

PRESTON SWIMMING CLUB

Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday January 8th 2008 at Fulwood Leisure Centre

Present

<i>President</i>	J. Pratt
<i>Chairman</i>	P. Mason
<i>Hon. Sec.</i>	C. Billington
<i>Treasurer</i>	A. Bradshaw
<i>Swimming Sec</i>	J. McGinty
<i>Publicity</i>	M. Kitcher
<i>Biathlon</i>	A. Sinclair
	J. Jackson
	J. Smith
	J. Holden
	D. Fairhurst
	P. Todd
	K. Pool
	P. Barton
	D. Graveson
	I. Parker

Apologies

<i>Water Polo</i>	S. Davison
<i>Synchro Sec</i>	S. Todd
<i>Vice Chair</i>	G Loughlin
<i>M'ship Sec</i>	D. De Nooijer

2.Minutes of Previous Meeting

Proposed Jill Holden

Seconded Paul Todd

3. Matters Arising

(Please also refer to the action sheet)

The desk is still a problem at Fulwood. Diane, after speaking to a parent, suggested that the ban on parents watching their children at Fulwood was a possible factor in the lack of volunteers as the parents only had the opportunity to watch them on a Sunday at West View. It was agreed that this was a possible factor but there has been no suggestion of removing the ban.

Christine and Myles said that they are prepared to help out on a rota though additional volunteers will be sought.

Pete has been in talks with Jimmy Khan regarding cheaper gym membership and additional pool time and will update at the next meeting.

The movement of the lane ropes was also agreed with Jimmy Khan. Transport and a date will have to be arranged.

Ian Parker has agreed to help Angela Bradshaw with the standing orders. Ian is working on a programme to assist with identifying standing order payments.

Some discussion arose concerning payments from swimmers who swim occasionally. Christine verified that there was only an agreement for Gallica swimmers who are first claim to Preston to pay on this basis.

Payments from anyone swimming on this basis will be checked.

The silting of a P.S.C office at Fulwood has been changed and will not now be near the small pool. An alternative will be arranged.

4. Correspondence

Adele Bridge sent in an e-mail requesting some clarifications regarding the Swim Camp. There is to be a parents meeting this week.

A cheque for £50 was passed to Angela Bradshaw. This was awarded to Preston for being Top Team at Stourbridge.

John has received the North Lancs dates with a gala being held at Preston. John requested that some new lane flags be purchased as the ones at West View are in a poor state. Julie will ask her husband to order them. It was suggested that the Leisure Services and Gallica contribute to the flags as they also used them. Pete will ask both parties to make a contribution.

Action 8/1/08/1 Ian Jackson to order flags. Pete Mason to request contribution.

5 Swim 21

Swim 21 is being submitted this week.

6 Reports

6.1 Swimming Report (Chief Coach)

The Leeds Christmas Cracker did not live up to expectation at the new 50m pool. It did not, in my opinion, generate the same atmosphere which is some part could have been down to problems with the sound system. We will consider an alternative meet for this year.

We had 14 swimmers, 7 girls and 7 boys from squad 1 and 2 representing the club at this high level gala and competing with such as Commonwealth gold medallists Caitlin McClatchley, Liam Tancock and Matt Clay.

We had good swims from all the swimmers with all of them achieving personal best times. Joanne Cutler achieved a 1st place in the 13 year old 100m Fly. The time she achieved was good enough for her to swim in the skins event with Caitlyn McClatchley and Commonwealth silver medallist Julia Beckett. Unfortunately she was not informed and had set off home!

The Stourbridge Gala on Sunday 6th January saw Preston competing in 101 swims with 21 swimmers.

A total of 49 clubs took part with Preston winning Top Club and taking home a £50 cheque which has been handed to the Treasurer.

In total Preston won 20 gold, 19 silvers, 6 bronze and produced a personal best rate of 48%. There were 57 Lancashire qualifying times and 15 North West Region qualifying times.

6.2 Minutes of Coaches Meeting

A meeting is to be held prior to the North Lancs Age Groups.

6.3 Water Polo Report

John McGinty informed The Committee that Mitiku Turnbull has been selected for British Squad training. Jack Holden was injured on the selection day but would have had a good chance of selection.

Lauren McGinty is down to the last selection process for inclusion to Hungary. Everyone wished the players Good Luck.

The senior players had a 'hard fought' match with Burnley which Preston won.

6.4 Treasurer's Report

Angela has the summary of payments made and funds raised for the swim camp.

Fees have been increased this month which should see standing orders altered next month.

6.5 Membership Secretary's Report

All the memberships and are being distributed either by hand or post. Outstanding membership cards have been sent out with the membership.

Julie Jackson requested that helpers on the teaching section should have fees waived.

Christine stated that she felt that anyone volunteering should only have to pay the minimal fee to cover A.S.A and Swimnorthwest costs and felt it was unfair that people should have to pay in excess of this.

Christine questioned paying membership for those who are competitive swimmers as well as helpers. This was discussed and agreed that it was not relevant.

The Committee agreed to pay membership for the teaching section.

6.6 Publicity Officer's Report

I am now getting on top of the articles to be published in the Evening Post.

The Stourbridge meet is to go in and I have arranged a photograph prior to training on Sunday.

Myles is to speak to Line-a-tone regarding the North Lancs photograph at West View.

6.7 Synchronised Secretary's Report

No report.

6.8 Biathlon Report

A Biathlon is being held on Sunday 20th January with 15 Preston Swimming Club members taking part. The National Schools Biathlon is taking place later with a number of Preston Swimming Club members taking part.

It was confirmed to Andy that the club will pay for team entries to Biathlon events.

A link to Biathlon via the website was also discussed. Julie stated that Ian is happy to put on whatever is sent to him.

Andy was asked to select a boy and girl as recipients for the Biathlon trophies. Julie Jackson will speak to Bill Haggerty for Jonathan's trophy.

7. Sub-Committees

7.1. Fundraising Sub-Committee

Pete is in the process of arranging a fund raising dinner in conjunction with Gallica.

A quiz night is being held on Saturday for the Swim Camp

Karen expressed her concern that people had not wished to participate in some fund raising events as they had been for the Swim Camp. Christine suggested that The Committee could identify areas for fund raising in advance such as a P.T.A. This was debated but not agreed.

It was agreed that future fund raising will not be identified for a specific fund. Monies raised from fund raising will be allocated with the agreement of The Committee.

7.2 Events and Social Sub-Committee

Paul Todd is collecting trophies for The Presentation Evening; Christine has posted notices and made tickets. The Mayor will be attending as will a sports representative from UCLAN. Christine will invite Phil Walsh. Tickets will be £4.00 and £3.00 with a concession for families with 3 children or more.

John McGinty proposed that the North Lancs Team also receive medals.

This was agreed by all.

Julie Smith cannot do the raffle this year; Pete said some of the younger members can sell tickets, Christine will ask someone to oversee the money and tickets.

12A.O.B

Nominations are to be submitted for the Preston Sports Awards from Preston Swimming Club Pete requested information on suitable nominees.

A table is to be booked for the event at the Guild Hall Friday March 14th.

There was in informal discussion on a 50metre pool.

10. Next Meeting

Meeting finished at 9.00pm. The date of the next meeting will be February 12th 2008

Number	Action	Owner	Progress	Status
8/05/07/3	SWIM 21 ONGOING ITEM	PM others		
10/0707/1	Photographs for Water Polo B/boys/girls	Myles	Myles to progress	
10/07/07/2	/Swimming Event	PM		
11/12/07/1	Help with desk at Fulwood	CB/JJ		
11/12/07/2	Cheaper rates in Gym	PM	progressed	
11/12/07/3	Lane ropes/gala ropes	PM	progressed	
8/1/081	Lane Flags	JJ/IJ/PM		

