

Notes of East District Management Meeting held on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2021



Zoom

- 1. Present:** Duncan McKinnell (DM) Vice President, Les Rodgers (LR) President, Richie Metcalfe (RM) Immediate Past president, Tony Dane (TD) Secretary, James Laird (JL) Treasurer, Alistair Shields(AS) STO Convenor, Susan Liddle (SL) Lothian Region Convenor, Colin Kennedy (CK) Archive Convenor, Andra Laird(AL) Fife Convenor, Alan Reed (AR) East RSDM, Jo Maguire(JM) Swim Convenor, Lesley Bloomer (LB) rep Synchro, Martin McCullough (MM) Borders Convenor, Cath Fleming(CF) minute taker.
- 2. Apologies:** Fiona McEwan (FM) Masters Convenor, Kirsten Ogilvie (KO) Open Water Convenor, Vicky Tomlinson(VT) Dive rep

Agenda		Action by
<b>President's Welcome</b>	Duncan McKinnell (Vice President) Welcomed all to this zoom meeting and main purpose is to set our budgets and AGM preparations.	
<b>3. Declarations of Interest</b>	None	
<b>4 Minutes of 18<sup>th</sup> March for corrections and actions</b>	<p>No corrections</p> <p>Matters arising:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Constitutions: still looking for constitutions from 21 clubs. Current constitutions should be sent irrespective of whether they are up to date. We can then work with Clubs to make them current. Club Executives in for 32 Clubs.</li> <li>• Emails have come from 3 clubs to say that they are appreciative of our efforts to help subsidise them and for the flexibility as to how the funds from the District can be used. WBC, Scorpion and Trojan were specifically mentioned.</li> <li>• 20-21 fees from 3 clubs are still outstanding. JL will deduct these from the rebate for 21-22.</li> <li>• Virtual galas: ED and Tighinn Còmhlà are both ready to go.</li> <li>• The Regions have not met up so far.</li> <li>• Recently we held a successful Forum meeting with Ewan Lowe and Alan Reed (SS) who presented on the new SS Corporate Plan. Thanks to them.</li> <li>• Scoreboards: no move within East clubs, so Lynn Alderton will see if she can get them installed in a pool in North District. The new Gala Pool was also mentioned but we are assuming that they will come up with their own new scoreboards.</li> <li>• Master's swimming: we are not allowed to run the District event this year: however, it is hoped to run a National event towards the end of the year.</li> <li>• Concerns expressed over how meets can run profitably: both regionally and District wise.</li> </ul>	<p><b>TD and AR</b></p> <p><b>JL</b></p> <p><b>SL/JM</b></p> <p><b>TD</b></p>

<p><b>5. Finance – accounts to 31<sup>st</sup> March to be presented at AGM</b> <b>James Laird</b></p>	<p>Deficit of £1,603. Income from Affiliation fees and the 2020 EISM made a profit of just over £2,398 so ED received just under £1200 as a management fee. Expenditure: money for whistles/ for archive offices/ for website/ACDA/ general expenses/ DRP etc Capital expenditure £416 for repair work on timing equipment. Funds of £84,800 prior to Clubs planned rebate (expected to be in region of £20,000) Our accounts are being audited at the moment by our Honorary Auditor, Mr Jeremy Chittleburgh.</p>	
<p><b>6. AGM Preparations</b></p>	<p>AGM proposals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• financial questions to Treasurer 7 days in advance of meeting (previously 14).</li> <li>• Alteration to Rules allowed at EGM as well as AGM and Delegates meetings.</li> <li>• Regional committees to provide Constitutions and Financial information to be with the District secretary within a month of their AGMs. This was an area of concern for the 3 Regional convenors. ED need it for transparency and information only. Helps with decision making over projects. MM asked whether support to Regions is provided equally. This was the case, although uptake varied. JL offered to help the regions out should they need it with their budgeting.</li> <li>• Change all reference from Synchro to Artistic swimming: banner will become “Artistic”</li> <li>• Annual check for new East District records using software which is now available</li> <li>• Timing of membership fees: use membership numbers as at 30<sup>th</sup> April, fees approved at May AGM for collection by 30<sup>th</sup> June.</li> </ul> <p><b>AGM reports:</b> all received apart from Treasurer and 1 other <b>Awards:</b> Citation for Stephen Clegg for his world record in 100 fly to be submitted by DM for LR to read out at the time. Synchro are also presenting their Trophy to a volunteer. LB thanked both CK and TD for pointing her in the right direction when putting in her report/citation. No WP presentation, they are withholding it. <b>Convenors &amp; committees</b> remain the same apart from Archive. CK has to step aside when he becomes President of SS. At that time David Civil will oversee the Archives. <b>Hon President:</b> Jack Snowden has indicated his wish to stand down from this position. The District see this as an Honorary position for the life of the holder. Accordingly, this post will not be filled at present. <b>AGM East District 20<sup>th</sup> May 2021, Zoom 7pm.</b> Discussion around District Banner. RM to speak to George Spowart about changing it from Synchro to Artistic</p>	<p>DM</p> <p>RM</p>

<b>7. Membership renewal update</b>	JL has been in contact with Francesca Carlo (SS) who indicated that Clubs are slowly paying up their membership. Clubs are starting up, in some areas, on 26 <sup>th</sup> April, and participating members MUST have paid by then for insurance purposes. Expecting to ramp up from 1 <sup>st</sup> May. AR to provide weekly updates on renewals and new members to the Exec. 31 <sup>st</sup> May is the District rebate date for Clubs so hoping to get more updates by then. School pools are still not open. Any clubs not renewing their membership then they cannot attend the ED AGM	AR
<b>8. Regional Reports</b>		
<b>a – Borders: Martin McCullough</b>	<b>Verbal update:</b> there is a new build going on in Galashiels incorporating a 6 lane Pool into the school and leisure centre. Does it have a movable floor/ scoreboards/ Timing Suite? Spectator space: 150 to 200. Hope to be involved with future planning. AR to liaise with MM.	<b>MM/AR</b>
<b>b – Fife: Andra Laird</b>	<b>Verbal Update:</b> Fife AGM is on 13 <sup>th</sup> May. Sec. will be sending out invitations to ED exec. Well done to RM for stepping up to be the Treasurer for Fife.	
<b>c - Lothian: Susan Liddle</b>	<b>Verbal update:</b> their AGM is on 11 <sup>th</sup> May, week prior to the ED AGM.	
<b>8. Discipline Reports</b>		
<b>a – Swimming Jo Maguire</b>	Festival of Swimming paper has been issued, it will go to Nat Swimming Committee next Thursday. It is likely that ED will be asked for STO support. Potential dates identified: 16 <sup>th</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup> July. ED virtual meet all distances: Coaches’ responses mixed. No licenses being issued until at least September 2021.	<b>JM / AS</b>
<b>b- STO update Alistair Shields</b>	Zoom referees meeting did take place and was well received.	
<b>c - Water Polo (RM)</b>	<b>Report:</b> Looking forward to getting back into water	
<b>d - Masters</b>	<b>Report:</b> None	
<b>e– Synchro (LB)</b>	<b>Report:</b> Looking forward to getting back into water	
<b>F – Diving (VT)</b>	<b>Report:</b> None	
<b>g – Open Water</b>	<b>Report:</b> Covid guidelines still not issued but they are likely to hold National events. Loch Venachar in early August, Loch Ore in September. OW did not suspend their regulations	
<b>9. Archive Colin Kennedy</b>	No report.	
<b>10. Website (TD)</b>	No report.	
<b>11. Dates and content of next meetings</b>	<b>AGM on 20<sup>th</sup> May 21</b>	

<b>12 AOCB</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Letter from <b>Margo Allan</b> thanking the District for the flowers received following the announcement of Peter's funeral. Thanks to TD for organising this.</li><li>• DM informed us of potential PVG guidance for Meet Managers. SL has challenged this with SS and will advise on the response.</li></ul>	<b>SL</b>
	<b>END of meeting 8.05</b>	