

GRANTHAM SWIMMING CLUB
Minutes of Meeting Held on Tuesday 27th September 2005

Present: S. Gould, C. Dowd, B. Gibson, R. Oxborough, S. Djerfi, I. McCallin, T. Ogle, R. Williams, J. Bowen, M. Potter,

Parent Representation: K. Warner

1. **Apologies:** A. Williamson, L. Simpson, K. Mason
2. **Minutes of Last Meeting:** The minutes of the last meeting were discussed and asked if one mistake could be corrected and then all ok also abridged version ok.
3. **Matters Arising:** Ivan stated that due to the fact that there were only three members of the committee in attendance at our last meeting it should not have gone ahead. He asked if at the AGM a rule could be brought in to state that more than 3 people should be in attendance for a meeting to go ahead.

Emmajane Perkins has taken over from Chris Schofield as Child Protection/Welfare Officer. Emmajane is currently trying to update our CRB Register, this will include all the teenagers who help out on poolside. Emmajane has also applied to go on a course.

4. **Parent Representation:** Mandy Potter's telephone number is incorrect on the Website, this has now been corrected.
5. **Swim 21:** There is to be a full re-launch in April 2006 of Swim 21. The main differences is that there will now be 3 parts and not 4 to be completed. Melanie Moss RDO-ASA has kindly offered to come and talk to the Club in November/December/January time.

Ivan thanked Trevor for updating our business plan.

6. **Coaches Report:** Sacha feels it is still very early days but he is very happy with how things are going at present. He is very happy with the number of swimmers attending and all swimmers are responding well to his training. He also thinks that the training team have worked very well to carry on all coaching during the time we had no coach. Sacha is also building up a good relationship with the Leisure Centre Staff.

Sacha is encouraging swimmers to swim in the mornings but it is not essential.

A coaches meeting to parents has been arranged for Sunday 9th October, 6pm in the main bar at Meres Leisure Centre, we have had quite a good response from parents so far.

Sacha and Trevor have arranged regular meetings with the management of the Meres Leisure Centre and out of one of these meetings a Fitness Assessment was discussed which the Meres are holding on 15/10/05, GSC have booked the 6pm slot for about 40 people at a reduced cost of approx. £2. Trevor will start taking names shortly.

7. **Review of Disciplinary Procedure:** The committee felt that this should be revisited at the AGM but the following points should be considered:-
 1. Assess the situation of individual swimmers.
 2. Verbal Warning.
 3. Talk to Parents
 4. Written Warning.
 5. Committee decide the outcome.

Code of Conduct Procedure:- Sacha and Robert Oxborough will update the draft and bring to next meeting.

8. **Club Championships/80th Anniversary:** Working Party are Kevin Potter, Stu Gould, Emmajane Perkins and Rachel Williams. Raffles have been arranged for Club Champs. and the 80th Anniversary Party on the 18th December. We are selling advertising space in the programmes, 3 adverts in so far. Local Florist has offered whatever bouquets we want. We are also having a swimshop with products supplied by Allens of Kingsbury.

80th Anniversary Party: Spot prizes are to be given, announcements to be done after the races.

18th December – Short fun gala, presentation evening in bar in Meres Leisure Centre - @ 150 people, disco booked and small buffet (to be arranged).

9. **Consultation Document:** We have received about 20 replies so far and it has been a fairly positive response.
10. **Club Captains:** To be announced at the AGM.

A vote of thanks should be given to the outgoing captains for their support over the past years.

Fenland Junior Captains – The committee could not decide at the meeting so it was agreed we would come up with a list and discuss via email.

11. **Officers to be elected at AGM:** Fixtures Secretary, President (Chris Dowd stated that he would not be staying on) and Hon. Secretary, Mandy said that she would like to stay on for another term.
12. **White Officials Organiser:** Position still vacant.
13. **Any Other Business:** Mandy has contacted Sarah Price to see if it will be possible to organise a Swim Clinic – Sarah has now got back to us and at present we think the cost is out of our range, but we will review it again at a later date.
14. **Treasurer's Report:** No report this month as Louise is still unable to attend.
15. **Updating Club Software:** Rachel advised the committee that the software we are using at present needs updating the cost of this is:- to upgrade the system we have at present £45/£50, a completely new Sports System - £140, Meet Manager - £510. The committee discussed the pros and cons of both systems being advised by Rachel and have asked her to try and get a little more information and bring it back to our next meeting.

The meeting Closed at 9.15 pm.

Date of the Next Meeting is Tuesday 1st November 2005 at 7 pm in the Meeting Room at the Meres Leisure Centre.