

Tavistock Swimming Club (est.1990) ("the Club") AGM

Sunday 25th September 2022

Meadowlands Leisure Centre, 6.30pm

Present

Caroline Furze (chairman), Rachel Clover (parent of member), Sue Dixon, Lisa France, Ian Higham, Nicky Maguire, Mel Oxborough, Claire Palmer (secretary), Katy Paynter, Lisa Piper (parent of member), Sarah Rice, Liam Sebag-Montefiore.

Apologies

Sue Dunstan, Judith Findlay, Sarah Fox, James Lake, Samantha Lake, Lindi McKechnie, Katrina Shipp (treasurer), Hazel Walker.

Chairman's report

1. The Chairman reported on membership, coaches, training times and volunteers.
 - (1) Membership. It had been a good year for the existing members, in terms of both training and competition results, but membership levels were low. This was due mainly to reduced numbers of people joining although it could be that more needed to be done to integrate people who had joined.
 - (2) Coaching.
 - (a) Congratulations to James Lake, who had won the Swim England South-West Regional Coach of the Year award, as well as to Claire Small and Gareth Davis for qualifications gained or shortly to be gained.
 - (b) Izzy Teague had retired as a coach during the season. The committee were very grateful to her for all the work she had done.
 - (3) Pool time. This had improved since last year and land-training had been reintroduced. The amount of 25m pool-time was satisfactory, but there was only one hour per week in the 50m pool. One and a half, or even two, hours would be better but was not currently practical. There was scope for ad-hoc 50m pool sessions on a Saturday, but someone was needed to organise them.
 - (4) Volunteers. Those who had volunteered during the year were thanked, but more volunteers were needed urgently. Lack of officials was a problem affecting many clubs and galas had already been cancelled because of it.

Treasurer's report

2. The incoming treasurer, Mel Oxborough, gave a brief report. The accounts were on the website and had been approved by the independent examiner.
3. The Club had good cash reserves but was running at a loss due to the low number of

members. However, it was worth noting that fees had not been increased since the pandemic.

4. The Club's existing bank (HSBC) had recently introduced charges of £5/ month. As a result, the Club would be moving its account to the Co-operative Bank, which offered free banking to charities. The application for an account had been approved and it was hoped the process would be completed with a week or so.

Election/ re-election of trustees

Background

5. Under the constitution, one-third of the elected trustees in post on the day of the AGM retire each year (but are eligible for re-election). Those retiring are those who have been longest in post since election or re-election (in the case of equality, the choice is made by agreement or by drawing lots).

Resolutions

6. To re-elect Samantha Lake as a trustee of the Club. Passed unanimously.
7. To re-elect Caroline Furze as a trustee of the Club. Passed unanimously.
8. To re-elect Katrina Shipp as a trustee of the Club. Passed unanimously.

Background

9. The trustees have power to appoint new trustees during the year, but any such appointments must be confirmed at the AGM. This year, they had appointed Mel Oxborough, so she was standing for election for the first time.

Resolution

10. To elect Mel Oxborough as a trustee of the Club. Passed unanimously.

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11. There was no other business.

The chairman closed the meeting at 6.45pm