

SCOTTISH AMATEUR SWIMMING ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the 12th Meeting of the Centenary Committee held
on Saturday 21 March 1987 at the Offices of the Scottish
Sports Council, Edinburgh

PRESENT:	Mr P Heatly CBE	Chairman
	Mr A Taylor	SASA President
	Mr W Black	Secretary
	Mr P Smith	Midland District
	Mr G Philp	East District
	Mr T Nichol	East District
	Mr L Taylor	West District
	Mr H Cullen	Water Polo Organising Committee Chairman
	Mr W Law	Diving Cup Organising Committee Chairman
	Mr J Rose	Congress and Calendar Conference "
	Mr A McLeod-Bain	(Representing D Brown)
		8 Nations And European Swim Cup "
	Mr R F Craig	Esso Age Groups/National Long Course
		Championships Org Committee Chairman
	Mr C Stark	Synchro Invitation Event Organising
		Committee Chairman
	Mr R Macdonald	GB Masters Organising Committee Chairman
	Mrs R Hallam	SASA Administrator

1 APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from Mr M Sheppard and Mrs H Brunton.

The Chairman welcomed the new President of the Association and the Chairmen of the Organising Committees for the Centenary Year events.

2 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 21 FEBRUARY 1987

These were approved with the following alteration:

Page 4: National Long Course Championships - after "during 1988"
add "as separate events".

3 REMIT OF CHAIRMEN OF ORGANISING COMMITTEES

The Chairman reported that the Organising Committee Chairmen for each Centenary event had now been identified as notified to the AGM and their names would appear in the Centenary Brochure. The Organising Committees would, in the first instance, be responsible to the Centenary Committee to whom they are expected to report and ultimately through the Centenary Committee to Council. The size of composition of the Committees will vary from committee to committee depending on the nature of the event and each Chairman should decide on the composition of his committee and the duties of its members. The committees will be responsible for the arrangements necessary for the presentation of the event but final details would need to be approved by the Centenary Committee. The first consideration should be for a budget for each event which should be submitted as soon as possible to the Centenary Committee. It should identify quite clearly and reasonably accurately what the financial requirements will be with regard to expenditure and any guaranteed known income. Each committee will be responsible for its own budget control. It is intended that the Association through the Centenary Committee will be responsible for the hire of facilities, TV presentation, sponsorship and civic hospitality, but each committee's wishes on these matters will need to be known.

3 REMIT OF CHAIRMEN OF ORGANISING COMMITTEES Continued

The frequency of committee meetings will be the responsibility of the Chairmen but each committee is requested to take minutes of all meetings and that copies of these be submitted to the Secretary via the SASA Office in order that information can be reported to the Centenary Committee. The Chairman expressed the wish to attend the first meeting of each organising committee and if he was unavailable, a member of the Executive would attend.

He then called on each organising committee to give a report on their action to date.

H CULLEN - WATER POLO 4 NATIONS 25/27 March

Mr Cullen confirmed that the Wishaw Baths had been booked for the event at a reduced cost if the proceeds from public entry are divided equally between the Association and the baths. All equipment will be provided by the baths. There will be 20 members per team, ie. a total of approximately 100 players and officials. The Committee were to arrange the necessary accommodation.

W LAW - EUROPEAN DIVING CUP - 30 March /2 April

Mr Law confirmed that his committee has been appointed and a formative meeting is to be held on 25 March to which the Edinburgh District Council had been invited to send a representative. It was the wish of the organising committee that they should work closely with the District Council. The District Council had offered free literature on the City for Mr Law to take to this year's European Diving Cup as advance publicity. He requested information on possible sponsorship and TV coverage. There would be approximately 150 competitors and officials. The Administrator reported that approaches had been made to Pollock Halls for accommodation and that the information would be passed to the organising committee chairman.

J ROSE - LEN CONGRESS AND CALENDAR CONFERENCE - 27/30 May

Both of these events will be held at the Hospitality Inn, Glasgow. Congress will be on Friday 27 from 9 am to 12.30 pm. A buffet lunch will be provided to be paid for by delegates. The afternoon session will be from 2 pm to 5 pm. Morning coffee and afternoon tea breaks will be held. Dinner to be provided by the SASA - 7.30 pm reception. The dinner will be a Scottish Dinner followed by country dancing for 1 hour followed by a disco.

Conference will be Saturday 28 with a 9 am start to 12 noon and again in the afternoon. Dinner will be the Presentation Barons of Beef 7.30 pm for 8 pm.

The hotel are to supply special accommodation reservation forms which will be distributed at this year's Congress. This will enable the hotel to monitor bookings. All necessary arrangements are in hand.

3 REMIT OF CHAIRMEN OF ORGANISING COMMITTEES Continued

C STARK - SYNCHRO INVITATION EVENT 2/4 September

Mr Stark stated that he had only just been elected chairman. Mr W Black reported that application had been made to the Hector McNeil baths at Greenock and a request sent to Inverclyde District Council for civic recognition. Costings are being discussed and it was anticipated that travel within Scotland and accommodation would need to be offered to participating nations. Countries had been put into order of priority for invite and costings would be available for the next meeting of the Centenary Committee.

R MACDONALD - GB MASTERS 4/6 November

Mr Macdonald reported that the two pools at Dundee had been provisionally booked; a decision from the GB meeting was awaited regarding permission to run the event as a Short Course event. This was confirmed by Mr Black. Mr Macdonald was hopeful that the pool hire would be free of charge and that Sun Life may wish to sponsor the event. He was also looking into the possibility of civic recognition.

D BROWN - 8 NATIONS 23 June/3 July

The Chairman had only been recently appointed and therefore no action had yet been taken. The Administrator reported that Pollock Halls were available for the 8 Nations, subsequent to the agreed change of date to 28 June/3 July and the booking forms would be sent to Mr Brown.

R CRAIG - ESSO AGE GROUPS/NATIONAL LONG COURSE CHAMPIONSHIPS 21/26 June

Mr Craig stated that a committee had been formed including representation from East Kilbride District Council.

Application was now to be made by the Office to the East Kilbride District Council for the use of the Dollan Baths from 21 - 26 June for this combined event. Mr Craig asked for confirmation that the national team would still be available to compete in the Championships in view of the close proximity of the 8 Nations competition. Concern was also expressed with regards to officials for both events but it was stressed that the 8 Nations Swimming Contest was only a three day programme with short sessions and not such a heavy commitment.

D BROWN - EUROPEAN SWIM CUP 10/11 December

The Administrator reported that Pollock Halls were not available for this event and the organising committee were asked to look into accommodation provision. The Secretary reported that Edinburgh District Council had agreed to advise on hotels. Accommodation should be kept to £25 per day full board as this was the basis on which Scotland was awarded this event.

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman reported that a meeting had been arranged for the near future with the BBC.

He had recently had a meeting with Mr I Reid regarding a sponsored swim and Mr Reid had agreed to give this some further thought. However, he felt it would be difficult to raise enthusiasm and the Chairman thought that perhaps the Scottish Schools Swimming Association may wish to become involved. It was envisaged that such a swim would be arranged for mid January. Thought was also given to the proposal that the event be shared with a charity in order to give it more public appeal.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Secretary reported that he had had a meeting with Mr B M Connolly on Friday 20 March and that there was no problem with changing the dates of the 8 Nations to 28 June/3 July in order that the offer of accommodation at Pollock Halls could be taken. Reapplication should be made to the Edinburgh District Council for the new dates. The participating countries should also be informed of the new dates. The dates for the Esso Age Groups/Long Course Championships would now be 21/26 June and an application should be made to the East Kilbride District Council.

The Secretary had received a letter from Unifit who had expressed an interest in sponsoring our Centenary year in some way and he was to arrange a meeting.

Edinburgh District Council will not support all three events at the RCP in the form of grants and the Committee have to decide which event is the most prestigious.

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TREASURER'S REPORT

No report had been received from the Treasurer but the Administrator reported that one quotation had been received for the brochure (a draft copy of which was circulated to the meeting) which seemed excessively high and further quotations were now being sought. The Bank of Scotland had now withdrawn their offer of an advertisement and other avenues were being pursued.

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BUSINESS ARISING

The Midland and West District were not happy at the letter sent out by the Treasurer requesting District lottery co-operation to obtain prizes for the raffle. The Committee agreed that this was not the original remit for the co-ordinators. The Chairman whilst agreeing with the representatives asked that each District consider ways of obtaining raffle prizes.

It was agreed that the office would circulate raffle tickets to clubs giving them a list of the ticket numbers supplied. This list should be copied to the District co-ordinator who would arrange the collection of money and ticket stubs and would pay the SASA percentage of the takings direct into the SASA Centenary Bank Account.

- 7 The tickets would be issued on 1986 membership figures - 5 per member.

A discussion took place on medals for the various events. The Secretary stated that the awards for the various events were laid down by LEN. It was also agreed that all medals should come within the budget of the event's organising committee. It was agreed, however, that a commemorative medal would be struck which would be given to each competitor and official participating in a Centenary event.

The Administrator reported that there had been some response to the request for floral displays by District Councils and clubs had recently received a circular reminding them of this.

W Law raised the question of whether there was to be a special letter headed paper produced for each event. It was agreed that the Secretary would produce a new Centenary Year letter head incorporating the new logo and these would be overprinted for each event.

A McLeod-Bain produced some memorabilia for the Committee's consideration.

Concern was expressed at the lack of representation by the North District at the Centenary Committee and the Secretary was asked to write again to the President.

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Committee would be Saturday 18 April at 10.00 am at the Scottish Sports Council Offices, Edinburgh (not to involve the Organising Committee Chairmen).

The Secretary, W Black, and Administrator, R Hallam stated that they would, unfortunately, be unable to attend this meeting due to prior commitments.

In view of the many changes in dates of some of the Centenary events, a revised programme is attached.

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