

# Scottish Amateur Swimming Association

## Centenary Committee

Minutes of the 9th Meeting held on Saturday 17 January 1987  
at the Scottish Sports Council Offices, Edinburgh at 10.30 am

SEDERUNT:	Chairman:	Mr P Heatley CBE	
		Mr N Beattie	SASA Hon President
		Mr M Sheppard	SASA Hon Treasurer
		Mr W Black	SASA Hon Gen Secretary
		Mr A Taylor	SASA Vice President
		Mr P Smith	Midlands
		Mr T Nichol	East
		Mr G Philp	East
		Mr L Taylor	West

APOLOGIES:

Mr G Robb
Mrs H Brunton

### MINUTES

The Minutes of the 8th Meeting held on 13 December 1986 were agreed to be a correct record.

Mr Philp raised the question of a minute secretary and said that he had someone in mind to take over the task. He agreed to pursue the matter and advise the Chairman.

### CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr Heatly reported that he had contacted Councillor Neil Cooney of Aberdeen with regard to the AGM and that he had followed up with a letter making a formal request to the Town Clerk and Chief Executive.

He had also written to the Lord Provost of Glasgow with regard to the Centenary Dinner in Glasgow.

He had written to Alistair Dunnett of the Scottish Educational Trust seeking a grant towards the publication of the Centenary Book. He had approached Mr W Law regarding the European Diving Cup and Mr Law hoped to meet the Centenary Committee later today. He had spoken to Mr C Munro BBC, who had advised that the budget was now in process of being prepared and he had advised that the SASA should contact BBC in London with our proposals as soon as possible.

No decision had been made yet with regard to Mr Munro's proposal that a documentary film be made during 1988.

After discussion about television coverage it was agreed that the Chairman should write to Mr Jonathan Martin BBC, London with copies to Mr J Hunter and Mr C Munro BBC Scotland including our full programme for 1988. He would also make contact with Mr Russell Galbraith, Scottish Television to determine their interest.

### SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary distributed copies of the LEN contracts to the Committee to confirm the requirements for the Diving Cup and the Swimming Cup. He reported the bookings have still to be confirmed for the various

facilities required though provisional approaches had been made. He had hoped to have reported on his meeting with Mr B Connolly but the weather had caused the meeting to be postponed. He was pleased to report that Mr John Rose had agreed to assist with the organising of the LEN Congress and Calendar Conference in Glasgow.

It was agreed that a meeting with Edinburgh District Council was now urgent and the concluding of formal agreements for each event. The Secretary agreed to set up a meeting as soon as possible.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr Sheppard distributed a letter which he had prepared to send to all clubs explaining the financial position of the Association and the need for more fundraising. He went through the main points of his letter with the Committee.

He explained the problems of getting sponsorship, highlighting the fact that a professional firm like the Alan Pascoe Associates had been unable to get sponsorship for the 1987 Spring Meet - even with network TV.

He had written to a number of Scottish companies he was indebted to Ogilvie and Mather Scotland for the list of contacts.

Royal Bank of Scotland, He had not yet written <sup>to the Bank</sup> as he thought a personal approach could be made. Mr Heatly said that he had already made contact and that £500 was assured for the brochure but he would make further enquiries regarding this year's Spring Meet and arrange a meeting which Mr Sheppard and Mr Hamilton Smith could attend.

Mr Sheppard said his next approach would be to building societies and insurance companies. Mr P Smith thought that NCR Dundee might be interested in sponsoring if Americans were involved. He said that he would find out the name of the person to contact. He also advised that Woodrow (Dunfermline) were now the Coca Cola agents in Scotland. Other suggestions were McCowan Confectionery (Stenhousemuir), the Carnegie Trust and the Dunfermline Building Society.

The Centenary Fund was now established and the first donation received. The Treasurer was inviting more donations in his letter to the members.

#### National Lottery

The first prize in a national lottery had already been donated - a ~~one~~ week holiday for a family of four in a luxury villa in the Algarve of Portugal - but the AGM had to give its support or he would not consider proceeding with the project.

#### Sponsored Swims

He proposed also that a sponsored swim could be held in each District along the lines of Splash '86. After discussion it was agreed that Mr Heatly should contact Mr Ian Reid of the Royal Bank of Scotland with a view to getting him to organise a simultaneous swim throughout the country to possibly break the record set up in Splash '86.



Logo

Mr Sheppard reported that Ogilvie & Mather (Scotland) had designed a new logo and had invited the SASA Executive and members of the Centenary Committee to attend a presentation at their offices in Glasgow on Friday 30 January at 6.00 p.m.

BUSINESS ARISING

Mr Law and Mr H Smith joined the meeting.

European Diving Cup

Mr Law said that whilst he was happy to be Chairman of the organising committee he wished to have guarantees with regards to the provision of facilities and the use of the venue before he could accept the position. In particular he said that up to date diving boards and adequate surface agitation were two basic requirements. He was also concerned with the proposed merger with the Spring Meet. He said that the new requirements for the Diving Cup would not allow time for other events. He agreed to meet with Mr H Smith to discuss the programme. Mr Law will be attending the 1987 Diving Cup in Bulgaria and it was necessary that the first bulletin should be ready by then. (Mr Law and Mr Smith left the meeting at this point).

LEN Congress & Calendar Conference

The Secretary to arrange a meeting at the Hospitality Inn with the Manager, Mr Rose and Mr Heatly.

Government Reception

Application has been made by Mr Heatly.

Home Counties Water Polo Tournament

SWPC have still to advise on date and Chairman of organising committee. It was agreed venue should be Wishaw. All arrangements for civic recognition to be made via the Centenary Committee. Secretary to contact Mr R Elder as soon as possible.

Esso Centenary Age Group Championships

Secretary reported that Mr R F Craig had been nominated as Chairman of the organising committee. Mr Beattie said that Mr George McQuillan of Esso was willing to attend Centenary Committee meetings to offer additional assistance from Esso during 1988. He reckoned that more money could be available.

8 Nations 1988

The proposed shift of this event to August had so far not been agreed by the competing countries. Belgium had said no and Switzerland were considering the new date. It was agreed to discuss the possibility of moving the National Championships to August/end of July and having the 8 Nations in June.

Centenary Masters

14/15/16 October 1988, proposed venue Dundee. Ken McKay, Convener Scottish Masters, had reported to the Scottish Masters Committee that the GB event should be Long Course. It was agreed to check the rules but the Committee were of the opinion that the event should go ahead at Dundee.

Synchronised Swimming Invitation Event

Proposed date 2/3/4 September. Secretary to obtain confirmation from the Scottish convener as soon as possible, and venue.

The next meeting will be held in Glasgow on Friday 30 January after the presentation at Benson Design, 123 Blythwood Street, Glasgow at 6.00 p.m.