

MINUTES of S.A.S.A. COUNCIL MEETING

held in the WAVERLEY HOTEL, PERTH, on

12th OCTOBER, 1969, at 9.30 a.m.

Chairman.—Mr J. W. Wainwright (Kingston A.S.C.),
President.

Attendance.—N. Beattie, J. Neil, W. Black, G. Colman, West; J. A. Snowden, P. Heatly, East; W. Hagan, Miss E. Thomson, Midland; D. Ritchie, L. W. Turberville, North; J. W. Williamson, General Treasurer; J. Y. Coutts, General Secretary.

Remarks.—Mr Wainwright opened the meeting with reference to the sudden illness of E. B. Anderson, North, and expressed the delegates' concern. On their behalf he wished Mr Anderson a very speedy recovery.

He then outlined the various commitments he had to carry out since last we met, especially mentioning the matches the Scottish Team had won against Iceland and Denmark; his visit to the Bath Managers' Conference; and the Centenary Dinner of the A.S.A., at which he learned that the Association was very welcome at these functions.

He ended with congratulating the North District on winning the An Tostal Trophy.

69. **Minutes.**—With a change of "Western District" to "Eastern District" in Minute No. 58 the Minutes were adopted as correct.

70. **Transfer.**—It was noted that John McLennan had been transferred from Kilmarnock A.S.C. to Warrender B.C.

71. **Bologna.**—Letter from Wales intimating that the Bologna Contest would be held on the same lines as 1968.

72. **Paraplegics.**—Council decided to donate £5 5/- towards the Appeal Fund for the Paraplegic Games in 1970.

73. **Youth Water Polo League.**—Letter from J. A. Snowden intimating that this unofficial League had made a start, and that nine clubs had entered this year.

74. **Girl Guides.**—A request for Bulk Affiliation had been received from the Girl Guides; the Secretary had supplied the necessary information, and a reply was awaited.

75. **Internationals.**—**Iceland:** Secretary reported that Iceland had written and suggested mid-June for the return match in Iceland, and this had been accepted.

Denmark: The Executive Committee had made arrangements in Denmark for the return match in Scotland in 1970, and had fixed the 6th and 7th July for the match. It was hoped to hold it in the Commonwealth Pool.

Norway: Norway had agreed to our suggested date in April, either the 3rd-4th or 4th-5th.

76. **Sports Council.**—Intimation from the Sports Council that the 4th Coaches' Conference was to be held at the Crystal Palace on 8th-10th December, 1969, Council decided that A. R. Mitchell should go to the Conference.

Amateur/Professional. Council decided that a special meeting of the Emergency Committee should meet to consider the Sports Council's report on the Amateur/Professional position in Sport.

77. **Physical Education.**—Letter from Mr Scott informing that a Physical Education Conference would be held on 12th-16th July, 1970.

Council decided that as this date was too near the Commonwealth Games it would be impossible for the Association to be represented, but if any individual was prepared to attend they could apply to the General Secretary.

78. **Kirkintilloch.**—Letter from Kirkintilloch A.S.C. on Survival Conditions, but in view of the new Joint Award Scheme the Council decided to take no action.

79. **Grants.**—Letter from the G.B. Hon. Secretary on new scales for grants was noted with pleasure.

80. **Swimming Teachers' Conference.**—Invitation to the President had been received for this Conference. Council decided Mr Wainwright should attend if possible.

81. **N.T.O.**—The Executive Committee had considered the replies from three Districts and decided to advertise for an N.T.O. The Executive Committee was empowered to draw up a short leet, and these would be considered at a Special Meeting of the Council to be arranged.

82. **Usher Fund.**—It was noted that the Usher Fund was to pay all expenses for a week-end course for all sports in the Commonwealth Games, at Tulliallan Castle. The Swimming Committee had this matter in hand and we would participate.

83. **Championship Committee.**—The President, on behalf of the Council, thanked the Committee for their efforts at East Kilbride on the occasion of the Championships.

84. **Joint Award Scheme.**—The Council agreed to go ahead with the Joint Award Scheme with the Scottish Schools' Association, and appointed Mr J. W. Williamson to be our Representative/Trustee. It was further agreed that Mr Williamson should meet the Schools' Representative/Trustee to ascertain if it would be necessary to form a small Committee to run the Scheme, and report back to Council.

Mr Williamson intimated that he had made enquiries regarding a room for the headquarters.

85. **General Secretary.**—Mr Williamson intimated that he had been unable to convene a meeting, but would do so very shortly.

86. **General Treasurer's Report.**—Mr Williamson gave a verbal report in addition to his circulated one, and thanked the Districts for their contributions to the Games' Appeal.

87. **Swimming.**—Mr A. R. Mitchell, Convener, attended to answer questions on his report. After a full discussion the report was adopted in full. H. H. Smith would take charge of the training of the National Squad and subsequent Commonwealth Games Team, until such time as we had an N.T.O. established and ready to take over. The following team were appointed to assist with the training under the guidance of Mr Smith:—J. Queen, F. T. Thomas and J. Ashton, all to work on an expenses basis.

Triangular Contest.—All Districts having agreed to this contest which would be a two-lane each for the West and East, and 2 lanes for a North and Midland Team. The contest to be held at East Kilbride on Saturday, 6th December.

Awards.—The awards were an improvement on previous returns, and were:—Gold, 9; Silver, 18; Bronze, 37. It was expected that these awards would phase out after the Joint Scheme got going. The total awards to date are:—Gold, 62; Silver, 245; Bronze, 557.

88. **Water Polo.**—It was noted from Mr Mellors report that Geo. Reid had resigned as the North delegate owing to studies. Mr Reid was thanked for his contribution to North and Scottish Water Polo.

Under 18.—Council accepted the Committee's recommendation that a badge should be awarded to the Under-18 teams, and that "Under-18" be displayed on the badges, which would be supplied from current stock.

The programme for 1970 was noted and would be considered when the costing had been presented at the next meeting of Council.

It was noted that the Four Countries Tournament would be held at Burntisland on 10th-11th July.

It was also noted that the Polo Clubs' A.G.M. would be held in the Midlands on 23rd November.

89. **Diving.**—It was noted with regret that the Highboard events could not be held this year, owing to difficulties in getting a venue.

Exception was taken to the part of the report concerning International contests, and the Diving Committee are requested to withdraw the part concerned.

It was pointed out that efforts had been made to get Iceland and Denmark to include diving in the contests with them, but both had refused. Furthermore, it had been made possible for diving to be included in the return match in Scotland against Denmark.

90. **Education.**—Mr Dinnie's report in conjunction with Mr Mitchell's on the Easter Course were taken together, and it was noted that the following certificates had been gained:—Preliminary, 142; Teachers, 96; Advanced Teachers, 6; Club Coaches, 3; National Coach, 1.

The request by the Convener that the Easter School be run on the same lines as last year was agreeable, and the recommendations submitted by Mr Mitchell and the Course Director should be carried out as far as practicable.

The question of examiners was left in the hands of the Committee, and the General Secretary instructed on how to inform the Convener.

91. **Swimming Officials.**—Mr Reid reported that the May examination had resulted in 95 passes, representing a 97% success against 90% in November, 1968. Applications for the November, 1969, examination were coming in.

92. **Synchro.**—Mrs Black's report contained the information of the visits of the Misses Wheeler and Robb, British Internationals, and the Misses McGarth and Redmond, World Championships, from San Francisco.

It was noted with pleasure that Mrs Black had been invited to be a judge at the A.S.A. Championships, and Council agreed she should accept if possible.

The North delegates raised the question of the Training Squad, and the omission of any from the North, and it was pointed out that the North had been requested to nominate swimmers for the Squad but had not done so. If the North care to raise the matter in Committee it would be dealt with.

93. **G.B.**—The Secretary read a letter from the G.B. Hon. Secretary in connection with visits of teams from East Germany and Council welcomed the change of attitude.

94. **B.B.C.**—General Secretary gave report on meeting with the B.B.C., and a full report would be forthcoming after the meeting on 26th October.

95. **Technical Committee.**—Mr Williamson gave a report on the Swimming Technical Committee for the Games in 1970. The question of when Scottish officials would be notified, if required, was difficult to decide, as it would be mid-November before knowledge was available as to how many would be coming from the Home Countries and abroad. Officials would be informed as soon as possible.

Mr Williamson had been appointed Director of Swimming.

96. **Learn to Swim Week.**—It was noted that Learn-to-Swim Week would be held from 1st to 6th June, 1970.

97. **Records.**—The following Age Group Records were passed to the A.G.M. for confirmation:—

AGE GROUP RECORDS.

Boys — 10 Years.

50 yds. Freestyle—31.5 secs., D. Campbell.
50 yds. Breast Stroke—39.9 secs., E. Samuel.
25 yds. Butterfly—16.5 secs., C. Smylie.
100 yds. Individual Medley—1 min. 20.4 secs., E. Samuel.
Freestyle Relay—1 min., R. G. Col.

Girls — 10 Years.

Freestyle Relay—1 min. 09.0 secs., Wishaw.

Girls — 11 Years.

100 yds. Freestyle—68.8 secs., E. Hutcheson.
50 yds. Butterfly—33.9 secs., E. Hutcheson.
200 yds. Individual Medley—2 mins. 48.8 secs., E. Hutcheson.

Boys — 12 Years.

100 yds. Freestyle—62.9 secs., S. Pole.
50 yds. Butterfly—31.8 secs., A. Devlin.
200 yds. Individual Medley—2 mins. 38 secs., S. Pole.

Boys — 13 Years.

100 yds. Breast Stroke—1 min. 14.1 secs., C. Morrison.

Girls — 13 Years.

100 yds. Freestyle—63.5 secs., M. McGoogan.
100 yds. Breast Stroke—1 min. 15.5 secs., P. Wilson.
200 yds. Individual Medley—2 mins. 36.0 secs., P. Wilson.

Boys — 14 Years.

100 yds. Breast Stroke—69.8 secs., M. Ferguson.
100 yds. Back Stroke—62.6 secs., C. Govan.

Girls — 14 Years.

100 yds. Breast Stroke—1 min. 16.2 secs., D. Walker.

Girls — 15 Years.

200 yds. Freestyle—2 mins. 15.6 secs., E. Wright.
400 yds. Freestyle—4 mins. 46.7 secs., A. Mackie.
200 yds. Back Stroke—2 mins. 29.3 secs., L. Armour.
200 yds. Individual Medley—2 mins. 35.3 secs., L. McPherson.

Boys — 16 Years.

- 100 yds. Freestyle—52.9 secs., J. McClatchey.
200 yds. Freestyle—2 mins. 01.0 secs., A. Low.
400 yds. Freestyle—4 mins. 21.2 secs., J. McClatchey.
200 yds. Breast Stroke—2 mins. 30.3 secs., I. Craig.
200 yds. Back Stroke—2 mins. 16.2 secs., E. Lawrence.
100 yds. Butterfly—59.8 secs., R. Fordyce.
200 yds. Individual Medley—2 mins. 15.7 secs., R. Fordyce.
Freestyle Relay—2 mins. 49.4 secs., Inverness.
Medley Relay—4 mins. 21.0 secs., Warrender.

Girls — 16 Years.

- 200 yds. Freestyle—2 mins. 17.5 secs., E. Wylie.
400 yds. Freestyle—4 mins. 51.1 secs., E. Wylie.
200 yds. Breast Stroke—2 mins. 46.4 secs., A. Blyth.
200 yds. Back Stroke—2 mins. 35.6 secs., A. Blyth.
100 yds. Butterfly—1 min. 11.3 secs., H. Blyth.
200 yds. Individual Medley—2 mins. 36.7 secs., H. Blyth.
Freestyle Relay—4 mins. 36.8 secs., Kirkintilloch.
Medley Relay—4 mins. 57.7 secs., Kirkintilloch.

LONG COURSE RECORDS

made at Blackpool, August, 1969 —

Made by E. Henderson, Paisley A.S.C.

- 880 yds. Freestyle—9 mins. 44.8 secs. Also All Course Record.
110 yds. Butterfly—1 min. 01.0 secs.
220 yds. Butterfly—2 mins. 14.5 secs. Also All Course Record.

Made by H. Simpson, Paisley A.S.C.

- 110 yds. Back Stroke—1 min. 04.2 secs.

Made by Moira Brown, Dumfries A.S.C.

- 220 yds. Butterfly—2 mins. 49.1 secs. Also All Course Record.
220 yds. Individual Medley—2 mins. 44.7 secs. Also All Course Record.

The question of Junior Records was raised and information supplied as to how to alter the age at the A.G.M.

98. Age Group Championships.—Council agreed that owing to the danger to the younger swimmers, no warm-up would be allowed between sessions, and prior to the commencement of sessions.

Next Meeting would be held in Glasgow
on 7th December.