

**MINUTES of COUNCIL MEETING held in  
the ST. ENOCH HOTEL, GLASGOW, on  
29th MARCH, 1970, at 9.30 a.m.**

**Chairman.**—J. Reid (Victoria A.S.C.), President.

**Attendance.**—A. Beattie, J. Neil, W. Black, G. Colman, West; J. A. Snowden, P. H. Boyd, East; W. Hagan, R. McDonald, Midland; D. Ritchie, J. Marnoch, North; J. W. Williamson, General Treasurer; J. Y. Coutts, General Secretary.

Mr Reid welcomed the delegates to the first Council meeting of the new year, and expressed the wish that this very exceptional year, with the Commonwealth Games, would be a very successful one for all branches of the Sport.

21. **Minutes.**—The Minutes of the December meeting as circulated were adopted as a correct record.

22. **Transfer.**—It was noted that E. Henderson, Paisley A.S.C., had been transferred to Warrender B.C.

23. **E. Henderson.**—Letter from E. Henderson requesting financial aid to attend training week-ends and trials. Council decided, that as the National Squad training had finished its schedule, and expenses were paid for official trials, they were not in a position to accede to the request.

24. **Boys' Clubs.**—Letter of thanks for assistance from the Scottish Association of Boys' Clubs was favourably accepted.

25. **Presentation.**—Letter from Edinburgh Corporation requesting a donation towards a presentation to Sir H. A. Brechin was left on the table.

26. **S.C.P.R.**—Letter from S.C.P.R. inviting representatives to attend a meeting to discuss the formation of Sports' Committees. Agreed to invite A. D. Spence to attend as our observer. Invitation to be represented at the "Learn to Swim" gala on 1st June, was accepted and agreed that the President and Mrs Reid represent the Association. Mr Williamson intimated that he had advised the Committee of other persons in the Association who should be invited.

27. **L.E.N.**—Letter from P. Heatly offering his services to Scotland and Wales to represent them at the L.E.N. Congress meetings in Barcelona on 3rd September. Agreed the Secretary consult Wales on the matter.

28. **Bulk Affiliation.**—The affiliation of the British Athletics Association of Latter-Day Saints was accepted on payment of the fee of £10.

29. **Joint Award Scheme.**—Secretary reported on a meeting of the Executive Committees of the S.A.S.A. when with the introduction of the new award scheme, it was decided that the S.A.S.A. Personal Award Scheme would cease as from 30th April, despite heavy stocks on hand.

J. W. Williamson, the S.A.S.A. Trustee for the new scheme, intimated that hundreds of places had already been received, that the part-time Secretary was duly installed in an office at 4 Queensferry Street, Edinburgh, and the S.A.S.A. had advanced £500 to get the scheme off the ground.

30. **General Secretary.**—J. W. Williamson reported on the meeting held to consider the resignation of the General Secretary as from the next Annual General Meeting. The confidential written report was accepted and Mr Williamson intimated that a further meeting would be held to decide on phase two.

31. **Great Britain Committee.**—The Secretary gave a lengthy report on the proposed Constitution as submitted from the A.G.M. of the A.S.A. which had mandated their representatives on the G.B. Committee to request Scotland and Wales to agree to the new Constitution.

The Council was not unanimous in accepting the proposals and considered that further consultations with Wales and the G.B. Committee was necessary before an Extraordinary Meeting should be convened. Whatever the outcome was it was agreed by Council that if a trial period under the new Constitution was agreed upon, it should only be for a period of two years.

**32. Technical Committee.** Mr Williamson gave a report on the action taken by the Committee to replace certain officials for the Games who had resigned. Report was accepted.

**33. Ad Hoc Committee.**—The General Secretary reported on the discussions which took place at the meeting and on the proposals submitted to the A.G.M. which he withdrew when it was obvious the meeting were not to accept them. Council agreed that further meetings were unnecessary.

It was decided to request the East District to form a Committee to organise the Long Course Championships, and request them to include a representative from the West.

**34. Re-Instatement.**—The General Secretary reported that he had ascertained that the applicant had been misinformed as to her status, and that her claim to be re-instated was not necessary. Agreed the fee be returned.

**35. H. E. Fern, C.B.E.**—Mr Reid reported that he and the General Secretary had taken the opportunity whilst in London to visit Mr Fern, and as President he had presented the Life Membership Plaque to Mr Fern. Mr Fern was most grateful for this most friendly gesture, and wished to convey his thanks to the Association, and wished the Association a very successful future.

**36. General Treasurer's Report.**—Mr Williamson gave a verbal report in addition to his written one, and it was noted that the West District had donated £100 towards the International Fund, and Mr Williamson requested the other three Districts to do likewise, or give generously.

Council agreed that the Association must arrange a reception of some description on the occasion of the Commonwealth Games, and the matter was left in the hands of the Executive.

37. **Swimming.**—Mr Mitchell attended the meeting to augment his written report which showed that 21 persons had qualified for consideration of selection for the Commonwealth Games Team, and 10 new records had been established at the open trials on 1st March. 28 Scots had been invited to the British Trials, the largest ever, and they established 14 new records at the Trials.

Mrs M. Cochrane had been appointed Assistant Manager for the Swimming and Diving Team for the Game Coach for Norway. Mr Mitchell put up a plea for a second coach to travel to Norway for the match there, and the Council decided to ignore the decision of the Executive Committee, which had refused the application, and agreed to the appointment of H. H. Smith as the coach. J. Queen and F. T. Thomas had received permission to travel with the team, but at their own expense.

The General Secretary intimated that owing to the Council's decision, in ignoring the Executive Committee's decision, it would be impossible for the Executive to give further decisions in future, and that special meetings of the Council would be necessary. Mr Williamson concurred with this sentiment.

38. **Water Polo.**—Convener W. Mellors reported that Ally Elder had been selected to play for the G.B. Under-18 Team v. Spain, and Gavin Nichol was first reserve. Murray Anderson and Andy Stewart had been invited to join the G.B. Squad for training in Belgium.

An invitation to take part in a four team tournament in England for Under-18's was declined on the grounds of the busy time ahead for the polo players at the same time as the proposed tournament.

It was noted with pleasure that Mr Mellors had been appointed Manager of the G.B. Team to play France at Walsall on 25th July, and the Referees

Supervisor W. Stevenson had been invited to referee at the junior tournament in Holland from 4th to 12th August.

39. **Diving.**—The Diving report gave the result of the first tie of the Inter-District League, and the Spring Course for new divers would be held at Montrose on 15th-17th May. Carol Graham had been promoted to the Games Squad, and Danny Downs continues to improve and had been awarded his Gold Proficiency Badge.

40. **Education.**—The results since the A.G.M. showed that passes were as follows:—Preliminary Teachers, 39; Teachers, 9; Advanced Teachers, 1; and there were a number of results to come, and fresh courses are being arranged.

41. **Swimming Officials.**—The Convener's report showed that 88 candidates had sat the examination with the following results:—Timekeepers, 41; Judges, 28; Starters, 3; had all passed, and arrangements are well in hand for the May examination.

42. **Age Group.**—No report as the new Committee had not had the opportunity to have a meeting, but would have one in the very near future.

43. **Synchro.**—Mrs Black submitted a report on the course held at Tulliallan Castle, which had proved very successful, the Director remarking on the all round improvement since the last course.

44. **G.B. Committee.**—Regarding the 28 swimmers attending the Trials at Crystal Palace, Council decided to assist these financially when the Treasurer received the account from the G.B. Treasurer, and Districts and Clubs were requested to do likewise.

45. **Appeal.**—After hearing the East District delegates and Mr Hansen, who were requested to retire, the Council considered the case and decided as follows:—The appeal be upheld, as it was considered that the sentence sustained by Mr Hansen was sufficient punishment for a first offence, and the fees be returned.

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

*RECORDS MADE AT PAISLEY, 27th-28th MARCH, 1970.*

*S.—Scottish; J.—Junior; SA.—Scottish All Comers;  
AG.—Age Group.*

**MEN.**

- 100 yds. *Breast Stroke*—1 min. 03.3 secs., A. Young, Glasgow University. (S. SA.).  
100 yds. *Breast Stroke*—1 min. 06.4 secs., D. Wilkie, Warrender. (J. 16 AG.).  
200 yds. *Breast Stroke*—2 mins. 20.5 secs., D. Wilkie, Warrender. (S. J. SA. AG.).  
200 yds. *Back Stroke*—2 mins. 05.7 secs., H. Simpson, Paisley. (S. SA.).  
200 yds. *Individual Medley*—2 mins. 10.5 secs., E. Henderson, Kings. (S. SA.).  
200 yds. *Back Stroke*—2 mins. 17.2 secs., E. Rose, Aberdeen Grammar. (15 AG.).

**WOMEN.**

- 100 yds. *Freestyle*—59.4 secs., L. Allardice, Horn. (J. 13 AG.).  
200 yds. *Freestyle*—2 mins. 10.0 secs., A. Mackie, Thistle Ladies. (16 AG.).  
200 yds. *Breast Stroke*—2 mins. 37.1 secs., P. Wilson, Warrender. (J. 14 AG.).  
200 yds. *Back Stroke*—2 mins. 22.7 secs., L. Armour, Warrender. (S. J. SA. AG.).  
100 yds. *Butterfly*—1 min. 05.6 secs., L. Allardice, Horn. (J. 13 AG.).  
200 yds. *Butterfly*—2 mins. 30.6 secs., M. Brown, Dumfries. (S.).  
200 yds. *Individual Medley*—2 mins. 28.7 secs., D. Walker, Thistle Ladies. (S. J. SA. AG.).  
400 yds. *Individual Medley*—5 mins. 20.0 secs., P. Wilson, Warrender. (S. J. SA.).

*RECORDS MADE AT WISHAW, 1st MARCH, 1970.*

**MEN.**

- 110 yds. *Freestyle*—58.0 secs., M. Shore, Inverness. (J.).  
220 yds. *Breast Stroke*—2 mins. 41.8 secs., D. Wilkie, Warrender. (S. J.).  
200 yds. *Breast Stroke*—2 mins. 20.5 secs., D. Wilkie, Warrender. (S. J. SA. AG.).  
220 yds. *Back Stroke*—2 mins. 21.6 secs., H. Simpson, Paisley. (S.).

**WOMEN.**

- 440 yds. *Freestyle*—4 mins. 59.6 secs., S. Hogg, Warrender. (SA.).  
440 yds. *Freestyle*—5 mins. 02.4 secs., A. J. Mackie, Thistle Ladies. (J.).  
880 yds. *Freestyle*—10 mins. 17.2 secs., S. Hogg, Warrender. (SA.).

- 880 yds. *Freestyle*—10 mins. 20.4 secs., A. J. Mackie, Thistle Ladies. (J.).  
 110 yds. *Breast Stroke*—1 min. 21.4 secs., D. Walker, Thistle Ladies. (J.).  
 220 yds. *Breast Stroke*—2 mins. 57.1 secs., D. Walker, Thistle Ladies. (J.).  
 220 yds. *Back Stroke*—2 mins. 37.9 secs., L. Armour, Warrender. (S. J.).  
 220 yds. *Butterfly*—2 mins. 40.1 secs., M. C. Brown, Dumfries. (S.).

LONG COURSE RECORDS MADE AT CRYSTAL PALACE,  
 14th MARCH, 1970.

MEN.

- 110 yds. *Breast Stroke*—1 min. 13.2 secs., A. Young, Glasgow University.  
 220 yds. *Back Stroke*—2 mins. 21.5 secs., H. Simpson, Paisley.

WOMEN.

- 880 yds. *Freestyle*—10 mins. 28.4 secs., A. J. Mackie, Thistle Ladies.  
 220 yds. *Back Stroke*—2 mins. 41.4 secs., L. Armour, Warrender.  
 220 yds. *Butterfly*—2 mins. 44.5 secs., M. C. Brown, Dumfries.  
 440 yds. *Individual Medley*—5 mins. 47.4 secs., H. Blyth, Dumfries.

47. **Handbook.**—The General Secretary requested permission from Council to delete all reference in the Handbook to Personal Survival and Training Awards, and this was granted.

48. **Omega Watches.**—The Secretary reported on correspondence between the Omega Watch Company and Mr Percy. The Council decided not to purchase any watches at present, but decided that the Secretary be appointed as the official correspondent to deal with the Company.

49. **J. M. Hogg.**—Mr Hogg attended the meeting as Technical Director of Swimming (Scotland), and outlined his plans for the immediate present, and was given the necessary permission to have the forms required printed and distributed. The question of his salary was considered and agreed upon. The question of a loan for a car was left with the Executive Committee to deal with.

Mr Reid closed the meeting with thanks to the West officials for the arrangements made for the meeting.