

FENLAND LEAGUE

MINUTES OF FENLAND LEAGUE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
HELD AT THE HUDSON SPORTS CENTRE, WISBECH
ON MONDAY 26th SEPTEMBER 2016 AT 8.00pm

PRESENT:

Ian Harrison (Boston); Trish Heider (Bottisham); Cathryn Mellersh (Bottisham); Simon Martin (Peterborough); John Burling (First Strokes); Deana Jordon (Huntingdon); Mark McGowen (March); Jane Robinson (Mildenhall); Ryan Sykes (West Norfolk); Greg Marsters (Wisbech); Simon Yeates (Chairman & City of Ely); David Robinson (Secretary); Pauline Paines (Adjudicator).

APOLOGIES:

Peter Hockerston (Boston); Nikki Harper (Chatteris); Jamie Rush (Diss); Clare Fasey (Thetford).

MINUTES OF THE LAST AGM:

It was agreed the minutes of the last AGM were a true record.

MATTERS ARISING:

There were no matters arising.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None received relevant for the AGM.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The treasurer presented the report which was accepted by the meeting. A full report attached to these minutes. There had been a gain of £57.14 over the year with no unforeseen expenses occurring.

The treasurer proposed that the affiliation fees for 2017 should remain £28.00 for Junior League and £12.00 for Senior League. This proposal was carried unanimously.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

The chairman reported that his first year as chairman had been easy as his input into the smooth running of the league had been negligible due to the hard work being effectively and efficiently carried out by the secretary and the adjudicator. It is the intention that the secretary would be standing down and would be a hard act to follow.

The chairman congratulated the winners of the 2015 Junior League trophies and the 2016 Senior league winning teams.

He also thanked all the swimmers, coaching staff, officials, parents and volunteers for their part in the success of the Fenland League.

The full report attached to these minutes.

CHANGE OF RULES:

Wisbech SC had proposed that we add to the Senior League rules:

No ineligible swimmers to compete in the individual or team events (overage etc.) for a time only swim.

This would bring us into line with the current Junior League rules.

The rule change was agreed.

It was pointed out that even though this rule was in the Junior League clubs did on occasions swim swimmers for 'time only swims'. Host clubs need to make sure their recorders are aware of this rule and they should let the gala referee know if a team contravene the rule. Likewise clubs should make sure their gala referee is aware of the rule.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Chairman: Simon Yeates, proposed John Burling, seconded Greg Marsters, all in favour.

Secretary/Treasurer: David Robinson, proposed Ian Harrison, seconded Simon Yeates.

There were no other proposals and David agreed to stay on as secretary as Pauline Paines had indicated she would be willing to take over more of the role when she retired from work in two years time.

All in favour.

Adjudicator: Pauline Paines, proposed Greg Marsters, seconded Mark McGowen, all in favour.

DATE OF NEXT AGM:

September/October 2017, actual date to be fixed at the March 2017 committee meeting.

FENLAND LEAGUE- CHAIRMANS REPORT 2016

This has been my first year as Chairman of the Fenland League. My input into the smooth running of both the Senior and Junior Fenland Leagues has been negligible with all the hard work being very effectively and efficiently carried out by League Secretary David Robinson and the League's Adjudicator Pauline Paines. I thank them both for their efforts on behalf of myself and all the clubs who make up the Fenland League.

I have been told that after 22 years David Robinson is standing down as League Secretary. I must admit that I have been in complete denial and even employed Mary Berry's baking skills to see if David can be persuaded to stay on! David will be a very hard act to follow; David is a font of all knowledge and has a great eye for detail. It goes without saying that he will be sorely missed.

David recently received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the ASA in appreciation of his services as a referee and involvement with the Fenland League for over 20 years.

I am sure all present will wish him all the very best for the future and I am sure that he will remain on the scene.

Unfortunately Dereham Otters withdrew from the Senior Fenland League which was regrettable.

The finals of the Junior Fenland League take place on 15/10/2016 and I wish all teams taking part the very best of luck.

Congratulations go to the City of Peterborough, the City of Ely and First Strokes Godmanchester swimming clubs, who respectively won the A, B and C Junior League finals. Congratulations also to West Norfolk and Diss winners of the Senior Fenland League A and B finals.

All clubs, swimmers, coaching staff, officials, parents and volunteers all play a part in the success of the Fenland League; I thank them all and wish them the very best for the future.

Simon Yeates
Chairman

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FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2016

INCOME

AFFILIATION FEES FOR 2015:	
JUNIOR LEAGUE	
15 x 28.00	420.00
SENIOR LEAGUE	
10 x 12.00	120.00

540.00

BALANCE AT 31 AUGUST 2015	931.05
INCOME 2015/2016	540.00

1471.05

EXPENDITURE

ASA EAST REGION AFFILIATION	35.00
FINALIST'S TROPHIES JUNIOR LEAGUE 2015	145.00
WEBSITE	71.86
HANDBOOKS	45.00
SECRETARY EXPENSES	60.00
ADJUDICATOR EXPENSES	60.00
HIRE OF ROOM FOR MEETINGS	66.00

482.86

EXPENDITURE 2015/2016	482.86
BALANCE 31 AUGUST 2016	988.19

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