



Minutes of the Council of Clubs Meeting for Masters Swimming Western Australia Inc held at the Beatty Park Pool Clubroom, North Perth on Wednesday 14th November 2018.

1. INTRODUCTION

The meeting opened at 6.30 pm. Executive Officer, **Sophie Row** welcomed everyone and thanked all for their time in attending the meeting.

1.1 Accreditation of Delegates/Apologies

President	Fiona Wilkins
Director of Administration & Communication	Lynne Duncan
Director of Finance	Lizzie O'Brien
Executive Officer	Sophie Row

Club	Delegate	Delegate
Armadale	Rowena Burch	
Beatty Park	Mary Heath	Delise Griffiths
Bold Park	Lucy Stuart	
Busselton	Darryl Kelly	
Bunbury	Julie O'Connor	
Carine	David Davies	
Fremantle	David Tydeman	Paul Clifton
Inglewood	Will Suffell	
Leeming	Greg Bowater	
Maida Vale	Lynne Duncan	
Mandurah	Des Seery	
Melville	Peter Clarke	
Perth City	Alison Hass	
Stadium	Ann-Marie Lynch	
Westcoast	Mike Kerman	

Visitors:

Staff: Nadine Georgiades

Life Members:

Other: Helen Bird (Beatty Park), Wendy Holtom (National Board)

Apologies:

Board, State Officers; Martin Lodge, Andy Muller, Sandra Mutch, Erica Thomas

Life Members:

Members:

Clubs:

1.2 Presentation

- Helen Bird was presented with her World Record for the 50m backstroke. FW congratulated her on such a significant achievement.
- Anne Edmondson was awarded with 1 Million Metres Award
- Bob Tarr was awarded with 3 Million Metres Award

1.3 Confirmation of Minutes from 15th August 2018 Meeting:

Moved by David Davies (Carine), Seconded by Peter Clarke (Melville)

Accepted

1.4 Business Arising from 15th August 2018 Minutes:

None

1.5 Board Matter Updates:

1.5.1 Strategic Plan

The Strategic Plan was presented to the clubs. Clubs were advised this is a growth strategy and that there are a number of initiatives currently being worked on that will seek to attract new members and provide support to the clubs.

1.5.2 Bylaws

A draft copy of the Bylaws was distributed for information. FW advised there are still some minor adjustments to be made prior to final agreement. An electronic copy will be sent to clubs by EO for distribution to committees.

1.5.3 Clubs' Constitution

JO advised clubs that she is happy to provide support to clubs in updating their Constitutions. JO advised that in her opinion, clubs should use the Model Rules but update eight clauses specific to Masters Swimming. JO to forward information to EO for distribution to clubs. Clubs are reminded that they are ultimately responsible for their Constitutions.

1.5.4 WOW Swims Update

An update was provided about the recent Lake Swim, which had a record number of participants at 244, a 30% increase on last year. LD advised that having a range of swim distances attracted additional swimmers. SR advised that social media has been used to promote all of the WOW Swims.

FW advised that the State swim will be held at Mullaloo on 2nd March due to the renovation of the foreshore at Rockingham.

1.5.5 2019 Calendars

Clubs to provide feedback to SR regarding their pool meets. Feedback also to be sent in regards to distance meets due to the poor attendances at later Distance meets and the cancellation of the Riverton State Distance meet due to low numbers.

1.5.6 Welcome to Wickham Swim Club

Wickham have commenced operation with eight new members.

2. ITEMS OF GENERAL BUSINESS

2.1 Swim into Spring Campaign

Nadine Georgiades advised there is still time to enter the two Swim into Spring Campaigns.

2.2 Life Member Nominations

SR advised that Life Member nominations will be sought in the forthcoming e-Alert. Closing date for nominations will be COB 20th December.

2.3 Award Nominations

SR requested Clubs start to consider nominations for the various annual Awards.

LD advised she will put together the criteria for the Kerensa Allason grants. Applications will be sought in December.

2.4 AOB

2.4.1 Special Projects Funding

SR advised that the board have approved a re-opening of the Special Projects funding due to the omission of promoting the second round of funding. Applications will be retrospective and open for expenditure within the criteria from 1st September to 31st December. SR to advise via the next e-Alert.

2.4.2 Youth Advisory Panel

SR advised that the Board have agreed to introduce a Youth Advisory Panel. Expressions of Interest will be sought at the next AGM.

2.4.3 LO advised that Perth City collaborate with Perth Swim Club sharing and providing feeder opportunities from the Swim Club.

2.4.4 Busselton Masters are working with the Triathlon club in collaborative opportunities, particularly with swimming coaching.

2.4.5 Clubs reminded to consider members who may be interested in nominating for the Board for the AGM in 2019.

3. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

3.1 Lane Hire Fees

JO asked whether there is any information or advice in regards to negotiating lane hire fees. WH advised that previously clubs have provided a business case in regards to the business that Masters Swimming brings to the pool to assist in negotiating fees. SR to organise a survey out to clubs for lane hire fees.

3.2 LD advised that Nadine, Wendy and Lynne attended the 'Have a Go Day' at the Burswood. Thanks to Wendy Holtom for helping on the day.

3.3 FW provided an update from the National Delegates meeting from October 2018. FW advised of the proposed change to the OWS rules reducing the Masters Swimming event to a maximum of 5km and changes to the rules in relation to hypothermia. If water temperature under 18degrees, the race must be cancelled, if water temperatures under 20 degrees, wetsuits are allowed. FW advised MSWA are opposed to the changes and are submitting documentation to support our position.

3.4 David Tydeman thanked Kim and the other presenters for an extremely professional club coaching workshop held on 14th October. DT also advised that Fremantle had record numbers at their recent club meet.

3.6 JO asked if the Country Correspondence awards results be released earlier. SR advised they will be distributed shortly and that awards would be presented at the AGM.

Next Meeting: AGM & Council of Clubs Meeting:

Date: Wednesday, 20th February 2019
Time: TBA
Venue: Beatty Park, Club Room

Meeting closed at 7.45 pm.

These minutes are confirmed as a true record of the meeting held on Wednesday 14th November 2018.

Signed:

Date: ___/___/2018

Fiona Wilkins – President