



## Aquae Sulis Network Committee Meeting Minutes



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**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at 6.30pm in the Lecture Theatre, STV ,Bath University**

### Action

Welcome, Introductions & Housekeeping: Presentation(attached) on changes carried out to AS and current personnel in management roles.(Please note that this was written without Lawrie having seen it (1st day poolside) and therefore some details in the first 90 days may not be possible or accurate.)

**Present:** Adrian Sharman(Chair), Sue Criddle (Sec), Dave Wordly, Suzanne Pritchard, Karen Bowen, Matt Lawman, Emily Taylor(ASA South West Club Development Officer) Kay Wilcox(NR) Jim Durrant(Welfare) John Warren(Keyn) Paul Sartain(Bath Dol) Lynn Chappell( CHipp)

**Apologies for Absence:** Keith Withers(BoA), Rebecca Smith(BoA), Stephen Pyne, Barry Heywood, Dave Beament, Chris Metcalf, Andrew Turner, Sally Fowler, Lindsay Dunn Nicky Vause(NR)

- Minutes of Previous Network Meeting :** agreed and signed as true and correct record-  
Agreed  
SC to put on website  
KB-Funding)
- Matters arising from Previous Minutes**  
Team Bath: there had been a proposal by Mark Skimming to involve Team Bath to run AS. However at this time the management of Team Bath are not interested, but will step in and help if there is a crisis, Keynsham stated they would not be happy with a takeover from Team Bath. As this is no longer in the pipeline we need to plan for long term.  
Parents Meeting booked for Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September, to include parent education. Emily suggested funding to support this.
- Constitution amendments:** this is still being worked on.  
AS and As to show proposed Constitution to ET
- Appointment of Welfare Officer:** Jim Durrant appointed.
- Aquae Sulis Re-Structure Update:** *see attached presentation*  
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At this time National Squad 26, Regional Squad 31. We need coach referrals and recommendations.

Coaches need to work together as Clubs need the AS model to provide the 'development pathway for swimmers'(Swim 21 essential).

Emily stated that as the Network Clubs wanted this model and it is up to them to support, by referring swimmers attending Network Meetings. Network Clubs have 6 months to show their support of AS. They need to consider if they do not wish to support, do they wish to be a member of the Network. If after 6 months this model is not working Emily will step in and help Management committee with a future plan. AS has to survive with complete support of the Network Clubs-noted few clubs represented at meeting.

Keynsham stated happy to support AS with new coach in place.

Chippenham: unable to comment at this point.

Bath Dolphin: history with AS and Team Bath, but happy to support the changes to squads.

Norton Radstock: to support AS and the reforms.

Few clubs own their own 'Pathway' they need to develop relationships so that swimmers will develop to their potential. Network Clubs need to make AS a success to keep that Pathway.

There is to be no SGM as AS needs stability. The AGM to be held 29<sup>th</sup> November at 6.30pm. Notices to be sent to Network Clubs as well.

Memorandum of understanding will be signed between the Network Clubs and AS at next meeting. Clubs need to inform KB of training and development needs

Emily/KB

6. **Coaching Contract** : Intro to Lawrie Thomson. Informal meet after meeting. Contract in review stage at present. First day today.

7. **Open Meets**: Summer Splash need more support if this is to be run next year all Network Clubs should send a team. To maybe run a relay/friendly gala between Network clubs as part of it

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Sprint Meet-not many Network clubs supporting this-may make a small profit or break even.

Licensing of future meets dependent on this being a success.

Level 2 in November-Network Clubs to support.



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#### 8. **Update from the Network Clubs**

SE to action

Norton Radstock have been losing swimmers to Keynsham due to lack of pool time. Keynsham happy to work with Norton Radstock.

AS to help develop a Network Development- offering lanes on a Saturday and Sunday for Network clubs to use. Details to be circulated and clubs to respond.

Network Clubs to tell AS what they want on Agenda.

Suggestion from PS to develop Network friendly Galas.

AS to support returned swimmers back to home clubs with coach support and communication.

Few Network Clubs have responded To KB about training requirements under Swim 21 needs to be completed by next meeting.

#### 9. **Date & Time of Next Network Committee Meeting :**

Request from Network Clubs present to have meeting earlier.

Date: 14<sup>th</sup> November at 6,30pm STV lecture room Bath University.