



## **Letchworth Amateur Swimming Club**

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 22 November 2011

### **Present**

Mr C Davies                      President

The Committee, members of the club and public

#### **1. Presidents Welcome**

Everyone present was welcomed to this years AGM. The committee, teachers, helpers and coaches were thanked for their continuing work for the club throughout the year.

#### **2. Apologies**

None

#### **3. Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting**

Minutes of the last meeting and the agenda have been available on the Club website for everyone to view. Copies were offered to anyone on request at the meeting. There were no objections raised and they were accepted as a true copy.

#### **4. Matter Arising**

No matters arising from the last Annual General Meeting.

#### **5. Chairman's Report**

Interesting year with a new head coach, Mel Godfrey, as Alan retired after many years of great work for the club. Our thanks go to him for everything that he has done, and we are very lucky to now have Mel as our new head coach. Thank you to Mel for taking on this role. The chairman reminded all present that the club is run entirely by volunteers and he thanked everyone involved in making the club so successful.

#### **6. Treasurer's Report**

It is always the clubs aim to break even each year and not to make a profit however there is approximately £1500 surplus this year. Savings have been made on gala expenses (not so many coaches) and training has been largely funded by grants from the ASA and The Heritage Foundation. Mel has worked hard to secure this funding for the club to ensure that all its teachers are qualified.

Copies of the accounts are available.

#### **7. Coach's Report**

Mel expressed her thanks to the teachers, helpers and committee members and said that it was an honour to lead the club. She has managed to secure some further Youth Development funding and advised that the club has successfully maintained its Swim 21 status.

**8. Child Welfare Officer Report**

Jackie Tickner the Welfare Officer is the person to speak to if anyone has any issues they wish to raise or discuss regarding swimmers welfare.

**9. Swim 21 Officer Report**

Carina and Mel are both doing their Level 3 coaching and the club has been successful in passing its annual evaluation again this year.

**10. Election of officers and committee**

The committee is elected each year and all of the current members have agreed to stand for another year. There are however currently 2 vacancies so the committee would welcome anyone who is interested to speak to them at the end.

**11. Any other business**

Georgina Quayle, outgoing captain, took the opportunity to thank the teachers, especially Brian Plater. She said that the squad swimmers would do their best to stay in division 2 in the Major League this year and support each other at the lane ends.

**12. Award Secretary's report and presentation of awards**

Colin Heron-Maxwell, the Awards Secretary advised that we now have a permanent notice board at the leisure and further information on a board inside the pool hall.

Ray Ormiston, who has been compiling the points for the club for a number of years has now retired. Our thanks go to Ray for his help over the year. Brian Plater has now kindly offered to take on this role. Thank you Brian.

Awards were then presented to points winners for each swimming group by the outgoing Club Captains.

The following awards were then presented:

Junior Captains - Andrew Thomson and Hannah Martin

Vice Captains - Jacob Myner and Sarah Plater

Captains (vice captains last year) - Michael Levet and Georgina Godfrey

Junior Swimmers of the year were:

Cerian Sissons and Sebastian Gaviriez-Velez

Senior Swimmers of the year were:

Nicola Sissons and Graham Birch

Coaches swimmer of the year Christian De Trafford.

Thanks were given to the retiring captains and junior captains.

2 new life members – Sebastian De Trafford and Holly Marshall

Meeting closed at 8.15pm