

SCOTTISH AMATEUR SWIMMING ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held in Cottrill Building, University of Stirling on Sunday 11 December 1988 at 11 a.m.

Apologies W Black, M Sheppard, D Macleman, A Donaldson.

MR R T ELDER, Scottish Water Polo Convener, in the Chair welcomed delegates to the A G M representing 11 clubs.

Minutes of meeting held on 6 December 1987 were approved after the alteration in the 'Scottish First Division' - DUNDEEWPC and not Dunfermline as a true record by Hugh Cullen and Dave Balbirnie.

Review of 1988

It gives me great pleasure to submit a report on behalf of the Scottish Water Polo Committee.

Scottish Cup The semi and finals held at Dunfermline Carnegie Swimming Pool. In the final Dunfermline beat Warrender 15 - 10.

Premier League Again this year 5 teams were invited to participate. 1st PORTOBELLO, 2nd DUNFERMLINE, 3rd HAMILTON, 4th WARRENDER, 5th FRIENDLY LEAGUE SELECT.

Malta Trophy u/21 Hamilton retained this trophy by defeating Dundee Water Polo Club in the final 11 - 5.

Willie Mellors u/17 Six teams entered this year with Menzieshill defeating Warrender in the final 3 - 2.

Womens Championship Again only two teams entered with Menzieshill defeating Dunfermline 11 - 6.

Senior Inter District All Districts participated this year with the East District retaining the trophy.

Junior Inter District This year the tournament was held in Dundee with the East District defeating the Midlands District in a close fought final 8 - 7.

Scottish First Division Six teams accepted the invitation this year. This to be concluded early in 1989.

INTERNATIONALS

HOME International in Wishaw For the second time in three years, and in the SASA CENTENARY YEAR, we won the Home International. We drew with England and defeated Wales and Ireland.

7 Nations - Edinburgh Again we finished second but this time to Wales. Scotland defeated Israel in the last game of the tournament.

Willie Mellors Quadrangular tournament Although this tournament was played during holiday period, we decided to participate finishing in 3rd place.

U/21 trip to Malta/Training Camp This tournament which should have been held in Switzerland was cancelled at the last minute but we decided to have a training camp and play in a Club tournament.

Scotland v Ireland u/19 Eight of the players who were representing Scotland attended the training camp in Malta and it showed in the way they played on the Saturday evening by defeating Ireland 13 - 6.

Scotland v Ireland Women We lost to Ireland yet again but until we have more clubs participating we will always have difficulty in trying to defeat Ireland.

G.B

Congratulations to B Littlejohn, B Davidson, G Grieve on their selection to the European Junior Championships. Also to D Gordon who attended the Championships.

British Deep Water League Scotland were represented by Portobello and Dunfermline with Portobello reaching the final.

Coaching, A Grade 1 Course is being arranged for early in 1989 in the West District. This year has seen the start of a Development Programme for younger players which has been very successful under the instruction of Alan Donaldson and it is our intention to run a similar course in 1989.

Coaches 1989

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| Senior | H P MACGIBBON | 'Home' Internationals only |
| U/21 | R NICHOLSON | |
| U/18 | A BURGOYNE | |

Refereeing/

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This year sees the retirement of DAVE GORDON and, on behalf of the Scottish Water Polo Committee, I would like to thank him for his years of service and wish him all the best.

Referees nominated to the LEN List 1989 - R Elder and Philip Gordon. This to be confirmed by LEN.

Conclusion

Congratulations to A Donaldson and A Campbell on reaching 100 caps each in International Water Polo.

My thanks to H Cullen and G Spowart for organising the HOME Internationals and 7 Nations tournament and to all the many helpers who made both these tournaments in our CENTENARY year a success.

I would like to congratulate all those clubs who won the various competitions, not forgetting all the Officials who assisted throughout the year as well as the Referees and of course the players themselves who played their part in making 1988 another successful year.

My thanks to SASA Council and Rita Halam and her staff for their assistance.

My special thanks to Nan Battison for all her hard work.

My apologies to anyone I have omitted from my report.

Conveners for 1989 are as follows:- Hugh Cullen (West), Dave Balbirnie (Midlands), Jamie Lumsden (North), and the East District Convener to be advised later. Convener took this opportunity to thank George Spowart for all his help during his time as East District Convener and our best thanks were given to him.

Discussion took place regarding National Leagues. Concern that there would be a lack of Officials for this competition, also that there should be more development at ground level and that clubs should play against one another from various Districts and make every effort for more competition. Opinion of the meeting that National Leagues be left on the table.

Courses for Referees, Table Officials as part of the development should take place. Convener to write to District Conveners asking for lists of people who would be willing to officiate at Scottish events and willing to referee as well. Miss Karen Isaccson and Dave Kidd, (Falkirk Otters), said that they would be more than willing to help at various events for which the Convener thanked them.

Discussion took place on Rules in Premier League regarding being only able to play for one club. Murray Anderson raised the matter of the possibility of teams representing Scotland in the Deep Water League if they could use players from other clubs. Convener to write to National League Secretary regarding Scottish players participation.

As there was no other business, the meeting was closed with the Convener wishing everyone the Compliments of the Season.