

**Winsford ASC Committee Meeting
Sunday 19th April 2026
Winsford Lifestyle Centre**

Attendees

Barry Keeling – Chairman
Rob Hancock - Treasurer
Jacqui Jones – Secretary
Lucy Lee - Welfare
Mickie Ma - Volunteer Coach
Michael Secker - Coach
Claire Turner - Social Committee
Leanne Webster - Membership
Sue Wright - Gala Committee

Apologies

Cally Buso - Welfare
Ali Brennan - squad representative
Stuart Fraser - Lead Official

Barry opened the meeting welcoming all present.

1. Swim camp 2028

At the AGM it was requested that the senior swim camp for 2028 should be a UK-only option, as long as the half term dates are compatible. We will look to secure a booking, probably Mt Kelly although Millfield is also an option with a 50m pool, once 2028 term dates have been released. We will also look at options for the swimmers not going on camp, this could be something at Brio during the day and/or a social trip

Action: Jacqui and Barry to work on both the UK swim camp and options for those remaining at home

2. Squad fees, structure and pool time

No good options for additional pool times so will continue as we are, this means squad fees can be determined for the coming year. Michael shared an updated squad structure which further splits the transition and development squads.

Proposed Squad Structure

Transition (split into 3)

- 1 - 1 hr Saturday
- 2 - 1 hr Saturday, 45 mins Sunday
- 3 - 1 hr Saturday, 1 hr Sunday with Development

Development (splitting gold and silver into A and B)

Silver B will introduce a weekend morning
Gold B will introduce 50m training

Juggernaut (adding Junior Potential B)

JP B will only swim 1 hr on Monday

Action: Rob and Michael to determine fees for the coming year based on these changes and communicate both these and the changes in squad structure

3. Club slogan

At the AGM it was suggested that we have a club slogan similar to Stockport's "Where Champions Grow".

Action: Jacqui to send email asking for suggestions

4. Club photos

It was noted at the AGM that we missed doing a club photo after the Cheshires. We will make sure to organise after Regionals and Nationals.

Action: Jacqui will organise with coaching team

5. Club Championship timings

The Club Championships were moved to September to avoid conflicts with those swimming in the Nationals. Currently the dates are listed as TBC on the website with the first date 3rd September being before some schools are back and therefore some may be away.

The presentation evening scheduled for 5th September will go ahead with all the awards except for Club Champs eg the announcement of club captains, top swimmer, volunteer awards etc. A second presentation evening will be held in January for the Club Championships awards. It is sometimes noted that we don't offer enough social events so this will also be an experiment to see if two events are well supported.

Action: Michael and coaching team to look at timings for the Club Champs and coordinate with Sue

6. Parent/swimmer meetings

It was suggested to have a parent at the swimmer meeting so that the information provided by the coach gets home. It was agreed to move to two meetings, one with a parent and one without.

Action: Michael and coaching team to set up meetings with parents in September

7. WhatsApp community

At the AGM a parent suggested the club set up a WhatsApp community for communications, in addition to the website emails. The community will have subgroups for each squad, mornings etc. It would be set up for announcements, so not able to reply, and numbers would not be shared.

Action: Michael will set this up

8. Dani Stonier activities

With the Stoniers leaving the club we have to backfill Dani's activities.
Team Manager coordination will be Gemma R with support from Sue
50m training will be covered by Sara Hancock
Arena League will be Molly and Jacqui

9. Junior Arena League

Winsford will host the first round of the Junior Arena League on May 9th. Sue expressed concern that the spreadsheet used to set up the gala will not work for a gala with A and B teams as it will effectively set up two separate galas. We are sharing the spreadsheet with a couple of parents to see if they can make it work for our event otherwise we will have to create the heat sheets and timekeeper sheets manually.

Action: Barry will contact Jackie Beard Jones for advice

10. Cardinal

There are now only 18 swimmers paying for the Cardinal app and only 1 person attended the last webinar. It is not cost effective for the club to continue so we agreed to email the current users to let them know that we plan to stop the subscription and give the opportunity for users to provide feedback.

Action: Michael/Jacqui to email swimmers using the app

11. Other business

L2 Coaching course for Abby Bridges

Abby is going to get her L2 coaching qualification and Michael asked if the club could support financially as we have in the past for other coaches. There is a discount at the time of booking if we book on behalf of the trainee, and there is potential for funding once the course has been completed. We can only ask for one grant a year from each of Cheshire, North Mids and Swim England but there is potential to split the funds between the coaches who are being trained this year.

Action: Jacqui will coordinate with Abby

Possible projects

We could use new timing pads for galas which is a project that could be eligible for community grants

Action: Jacqui/Sue/Michael to put together a package and apply for funding

Barry thanked everyone for their continued support and attendance, meeting closed