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S.A.S.A. Water Polo A.G.M.

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held in Dunfermline Carnegie Baths on Sunday 2 December 1984 at 1.30 pm.

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Mr R T Elder, Scottish Water Polo Convener, in the Chair welcomed delegates representing 7 clubs.

Apologies were received from E Simpson, A Donaldson, M Laidlaw and A Gilhooly.

Minutes of the meeting held on 4 December 1983 were approved by G Spowart and R Micholson.

Review 1984

Senior Internationals

This year the Senior team attended Easter tournament in Israel finishing in 2nd place. Due to our letter going missing the full facilities were not available to us. Later in the year we attended the Ulster Games with Israel and Ireland and Scotland B team. Again we finished in 2nd place. We then travelled to Cardiff for the 3 Nations where we finished in 4th place losing out on goal difference to Belgium for 3rd place.

Under 21 Team

The first tournament for the u/21 was the Quadrangular contest at Rosyth which they did well to win. As a build up to their main tournament the u/21 team represented Scotland (B) team at the Ulster Games. The highlight of the year was their performance in winning the 6 Nations at East Kilbride.

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This year the u/18 team travelled to Oslo for the tournament. Unfortunately, Ireland, Wales and Israel did not attend but Sweden and Denmark participated. Scotland finished in 3rd position.

I would like to thank the various Team Managers and Coaches for the way they carried out their duties. I would like to thank Bill Laidlaw who has retired as coach to the u/21 team and I wish him All the Best in the future.

Domestic

Premier League was won by Dunfermline WP club after defeating Portobello in a play-off, with Hamilton 3rd, Warrender 4th and 1930 in 5th position.

Scottish Cup

This year we had eleven entries which is the most for some considerable time, having preliminary games in the Midlands and West. Congratulations to Portobello on winning this competition defeating Hamilton in the final.

Malta Trophy u/21

The finals were played at Glenrothes with Portobello retaining this trophy by defeating Dunfermline in the final.

Willie Mellors u/17

This year the trophy was won by Dunfermline beating Warrender in the final.

Senior Inter District

This was played at Wishaw with the East retaining the trophy by beating the West District.

Junior Inter District

My congratulations to the East District on winning this tournament.

The Scottish 1st Division has been postponed at this time as some of the competing teams have not paid their fines to the S.A.S.A.

In January 1985 a Women's tournament will take place followed by training sessions to select a team to play England and at that time a GB team will be selected to play in the European Women's Championship.

Referees

This year we held a Referee's Seminar and Exam. Unfortunately, only 8 attended. It was rather disappointing at the attendance considering the time and effort put into this by Dave Gordon. My thanks to Dave Gordon for carrying out this duties as Referees Supervisor.

Coaching

The following coaches have been appointed for 1985:- Senior/

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Hugh McLelland
Robert Nicholson

Pruce Beckett

G.B.

Congratulations to B Henderson, G Russell, D Campbell, E Smith, G Gilhooly, I McCallum, A Anderson. This is the highest number of Scottish players I can remember in a GB team and at the European Junior Championships.

Conclusion I would like to thank Dunfermline Waterpolo Club for the assistance they have given me throughout the year. Also to the Water Polo Committee, the Executive and Council not forgetting R Betteley and his staff and last but not least to the person who has given so much time to Water Polo my Minute Secretary, Mrs Man Battison.

Any other business

Discussion took place regarding clash of dates in Scottish and English events.

Convener informed the meeting of severe cuts in budget.

Meeting felt that Referees exam should take place at the beginning of the year.

Referees Supervisor advised that 8 persons had sat the Referees exam - 6 passed and 2 failed. Mr Gordon advised that he would be having another seminar in 1985.

Change of Rule in Premier League allowing for a play-off if teams are equal on points. Goal difference not to count.

Serious thought and action must be taken for the development of the sport in Scotland at players and officials level.

Consideration to be given for a PROfficer for water polo.

Convener circulated those in attendance with the appropriate Commonwealth Games Officials form.

Once more outstanding refunds for Premier League and Scottish First Division were brought to the Convener's attention. The meeting felt that the Scottish Office should attend to this more quickly.

Mr Jack Snowdon, as President of the Association, congratuled Mr Elder on his running of the meeting and that way in which the Water Polo Committee had carried out their duties and hoped they would have a successful year in 1985.

Convener thanked The President for all his support to Water Polo and wished his All the Best for 1985.

The meeting closed with a Vote of Thanks to the Chair at 16.10 hours.