

## PRESTON SWIMMING CLUB

### Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday June 10th 2008 at Fulwood Leisure Centre

#### **Present**

<i>President</i>	J. Pratt
<i>Chairman</i>	P. Mason
<i>Vice Chair</i>	G McLauchlan
<i>Hon. Sec.</i>	C. Billington
<i>Swimming Sec</i>	J. McGinty
<i>Treasurer</i>	A. Bradshaw
<i>W/P Sec.</i>	P. Bailey
	J. Holden
	D. Fairhurst
	P. Todd
	P. Barton
	I. Parker
	J. Smith
	D. Graveson

#### *Apologies*

<i>Publicity</i>	M. Kitcher
<i>Synchro Sec</i>	S. Todd
<i>Biathlon</i>	A. Sinclair
	K. Pool
<i>M'ship Sec</i>	D. De Nooijer
	J. Jackson

#### **2. Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Proposed John McGinty

Seconded Julie Smith

#### **3. Matters Arising**

*(Please also refer to the action sheet)*

No update on the France Gala

Pete has reached an agreement with the A.S.A regarding the membership fine which has now been reduced to £180. Concerns that arose from this matter are to be addressed and Pete may attend a meeting being held on July 4<sup>th</sup>.

The club will now endeavour to send in the membership earlier in order to avoid any problems with the data base etc.

The fund raising evening on November 8<sup>th</sup> will be £10 per head with 250 tickets to be sold.

Paul Bailey is still looking at the options of the availability of the small pool at Fulwood for Water Polo.

The locking up issue at Fulwood has now been sorted, John McGinty has taken responsibility for this.

Ian Parker is sorting the list of swimmers to send to the A.S.A for the racing dives.

#### **4. Correspondence**

No Correspondence

#### **5. Sponsorship**

The sponsorship with Forbes is now in place

George McLauchlan has agreed to sponsor The Club for £500 for the next three years. George was thanked by The Committee.

The website will be updated to include The Clubs sponsors.

## **6. Galas**

There is to be an invite gala on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July at West View.

Pete will see if the pool can be obtained for free as per a previous agreement

A trophy for the best visiting team is being sorted out.

*Action 10/06/08/1 Pete to speak to J. Khan for free use of pool for gala.*

## **7 Reports**

### **7.1 Swimming Report (Chief Coach)**

#### **Micro League**

The Seals have competed in 2 galas to date finishing 4<sup>th</sup> on both occasions against some strong opposition.

Olivia Baron broke The Seals 50m Breast Stroke record and Jessica Hargreaves breaking The Seals records in the 25m Fly and 25m Breast Stroke.

The Sharks have also competed in 2 galas to date finishing 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> against a very strong Southport team.

Shauntelle Austin broke the 11year old 50m Fly record and Abbie Kitcher broke the Sharks 11 year old 50m Free Style twice in consecutive galas.

#### **North Lancs League**

The team have competed in 3 galas to date winning all 3 which puts them at the top of Division 2 with 1 gala remaining. I would like to think e will finish in pole position which will promote the team back into Division 1. Records broke to date Bethany Shaw in the open Backstroke, Joanne Cutler 50m Fly in the 14 years and under age and Andrew Addison twice breaking the 50m open Backstroke.

#### **Time Keepers Course**

John is looking into arranging a time keeping course and will give more details when he gets them.

#### **North West Age Group Regionals**

The first weekend's results have been very good so far with swimmers achieving 24 finals. 5 Golds, 6 silvers and 3 bronze.

We have also got 7 swimmers who will now be competing at this years National Championships at Ponds Forge.

#### **Club Costumes and Clothing**

Dave expressed his concerns that the teams are not uniformed with various costumes being worn.

After discussion it was agreed that Paula will look into types of costumes for The Club and teams. Orders are also to be placed for hoodies and sweatshirts.

Christine asked The Committee for their agreement to provide Polo Shirts and hats for the National Swimmers

Proposed Christine Billington

Seconded Paul Todd

All Agreed

### **7.2 Minutes of Coaches Meeting**

On File

### **7.3 Water Polo Report**

First of all I must start with and apologise for the lack of a report last month, there was nothing to

report it was a very quiet month through April in to May.

### **ITEM ONE**

Well mid May were do I start, there is so much to tell you about, so I will start off with the bad news, it has come to light during last month that a long serving servant to water polo has quietly bowed out of her duties as Match Day Officials Manager, Jacqui Pugh has been with our section and been my loyal secretary for more years than I care to remember, Jacqui has had to resign her position due to personal reasons and I believe has moved out of the area. I would like it to be noted in the minutes and if possible a letter of thanks sent to Jacqui for her commitment and dedication to Preston Water Polo.

Her successor has already been appointed and that Aimee Salisbury I hope you will all join me in wishing Aimee every success in her New Role with our section.

### **ITEM TWO**

On behalf myself, My Coaches, Staff and Players a very big Thank You to the committee and our Chairman in particular for securing our section some funding for some much needed equipment.

Thank You all for your continued support.

### **ITEM THREE**

Lancaster City at home. Lancaster City have been North Lancashire Champions for more than two decades and was unbeaten by any team in this league for this period. Well not any more as we beat them, taking away there unbeaten crown. This was major for the team they were all told before the game they are better than them and if they believed in there hearts they would win, well it looks like for once they listened winning 8 -5. Considering two weeks prior at Lancaster the score was 17 - 8 to them it was a major shock to them as they reflected on there web site. I must add we were several key players missing for this game. We have also played Blackpool this month and also beat them 9 -6 in the run up to the big Lancaster game. On Thursday this week we played them again at Preston in a friendly, going into the last quarter at 8 - 4 down I had reason to question were the belief had gone, so they were given a good old kick up the rear. They went out in the forth quarter winning it 4 - 0 to take the game to a draw, I new they had it in them now I just have to work out how to bottle it up for future matches. All the hard work they are putting in training is starting to pay off.

The ladies section has had to be put on hold for now, a lot of the girls who first said they would play have all backed out. We will incorporate all the ones left into junior training for now until we can generate more interest in the ladies game. Any of the ladies who are seniors or in the GBRTC's will if they so wish be aloud to join the senior men's sessions

The juniors have played two matches so far and we have had to give the points up on both games due to lack of players and certain player under water polo rules being to old, however they did loose both games, but some solid feedback has come out of the games allowing me to plan a course of action to try and get this team playing better, working with my team coach Paul Bailey.

Mini Polo is also struggling to get off the ground we will try to push this a little more but at the moment I think it is the timing of the session that is stopping a lot of parents allowing there children to participate, it is just to late for them.

Pete thanked Paul for reading out Marks report and stated that he was pleased to see that the Water Polo has now taken on a professional and clearly outline structure under Mark Molloy's guidance. The Committee agreed that Mark's input has clearly had a positive affect.

### **7.4 Treasurer's Report**

Ian is going through the standing orders and identifying those not paying or not paying enough. The payment to Thomas Amos will be cancelled.

### **7.5 Membership Secretary's Report**

No Report

### **7.6 Publicity Officer's Report**

No Report

### **7.7 Synchronised Secretary's Report**

No Report

## **7.8 Biathlon Report**

### **Results for Salt Ayre Biathlon**

Girls 11-12 years - Laura Joyce 5th, Sarah Buckley 8th, Shauntelle Austin 10th. Team finished in 2nd place and qualified for national champs. Laura also qualified as an individual.

Girls 14-15 years - Ellen Buckley 5th - qualified for national champs

Boys 11-12 years - Robert Lavell 15th, Ben Conlon 17th, Alex Joyce 20th

Boys 13-14 years - Jack Holden 1st, Jack Smith 11th, Cameron Austin 14th. Team finished in 2nd place and qualified for national champs. Jack Holden qualified as individual

Boys 15-16 years - Justin Austin 2nd. Qualified national champs

### **National Champs - 18th May Macclesfield**

girls 11-12 years - team as above finished 5th. Laura 20th, Shauntelle 28th, Sarah 31st

Ellen Buckley was 16th

Boys 13-14 - Team as above finished 10th. Jack Holden - 4th, Cameron 31st, Jack Smith 40th

### **Fleetwood June 1st**

Girls 11-12 - Laura Joyce 2nd, Shauntelle Auston 3rd Girls 13-14 - Aimee Gallgher 1st, Lena Turnbrudge 7<sup>th</sup>

Boys 13-14 - Jack Smith 5th, Cameron Austin 7th

## **7. Sub-Committees**

### **7.1. Fundraising Sub-Committee**

Pete has been told that there are 24 swimmers taking part in the sponsored swim at Blackpool. Christine is only aware of 3 or 4.

### **7.2 Events and Social Sub-Committee**

The Grasshoppers event is still ongoing with a suggestion of a band for the evening.

## **.8A.O.B**

### **9. Next Meeting**

Meeting finished at 8.30pm. The date of the next meeting will be July 8th 2008

Number	Action	Owner	Progress	Status
10/07/07/2	/Swimming Event	PM		
18/3/08/1	Small Pool/water polo	PM		
18/3/08/5	gala in France	JM		
8/4/08/1	Asa membership	PM		
13/5/08	Racing Dives/A.S.A	CB		
10/6/01/1	Pool for Invite Gala	P M		

