



WOSC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday 21 June 2012

The meeting started at 6.30pm. Due to the number of issues that were discussed during the meeting the order of the agenda was not observed.

Present: Committee & Coaches
Jill Ward (Chairman)
Jo Barber (Treasurer)
Danielle Jacobs (secretary)
Tom Waller (website)
Lesley Britton (welfare officer)
Margaret Mc Kinnes (committee)

Dean Williams (Headcoach)
Tony Smith (coach)
Ross Smith (coach)
Lesley Steward – Farley (coach)
Laura Ward (coach)

Non Committee Nigel Bowman, Alistair Bach,

Apologies: Megan Hill, Lisa Farrow, Jim Melvin (proxy vote to Dean Williams).

Welcome & Introductions

Everyone was thanked for attending, although turnout was low it was noted to be higher than last year.

**Minutes of AGM
22nd March
2011**

The minutes, from the 2011 AGM, were not available due to the fact that last year the entire committee had resigned during the meeting and consequently no minutes were taken.

Matters Arising

There were several matters which were included under AOB and Q&A for parents. In view of this the order of the agenda was not observed.

Report of the Chairman, Treasurer, Head Coach; To be provided and will be attached to these notes.

The New Committee and Officers of the club were elected as follows:

Chairman – Tom Waller

Membership Secretary – Kelly Chandler

Gala & Open Meet Secretary – Danielle Jacobs

Secretary – Danielle Jacobs (acting)

Treasurer – Jo Barber

Child Welfare Officer – Lesley Britton

Website – Tom Waller

Reviewer– Alistair Bach

Chairman's Report

June 2012

It's been a challenging year for WOSC: it started with the resignation of the entire Committee! I took on the Chairman role in a caretaker capacity and the new committee hit the ground running to organise our Open, which, despite the inexperience of the people involved, went off well.

During the year we have revitalised the website in terms of structure, look and feel, keeping it up to date with relevant information.

The year continued with several of our coaches and experienced swimmers leaving for a variety of reasons. I am pleased to say however, that I end the year encouraged. We are lucky enough to have taken on some experienced coaches who are ably supported by new level 1 coaches from our own ranks of swimmers. We also have a wealth of talented swimmers making their way up through the squads!

There have been some fun times as well during the year; one of the highlights for me was the coach trip to Dover to attend a gala. Although we didn't place highly, if medals were given out for team spirit, singing and face painting we would have won! The Awards Disco, in its new venue, was also a great event and very well attended.

I leave the caretaker role having enjoyed my year and looking forward to continued progress under the new Chair

Thanks to everyone for their help and support

Jill Ward

White Oak Swimming Club

Treasurers Report

April 2011 - March 31st 2012

The last twelve months have been quite a challenge. We have had a large turnaround with coaching staff and committee members and we were all new and inexperienced.

The club has lost about 20 members this year which is higher than normal and this means that we have taken about £6000.00 less in subs than the previous year.

We have also increased our coaching fees by approximately £3500.00. This is because one of our coaches was a volunteer and because we now have more coaches than before and more level 2 coaches than we have previously had.

The open meet in October was not as successful as last year and this I feel was down to the fact that we had a new committee. However, we did break even, with match funding once again from Barclays of £400.00 which was organized by one of our parents, Amanda Stephens, to whom we are sincerely grateful.

We are confident this year that the Open will be successful and that with planning and careful budgeting we can make a profit for the club as in previous years.

The Open, Club Champs and other fundraising events are very important to the club and our thanks go out to all the parents that invest their time helping to organize events and ensure there smooth running.

The Presentation night this year was a great night with everyone saying they had a good time.

In previous years the club has helped financially support members of the club wanting to progress with their coaching skills. Unfortunately this year the committee has decided that it is something that we are no longer able to do, due to the increase of coaches fees and the reduction in subs.

We have decided due to the current financial climate and for the fourth consecutive year we will not increase fees in September.

Although membership numbers are unpredictable the clubs bank balance is healthy and we feel a rise to be unnecessary at this time.

However, this is subject to review by the new committee to be voted in tonight.

Jo Barber

June 2012

WHITE OAK SWIMMING CLUB
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CHIEF COACHES REPORT

Firstly I would like to start off with the positives. The past year has once again seen an improvement throughout all the squads in the swimmers attitude towards training when in the pool or the gym. This has been reflected throughout the past 12 months in the improving performances of the majority of swimmers and the progression throughout all the squads of talented young aspiring swimmers.

Now to the negatives once again I must stress how important it is for all swimmers to maintain a consistency in their training attendance we have the pool time so please come on lets use it.

Unfortunately due to varying reasons we have loss a numbers of swimmers over the past 12 months which has affected the swimming clubs ability to compete at a level we have achieved in the past and it was with sadness that I took the decision to withdraw from the Arena League 2012. We must as a club strives to achieve a healthy balance in numbers of swimmers if we wish to compete in the 2013 Arena League so a major priority is the recruitment of new swimmers.

I would like to congratulate all those swimmers who took part in the 2012 Kent Championships especially Jim Melvin who won 4 gold medals and broke 2 Kent records earlier this month in the Kent Masters swimming Championships.

Finally I would like to thank all the coaches, the committee and swimmers for their continuing support throughout the year.

Dean Williams

Chief coach