

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

BURNSIDE SWIMMING CENTRE

7th March 2013,



MINUTES

1. Welcome

Meeting opened 7.13pm

2. Present:

Robert Harris, Richard Pak Poy, Russell Anderson, Marjory Muller, Kathy Heenan, Brian Morris, Ilze Ostrovska, Shirley Smith, Neil Titterington, Tony Ryan, Stephanie Palmer-White, Howard Muller.

Apologies: Geoff McConachy, Pam Gunn, Lee O'Connell, Kit & Di Simons, Mary Phin, Kent Nelson, Betty Reinboth, Layton Waters.

3. Confirmation of Minutes from Previous Annual General Meeting

The Minutes from 2012 AGM were accepted as being an accurate record.

4. Reports

President's Report

Report circulated and accepted, see Appendix.

Treasurer's Report

Report circulated and accepted, see Appendix.

Secretary's Report

Report circulated and accepted, see Appendix.

Coach's Report

Not available.

5. Appointment of Club Coach

Kathy Heenan was appointed Club Coach by the Executive Committee, commencing 15th April 2013.

6. Election of Officers

The following members were elected to the Office of Executive Committee:

President: Layton Waters

Vice President: Geoff McConachy

Treasurer: Tony Ryan

Secretary: Referred to the Executive Committee

Club Captain (F): Stephanie Palmer-White

Club Captain (M): To be advised

Registrations Officer: Marjory Muller
Nominations Officer: Marjory Muller
Publicity Officer Newsletter: Neil Titterington
Recorder: To be advised
Fitness/Coaching Coordinator: To be advised
Safety Officer: To be advised
3 General Committee Members: Brian Morris (Open Water Swim Organiser)

Other Roles

OWS Organiser: Brian Morris
Public Officer: Sue Graebner
Delegate to Branch Council: Brian to attend first meeting.
Social Coordinator: Marj to advise.

7. **Election of Auditor for 2012**
To be advised by the Treasurer

8. **Club Presentations**

Presented by Robert Harris, Club President

Most Outstanding Male Swimmer: Mark Smedley
Most Outstanding Female Swimmer: Charlene Margrison
President's Trophy: Namiko Kobayashi
Open Water Swim Trophy: Lee O'Connell and Pam Gunn

Presented by Kathy Heenan, Trophy Donor

Josie Sansom Trophy for Highest Individual Points: Carlos Assumpcao
Andrew Weldon Memorial Trophy for Services to the Club: Brian Morris

Presented by Robert Harris on behalf of Malisa Lavis, Club Coach

Most Improved Male Swimmer: Daniel Milne
Most Improved Female Swimmer: Nora De Bono

9. **New Business**

- It was proposed that the Club Constitution be amended to reflect changes to the Committee's organisational structure as follows:
 1. The position of Safety Officer be reduced to that of support role to be appointed by the Executive Committee.
 2. The role of Open Water Swim Organiser be elevated to the Office of the Executive Committee.

It was agreed that the Committee look to these changes.

- Kathy Heenan proposed that future Annual General Meetings take place on a regular training night, either by replacing the session or following on from it, for the purpose of making member attendance more convenient. Kathy also suggested that the Club could possibly attract more members to the AGM if it were combined with a BBQ or similar social function. It

was agreed that the new Committee should look at ways to draw larger attendances to future AGMs.

- Kathy reminded the Committee that, traditionally, the Club formally recognises those members who attend the Nationals. It was agreed that a Club Polo-shirt would be presented as required.

3. **Door Prize:** A bottle of wine was won by Richard Pak Poy.

4. **Meeting Closed**

8.27pm

APPENDIX

President's Report

I am happy to report that we have had another successful year in many areas of our clubs activities.

In regard to the Interclub and State Cup meets we again were successful in being the top club in SA. Congratulations to all those who took part in these events and your dedication and enthusiasm has won again. To those swimmers who have not taken part in these events may I suggest you seriously consider it for the upcoming season as they are a lot of fun.

Again our open water swimmers were well to the fore and our dedicated band of swimmers who regularly turn up for these swims again enjoyed many successes. A lot of fun can be had at these events and from one who had never done an open water swim until 2 years ago I can say they are different but very enjoyable. So I suggest if you have not tried it give it a go some time soon.

Our Proclamation Day swim was again well organised and a big success. This is the second biggest Masters open water swim event for the year and the club should be proud of the way the event is run. Congratulations to Brian Morris who stepped up this year to take a bit of pressure off of Sue Graebner and Michael Harry who have been the back bone of this event for many years and still provide valuable input.

The other swimming events the long distance meets did not attract as many as we would have liked but were still reasonably attended. The Branch's swim at Strathalbyn in March was not well attended by our club. Those who did attend agreed that this was a great event and venue and would encourage greater participation next year.

This year also marked our 35th year as a Masters Swimming club, the oldest in the State. Our function at the Hackney Hotel was well attended and brought out many past memories and for many it was great to renew old friendships with team mates from many years ago. Well done to those put in the effort to make this the success it was, particularly Sarah Crossman and Namiko Kobayashi who did a splendid job and certainly helped create a great atmosphere on the night. The old photos and other memorabilia were fantastic to see.

Our attendance at the Nationals in Adelaide in April was good with many fine performances from all of our swimmers. Not just the medal winners but all those who took part and many PB's were set. It was a great atmosphere to bring out the best in our swimmers.

We also did some fund raising and the 2 barbeques we did at Bunnings were well organised thanks to Geoff McConachy and raised a reasonable amount of cash. We have 3 more planned for this year. Brian Morris also did his bit by having a garage sale at his home which was also a good

earner. Thanks to Brian and those who donated goods for the sale. Brian and Catherine Morris also donated a fantastic glass sculpture to be raffled and again we benefited from the proceeds. We also ran quiz night with Kent Nelson again doing a lot of the work. Thanks to all those who helped with this function.

Howard and Marj continue to provide the support we need to keep the training sessions going as well as the odd small raffle so many thanks to them.

The committee was small but effective we seriously needed more support from some of the members but overall we had a very effective year. We addressed a lot of the financial problems that had been a big issue in the previous year and with the fund raising and better management we were able to turn around the decline in our funds. Thanks to Tony Ryan who stepped up to take on the treasurer's role during the year and did a great job.

The Newsletter is the communication line to all our members and Namiko volunteered to take this on during the year and produced one of best newsletters we have seen. She even produced it from Hobart after her transfer there through her employment. A great effort and we will miss Namiko as she is a great club person.

Thanks to all those on the committee and particularly Richard Pak Poy whose effort as secretary made my job much easier.

I have enjoyed my 2 years as President but find combining that with the State Presidency means that I cannot devote as much time as I feel I should to this role therefore I will not be re nominating for this position.

Thanks to those who have provided great support over the last 2 years and I wish the new President every success in this rewarding position.

Robert Harris.

Secretary's Report

Training and Competition

The Club ran 3 x 1.5 hr training sessions per week year round under the guidance of the Coach, Malisa Lavis; winter training at St. Peters, summer at Burnside. The average number of swimmers attending training was approximately 25 per session.

The Club has performed well in all Pool and OWS Swimming events throughout the year. Adelaide Masters topped the combined team scores for the Interclub Series, won both the State Long Course and Long Course Long Distance Meets and was runner-up in the State Short Course this year. In the SA State Open Water Swimming Championships the Club achieved the highest aggregate points with the Women's Championship Trophy going to our Club Captain.

Adelaide Masters was responsible for organising Captain's Cup and the more recent Proclamation Day Swim, which was well organised by Brian Morris. Approximately 189 swimmers entered the event. The Club also contributed its support to the Jetty to Jetty Swim and is currently organising this year's President's Cup.

Administration

The Executive Committee met monthly throughout the year at the Daniel O'Connell Hotel to address the day to day concerns of the Club. Most notably it was responsible for the following:

- Mid-term appointment of Tony Ryan as Treasurer to replace outgoing Treasurer, Russell Wood;

- Granting of Life Membership to Stephanie Palmer-White in recognition of her long term contribution to the Club;
- Achieving success in its application for funding from the Office of Sport and Recreation through its Active Club Program;
- Becoming a registered member the Office of Sport and Recreation's Star Club Program.

The Club maintained an average membership of approximately 135 financial members throughout the year.

Thanks everyone who attended the Committee meetings over the course of the year and to all members who actively supported the Club by swimming, volunteering, fundraising or by joining in and having fun.

Richard Pak Poy

Treasurer's Report

For the Treasurer s Report please see the AM 2012 Financial Statement PDF accompanying this document.

