

**Minutes of Swimming Nelson Marlborough  
Meeting held Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> of April, 2012  
7.00p.m.**

**Nelson Club Rooms, Riverside Pool , Nelson**

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

**Apologies:** Sue Malthus

**Observers:** Margaret Young, Tim Loach, Andy Price, Leigh Grey, Martin Anderson.

Brent welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The meeting commenced with a discussion on the background and current position of CLM's Academy. The Academy is currently without a coach and CLM are looking to fill this position. This was discussed, including any form of assistance we could offer to the Academy. The Academy is mostly made up of swimmers from the Nelson Swimming Club.

At the end of the discussion, an agreement was reached whereby Hamish would arrange a meeting with CLM, primarily to discuss where we could offer assistance within the transition period to a new coach.

It was agreed that the Board would be represented at this meeting by Hamish, Brent, a Nelson Club Academy parent (to be put forward by Hamish), and a Nelson South Swimming Club representative (to be put forward by Martin Anderson). Phil would also attend if he was in Nelson at the time of the meeting.

Martin Anderson and Leigh Grey left the meeting at this point.

Discussion on a proposed Coaches Forum took place. Hamish mentioned the possibility of this Forum to assist coaches' ongoing communication with each other and the Board regarding any resources or matters they wished to have considered. Hamish reminded the meeting that a Coaches Fund of \$1250.99 remains at the Nelson Building Society to be used for coaching development. The coaches present (being Tim Loach, Andy Price and Jos Pattison) were asked what their thoughts were on this. It was left that Hamish would email each of the coaches to obtain their input. Hamish will collate the information and report back to the coaches and Board.

Tim Loach and Andy Price left the meeting.

**Confirmation of the Last Minutes:** 13<sup>th</sup> of March, 2012.

**Jim Sinner/Hamish Neill  
Carried**

**Matters Arising:**

There were no matters arising.

**Review of Summary of Tasks:**

Jos, Margaret and Hamish are still to meet regarding the SNM Trust review.  
Steve still hadn't had a reply from SNZ on the query regarding "strapping" rules. Hamish commented that a large number of swimmers were using strapping at the National Age Group Championships this year without the issue being raised by SNZ.  
The Board agreed that strapping would continue to be allowed in our region.

Sue had contacted Ian Kerry regarding shirts used by our swimmers at National Meets.

Hamish had spoken to Nigel Rukuwai regarding the shirts used by the Nelson South Swimming Club Coaching team. This will be further covered under funding.

Brent contacted Murchison, Kaikoura and Golden Bay Swimming Clubs to determine the level of interest in a training camp in early summer. Murchison and Golden Bay Clubs had responded positively.

It was agreed that we would progress with this closer to summer. Once arrangements had been made, we would notify the three clubs concerned.

The Board discussed whether they wished to construct Remits to rectify any inconsistencies between the SNM and SNZ Rules.

It was agreed that there was nothing material at this point in time requiring change. A proper review of the SNM Constitution would take place once the review of SNZ was complete.

Kay confirmed the availability of the Richmond Town Hall for the SNM AGM. Kay also sent a reminder out to all clubs regarding nominations for awards at this year's AGM. All were informed that the deadline date for the provision of names was 30 April.

Brent has prepared a DRAFT Competition Calendar for the 2012-2013 year. He commented that SNZ had not yet put their 2013 Calendar on their website and had not yet posted the flier for the 2012 NZ Short Course Championships. We cannot confirm our SNM Competition Calendar until the SNZ dates and qualifying periods are confirmed. The current draft shows the SNM Winter Meet for 15-16 September, but this may need to be brought forward a week to catch the SNZ Short Course qualifying period. Jos has offered to telephone Kent Stead at SNZ to discuss the need for these dates to be confirmed by them as soon as possible. Jos is to advise Brent of Kent's response so that the draft can be updated and tabled at the next Board meeting. Clubs will then be able to provide the dates of their meets. The Board commented that it would be good not to have a clash of meets this year. Phil mentioned that the SI Championships would be in Blenheim in September, 2013. Hamish commented that he had heard this was confirmed. The Board discussed the planning for these SI Championships and agreed that it is a meet to be run by the SNM Board, not by a club. Traditionally, a sub-committee set up by the Board has carried out the planning when this Meet has been held here in the past.

#### **Administrator's Report:**

The Administrator's Report was tabled.

It was commented that Ross Bragg had received a SNZ Life Membership Award at the recent SNZ Awards dinner. It was agreed that a congratulatory card should be sent to Ross from the SNM swimming community.

Kay has sent out a comprehensive email advising clubs of the requirements/due dates for the SNM Annual Report information. All information must be received by the 30<sup>th</sup> of June.

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

**Brent Cheyne/Lynn Anderson  
Carried**

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

Brent tabled the Treasurer's Report.

Brent commented that the focus would now be on completing the Annual Financial Statements to 30 April and getting these in to the Auditor.

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

**Brent Cheyne/Steve Fryer  
Carried**

# Registrar's Report to Swimming Nelson Marlborough

## 1. Disputed charge for software updates

As reported last month, Hy-tek over-charged my credit card by about US\$500 (~NZ\$700). The bank sent a query to Hy-tek, who responded by sending a simple transaction record. I have therefore submitted to the bank copies of Hy-tek's discounted quote and email correspondence to support the lower charge.

## 2. Transfer form

As Registrar, I suggest some minor changes to the form used by swimmers to transfer clubs (see attached). I have inserted additional instructions at the bottom to explain the process more fully and, consistent with our Constitution, have indicated that the SNM Administrator is authorised to accept the transfer but will refer to the Board if in doubt. See notes at bottom of form.

*I recommend* that SNM approve the attached transfer form.

## 3. SNM Records

The times listed below, swum at the NZ Opens and Div II meet, are faster than existing SNM records.

*I recommend* that the times listed below be confirmed as SNM records.

Jim Sinner  
SNM Registrar

### Times faster than SNM Records since last report

Event	LC/ SC	Age	M/ F	New time	Swimmer	Club	Previous record holder
<b>NZ Opens</b>				25-3-2012			
50 Free	LC	Open	F	26.58	Amaka Gessler	Motueka	Josie Kydd 2009 NZ Opens
100 Free	LC	Open	F	56.32	Amaka Gessler	Motueka	Emma Thomson 2006 NZ Youth&Opens
200 Free	LC	Open	F	2:00.07	Amaka Gessler	Motueka	Emma Thomson NAGs 2002
400 Free	LC	Open	F	4:24.17	Amaka Gessler	Motueka	Emma Thomson NAGs 2002
50 Breast	LC	13	F	35.24	Sara Gane	Blenheim	Sara Gane at NAGs 2012
<b>Div II</b>				11-14-2012			
800 Free	SC	14	F	9:46.61	Amy Coulton	Nelson	Standard

**IT WAS MOVED that the above records be ratified.**

**Jim Sinner/Phil McMath  
Carried**

**The Board discussed the changes Jim had made to the Transfer Form and agreed that the SNM Administrator be authorized to accept Transfers, unless an issue arose whereby the Board's input would be required prior to acceptance.**

**IT WAS MOVED that the Registrar's Report be accepted and that the changes to the Transfer be accepted, including the role of the Administrator**

**Hamish Neill/Phil McMath  
Carried**

**Publicity/Communications Report**

Jim reported that he had prepared/ provided articles on both the National Age Group Championships and the Division II Competition results. Jim confirmed that he had updated the SNM website to include Amaka Gessler's selection on the NZ Team for the 2012 London Olympics. This had been delayed due to there not being a press release on the SNZ website.

**Funding Report:**

Lynn reported that all but one quote had come in for the Officials/Team Managers t-shirts. We are still awaiting a quote from Stirling Sports which should be received prior to the next Board meeting. Once this is received, we will be able to apply for funding and minute this accordingly.

**Technical/Coaching:**

Steve confirmed he had received an email enquiring as to whom was on the Technical Committee. He confirmed that, at this stage, it was just Ivon and himself. The function of the Technical Committee and the makeup of it are set out in the SNM Constitution. The Board agreed to review the Technical Committee and its members, of which there can be up to four, following this year's AGM.

**Events:**

**No report.**

**General Business:**

**Review of SNZ**

Brent advised that presentations of the Draft Findings and Recommendations will be held between the 18<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> of May, 2012. There will not be a meeting in Nelson. Brent advised that he had emailed SNZ to ask if they would assist with costs for regions travelling to out-of-town meetings. SNZ had responded saying they would contribute up to \$300 per region towards airfares. Brent advised that it was not possible to attend the Christchurch meeting as this commenced at 8.30a.m. and the first flight from Nelson did not arrive in Christchurch until the meeting had concluded. The Board agreed, after some discussion, that Brent and Hamish would attend the relevant meeting in either Wellington or Auckland. This was dependent on their schedules and availability. Brent and Hamish would then report back to the region and commence discussions with the Nelson Marlborough swimming community.

**Review of recent swimming meets:**

A small team performed well at Division II. The Board congratulated swimmers who went to the SNZ Opens, including Sara Gane and William Borrell. They did very well to qualify for this Meet given their relatively young ages.

**General:**

Brent asked Board members to consider seeking re-election for next year. He commented that the Board, as a group, have worked really well this year and he has been impressed with the team approach and results achieved. He also stated that the current Board has the relevant skills and energy required for swimming in our region to have some continuity. He stated he would now leave it up to individuals to

contemplate. Lynn commented that the Board meetings had been very well run.

Jos commented that there had been a lot of good swimming recently, including a good team selected to go to the Olympic Games. He believed that there had been good results at national and local level during the period of the SNZ Review.

**The meeting closed at 9.05 p.m. Next meeting: Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> of May 2012, Nelson SC Rooms, Riverside Pool at 7.30p.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.

Sue to collect final quote for Officials' polo shirts.

Hamish to organize a meeting with CLM.

Hamish to collate ideas from coaches on the setting up of a Coaches Forum.

Swimming Camp for Murchison, Kaikoura and Golden Bay to be organized for early summer.

Jos to contact Kent Stead re our SNM 2013 Calendar. Cannot complete until SNZ Dates are confirmed for 2013 and the 2012 NZ Short Course Championships.  
Jos to relay information received to allow completion of our Calendar.

Board to set up a sub-committee to organize the 2013 South Island Championships.

Congratulatory card to be sent to Ross Bragg on SNZ Life Membership Award.

Brent and Hamish to attend SNZ Review Meeting and report back to the region.