



# HALSTEAD SWIMMING CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FRIDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2018

<b>Present</b>	Donna Hall	Julian Weaver
	Tim Rayner	Jeremy Southgate
	Christina Southgate	Dan Messenger
	Roger Duncombe	Sue Craig
	Alistair Walker	Diane Jacob
	Sue Huggins	Chloe Brett
	Sian Bird	Jodie Cartwright
	Helen Reeve	Sam Johnson
	Karen Scott	Robert Brown
	Darrin Vinter	Georgina Farren
	Katherine Daynes	Katherine Harris
	Matthew Bale	Julian Weaver
	Dan Messenger	Tom Styman - Heighton

## 1. Apologies for absence

Gordon Finch, Gary Tyler, Ross Alexander, Patrick Keeble,

## 2. Minutes of Previous A.G.M

Tim welcomed members to the A.G.M.

Donna explained that the approval of the minutes is a standard procedure. Minutes circulated to attending members prior to meeting. Hard copies included with 2018 AGM pack.

Minutes approved.

Minutes adopted and signed by Donna Hall. Club Secretary

### **3. Matters Arising from last A.G.M**

Nothing to Report.

### **4. Chairman's Report**

Hard copies of report provided to members.

In summary we exist to provide competitive swimming opportunities for all our members in a safe and well managed environment; without the support of the committee, the many volunteers this would not be possible, so thank you!

2017 proved to be a challenging year with the relocated open meet and club champs. Factors out of our control but hurdles overcome by HSC.

Policy for long term injuries and fee reimbursements was discussed.

No questions for Tim.

Report Proposed: Alistair Walker Seconded: Karen Scott

### **5. Secretary's Summary**

Hard copies of report circulated to members,

In summary 2017 was remarked by the renaming of the ASA - the Amateur Swimming Association became SWIM ENGLAND, an indication of how far swimming at club level has developed.

It felt like 2017 was challenge Annika but HSC delivered exceptional competitions with the odds against us.

From a coaching perspective, the coaching team continue to do a great job, providing direction and support, enabling all our swimmers to improve at their own level; achieving individual success.

HSC is a maturing and growing club with a strong framework of operation. We aim to run our club in a professional manner. A major challenge will always be the increased workload of a growing club. The 2018 Committee/Volunteer team is looking strong and I look forward to working with you .....

No questions.

Report Proposed: Christina Southgate

Seconded: Julian Weaver

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

Copy of report circulated for members to read. Copy of report included for reference.

The accounts show the 2016 figures for comparable difference. 2017 saw a deficit of £6055.03, and a surplus of £12243.45 in 2016. The deficit of 2017 reflects the purchase of the new block equipment which totalled £19656.00.

The two open meets hold the key to a healthy financial position; without this income which equated to £16644.95 in 2017 the club would be looking at increased monthly fees.

Thanks to Sian Bird who carries out a lot of the financial workload.

HSC fees remain one of the lowest within the region; upholding our community status.

Matt Bale asked If the club could look to be break even for 2018. Without the large purchase expenditure the club should be able to report a surplus status.

Report Proposed: Tom Styman - heighton    Seconded: Matt Bale

## 7. Head Coach Report

Copy of report circulated for members to read. Copy of report included for reference.

Roger thanked the coaching team for their continued commitment, support and dedication. John's move back to Halstead has provided a much-needed level of stability to the team.

For 2018 I would like to see a larger percentage of swimmers competing for the club. I would like to incorporate 50m training sessions at LAC to the fixture calendar. We need to develop the social side of the club. To develop team building opportunities and to develop a place where swim is both fun and competitive.

QUESTION: Will you be joining any new leagues after coming out of the Essex and Suffolk league? Yes, we will be joining the Essex Mini league.

Report Proposed: Sue Craig    Seconded: Dan Messenger

## 8. Continuity of Club

Tim explained that this was just a formality that we must vote on the continuity of HSC for 2018.

All members present at the meeting voted on the continuity of the club

Carried unanimously.

## 9. Constitution Amendments Proposal

Members were referred to the document in the AGM pack.

Amendment 7.1 of constitution the proposal is to include the vice chair into the Executive officers of the club.

All agreed.

## 10. Election of club Officers

Official documentation regarding nominations is held on file.

The Club Officers were voted on in block form.

Chair: Tim Rayner

Treasurer: Sue Craig

Club Secretary: Donna Hall

Proposed: Sue Huggins    Seconded: Alistair Walker

The General Committee were voted together.

Official documentation regarding nomination is held on file.

General Committee: Alistair Walker; Sue Huggins, Natalie Glegg, Martin Bell, Matthew Bale, Jeremy Southgate. Helen Reeve, Karen Scott & Christina Southgate.

Proposed: Roger Duncombe      Seconded: Donna Hall

## 11. Membership Fees for 2018

The fee proposal for 2018 will be as follows:

£50.00 for an individual member 9 and over @31<sup>st</sup> Dec.

£33.00 for an individual member under 9 @31<sup>st</sup> Dec or Masters Swimmers.

£95.00 for a new member 9 years & over @ 31.12.17 to include hat, training hat, handbook and poolside shirt.

£73.00 for a new member 8under @31.12.17 to include hat, training hat, handbook and poolside shirt.

All outstanding fees, gala fees must be paid with the re - joining membership fee.

Membership payment to be received by end of Feb. Late payment fee to be administered where appropriate.

Proposal carried by a unanimous vote.

## 12. Any other Business

Tim thanked everyone for attending the AGM.

Tim open the meeting for a Question and Answer session.

Dave Smith asked how can we help to progress the technical side of the club? Do we need to purchase any additional equipment? Would be good to get the underwater camera up and running.

Discussion lead to developing to GO PRO and safeguarding data issues.

This equipment holds significant benefit to the swimmers; We need commitment from at least 4 people.

Safeguarding issues would need to be looked at before we can progress this further.

Tim thanked everyone for their attendance.

20:15 pm Meeting Closed