

Notes of East District Management Meeting held on Thursday 17th June 21 via Zoom



Present:

Susan Liddle (SL) Vice President, Duncan McKinnell (DM) President, Les Rogers (LR) Immediate Past President, Tony Dane (TD) Secretary, James Laird (JL) Treasurer, Alistair Shields(AS) STO Convenor, Jo Maguire (JM) Swimming Convenor, Colin Kennedy (CK) Archivist, Andra Laird(AL) Fife Convenor, David Civil (archivist) , Cath Fleming(CF) minute secretary

Apologies:

Fiona McEwan (FM) Masters Convenor, Kirsten McGeary (KO) Open Water Convenor, Martin McCulloch (MM) Borders Convenor, Richie Metcalfe (RM) Immediate Past president, Lesley Bloomer (LB) Artistic swimming Convenor

Agenda		Action by
President's Welcome	Susan Liddle welcomed Les Rodger in his new role as Past President, Duncan McKinnell in his new role of President, and welcomed Dave Civil in his new role as assisting CK archivist.	
3. Declarations of Interest	None	
4. Corrections and actions from Management Meeting 22nd April 21	Page 1: CK wished to be known as the Archivist, as opposed to Archive convenor, and informed the meeting, that when he takes up the Scottish Presidency, Dave Civil is stepping in for him (from Sept) Page 2, 3, 4 no changes were made Proposer: Colin Kennedy, Seconder: Duncan McKinnell	CF changed for future meetings
AGM	Not for these Minutes: next time we have a forum meeting	LR, DM
5. Matters arising from April Delegates Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Festival if Swimming will be brought up in Swim Convenor report • Membership Renewal will be brought up in finance • PVG guidance: What they are calling Meet Manager, in Swimming terms it is our Meet Director. SS have been asked to have a look at terminology. 	SL
6. Secretaries Report (TD)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Following a lively discussion Clubs with either no constitution or Executive have until end of June to post their missing sections to TD: Clubs involved are Eyemouth ASC, AR involved with this club/Ferry /(Kirkcaldy not even affiliated to Scottish) / Glenrothes (AL to contact(Grove/ Peebles/ Swim Easy / St Andrews Masters (SL to contact) • TD written to all these clubs at least 3 times...Regions to access their Clubs in the first instant. In July, the opportunity for these Clubs to receive a rebate with be withdrawn • Thanks to all the Convenors who have let TD know their committees! 	TD / AL/ SL All convenors

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some Clubs are not up to their normal water lets due to Carnegie training pool still being closed. Particularly affecting Clubs in West Fife, leading to uncertainty for Fife Clubs Fife are delivering coach and teacher courses with Carnegie and Incas, taking part as guinea pigs. Carnegie, Fins and Cupar are taking part in a Learn to Swim initiative with Fife Sport and Leisure Trust, along with Alan Reed, all working in partnership. (some challenges ahead due to different levels of interest) One club has asked about Open water competitions so if anyone hears from an Andrew Ross it will be about OW 	
c - Lothian (SL)	<p>Report: All members of the Committee are happy to continue on with their previous Gala roles/ Convenorships.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shadowing roles to be looked into for effective succession planning. Mentoring in various roles on the committee including announcers. Aim is to get a pool of people involved with virtual meets. Shawfair: there is a new school being built, with discussion about a pool possibly being built too. Midlothian and Scorpion Clubs are trialling, with 4 Learn to Swim providers, working with the 2 clubs being involved for the youngsters to join 	All
11.	Discipline Reports	
a – Swimming (JM)	<p>Report: numerous meetings on Competition Planning been held via Zoom.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1st one is Festival of Swimming being funded by Scottish on 16th to 18th July being held in 3 venues: ASV (North), Tollcross (West), and RCP (East) who are being the most restrictive re numbers allowed. Lesley Prentice is Meet Director for the one at RCP. Plan is for training month in September, then October, November competitions and December, perhaps a Scottish Short course Meet maybe with 3 regional venues as above. ED virtual June gathering, and Tighinn Còmhla submission dates being a week later. There is a further one in July for both. Level 4 meets between 4 clubs starting in September: Conditions- do not need a referee, do need somebody to be held responsible for H and S factors, need to register with the District before, max 2 hours and these times cannot be used for districts. These amendments are being put to B&C on 20th June. There is an electronic 'licence' form which will be available from the website when it goes live. National licenses unlikely to be issued until following SS AGM in September. Oct will be first opportunity for new licenses, so JM been busy tentatively sourcing pools. JL to be given predicted budgets. Zoom Coaches meetings next week to talk about all these progressions. New National structure for Teams – in descending order National Senior, National Junior, Senior Academy (YDS), Junior Academy (DRP), then Skills Academy whether through clubs (or regions) is still to be decided. Lucy Hope has been offered a place in the Olympic team going to Tokyo. Congratulations sent to University of Edinburgh and her, via her parents. Ali Whike wishes to have all galas running at roughly same time of year, incorporating team activities. 	<p>Clubs</p> <p>JM to circulate once amendments</p> <p>Swim Cmt</p> <p>JM done</p>

	<p>Criteria that SS have set; District will be able to support</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level 2 criteria limited to 200's not viable until restrictions are lifted slightly. Hoped to be able to have more swimmers when we are in Level 0, however still unlikely to have spectators... Hopefully by September we can have this restructuring done. • Prescriptive part of Gala's Competition Review Group in charge of planning (putting the meat on the bones). • All had their say • A, B, C tiers – how do we the swimming committee progress these? • “New normal”/ Sport Scotland/ Government = happy swimmers • Joanne Duncie is hoping that she is able to take over AB's role with the Junior Academy. 	Swim cmte
b - Water Polo (RM)	<p>Report: Short WP update:</p> <p>Clubs have returned and welcomed back 18+ to club sessions albeit to non-contact training at this time. The following East District club members have attended GB U19 and U17 trials and training camps in recent weeks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • U19 (2003) Women - Catriona Aitchison (DWPC) • U17 (2004) Women – Rosemary Day-Lewis (Warrender WaterPolo)/ Imogen Paton (DWPC – Invited but couldn't attend) • U19 (2003) Men – Thomas Forster (Portobello ASC)/ Cameron McRobbie (Portobello ASC) • U17 (2004) Men - Sam Molloy (Portobello ASC) <p>In addition, Niamh Moloney (DWPC) has been invited to attend the GB Senior Ladies squad trials taking place in July. Well done to everyone.</p>	
c – Masters (FM)	<p>Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National dates for Tollcross open to everyone in Scotland may not include 800's or 1500's – info on social media - 10th - 11th September 	
d – Artistic Swimming (CF reading from LB)	<p>Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Edinburgh is now back at training, they competed in the first phase of the Level X competition and plan to compete in the remaining phases as it was great to experience a figure competition again • The Edinburgh juniors are working towards the virtual national championships, the 13-15's are working forward to the virtual NAG's and the remaining groups are working towards the virtual combo cup in December. They are hoping for some Scottish competitions and grade days asap. • Fife – all swimmers, including masters, now back to training and working towards grades. Have lost some poolside helpers as a result of lockdown which is a real pity. Swimmer's numbers have remained good. 	

e – Diving (VT)	<p>Report: no report so DM said</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Congratulations to James Heatly who has been selected for Tokyo Olympic games. Cards have been sent with the good wishes of the District. 	
f – Open Water Les informed us about these opportunities in KG absence	<p>Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Looking unworkable due to unclear covid-19 guidelines. • Dates are Loch Vennacher on the eve of 13th Aug 14th Aug. • With SNOWs in East using Loch Ore on 4th /5th Sept. • Hoping to have competition guidelines that are workable • Judge 1 and Safety officer Open Water Courses have been run online, well attended and received 	All Open Water swimmers
12. STOC (AS)	<p>Report: Request for TO Support to the Festival of Swimming event to take place at the RCP between the 16 to 18 July has been received from the National STO chair who will coordinate applications.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 16 STO will be sought for each of the 9 sessions to be held over the weekend. • No indication has been received regarding the level of applications received. <p>BS TO Licence: Helen Akers the STO representative with BS has returned from furlough and provided an update on the impact of the lockdown on the official's licence scheme. All licences will, in effect, be extended for a 12-month period and the details were as follows:</p> <p>The following extensions to the period of validity for Officials Licences have been agreed, to assist those individuals who may have been unable to fulfil the renewal requirements due to the various Covid restrictions in place:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Any licences that expired in 2020 and were not renewed have been extended until 31 December 2021. ○ Any licences that are due to expire in 2021 and were not renewed before 30 April 2021 have been extended by 12 months. ○ Any licences that are due to expire in 2022 will be extended by 12 months – this work is currently ongoing but should be completed shortly. • This applies to both pool and open water licences. • This, and the renewal/application processes, will be emphasized to STO in future correspondence. • Biggest impact of the PVG process is likely to be for open water officials. Marshall's discussion, again it is down to terminology. • DM raised the topic of PVG's being brought up at B&C, and then possibly take it to Disclosure Scotland • Referee's training: will recommence for those who started in pre-covid days, not starting any new ones 	All trainee referees

	until 2022.	
13. Archive (CK)	<p>Report: 100 Years Ago : (1971)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The June 'Monthly' meeting of the Eastern Counties ASA as it was called then, was chaired by Mr J. Pullar as President over a fairly poor attendance. • A letter from North Berwick Town Council was read out granting ECASA permission to run a Gala in August subject to the following conditions namely, that no collection is taken up and no charge made for viewing. The Association meet the cost of cleaning the dressing boxes and any other expense in preparing the pond. A motion was passed to write to North Berwick Town Council expressing regret at such conditions being made and pointing out the idea of such a Gala was to increase our finances, we therefore could not see our way to proceed under the aforementioned conditions. • An application was made by North Berwick SC to run two Galas on the Town Council's behalf, also paying the affiliation fee. It was proposed the application be accepted provided they pay a permit fee for each Gala and subject to them submitting a list of the events in advance and the books and accounts after each event for inspection. <p>50 Years Ago : (1971)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The June Delegates meeting was chaired by Peter Heatly as President with a further 32 delegates in attendance. Also, in attendance was the SASA President - John Y. Coutts who was invited to say a few words. • The Treasurer confirmed there are still 4 Clubs who had not paid their affiliation fee. The treasurer was instructed to write to the 4 Clubs and tell them if the fees were not submitted by the end of the month, they will not be able to take part in any events • SASA Council met earlier this month and the following was agreed. The 1972 National Championships would be brought forward to June to avoid clashing with the Olympic Games. In response to a letter submitted by Warrender Baths Club regarding the non-appearance of SASA at GB meeting Mr Robb was appointed to attend in future. Finally, it was hoped the International match vs Iceland in August be held in the RCP. • It was agreed to cancel the July Delegates meeting as this falls during the National Championships. • It was further agreed to bring forward the date of the August meeting as the President, The Secretary & the Treasurer would all be involved in the European Diving event that week. 	
14. Website		
15. AOCB JM	<p>Nothing, thanks from all</p> <p>Swimming: Budget provisional until March as hoping to run ED Champs at start of 2022.</p> <p>Thanks to the chair on her well run first meeting as Vice President.</p>	All convenors

16. Date of next meeting	DELEGATES 16th September pre SASA AGM	All Clubs
MANAGEMENT	Budget 19th August End of meeting 8:40pm	Convenors