

**Minutes of Swimming Nelson Marlborough
Meeting held Tuesday 13th March, 2012
7.00p.m.**

Nelson South SC, Hampden Street, Nelson

Present: Brent Cheyne, Hamish Neill, Jim Sinner, Lynn Anderson, Jos Pattison, Phil McMath

Apologies: Sue Malthus, Steve Fryer

Observer: Margaret Young

**Brent Cheyne/Phil McMath
Carried**

Brent welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Confirmation of the Last Minutes:
21st February, 2012.

**Jim Sinner/Brent Cheyne
Carried**

Matters Arising:

Phil commented that the reason Blenheim had had two Meet Directors was to allow further qualification of officials at the Meet.

Review of Summary of Tasks:

SNM Trust review to be carried forward. Jos, Margaret and Hamish will meet after the 20th of April to review the Trust document. Jim will send out to clubs a copy of the SNM Swimmers Fund Application Form and the Rules for this year's applications which close on 31 May, 2012. Lynn reported back on Sue's quotes and diagrams re Officials' polo shirts. After a lengthy debate, a decision was made to look at other options, including those used by the Nelson South Coaching Team and those organized by Ian Kerry for the National competition swimmers last year. Hamish is to contact Nigel Rukuwai regarding the Nelson South SC shirts, and Sue should check with Ian Kerry on those used for Nationals. Brent completed the Submission on the proposed SNZ Regulation changes on behalf of SNM.

Administrator's Report:

The Administrator's Report was tabled. The following areas of discussion took place. Brent will contact Murchison, Kaikoura and Golden Bay to see if they would be interested in attending a training camp set up for them prior to a swimming meet (probably some time in early summer). Once levels of interest were determined, the Board would look to organize this. The Board discussed the fact that the SNM Constitution is not consistent with that of SNZ in a number of areas. Jim has offered to review our Constitution. It was agreed that this would occur after the review of SNZ is completed as the SNZ Constitution may undergo considerable change. Brent suggested that if there were inconsistencies between the SNM/SNZ Rules, that the SNZ Rules should apply. This and any individual items would be addressed at our own AGM in July.

A Transfer form for Amaka Gessler had been completed by the relevant clubs and sent back to Swimming Canterbury West Coast where it had been ratified. It was not forwarded on to SNM. SNM has raised this with Swimming Canterbury and a copy of the Transfer was subsequently supplied.

The Board would recommend to all clubs that when they receive a new swimmer from outside the region, that the Swimming Nelson Marlborough Board be informed so that they can follow through and chase the Transfer form where required.

IT WAS MOVED that the Board ratify Amaka Gessler's Transfer from Aquagym to Motueka Swimming Club

**Jim Sinner/Brent Cheyne
Carried**

An email sent from Kent Stead reminded regions and clubs that swimmers/coaches/managers must be registered on the SNZ Database to be eligible to attend National Meets. Team Managers are not necessarily registered, but clubs need to ensure that all their swimmers and coaches are! Brent queried where in the SNZ Rules it states that a Team Manager must be registered?? He also queried why Kent would raise this issue.

The Board discussed a date and venue for this year's AGM.

IT WAS MOVED that the SNM AGM be held on 29th July, 2012 commencing at 10.00a.m. at the Richmond Town Hall (subject to availability).

**Jim Sinner/Brent Cheyne
Carried**

Kay will follow up the booking of the Hall.

Kay will remind clubs that they need to submit the names of people who should be considered for awards to Margaret Young as the Convenor of the SNM Awards Committee. Margaret stressed that these nominations should be completed on the form included in the SNM Rules. The form is on Page 34 of the Rules. Guidelines for nominations Rule 33-37 – pages 14, 15 and 16. Brent stressed that Board members should encourage their clubs to put names forward. Clubs also need to note that the last day for acceptance of these nominations is 30th April in any year.

IT WAS MOVED that the Administrator's Report be accepted.

**Brent Cheyne/Jim Sinner
Carried**

Treasurer's Report:

Brent tabled the Treasurer's Report.

IT WAS MOVED that the Treasurer's Report be accepted.

**Brent Cheyne/Phil McMath
Carried**

Registrar's Report to Swimming Nelson Marlborough

1. Software updates

The new software has been purchased, delivered and installed on the SNM computer and most club computers, and despite some error messages now seems to be working well.

Hy-tek over-charged me for the software by about US\$500 (about NZ\$700), charging full price rather than the discounted prices offered in a quote and by email. They have not responded to 3 email messages about this, and I have therefore contacted the bank to dispute the charge. The bank will send a "please explain" message to Hy-tek, and if it is still unresolved I will submit documentation to support the lower charge.

2. Status of Amaka Gessler

I recently learned that Amaka Gessler requested a transfer from Aquagym to Motueka as of March 2011. The transfer form was reportedly signed by both clubs but never submitted to SNM and I was not informed. It turns out that Amaka's registration for 2011-12 was paid in September 2011 but, again, I was not informed. I have asked Amaka and the Motueka Recorder to ask Aquagym if they can re-send the form so that the transfer can be ratified by SNM.

3. SNM Records

The times listed below, swum at the National Age Group Championships, are faster than existing SNM records.

Times faster than SNM Records since last report

Event

LC/

SC Age

M/

F New time Swimmer Club Previous record holder

NAGs 2012 6-3-2012

50 Back LC 13 F 33.55 Samantha Trevurza Motueka Lydia Mossman at 2011 Sec Schools

50 Breast LC 13 F 35.74 Sara Gane Blenheim Ellie Rukuwai NAGs 2011

200 Breast LC 13 F 2:45.90 Sara Gane Blenheim Sara Gane Victoria Champs 2012

400 I.M. LC 13 F 5:26.60 Sara Gane Blenheim Tracey Norton 1990

100 Back LC 16 F 1:09.45 Grace Woodall Nelson South Ann Blackbeard 2007

200 Back LC 16 F 2:30.55 Grace Woodall Nelson South Grace Woodall Wgtn LC Champs 2012

200 Fly LC 16 M 2:22.65 Fraser Neill Nelson Leighton Riley SI Champs 2003

400 I.M. LC 16 M 5:02.70 Fraser Neill Nelson Leighton Riley Canterbury A's 2004

400 Free LC 17 M 4:25.82 Kaiori McGuinnety Nelson South Ben Drummond 2002

100 Back LC 17 M 1:05.73 Kaiori McGuinnety Nelson South Ben Drummond 2001

50 Fly LC 17 M 28.09 Kaiori McGuinnety Nelson South Nick Kerry Wgtn LC Champs 2012

100 Back LC Open F 1:09.45 Grace Woodall Nelson South Ann Blackbeard 2007

200 Back LC Open F 2:30.55 Grace Woodall Nelson South Cher Black 1998

I recommend that the times listed in the attachment be confirmed as SNM records.

Jim Sinner

SNM Registrar

IT WAS MOVED that the above records be ratified.

**Jim Sinner/Hamish Neill
Carried**

IT WAS MOVED that the Registrar's Report be accepted.

**Jim Sinner/Jos Pattison
Carried**

Publicity/Communications Report

Jim has reported to the media on the NAG results and provided times requested by Josh Reich of the Nelson Mail for an article on Grace Woodall.

Funding Report:

The current funding project was covered under Summary of Tasks. Jim has put an acknowledgement to NZCT on the SNM website.

Technical/Coaching:

Hamish is looking to start a SNM Coaches Forum where our coaches can get together to discuss current issues and any requests they may wish to make to the SNM Board. Hamish is to send an email out to all coaches on this topic.

Events:

Phil raised the point that SNM could look to have a “fun” event. Hamish commented that CLM run a Saturday league which is very successful. This is run like an inter-house competition. We would need to gauge support for this from our competitive swimmers before resources were applied to it. Clubs already run fun events and club nights. Brent is to prepare a draft calendar for the 2012-2013 year and submit this to the next Board meeting. Clubs will then be asked to provide dates for their meets to add to the calendar. The SNM events will continue to be scheduled to fit within the qualifying periods for National Meets. Hamish asked that the SNM Winter Meet be rescheduled so that it is within the qualifying period for the NZ Short Course Championships.

General Business:**Review of SNZ**

Update. No developments since the last Board meeting.

We are expecting to receive feedback from the consultation stage in early April.

Review of recent swimming meets:

Jos stated that the SNM Representative Team at NAGS was the largest he could remember from our region. There were also two other swimmers who had qualified but were unable to attend. Sara Gane earned three medals (including one gold), and a number of swimmers made finals.

Jos commented that the SNM Team at the SI C&T had done very well and the meet was enjoyed by all.

Committee for Pool Arrangement:

The combined squad will train at Riverside Pool on Mondays and Tuesdays creating space for Waimea at the ASB Pool. They are, however, struggling for the rest of the week with three lanes for the other nights accommodating 51 swimmers, which is far from ideal. Waimea may look to have a third session on a Saturday morning. Very little space is available for the Junior squad with two lanes available for one day, and one lane available for another day. Two morning sessions will probably be arranged at Riverside if swimmers are willing to commit to this.

Proposed Changes to SNZ Regulations:

The SNM Submission had been sent to Kent Stead where we have basically said no to all proposed changes. We have received a copy of Swimming Auckland’s Submission. They have very similar views to us and definitely support the needs of the smaller regions such as ours. We have not heard of an outcome from SNZ to date.

SNM has asked the Auckland CEO to thank the Auckland Board for supporting the smaller regions.

The meeting closed at 9.33 p.m. Next meeting: Tuesday 24th of April 2012, Nelson SC Rooms, 7.00p.m.

SUMMARY OF TASKS:

Hamish to notify Board re progress on winter pool space negotiations

Jos, Margaret and Hamish to review the SNM Trust Document.

Steve awaiting reply from SNZ regarding Strapping Rules.

Sue to continue collecting quotes for Officials' polo shirts. To contact Ian Kerry re shirts used by our National level swimmers.

Hamish to contact Nigel Rukuwai regarding shirts used by Nelson South SC Coaching Team.

Brent to contact Murchison, Kaikoura and Golden Bay Swimming Clubs to determine interest in a training camp prior to a swimming meet (early Summer)

Board -Remits to be created to correct inconsistencies between SNM/SNZ Rules where necessary, for our AGM.

Kay to check re availability of Richmond Town Hall for SNM AGM.

Kay to remind clubs re submission of nominations for awards at our AGM this year.
Board – to encourage their clubs to put names forward for these nominations before the 30th of April.

Brent to prepare draft Competition Calendar for 2012-2013.