



Minutes of Meeting of the Competitive Swimming Group
held at Sports House, Harbour Sport, Stadium Drive, Albany
at 10.00 am on Monday 19th September, 2005

Present: Gwen Ryan, Mihai Mandache, Dan Feisst, Thomas Ansorg and Philippa Bouzaid

Apologies: Norma Williams

Matters Arising from previous Minutes:

Northern Region:

Philippa advised the meeting that BOP are running the Meet on first weekend in November and that Counties Manukau have offered to run the Northern Region meet the following year. This will now be held in June and dates will be confirmed shortly.

General Business:

Auckland Winters Feedback:

The format was well received with a couple of questionable points noted –

- Last Session needs to be run as a 4th session rather than 30 minutes after Session 3.
- 12 & Under qualifying times need to be “opened up” a bit to incorporate a few more swimmers.

There was an issue with the pool booking sheet and Philippa advised the Group that this had been sorted out and for CSG to outline the requirements. This was discussed and agreed.

Dolphin League:

The outline of the new launching of the league series was advised to the Group and Philippa requested CSG to confirm the dates to enable a brochure to be forwarded to primary schools and swim schools. There was some discussion with regard to the swim schools and the support that would be given for this new league. Taking everything into consideration CSG set the dates as follows:

1 st Round – Grading	Saturday 6 May, 2006
	Saturday 20 May, 2006
	Saturday 10 June, 2006
Final Round	Sunday 25 th June, 2006

Competition to start with a warm up at 3pm with the final round being held on a Sunday.

Development Camps:

The Chair advised the meeting that the Strategic Plan (which clubs were all party to), stipulated the need for pathways for coaches and swimmers. ASA prioritised this request and formed the development camps for the up-skilling of coaches in technique and structure and for the development of our swimmers. The support from coaches and swimmers in regard to these initiatives have been unsatisfactory for the time, effort and funding that has been put into this. CSG have reviewed the camps and will run the following for the 2006 year and will ascertain whether this will continue at the end of 2006:

1 x Age Group Camp (18yrs & Under)	Date: 24 – 25 th June, 2006
1 x Junior Camp (12 & Under)	Date: 16 September, 2006
1 x Level 2 Zone Camps (open to all interested swimmers)	Date: Sunday morning 11 th June, 2006
1 x Level 3 Zone Camps (open to all interested swimmers)	Date: Sunday afternoon 11 th June, 2006

(Devl. Camp cont.....)

There will be no Elite camps as this is being taken care of by Swimming New Zealand.

All coaches are invited to attend the development camps as these camps are the best place to learn as the swimmers are suitable for each different level of coaching.

A discussion was held in relation to holding a 'coaches' camp which catered for the junior, less skilled, coaches being taught by very experienced coaches. This camp would incorporate every aspect of being a coach from structuring programmes/classes to understanding swimmers' log books through to technique and application, a general coach education seminar. This will be discussed further once the coaches survey has been completed.

Club Mark:

There was not a good response from CSG in moving forward with this recommendation. A suggestion was that clubs put a short article about their club under the "Club Contacts" section on the website. New members could then read what is on offer at the clubs.

2007 Calendar:

It was noted that the calendar has to be drafted so early to enable pool bookings to be in place at West Wave. There is the increasing challenge of getting pool space ahead of the other aquatic sports and our dates need to be in at the start (if not before) of the previous year (e.g. January 2006 we would need to have pool bookings for the 2007 calendar).

Meeting closed at 12.00 pm
Next meeting to be advised.