

Winsford Amateur Swimming Club

AGM 2017

7.00pm Wednesday 28th April 2017
Winsford Lifestyle Centre

	Comments	Action
1	<p>Chairs' Welcome: Barry thanked and welcomed all to the meeting.</p>	
2	<p>Attendees: Barry Keeling (Chair) Helen Jones (Treasurer) Diane Christopherson (Club Secretary/mins) Claire Brown (Team Manager) Jayne Deeming (Treasurer/membership) Sue Wright (Parent Member) Julie Grindley (Parent Member)</p>	
3	<p>Apologies: Dan Goodwin (Head Coach) Erika Howman (Press officer) Sarah Keeling (Welfare Officer)</p>	
4	<p>Chairman's Summary: The Chair summarised the last year explaining how the ASA have re-branded to become Swim England. Clubs in the region will be formed into groups, WASC will become part of the Cheshire East group. The Chair will be attending the next meeting where he will feedback to the committee. WASC was successful in its Swim21 submission again this year, a lengthy process – thanks to all involved. Swim21 will very soon become compulsory. The club's performance has greatly improved again this year, with more County, Regional and National swimmers.</p>	
5	<p>Head Coaches Report: The Chair read out Dan Goodwin's report below:</p> <p><i>Winsford Swim Team – Year Report</i> Winsford Swim team over the past year has progressed tremendously with many more swimmers achieving higher levels of attainment throughout the different championships from North Midlands to National Level. The squads are looking healthy with: 57 swimmers in Juggernaut, 100% at County Level, 63% at Regional Level and 30% achieving either GBR, ENG or Open Water National standard. Average age of squads: Juggernaut 14.3, Platinum 14.5, Gold 10.1, Silver 11, Bronze 10.2. Attendance is good and improving with many more swimmers attending all sessions, mornings we achieve good numbers and in the evenings we are busy. Often lanes in the evenings are 6-7 a lane.</p> <p>Results - Winsford Swim Team is going from strength to strength:</p>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TOP Club in the North Midlands • Top 3 Club in Cheshire • Top 5 Club in the North West of England • Arena NW Premier League Finalist, record number of points • Record number of qualifiers in all the championships. • Many more National swimmers in GBR, Home Nation & Open Water. • Many swimmers achieving National Finals. • 4 Swimmers on the England Talent Camp phase 1. <p>The Club in my opinion has gone from strength to strength. More swimmers are achieving higher levels of success right across the board. This is due to the hard work of everyone involved with the club. It just shows what can be achieved in a swimming club against city clubs and metros who have many clubs and swimmers constantly feeding into their system.</p> <p>In my opinion we are the best pound for pound club in the North West of England, constantly punching above our weight. The success over the past year and beyond has been outstanding and is nice to look back on for a brief minute, but I want to look to the future of Winsford Swim Team. I want us all too continually strive to do better with even greater focus on our younger squads and getting them up to speed earlier, and encouraging them to train more and compete. We want a conveyor belt of young talent coming through our club and that process has already started, at the North Midlands I will be looking out for our 9-11 year olds with a keen eye. Our youngest swimmers will determine how successful our club is in the next 5 years or more.</p> <p>Thanks for everyone's support over the last year because success is a team effort, not any one person makes a successful club it is many cogs which make a wheel go round or many nuts and bolts which make a machine run smoothly. Thanks to the Coaches, thanks to the Committee, thanks to the parents and thanks to the swimmers. I am sure Winsford Swim Team will have another very successful 12 months.</p> <p>Thanks, Dan.</p>	
6	<p>Section Reports: The squad updates were given via the head coaches report above (see 5). Lessons – 200> currently, 103 at level 6/7. Similar figures for the transition squads.</p>	
7	<p>Membership Report: Discussion around membership numbers took place.</p>	
8	<p>Treasurers Report: The Dec 2016 accounts were incomplete but expected to be completed within the next week. The Treasurer walked through the accounts and took questions from the members. In summary: The club loss up to 31st Aug 2016 was £1024. The profit for the Christmas meet was £2523. Easy Fundraising is £540.53 to date.</p>	

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	<p>Clothes collection was £340, thanks to Stephanie Cushen for arranging. Barclays was £973.60 (match funding) Presentation night 2016 in total £776.10 (before costs).</p> <p>The Treasurer would like it minuted her thanks to the volunteers who help with the difficult task of getting the money in, greatly appreciated.</p> <p>A fee increase will be introduced early June, this was brought about by Brio's increase in costs for lessons, lifeguard fees and pool hire. As previously mentioned WASC cannot undercut Brio, hence when they increase their prices it means WASC must do so also. The committee voted to unanimously agree the increase in fees, in principle.</p> <p>The issue with lifeguarding can be worked around by parent helpers, senior swimmers taking the lifeguarding qualification and the reach and rescue course.</p> <p>The Treasurer asked that we also minute the committee's appreciation to Oli Wright for all his hard work involved with the new timing equipment.</p>																			
9	<p>Welfare Officer The latest Constitution states that the Welfare Officer must not be related to any other officer in the committee. This now means that we are looking for a new WO, though Sarah will be in the background to support the new WO. The new WO will be fully trained and will attend the "time to listen" course.</p>																			
10	<p>Gala Entries level 3&4 – job split Thank you to Kate Joliffe for taking over the role, however, Kate is looking to split the role with someone. If you are interested in the role please contact the Club Secretary wasclubsec@gmail.com</p>																			
11	<p>AOB Club Secretary thanked all parents who stepped up to the request to become J1s and timekeepers. Thank you to all involved in the organising and chaperoning at this years successful swim camp. There will be two swim camps in 2018, one in February at Club la Santa, and the other in the Easter holidays for the younger squads – venue tbc.</p>																			
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Lessons Co-ordinator	Debra Thomson	
Welfare Officer	VACANCY	Sarah Keeling
Parent Representatives: (max 4)	VACANCY Sue Wright	Julie Grindley VACANCY
Team Gala Secretary/Transport	Claire Brown	
Level 1 & 2 Meets Entries		Carol Robson
Level 3 & 4 Meets Entries		Kate Joliffe VACANCY
Open Meets Secretary		Dave Moss
Presentation Medals Coordinator		Erika Howman
Website		Oli/Sue Wright
Assessment co-ordinator for lessons and squad		Barry Keeling
ASA/Swim England registration		Suzanne Wilson
Club Desk		Rayna Haydon Angela Moss
Press Officer		Erika Howman
Fund Raising/Sponsorship		Stephanie Cushen
Swim21 Co-ordinator		Barry Keeling
50m Training		Claire Brown
Gala Committee		Sue Wright Lucie George Alison Oliver Diane Christopherson Sarah Carss Julie Grindley Tracey Morley Julie Kay
Barry thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 2010hrs		