

COUNCIL MEETING

A Meeting of the SASA Council was held in the Conservatory, Airthrey Castle, University of Stirling on Sunday 8 December 1986 at 10.00 am.

PRESENT:	Mr R D B Cape	President (in the Chair)
	Mr W Black	Hon Gen Secretary
	Mr L Turberville	Hon General Treasurer
	Mrs H McLeod-Bain	East District
	Mr A McLeod-Bain	East District
	Mr D Phinn	Midland District
	Dr D Hoare	Midland District
	Mr J Angus	North District
	Mr G Robb	North District
	Mrs H Brunton	West District
	Mr R F Craig	West District

In attendance:

Mrs R Hallam	Administrator
Mrs M Cunningham	Minute Recorder

118/85 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr N Beattie

119/85 PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

This is a somewhat unusual Council Meeting with no staff present but we have much to discuss and I hope we will be able to stick as near as possible to the agenda laid down by the rulebook.

May I place on record my own and I am sure all our great concern at Norrie Beattie's illness. I am sure we all hope to see him fully restored to health as soon as possible. He has made excellent progress so far but Isobel told me last night he was not quite so well as his blood pressure had gone up. He had hoped to get home tomorrow but this might now be delayed a couple of days.

Since the last meeting of Council your Executive have attended a meeting with Officers of the Sports Council to discuss staff salaries; later accompanied by Mrs Hallam we met with Council member to discuss our budget proposals for the coming year. We also had an abortive meeting here to meet with the Director of Swimming who turned out to be ill and in hospital.

I was a guest at a reception for Presidents of Governing Bodies given by the Sports Council, and also at Warrender Baths Club dinner.

My wife and I attended the Synchro Club Championships in Forres, the Central Region Swimming Championships at Grangemouth, Laidlaw Trophy 5-a-side Water Polo tournament at Dunfermline, Belmont Mini Age Group Gala and Kirkintilloch top ten Age Group Meet.

I have also attended the Cumbernauld Open International Meet, attended a North District meeting and a Civic Reception in Dundee for International Water Polo players and officials.

Finally, I wish to record my congratulations to those swimmers who have been selected for forthcoming GB events. I refer to Linda Donnelly,

Paul Easter, Paul Brew, Maureen Campbell and Graeme Wilson selected for the European Swimming Cup Team. Paul Easter selected as one of a GB team of six swimmers at the US Open Championships this weekend. Lastly to Kim McIntosh on her selection for the GB Junior Synchro Squad.

The President expressed the Association's deep regret at the sudden death of Mr Alan Hime.

120/85 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 13 OCTOBER

These were approved with one addition.

Item 116/85 f) this was qualified in that the North District proposal was that competitors should not require to pay the cost towards international commitments. THIS PROPOSAL WAS DEFEATED.

121/85 SUB NATIONAL FACILITIES (Previous Minute 100/85)

Some lengthy discussion took place on this and the number of touch pads available and the siting of them. It was noted that the Director of Swimming had had discussion with Renfrew District Council on the siting of one set at Johnstone Pool.

It was clarified by the President that the Scottish Sports Council grant allowed for one set of touch pads and associated wiring to be held by each District. IT WAS AGREED that it was District responsibility as to the location of this equipment.

122/85 NATIONAL FACILITIES

IT WAS NOTED that the matter of the ordering of National Facilities was in hand.

123/85 J Y COUTTS MEMORIAL AWARD (Previous Minute 101/85)

The President reported that the granite award had been handed over to Mr Turberville and a press cutting was circulated to Council. It was noted that Mr Robb and Mr Turberville had not yet had discussions regarding estimates for producing further trophies.

124/85 FUND RAISING PROJECT (Previous Minute 102/85)

It was noted that the Treasurer had written to Mr Sheppard and extracts from the reply were read to Council. However, there was no clear indication as yet as to clarification for charitable status.

125/85 PROVISION OF TYPEWRITERS (Previous Minute 103/85)

It was noted that two typewriters had been purchased by the Association at a special educational rate.

126/85 KIT SITUATION (Previous Minute 104/85)

1 It was reported that the Director of Swimming and the Administrator would meet with Speedo on 17 December and that a full kit inventory will be available for the visit.

It was agreed that they would go by air and that they would tie in a visit with ASA and that Mr Reeves of the ASA would be available for a meeting.

126/85 2 Mrs Brunton reported that although Neil Storrie had written to the office regarding his kit for this present year, IT WAS AGREED that he should further submit his kit requirements and this would be attended to.

3 In relation to the distribution of kit, the President clarified that it was Council decision as to who should be allocated kit i.e. team or squad. Mrs Hallam reported that an order had been placed with Speedo. Some discussion took place on the sponsorship available for kit requirements.

IT WAS AGREED that the basis of allocation of kit should be submitted to the Executive for approval.

127/85 TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS (Previous Minute 107/85)

The Administrator reported that there had been three positive replies from travel companies viz Alander Travelworld, A T Mays and Lawries Travel.

The Administrator agreed to check the position regarding Dixon Travel having been contacted. It was confirmed that Messrs Alander Travelworld were being used for present travel requirements.

128/85 COMMONWEALTH GAMES COUNCIL FOR SCOTLAND APPEAL (Previous Minute 108/85)

The Treasurer reported that he would submit a recommendation regarding the donation at the February Meeting.

129/85 DIVING COMMITTEE (Previous Minute 111/85)

It was noted that the Diving Convener had submitted a letter in explanation of the minuted comment.

130/85 STAFF (Previous Minute 112/85.1.)

The Secretary reported that of the three candidates invited to attend for interview, one had intimated the date not suitable, one had confirmed his attendance and there had been no communication from the third.

IT WAS AGREED that the interviewing panel would be the General Secretary, the Director of Swimming and the Administrator, with authority to make an appointment.

131/85 INSURANCE AND TAX (Previous Minute 112/85.13)

The Administrator reported the current position in that the Association were awaiting clarification from the Scottish Sports Council as to whether they would implement the proposed scheme for Coaches' Insurance.

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132/85 SKOL SPORTS AWARDS (Previous Minute 112/85.16)

The four nominations made by the Swimming Committee were: Paul Easter, Paul Brew, Jill Ewing and Jean Hill and would be presented with the Awards on 19 December.

133/85 BUDGET (Previous Minute 113/85.3)

It was noted that no reply had been received from the Scottish Sports Council following the Association's submission.

134/85 STIRLING ASC - COACHING FEES (Previous Minute 115/85.1)

It was noted that the total weekly hours worked by the Coach were 4½. Following discussion, IT WAS AGREED to accept the proposed increase by Stirling ASC, which represented £3.33 per hour.

135/85 D GORDON - REFEREEING (Previous Minute 116/85.1)

Mr Black reported on Mr Gordon's elimination from the 6 Nations Tournament.

Mr Elder's letter to Council indicated that Mr Gordon's elimination had been on a technical interpretation but that this should not harm Mr Gordon in the future. Mr Elder also reported that there had been good results on Mr Gordon's previous tournaments this year.

136/85 CURRENT RUNNING OF SWIMMING COMMITTEE

Reference letter submitted to Council from Northern District Secretary.

There was lengthy discussion regarding the dissatisfaction of the running of the Swimming Committee and the fact that there was little feed-back from the Swimming Conveners of the North and West Districts. The letter from the North District was noted and it was hoped that some improvement would take place in communication between the Swimming Committee and the Districts.

137/85 HONORARIUM - CG STAFF (Previous Minute 116/85.2b)

After discussion, IT WAS AGREED that any honorarium would come from the Commonwealth Games Training Fund after other commitments had been met.

138/85 EDUCATION - INFORMATION (Previous Minute 116/85.5a)

It was noted that the Education Convener had submitted up dated information to the Office, circulation of which should include District Secretaries.

139/85 REPORT OF THE GENERAL SECRETARY

This had been circulated.

1 Stop Watches

It was clarified by Mr Black that there has been an offer to supply stop watches.

2 Tickets

Mr Black outlined the position regarding tickets for the Synchronised Swimming events. There would be four sessions in the evenings plus two in the afternoons. He has been informed that tickets would be on sale from a portocabin for those wishing to view Synchronised Swimming only.

3 Scottish Sports Council

It was noted that each Convener should receive a copy of the written submission made to the Scottish Sports Council.

The President reported on the meeting with the Scottish Sports Council to discuss the submission. He was appreciative of the assistance offered by Mr I Russell of the Scottish Sports Council.

4 Technical Assistant

It was considered inappropriate to consider the Brazilian applicant.

5 The meetings attended by the General Secretary were noted, together with the fact that Mr Black would withdraw from the Executive Committee of the Scottish Sports Association, due to the build up of commitments, especially in respect of the Commonwealth Games.

THE REPORT WAS ACCEPTED.

140/85 THE REPORT OF THE GENERAL TREASURER

1 Per Capita and ACF Statements were up to date as at 27 November.

Mr McLeod-Bain reported that Peebles had intimated having paid their Per Capita Fee. IT WAS AGREED that Peebles Club should submit the appropriate cancelled cheque.

Some discussion took place on the fact that a decrease in Per Capita may be due to the proposed increase in fees.

Discussion also took place on the fact that some Clubs were taking part in competitions although they had not paid Per Capita Fees. The Treasurer indicated that the clubs with outstanding Per Capita Fees would again be contacted and would not qualify to be present at the AGM.

- 140/85 1 It was noted that Heriot Watt University and HMS Caledonian were no longer affiliated to the Association.
- 2 Budget Summary for Year
- The Treasurer highlighted points from this summary indicating that there would be a surplus of approx £4,800 for the year. The Sports Council had indicated that they would be prepared to allow any surplus to be carried forward and allow the Association to build up reasonable reserves.
- 3 Lanzarote Training Camp
- In relation to the financing of this, the Treasurer indicated that at the present time there was only £2,245 in the Educational Fund and there were accounts in the sum of approximately £11,000 to be met for the training camp (on the basis of 35 people attending - 26 of whom were squad). It was noted that the accounts would be met from the General Fund until such time as there was sufficient in the Educational Fund.
- After discussion on the numbers attending and the work-load of the Director of Swimming, IT WAS AGREED that 33 persons only attend the training camp, with Mr A Brew attending for one weekly only, as intimated.
- * D. of S not to attend*
- The travel company should be contacted immediately to ascertain what refund may be available.
- 4 Budget
- Mr Turberville submitted written assessment. Although no written confirmation had been received on the proposals to the Sports Council, there had been verbal indication that the figure would be approximately 10% on that of last year. This would still result in a shortfall of approximately £11,000 on the budgetted figures.
- It is understood that the figure submitted for Equipment in the sum of £6,000 will not be covered and Council AGREED on the following to recoup this:-
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| Swimming Budget: | less £3,500 |
| Diving Budget: | remain the same |
| Water Polo Budget: | less £1,500 |
| Synchro Budget: | less £1,000 |
- This information should be intimated to the relevant Conveners asking for comments on areas in which the reductions would be made.
- IT WAS FORMALLY AGREED that the offer made by the Scottish Sports Council should be formally accepted.

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- 140/85 5 Fees and Fines Fixed by Council
- Following short discussion, the proposed changes were accepted by Council and will be forwarded for approval by AGM.

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141/85 REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF SWIMMING

1 Report of Spring Meets 1985

IT WAS AGREED that the Swimming Committee prepare an assessment of the competitions undertaken this year.

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THE REPORT WAS ACCEPTED

142/85 REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

1 Schools Sports Associations

The General Secretary asked for clarification on the Schools Sports Associations which receive grant aid direct from SSC. The Administrator to clarify this.

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2 Masters Championships

The Administrator to contact:

- a) GSPC regarding a civic reception
- b) Sun Life accepting their offer subject to GSPC offer of pool free of charge.

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3 Nike

It was noted that the offer of free trainers for CG Squad and staff had been accepted and order placed.

4 Clarification on Two-Club Swimmers

Discussion took place on the Association ruling that no swimmer may swim for two clubs in the one year.
THIS POINT WAS NOT RESOLVED.

The item should be put to Swimming Committee Meeting to be held on Sunday 15 December, their comments being notified to Council.

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5 District Badges

Supply and cost of badges to be discussed at District level with a decision being put to Council Meeting in February.

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6 A B Marketing & Manufacturing Ltd

It was agreed that this company be approached regarding the production of medals for the Association.

142/85 7 Past President Badge

This point to be remitted to Past President's Meeting to obtain views and further submit to Council ~~Meeting in February.~~

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8 Transfers

Council approved transfers as noted below.

Carnegie SC to Kinross Otters ASC	Heather Cameron
Stirling ASC to Alloa ASC	Gillian Higgins

9 Records

The following records were approved:

West District Open Championships - Cumbernauld
26/27 October 1985:

Junior Men 800 m Freestyle	
Campbell McNeil	8.18.45

Senior/Junior Women 100 m Freestyle	
Linda Donnelly	57.39

Senior Women 4 x 50 m Freestyle Relay	
Cumbernauld ASC	1.51.61

Cumbernauld Open Meet - 16/17 November 1985

Junior Men 200 m Butterfly	
Richard Leishman	2.05.63

Junior Men 100 m Butterfly	
Richard Leishman	57.68

Junior Men 100 m Breaststroke	
Gary Watson	1.04.15

Junior Women 100 m Butterfly	
Linda Donnelly	1.05.53

Senior Women 200 m Breaststroke	
Jean Hill	2.36.68

Junior Women 100 m Backstroke	
Jill Ewing	1.06.05

Senior/Junior Women 200 m Freestyle	
Linda Donnelly	2.02.49

Senior/Junior Women 100 m Freestyle	
Linda Donnelly	56.88

142/85 10 International Permits

Alloa ASC to Dublin from 21 to 24 November 1985.

THE REPORT WAS ACCEPTED.

143/85 At this stage in the Meeting, Mr Turberville expressed concern over several aspects pertaining to the Synchronised Swimming report:-

- 1 The fact that several members of staff were travelling from England to attend the training weekend at Tulliallan and the costs involved in this. The Convener's Report explained that not all the panel attended each weekend and that costs were within the budget.
- 2 Reservations about the placings of the Scottish team in the XII Mallorca Synchro Meet in June. The swimmers concerned have shown marked improvement since by improving their placing in the ASA Nationals and Age Groups by some 20 places. Kim McIntosh being selected for the GB Junior Team and Caroline Chambers finishing 7th in the Age Groups.
- 3 The content of the letter sent by the secretary of the Edinburgh SSC Mrs M Slight to Mr McLeod-Bain and copied to the President and the General Secretary regarding GB selection. Mr Black raised the matter of the correct procedure which should have been followed in submission of this letter in the first place to the Synchro Swimming Convener. IT WAS AGREED that GB Committee be contacted to give clarification on the situation regarding GB Selection of team.

IT WAS RESOLVED that the Club should be advised of the correct procedure in submitting a letter concerning the selection of Great Britain Teams.

144/85 Due to the departure of members of Council there were insufficient numbers to meet the quorum. Council will reconvene on Sunday 22 December at Dunfermline at 10.00 am.

SCOTTISH AMATEUR SWIMMING ASSOCIATION

COUNCIL MEETING

A continuation of the Meeting of SASA Council of 8 December was held on Sunday 22 December 1985 at ~~Carnegie Centre~~ *Kin & Mylechra* Dunfermline.

PRESENT: Mr R D B Cape President (in the Chair)
Mr W Black Hon General Secretary
~~Mr L Purderville Non General Treasurer~~
Mrs H McLeod-Bain East District
Mr A McLeod-Bain East District
Mr D Phinn Midland District
Dr D Hoare Midland District
Mr J Angus North District
Mr G Robb North District
Mrs H Brunton West District
Mr R F Craig West District

In attendance:
Mrs R Hallam Administrator/Minute Recorder

145/85 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

a) Recommendations for Appointments of Patrons, Life Members and other Representatives.

i) Patrons

The list should be checked for accuracy.

ii) Life Members

The list should be checked for accuracy and Mrs Cochrane asked if she wished her name to be changed to Mrs Heatly. Recommendations for new appointments to Life Membership were unanimously agreed for John Bell and Douglas Cape.

iii) Other Representatives

Commonwealth Games Council for Scotland - General Secretary, Diving Convener and Swimming Convener.

British Olympic Association - W Black

Scottish Sports Association - W Black

Great Britain Committee - General Secretary, General Treasurer, plus a representative from Council. This third member to be on a rotational basis.

Governing Bodies of Sport in Scotland - W Black and P Smith

Honorary Solicitor - I Martin

Auditor - R McIntosh

Honorary Medical Advisor - Dr R Howat

b) Nancy Riach Medal and WG Todd Prize

It was agreed that the Nancy Riach Medal should be awarded to Neil Cochran.

145/85 b) It was agreed that the W G Todd Trophy and Prize should be awarded jointly to swimmers Linda Donnelly and Gary Watson.

In addition, a nomination had been received by the President for the J Y Coutts Award. It was unanimously agreed that this be awarded to W Black.

c) Changes of Rule

J Robertson Trophy - it was agreed that Section b) be removed from the Rules and also the club section in c).

It was suggested that consideration be given to the reconstitution of a Championship Committee. This would be considered for the 1986/87 year.

Some discussion took place on the necessary qualifications which should be attained by officials. G Battison would be consulted on this. It was also essential that the nominations for officials for the Commonwealth Games were of the highest calibre. Districts were requested to inform the General Secretary of any officials they felt did not reach the required standard.

District
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d) Other Relevant Business

The AGM was to be held at the Glen Pavilion, Dunfermline on Saturday 22 February. Lunches would be arranged for delegates at the cost of £3 per head - payable in advance. The Provost has agreed to open the proceedings.

146/85 To Consider Reports of Conveners

a) Water Polo

No Report was received.

The nominations for 1986 coaches was approved.

The request for a physiotherapist to accompany the team to the 8 Nations was considered. It was agreed that it was advisable for a physiotherapist to accompany all teams but that this could not be set against the Medical Committee Budget. A physiotherapist should go to Israel as long as this was within the Water Polo Budget, perhaps at the expense of one of the other officials. Similarly, it was agreed that an U21 team should go to Denmark, only if this was within the revised budget for 1986.

b) Swimming Committee

A report was circulated at the meeting of 22 December together with minutes of meetings held on 6 October and 1 December.

i) It was agreed that the request from M Willey for Scottish recognition could not be upheld as in law she took the nationality of her adoptive father, which was English.

- 146/85 b) ii) Congratulations were extended to Paul Easter for his GB selection for US Open Swim Meet in Texas and also, together with Paul Brew, Graeme Wilson, Linda Donnelly and Jean Hill, for the European Cup in Holland. *MSA*
- MSA* *Campbell* → iii) The Swimming Committee were to be asked to look again at the running of the Short Course Championships and reconsider the proposals from the North District Organising Committee and agreed by Council last February.
- club* iv) It was agreed that the Swimming Committee be requested to draw up suggested guidelines for the running and organisation of meets. This should be submitted to Council for approval before circulating to clubs.
- v) It was noted that the 4 Nations Competition would not now take place.
- vi) Council supported the objections regarding decisions taken by the ASA on behalf of GB concerning representation at the meeting in Brussels of the European Community to discuss Swimming Championships and the limitation of the European Youth team to 16.
- vii) The Swimming Committee were to be requested to further reduce their budget by £500.00
- viii) The team selections for Canada and Geneva were approved.
- ix) If financial assistance was needed for an Australian team to participate in the Edinburgh International Meet, this must be met by the Swimming Committee budget.
- x) The Committee were asked to clarify the position with regard to Lorraine Montford's clearance to swim for Scotland.
- xi) The request for honorariums to be paid to members of the CG squadstaff from the CG fund was rejected.
- xii) With regard to the two club situation of certain swimmers it was agreed that at both Open and Closed Championships the SASA rules would apply only to swimmers holding Scottish club membership.

THE REPORTS WERE ACCEPTED.

c) Diving Committee

No report was received.

Team Managers report of Amersfoort 16/17 November was noted. It had been unfortunate that S Forrest was unable to compete due to injury.

146/85 d) Synchronised Swimming

Congratulations were extended to K McIntosh on her GB Junior Team selection.

The Club Championships had been most successful and had been attended by the President.

The Team Manager's report on Mallorca was noted and it was felt that the committee had learned from the experience of this visit.

The report was accepted.

e) Education Committee

It was noted that procedures had not been compiled and it was felt essential that Districts must be kept informed particularly with regard to the forthcoming seminar.

The report was accepted.

f) TTO Committee

The recommendations that for a long running gala there should be two starters and a rotation of officials was agreed.

g) Medical Committee

Two reports were received and approved.

Dr Howat and his team were congratulated on their work and enthusiasm. It was felt this side of the Association's work was developing very well.

It was requested that Dot Sorley submit a report on the synchronised swimming and that a report on lactate testing would be welcome. The Scottish Sports Council will require a comprehensive report shortly in connection with the grant aid received for this testing programme.

h) Masters Committee

It was agreed that the registration fee for the first year should be £1 and thereafter £5, or equivalent to ACF. With regard to the proposed Masters International to be held in October, further details were required by Council. Financial assistance would not be available and a guarantee must be given by the organising committee that they can meet the costs involved. However, it was agreed in principle.

With regard to the Scottish Championships and the possible clash in sponsorship between Sun Life and the GSPC, R Craig agreed to take this matter up with K McKay.

146/85 i) Centenary Committee

W Black outlined the proposed events for centenary year:

- Commence with the AGM and dinner dance
- A bid had been submitted for the European Diving Cup
- A bid had been submitted for the LEN Congress/
Calendar Conference
- Also for the European Swimming Cup

This was agreed in principle.

Districts were asked to come forward with any further places who may wish to arrange floral displays.

It was also intended to produce a book but further information was required.

Finance had been considered and £10,000 had been included in the forecasted budget to the Scottish Sports Council for 1986/87 which would provide a basic fund. The meeting supported the committee in its endeavours.

Clubs would be called upon to raise funds equivalent to £1.00 per member during 1986 and 1987. A presentation will be made at the AGM.

The report was accepted.

147/85 CORRESPONDENCE

- a) A letter concerning the SSSA Royal Bank Championships was noted and had been circulated to Districts.

Due to the new dates of the training squad visit to Lanzarote it was agreed that a letter should be sent to the SSSA as this would cut across their schools championships.

- b) GB team Manager - as no nominations had been received from the Swimming Committee, Council agreed to support the recommendation of Rick Bailey.

- c) Technical Officer - two candidates had been interviewed - it was agreed that Mrs J Reid be offered the post to commence on 6 January.

There was no further discussion.

21 January 1986