

City of Cambridge
Swimming Club
Annual General
Meeting 2012



Agenda

Apologies

Minutes of the last AGM

Matters arising

Chairman's report

Coaches reports

Treasurer's report

Membership report

Masters Report

Vote of thanks

Election of Lifetime Vice Presidents

Election of Executive Committee and Officers

AOB

Date of next AGM

Administration

- Approval of the minutes of 2011 AGM
- Matters arising from the minutes of 2011 AGM

Chairman's Report

- A successful year for the club
- In the pool
 - 6 Individual National Qualifiers
 - 2 Relay Teams
 - Year on year increased number of regional qualifiers .
 - Very successful county championships
 - Growing, competitive and very successful disability squad
- Highly successful January open meet.
- Reinvigorated July meet

Chairman's Report cont' d

- Highly successful Club Championship.
- Success in National League
 - 2nd National League Division 1 East Mid.s Final
 - Reached ARENA League 'B' Final
- No camp Swim camp in 2012/13
 - Unable to obtain sufficient support

Chairman's report cont' d

Outside of the pool

- SWIM21 re accreditation due shortly
- Club shop has grown throughout the year.
 - Online Alliance with Pro swimmer with good discounts.
- New upgraded “professional” Team Kit.
- Officials
 - Good group of experienced “whites”
- Social Evening and Presentations

Chairman's report cont' d

Challenges moving forwards.

➤ Financial

- Higher costs
- Increasing Pool Hire costs for training and galas
- Inevitable increase in fee's, in the new year

➤ Volunteers

- To continue to run the club we need greater involvement of more people.
- Gala volunteers. We are very reliant on a small group of individuals.

Head Coaches Report

The Club has had a successful year both in terms of the quality and numbers within the squads growing but also just as importantly in performance results at both team and open competitions.

We now have training sessions that are more often than not very busy, with a great atmosphere for athletes to perform and train in. Morning sessions are regularly busy with a good mix of age groups from Masters, B squad or Swim Fit squad swimmers in attendance.

Squad places are becoming more and more competitive and will ensure high attendance and hard training is a must to remain in the current squad or have a chance of progressing.

We have successfully integrated the university swim team into the club, which in turn has raised the standard of training within senior squad and has now made this a very competitive environment.

The club has had issues with the introduction of the Leys link, unforeseen issues club were not aware of until too late.

SLM have agreed that we can take over the Abbey 06.00-08.00, replacing the Leys

The club will continue to look to expand and take on water time when and if it becomes available and if it is financially viable for the club to do so.

County Championships

County Championships statistics again improved but I would like to see us achieving more golds as this was slightly lower than the previous year but over total of medals did rise.

The coaches introduced a buddy competition for the Top and A-squads. Trying to replicate that team spirit that can help improve performances. This was a huge success and was the major talking point of the meet. Most swimmers becoming more interested in the colour of sticker they achieved than the time they swam or gaining feedback from the coach.

Entries

Boys – 33 (32)
Girls – 40 (36)
Total – 73 (68)

Swims

267 (240)
307 (256)
Total County entries = 574 (524)

County Championships Cont.....

Overall Statistics

Gold – 54	(63)
Silver – 64	(49)
Bronze – 61	(57)
Final – 318	(292)

We now need to look to transfer more finalists to medalists in the coming year.

Cambridgshire Cup

After pushing Peterborough very close in the previous year, it was great for the swimmers to achieve victory in the Cambs cup in 2012. A very close competition and some very fast swimming from all the Cambridge swimmers involved.

The clubs first victory since

Regional Championships

- Huge Improvement in Age groups- 8 more individual Qualifiers (2 from B-squad)
- Swimmers qualifying in over double the amount of events from the previous year
- Club has continued to increase representation year on year .
- We have had a significant increase in the number achieving QT for the Winter Regionals this year, with many age group swimmers gaining QT including one swimmer from B-squad.
- We have been helped by hosting the event and inclusion of the university swimmers into the club.
- We have the 2nd largest total swimmer entrants behind Hatfield.
- We must look to improve numbers attending youth championships, though we had a gap where we had lost swimmers when the restructuring took place and numbers will steadily increase in the years to come as we now have more numbers in the age groups that will eventually filter through.

Regional Youth

17 Swimmers (19)

66 Qualifying Times (83)

0 Gold (0)

0 Silver (1)

1 Bronze (3)

12 Finalists (Top 8)

Regional Age

20 Swimmers(12)

116 Individual Entries(44)

3 Gold (3)

4 Silver (2)

6 Bronze (5)

35 Finalists (Top 8)

Regional Short Course

36 Swimmers (24)

120 Individual Entries (80)

??Gold (1)

??Silver (3)

??Bronze (2)

?? Finalists (Top 8)

National Age & Youth Championships

National Age Groups

- 6 Qualifiers :- Kate Little, Millie Emmans, Ashley Trent, Harry Robinson, Sam Pedder and Daniel Mills.
- 4 Individual QT and
- 2 Relays (4x100 & 4x200 Free)

- Kate Little- 100 Breast – 2nd / 200 Breast – 6th
- Millie Emmans- 800 Free – 12th / 400 Free – 20th
- Boys Relays – 4x100- 22nd / 4x200 Free – 22nd

National Youth

- 2 Qualifiers
- Richard Jefferies – 200 IM – 26th / 100 Back – 32nd
- Dale Waterhouse – 50 Free – 32nd

National SC Masters 2012

- 21 swimmers. Increase of 4 from previous SC Nationals.
- Large presence made and noticed by other teams.
- Increase in total top 10 swims to 31.
- Large presence allowed for more Relays.
- Great atmosphere and unity within the team

Results

Luke Westwood-	2 nd 100m Breast
Priya Crosby-	2 nd 800m Free
Mens 72+-	2 nd 4x100 Free Relay
Peter Rank-	3 rd 400m Free
	3 rd 800m Free
	3 rd 1500m Free
Alan Wallace-	3 rd 50m Back
4th-10th-	24

Team Galas

Arena League

- Team was hugely successful in achieving 2nd place in the East midlands league which lead to a place in the National B final.
- The first final Cambridge has made since 2003.
- The team had some outstanding performances throughout the rounds but really stepped up in both finals.
- All swimmers had a enjoyable weekend in Sheffield, bonding as a team and racing fast against some of the best swimmers and the strongest clubs in the country.
- The swimmers did themselves proud finishing 10th , while the supporters attending were fantastic and deservedly won the best supporters trophy.
- This was a great achievement for all involved.
- We are in a strong position going into this years East Midland final, but are not going to be a surprise package this year which leads to added pressures so be interesting to see how the swimmers cope.

Team Galas cont.....

Eastern Jnr League

- Finished 3rd
- Target must be to compete with the top 2 clubs Peterborough and Norwich within the next 2-3 years.
- Lack Strength in depth compared to these clubs.

SFL

- First league win since 2002
- Strong signs of strength in depth

JFL

- 2nd in League and Cup
- Strength in younger age groups compared to other local clubs as many had swam through cut off times in previous rounds.
- This is a development meet and introduction in competitive swimming for many.

Swim School Links

Current

- John Sargent- The Leys
Frank Lees
- Carolyn Burke- Doubletree
Parkside
Elite Swim Academy
- Sophie Nixon/Dave Horne - Parkside
- Bottisham SC
- First Strokes -Godmanchester

Potential

- David Lloyd
- Fitness First
- Chesterton Sports Centre
- LA Fitness
- Abbey Pool
- Seals Swimming, etc.

- Letter/Email to be sent out to contact swim schools
- Member of coaching team to assess children 1-2 times per year.
- Potential children to join club for additional sessions alongside current swim programme

Disability Squad

- Overall it has been a very good year for the Disability Squad.
- Very successful competitively at both National and International level.

Achievements (1)

- National Short-course Championships (2011),
 - 7 Qualifiers
- Junior Nationals (March 2012).
 - 4 Qualifiers
- 14 gold medals, 4 silvers and 1 bronze
- British International Disability Championships, (Paralympic trials).
 - 5 Qualifiers.
 - This was a huge event, with swimmers from over 40 countries taking part, and a fantastic experience for all of our qualifiers

Achievements (2)

- British Gas Junior Nationals. (July)
 - Alice qualified in 4 events at the where she acquitted herself very well.
- 2012 National Short-course Championships
 - 7 Qualifiers
 - Paul Silver 50m SB3 Breaststroke
 - Alice Silver medals S8 50m Freestyle, the S8 100m Backstroke and Bronze in the S8 400m Freestyle

Membership

- Membership has increased to 20 members
 - Introduction of new Rookie squad, which is enabling us to work with younger swimmers.
 - 2 more have now been classified. Total classified members 9
 - Looking to start recruiting some younger members to replace those heading to university in the next few years.

Finance Report



POINTS OF INTEREST

- Fees income increased/Affiliation fees increased – now working at near capacity
- Swim shop deficit, coaching team shirts
- Open meet revenue up this year, but in line with budget
- Pool hire up, but in line with budget – increase in pool hours
- Sponsorship/Donations up this year
- Arena league final costs for swimmers not budgeted for
- Staff costs
 - Costs increased during the year to reflect employment of assistant coach (last year the club received a lot of volunteer help during a time we had no assistant coach.
 - Administrative help employed – this can be pulled back or redirected towards fundraising if more volunteers were available
- Increase pool hours, coaching and introduction of University
 - These factors will alter the relevant lines of income/expenditure in the coming year

Membership report

➤ **Current membership levels**

- Swimming: 278 members (2011 – 256, 2010 - 250, 2009 - 243, 2008 - 233)
- Water Polo: 61 members (2011 – 43, 2010 - 32, 2009 - 40, 2008 - 33)
- Part members: 106 members (2011 – 96, 2010 - 100, 2009 - 96, 2008 – 97)
- Total membership > 525
- Significant membership increase in all areas compared to 2011 AGM.
- Most squads are full and we have increased capacity at the bottom end.
- Level of enquiries from potential new members remains high.

➤ **Validation of details**

- The Constitution requires all members to renew their membership every year
- ASA have introduced an Online Membership System in 2012.
- ASA registrations are up to date and we have paid all of our fees on time.

Masters 2012/13

➤ General Points:

- Masters membership still very strong, currently around 47.
- John's coaching is improving everybody's performance levels.
- Strong team swimming at the SC Nationals.

➤ Results:

- 4 Gold medals at GB Transplant games – Liam Barnett
- 3 Bronze medals BG Masters LC
- ASA Masters SC :
 - 3 Silver medals – 2 individual & 1 Relay
 - 4 individual Bronze medals

➤ Summary:

- We now have a good squad with a range of abilities and will be able to carry forward the performance levels into next year.

Vote of Thanks

- Retiring committee.
 - Two Long Serving Retiree's
 - Richard Holt – Membership secretary
 - Alison Way – Treasurer
 - Retiring committee members
 - Judith Shawcross - Club Championships
 - Claire Griffiths - Kit coordinator
- Mrs Barker who is still attending the county meetings on our behalf.

Election of Executive Committee and Officers



Any other business

