend on this day.

ALEC CONVENOR. Report was read to the meeting.

1. Swimming Australia National Officiating program is well under way. Technical Officials from 5 Clubs successfully completed their assessments with one official from Laurieton gaining her level two starters credentials, and is also working towards gaining her level 2 Referees credentials.

3. **Thanks** to all those Officials that worked at Area and Club Meets during the past season.

4. **Area Officials** worked at the Regional Championships, NSW State and Country S/C and L/C Age and Open Championship Meets. Technical Officials should now receive nomination forms for these meets direct from the office.

5. **An award** was made available from the Australian Sports Commission and I made a presentation of the award to Ann Pilkie.

6. **Forums** will again be held this year on 14th. June in Sydney. It is proposed to again bring forums to country areas during the next 12 months

7. **The ALEC Committee** met at Kempsey in September to allocate Referees and assistants for the season and to discuss current information.. Thanks to the Committee for their assistance during the year.

Moved that the report be received. **Seconded**

Carried

DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE A report on the New Zealand trip was given by Faye Rowles.

Plans for the B and C Squads to take place at Forster 22nd. August at a cost to swimmers of \$20.

D squad to take place at Port Macquarie 23rd. August.

Moved that the report be adopted.

Seconded

Carried

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TREASURER. 1. Balance sheet was circulated. Query on the expenses for car hire in New Zealand.
2. Working Balance as at 31st. March 2009. Cash at Bank \$11,024.96 Fixed Deposit \$12,538.34
Development Squad account \$ 8,762.73

Moved that the report as presented be adopted.

Carried

ELECTION OF OFFICERS. All position were declared vacant. Ian Harkness took the Chair for the election of Officers and Committees.

Moved that "in the event of a ballot for positions, this be done by secret voting."

Seconded

Carried

LIFE MEMBERS. C.Hawes, E.Witchard, L.Coombes, R.Guyer, R. Agland OAM. J. Barnett, I.King OAM (dec) B.Lovett (dec), S.Hudson (dec)

PATRONS. A.Stoner MP, J.Turner MP, P.Bessling MP, R.Oakshot MP, A.Fraser MP, L. Hartsuyker MP.

PRESIDENT. Nominations of A. Newman and F. Rowles were received. Following the casting of a vote, F. Rowles was declared elected.

VICE PRESIDENTS. Presidents of all Area Clubs. D. Cooper (PM), T. Baker (CH), T. Kingston (F), B. Kinsela (CH), C. Stollery (S), W. Koudela (B), T. Shakespear (Whm), M. Summers (F), A. Gibbons (T), D. Kirkland (TSA), J. Barnett (K), F. Rowles (L), A. Newman (M)

SECRETARY.

A. Pilkie

Nominated and elected unopposed.

COMPETITION SECRETARY

L. Dewbery

Nominated and elected unopposed

TREASURER

P. Guyer

Nominated and elected unopposed.

PUBLICITY

No nominations

REGISTRAR

R. Guyer

Nominated and elected unopposed.

ALEC CONVENOR

J.Barnett

Nominated and elected unopposed.

STATE DELEGATE F. Rowles Nominated and elected unopposed.

ALEC COMMITTEE A.M.Hamilton, J.Barnett, R.Guyer, A.Witchard, F.Rowles, Ann Pilkie

JURY OF APPEAL. A.Pilkie, P.Guyer, J.Barnett, A. Witchard, F. Rowles, A. Newman

AUDITOR. KTS Accountants.

REFEREES. J.Barnett, R.Guyer, A.Witchard, AM Hamilton, A. Pilkie. F.Rowles

WINTER DEVELOPMENT F. Rowles, L. Dewbery.

SELECTION COMMITTEE. F. Rowles, M. Mullens, P. Guyer

PUBLIC OFFICER A.Pilkie

Moved that the voting papers be destroyed.

Seconded

Carried

The Executive is to call for further nominations to fill the position of Publicity Officer and a third member to the Development Committee.

Ian Harkness spoke on the valuable assistance given by the former Secretary who did not seek re-election, Robert Guyer.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

1. **Port Macquarie.** "That the Open Multi Age 200m. Individual Medley at Block Championships be changed to 10yrs. and over Multi Age Individual Medley." (By-Law 4.1)

Seconded

Lost

2. **Port Macquarie.** " That the multi Open Age 200m Individual Medley at Block Championships have qualifying times."

Seconded

Carried

Moved "That the ALEC Committee and the Executive be responsible for the setting of qualifying times."

Seconded

Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS.

1. Ian Harkness addressed the meeting.

(1) He answered questions on the on-line Registration system and pointed out that Life Members must be registered manually through the office.

(2) There were some problems with the new live results and this was being addressed.

(3) Clubs pointed out that the SAL database had members registered with the wrong Clubs. This would be investigated.

(4) As from 1st. October ALL CLUBS will have to register members through the on- lines Registration system.

(5) Mergers. The status quo is not an option and the Amalgamations will proceed as planned .It was suggested that a working party be formed to look at the paperwork supplied. All Clubs will be sent a copy of all correspondence dealing with the Amalgamations.

(6) Boom gates at the office need a token to open. There is 2hrs. free parking.

(7) Development criteria will change next year and overseas trips will possibly not be approved. NSW will be responsible for A squads, with Area being responsible for all other squads. The Regional Squads chosen from the Regional Meets will no longer go ahead, and instead the money will be given to Areas for their squads.

(8) Competition changes will come into effect as from 2010 and this will be outlined at the Forum in Sydney.

Meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.05pm and re-convened at 12.40pm.

Members from TSA left the meeting.

3. ALLOCATION OF MEETS.

CHAMPIONSHIP MEETS

7/11/09	BLOCK 1.	Port Macquarie	(Qual)
21/11/09	BLOCK 2	Coffs Harbour	(Qual)
5/12/09	BLOCK 3	Taree	(Qual)
30/01/10	BLOCK 4.	Kempsey	(Qual)

NSW COUNTRY REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

23-24/January 2010	Armidale. TBA, TBA	(Qual)
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SPEEDO SPRINT HEATS.

6/02/2010	Macksville	(Qual)
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OTHER APPROVED MEETS.

Sept. TBA	Port Macquarie	
31/10/2009	Sawtell SC	(Qual)
14/11/2009	Crescent Head	(Qual)
28/11/2009	Bellingen SC	(Qual)
19/12/2009	Laurieton	(Qual)
13/02/2010	Gloucester	Picnic Subject to approval.
06/03/2010	Wingham 13yrs/u	(Qual)
16/05/2010 Sunday	Forster Aquatic	(Qual)

4. Moved "That the qualifying times for the 800m. and 1500m. be referred to the ALEC Committee and the Executive."

Seconded

Carried

5. Moved " That the work of the past Secretary Robert Guyer and last year's President Alan Newman be acknowledged in the minutes."

Seconded

Carried

6. Bellingen Club has one outstanding trophy for the Bellingen Splash Meet to be claimed.

7. Crescent Head Club swimmer has achieved a National Qualifying time.

8. Macksville Club has two swimmers qualified for the National Schools.

9. Clubs are asked to update their details for both the Secretary and the web site.

10. Moved "That the signatories for the Area Accounts be Pam Guyer, Faye Rowles, Ann Pilkie and Robert Guyer."

Seconded

Carried

Next meeting set for. 30th. May 2010 at the Port Macquarie Golf Club.

Meeting closed 2.20pm.