

**MINUTES of the COUNCIL MEETING held  
in the ST. ENOCH HOTEL, GLASGOW, on  
7th DECEMBER, 1969, at 9.30 a.m.**

**Chairman.**—J. M. Wainwright (Kingston A.S.C.),  
President.

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

**Remarks.**—The President opened the meeting by welcoming the delegates to the last meeting for the year, and wished them all the Compliments of the Season.

He had a special welcome for J. Marnoch, the Hon. Secretary Elect of the North District, and wished him a long and successful term in office.

The President spoke briefly on the activities of the Association since the last meeting, and closed on a sad note when he intimated that the Immediate Past President, W. Cowan, and his wife had been in a motor accident, and expressed the sincere good wishes of the delegates for their speedy recovery.

**99. Minutes.**—The Minutes of the meeting of the 12th October were adopted as a correct record.

**100. Minutes of Special Meetings.**—The Minutes of the two Special Meetings were approved as correct.

**101. Transfers.**—The following transfers were noted:— Gordon Pyper from Dumfries A.S.C. to 1930 A.S.C.; John and Alex Devlin from Kilmarnock A.S.C. to Warrender B.C. The request from Robert Gardner to agree to his transfer was returned for him to get his Clearance Lines from the Dunoon A.S.C.

**102. Warrender B.C.**—Notification from Warrender Baths Club that they had cancelled their visit to Northern Ireland.

**103. Coca-Cola.**—Intimation from Coca-Cola that they wished to be connected with the Age Group Finals, and offering a donation of cash for the purpose.

104. **Bulk Affiliation.**—Request from Latter Day Saints Sports Association for Bulk Affiliation. Secretary had sent the necessary information.

105. **Warrender B.C.**—The Secretary read the correspondence between him and the Warrender B.C. in connection with H. Simpson of Paisley A.S.C. swimming for the Warrender Club at the Otter S.C. London, Centenary Gala, at Crystal Palace, which was contrary to S.A.S.A. Rules.

Council decided that both the Club and H. Simpson had acted wrongly and instructed the Secretary to inform them of this decision, and advise them that no action was to be taken in this instance, but that any further incidents of breaching the rules would be liable to punishment.

106. **Sponsored Swims.**—Correspondence from Dr Barnardo's Homes intimating that Bobby McGregor had become associated with them in advocating sponsored swims in Scotland for the Scottish Homes. All Districts had received copies of the conditions and it was up to them to continue with the idea of help.

107. **Youth Polo League.**—Intimation from J. A. Snowden that the unofficial water polo league had been successfully completed, and N.C.R. A.S.C. were congratulated on winning the league.

108. **Joint Award Scheme.**—Mr Williamson reported that the Scottish Schools had appointed D. McLeod as their Trustee, and the working party had been dissolved, and a committee of three appointed to carry on with the scheme, Messrs A. R. Mitchell, A. D. Spence, S.A.S.A., and T. Ritchie, S.S.S.A. An office at 4 Queensferry Street, Edinburgh, had been booked, and Mrs M. Cochrane appointed Secretary. The scheme would officially commence on 1st January, 1970.

109. **Girl Guides.**—The Girl Guides had now affiliated under the Bulk Affiliation, and this would be for 1970.

110. **Internationals.**—The Secretary intimated progress on the matter of International fixtures for 1970.

111. **General Secretary.**—Mr Williamson reported that he had not convened a meeting of the committee which was appointed to consider the future of the Association, but would do so soon. He appealed to the Districts and the delegates to send him their views on the matter for discussion at the meeting.

112. **Triangular Contest.**—Secretary reported on this contest, when it was learned that Midland/North had been unable to come to an arrangement regarding selection of a team, and Midland had entered a team on their own, no North swimmers competed.

In the absence of any organisation to control the match, Council decided that all Districts send particulars of any income or expenses for the District Trials and the finals to the General Treasurer, who would in due course allocate any profit or loss equally between the three Districts: West, East and Midland/North.

It was decided that as North had contracted to join in the contest, they would be considered jointly with the Midland in any profit or loss.

113. **General Treasurer's Report.**—Mr Williamson gave a verbal report in addition to his written one, and answered the usual questions satisfactorily. He intimated that the Secretary had been unable to issue more than one News Sheet during the year, and Clubs who had paid this year would receive free copies during 1970.

The International Fund was in a fairly healthy state, but the Treasurer appealed to the Districts to consider granting donations during 1970 so that the Association could continue and perhaps increase its International programme.

It was considered that our own Personal Survival Scheme would ultimately phase out once the new Joint Awards Scheme got under way.

114. **Swimming.**—Mr Mitchell's report was considered and accepted. Council decided that the General Secretary place a proposal before the A.G.M. to reduce the time for receipt of Conveners' Reports to 14 days. It was noted that under the Development Plan a centre had been set up in the Borders, and that others would be introduced by the new Technical Officer.

Mr Mitchell reported that 2 Silver and 20 Bronze Time Tests awards had been gained, but it was expected this scheme would phase out in due course.

115. **Water Polo.**—The Water Polo Committee's programme for 1970 was noted and the Committee congratulated on its contribution, but until the other Conveners had submitted their costings the Council decided not to pass the programme submitted.

Council, however, decided that the proposed matches in Holland should proceed, at a cost of not more than £500. It was noted that the players would be asked to contribute towards the cost.

The other matches would be considered in the costing for the overall costs for all branches of the Sport.

116. **Diving.**—It was noted that the North East England had won the match at Wishaw, but the fact that 3 out of the 4 Scottish competitors were juniors the future looked good.

117. **Education.**—The Convener reported that a successful year had been achieved and that 118 Preliminary Certificates had been gained.

118. **Swimming Officials.**—Mr Reid reported that 120 candidates were forward for the November examination, but the results were not to hand.

Some changes in the rules would be placed on the Agenda for the A.G.M.

119. **Synchro Swimming.**—Mrs Black's report was accepted, and it was noted that a test by five neutral examiners had been held at Crammond, Edinburgh, and a number of candidates had been appointed to the National Squad, for the Commonwealth Games.

120. **Great Britain.**—The Secretary reported on the meetings of the Great Britain Committee from which arose the question of the Constitution of that Committee. The proposals submitted by Mr Sarsfield, and amended by the G.B. Committee were considered most fully, and Council decided that as it was a change of Constitution this could only be considered if submitted by a mandate from a National Annual General Meeting, and the Secretary informed how to reply to the G.B. Committee, and the A.S.A.

It was noted with concern that the new proposals submitted by Mr Sarsfield did not contain a rule to state how the Constitution could be altered in the future.

121. **Technical Committee.**—Mr Williamson, Convener, reported that at a meeting of the representatives of the Technical Committees of England, Wales and Northern Ireland and the S.A.S.A. Technical Committee, had selected a number of officials to act at the Commonwealth Games. It was noted that the S.A.S.A. had been granted 50% of the number required.

The Council homologated the actions of the S.A.S.A. Technical Committee in their selection, but regretted that those not appointed had not received any notice to that effect, and Mr Williamson agreed to notify them in due course. The Secretary was instructed to inform the Districts of the Council's decision, and to advise them that the Swimming Officials' Committee had nothing to do with the selection of officials.

Certain places had been left to be filled by the overseas officials, and it was possible that further S.A.S.A. officials may be required, but it would be very near the time of the Games before this would be known.

122. **Royal Commonwealth Pool.**—The new pool in Edinburgh will be officially opened on the 16th January, 1970, and an Edinburgh committee of officials had been appointed to arrange the programme. It was noted with regret that neither water polo or Synchro swimming could be fitted in owing to a limited time table.

123. **Learn to Swim Week.**—It was noted that the Learn to Swim Gala in 1970 would be held at the Royal Commonwealth Pool on the 1st June.

124. **Championships.**—The Council appointed an ad hoc Committee of one representative from each District with the General Secretary as Convener to consider all matters in connection with all the Championships, and to consider the question of appointing a Standing Committee for Championships (Swimming).

The meeting would be held in Perth on 20th December, and District Secretaries would advise their representatives and advise the Secretary of their names.

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125. **Re-Instatement.**—An application for re-instatement as an Amateur was not considered owing to lack of information. Secretary was instructed to reply accordingly.

126. **Records.**—The following records were passed to the A.G.M. for confirmation:—

- 4 x 100 yds. *Freestyle Relay*—3 mins. 36.0 secs., Warrender B.C., at Edinburgh, 24/10/69. (Scottish).  
100 yds. *Breast Stroke*—1 min. 14.6 secs., Pamela Wilson, Warrender B.C., at Edinburgh, 24/10/69. (Scottish and 13-Year Age Group).  
100 yds. *Breast Stroke*—1 min. 14.1 secs., Dianne Walker, Thistle L.A.S.C., at Motherwell, 1/11/69.  
100 yds. *Back Stroke*—1 min. 01.3 secs., T. C. Govan, Shotts A.S.C., at Clydebank, 30/11/69. (Scottish Junior and 14-Year Age Group).

AGE GROUP RECORDS  
MADE AT MOTHERWELL, 1/11/69.

Boys — 10 Years.

- 50 yds. *Back Stroke*—36.1 secs., C. M. Smylie (equal).  
25 yds. *Butterfly*—15.5 secs., J. Devlin.  
100 yds. *Individual Medley*—1 min. 20.1 secs., E. Samuel.

Boys — 12 Years.

- 100 yds. *Freestyle*—1 min. 02.1 secs., S. Pole.  
100 yds. *Breast Stroke*—1 min. 19.5 secs., J. Ross. S. Pole  
50 yds. *Butterfly*—30.7 secs., G. W. Smylie.  
200 yds. *Individual Medley*—2 mins. 34.6 secs., Motherwell.

Boys — 13 Years.

- 100 yds. *Breast Stroke*—1 min. 12.2 secs., C. N. Morrison.  
100 yds. *Back Stroke*—1 min. 02.6 secs., T. C. Govan.  
200 yds. *Individual Medley*—2 mins. 29.0 secs., C. N. Morrison.

Boys — 16 Years.

- 200 yds. *Freestyle*—1 min. 59.4 secs., G. R. Soutar.  
400 yds. *Freestyle*—4 mins. 15.5 secs., J. McClatchey.  
200 yds. *Back Stroke*—2 mins. 14.5 secs., J. McClatchey.  
200 yds. *Individual Medley*—1 min. 14.9 secs., R. J. Fordyce.  
4 x 100 yds. *Free Relay*—3 mins. 47.2 secs., Inverness A.S.C.

Girls — 11 Years.

- 50 yds. *Butterfly*—33.4 secs., E. Hutchison.

Girls — 12 Years.

- 100 yds. *Back Stroke*—1 min. 13.8 secs., G. Fordyce.  
4 x 50 yds. *Medley Relay*—2 mins. 20.9 secs., Carnegie A.S.C.

Girls — 13 Years.

- 100 yds. *Freestyle*—1 min. 03.0 secs., M. McGoogan.  
200 yds. *Individual Medley*—2 mins. 33.0 secs., P. Wilson.

*Girls — 14 Years.*

100 yds. *Breast Stroke*—1 min. 14.1 secs., D. Walker.  
200 yds. *Individual Medley*—2 mins. 33.5 secs., D. Walker.  
4 x 100 yds. *Free Relay*—4 mins. 55.3 secs., Leith L.A.S.C.

*Girls — 15 Years.*

200 yds. *Freestyle*—2 mins. 12.9 secs., A. J. Mackie.  
400 yds. *Freestyle*—4 mins. 41.9 secs., A. J. Mackie.  
200 yds. *Back Stroke*—2 mins. 23.9 secs., L. Armour.  
200 yds. *Individual Medley*—2 mins. 33.7 secs., L. F. McPherson.

*Girls — 16 Years.*

100 yds. *Freestyle*—1 min. 01.3 secs., E. S. Wylie.  
200 yds. *Freestyle*—2 mins. 13.2 secs., E. S. Wylie.  
400 yds. *Freestyle*—4 mins. 44.5 secs., E. S. Wylie.  
200 yds. *Breast Stroke*—2 mins. 44.1 secs., H. Blyth.  
200 yds. *Back Stroke*—2 mins. 34.8 secs., H. Blyth.  
100 yds. *Butterfly*—1 min. 09.5 secs., H. Blyth.  
200 yds. *Individual Medley*—2 mins. 27.3 secs., H. Blyth.

127. **Nancy Riach Memorial Medal.**—Council unanimously recommended this award for 1969 should be presented to A. Stewart, 1930 A.S.C., for his record in British Water Polo.

128. **W. G. Todd Trophy.**—It was unanimously recommended by Council that the Junior award should be presented to Martin Shore, Inverness A.S.C., for his fine swimming for the Junior British Team.

129. **Life Members.**—In view of the retirement of Mr H. E. Fern, C.B.E., after 48 years as Hon. Secretary of the A.S.A., Council recommend that for his services to the Sport over many years, he be awarded the Life Membership of the Association.

It was also recommended that for his services to the Association as an Hon. Auditor for many years, Mr J. MacCaskill be awarded the Life Membership of the Association.

For his services as a Council member for many years, and his term of office as President it was the Council's unanimous decision to award the Life Membership of the Association to Mr J. M. Wainwright.

130. **A.G.M.**—The East District had not settled on a venue for the Annual General Meeting, but it was decided that it would commence at 10.30 a.m.

Before closing the meeting the President, Mr J. M. Wainwright, thanked the members of the Council for their assistance and forbearance with him during his term of office, which he had enjoyed immensely, and wished them all a very happy and successful 1970.