

# FENLAND LEAGUE

Minutes of Fenland League Annual General Meeting held at the Hudson Sports Centre Wisbech on Monday 23 September 2019 at 8.00 pm.

## **PRESENT:-**

Ian Harrison (Boston) Peter Hockerston (Boston) Emma Marsden (Bottisham) Simon Yeates (Chairman and City of Ely) Anna Bertou (Peterborough) Max Paines (City of Ely) John Burling (First Strokes) Hannah Lee (Huntingdon) Colin Cumbridge (March) Jane Robinson (Mildenhall) Rob Garry (Mildenhall) Ian Taylor (St Ives) Kate Davis and Gareth Davis (St Neots) Ryan Sykes (West Norfolk) Greg Marsters (Wisbech) Pauline Paines (Secretary and Adjudicator) David Robinson (Treasurer)

**APOLOGIES:-** Thetford and Deepings

**MINUTES OF LAST AGM: - agreed**

## **MATTERS ARISING:-**

There were no matters arising.

## **CORRESPONDENCE:-**

Great Yarmouth have asked to join JFL but no as the League is at full capacity at present. If they were to enter the League in the future, they would need to host their home galas within the 50 mile radius of Wisbech.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT:-**

David Robinson provided a healthy report for 2018-2019

Fees to remain at £28.00 Junior League

£12.00 for Senior League.

A full report is attached

## **CHAIRMANS REPORT:-**

The Chairman thanked both Pauline and David for all of their hard work during the year and recognised the clubs who had won trophies in all Leagues. Full Report attached.

## **CHANGE OF RULES:**

### 1) Proposed rule change by Wisbech

#### Original - PROGRAMME

Ages shall be as at the date of the Finals for the year in which the competition takes place. Only swimmers that have reached the age of 9 years by the date of these finals may compete in any round as per Swim England Law. Cut off times are used as follows: 'THE JUNIOR FENLAND LEAGUE GALA CUT OFF TIMES' are as per our printed programme for the following age groups: 13/U, 12/U, 11/U, 10/U and 9 years. Swimmers who have achieved these times either Long or Short course at any gala or time trials cannot compete in the appropriate individual events or relays unless the time is achieved on the night of the gala. There is no penalty for achieving the times in the gala but obviously the swimmer will be debarred from swimming that event thereafter. The 9 years butterfly swimmers must not have achieved the 10 years 50m butterfly cut off time prior to the gala.

#### Rule change request - PROGRAMME

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This was passed.

### 2) Proposed Rule Addition by Wisbech

#### Addition to Fenland League Rules (Senior and Junior)

The latest warm up time for all gala's shall be no later than 6.30pm

After discussion it was agreed to put "aim of the warm up time for all galas to be no later than 6.30pm.

With the amendment this was passed

### 3) Proposed Rule Change by David Robinson

Rule change in that the 80 penalty point deductions for clubs failing to compete in any of the first five rounds of the Junior League and the first round of the Senior League are reduced to 50 points.

This was passed

### 4) Proposed Rule Addition by League Secretary

In the event of a tie for the trophies awarded for the Finals then the number of first places will be taken into account. If a tie still exists, the number of second and subsequent places will be taken into account.

It was pointed out that this will be the number of first places on the night of the final, this was agreed and with this clarification it was passed.

## **ELECTION OF OFFICERS:-**

Chairman- Simon Yeates proposed and seconded

Secretary- Pauline Paines proposed and seconded

Treasurer- David Robinson proposed and seconded

Adjudicator- Pauline Paines proposed and seconded

## **Date of next AGM:-**

To be agreed at the 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2020 Committee Meeting.

## FENLAND LEAGUE REPORT CHAIRMAN -2019

As you will all probably notice my reports each year are very predictable!

This has been my fourth year as Fenland League Chairman, time for a change some may think.

The year has progressed smoothly with new secretary Pauline Paines at the helm. What a fantastic job she has done stepping in to David Robinson's shoes.

It has been a transitional year with David Robinson supporting both Pauline and myself through the difficult procedures and processes of running a League which covers a wide geographical area. A big thank you to Pauline and especially David

We continue to have problems with securing pool bookings but this is not going to change.

The final of these years JFL will take place on 19/10/19, good luck to all teams.

In 2108 the club winners for JFL were Boston, March and Bottisham respectively, congratulations to all clubs

SFL winners this year were Norfolk A in the A final and March in the B final

Finally a big thank you to all clubs, swimmers, coaches, parents and Officials/ volunteers who make this league work.

We look forward to another successful year.

Thank you

Simon Yeates

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FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

## INCOME

AFFILIATION FEES FOR 2019:	
JUNIOR LEAGUE 15 x 28.00	420.00
SENIOR LEAGUE 12 x 12.00	144.00
FINES	40.00

## EXPENDITURE

EAST REGION AFFILIATION	35.00
FINALIST'S TROPHIES:	
SENIOR LEAGUE 2019	22.00
JUNIOR LEAGUE 2019	136.50
WEBSITE	71.86
REIMBURSEMENT TO HOST CLUB (CLUB NOT COMPETING)	40.00
REFUND FINE 2018 SFL	80.00
HANDBOOKS	15.00
SECRETARY EXPENSES	60.00
TREASURER EXPENSES	20.00
HIRE OF ROOM FOR MEETINGS	80.00

604.00

560.36

BALANCE AT 1 SEPTEMBER  
2018 954.91

EXPENDITURE 2018/2019 560.36

INCOME 2018/2019 604.00

BALANCE 31 AUGUST 2019 998.55

1558.91

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