

MINUTES



of the 100th Annual General Meeting
of the Auckland Swimming Association
held on Thursday, 21st June, 2007
at Sports House, Harbour Sport, Stadium Drive, Albany

WELCOME

The Chair welcomed all members of Swimming Auckland including Life Members and Delegates to its 100th Annual General Meeting. The Chair requested that everyone in attendance stand for one minute silence in respect of our past life members, especially Winnie Lawrence who had passed away during the year.

ROLL CALL

Life Members: Sandra Burrow, John Mace

Delegates: Ian Burrow, Bernadette McEwan (CCY); Phil Pickford, Malcolm Donaldson (CSC); Glenn Hamblyn, Kath Davison (LMTE); Peter Sargent, Janice Ibbs (MTW); Jan Cameron Toni Bayliffe(NSS); Mike Knowles, Vanda Kocks (ONE); Craig Rouse (TAS); Andrew Birkill (WCS); Gwen Ryan, Jill Vernon (WHL); Donna Bouzaid, Jo Draisey (WAQ)

General Attendance:

Mark Saunders, Matthew Saunders, David Jack, Jim Goodwin, Andy Harper, Henriette Smeets, Ken McEwan, Teresa Stanley

APOLOGIES:

Norma Williams, Liz Davison, Leigh Johns, Beryl Shaw, Suzanne Speer, John West

Moved by Mark Saunders that apologies be accepted.

Seconded Gwen Ryan

Carried

PROXIES:

David Jack for Leigh Johns

Toni Bayliffe for Phil Mitchell

Moved by Mark Saunders that the proxies be accepted.

Seconded Ian Burrow

Carried

PREVIOUS MINUTES:

No amendments were forthcoming.

Moved by David Jack that the 99th Annual General Meeting be approved as a true and correct reflection of the meeting.

Seconded Ian Burrow

Carried

DELEGATES TO SWIMMING AUCKLAND FOR THE ENSUING YEAR (Notified to date)

Central City	Ian Burrow; Bernadette McEwan
Coast	Phil Pickford, Malcolm Donaldson
Devonport	-
Helensville	Rowena Bowman
Kelston Aquatics	-
Kowhai	-
Metro	-
Mt Eden	Glenn Hamblyn, Kath Davidson
Mt Wellington	Peter Sargent, Janine Ibbs
NorthShore	Phil Mitchell
Onehunga	Mike Knowles, Vanda Kocks
Parnell	Alex Miln
RNZAF Base	-
Roskill	-
Total Aquatics	Craig Rouse
Waitakere City	Andrew Birkill
Waitemata	-
Waterhole	Gwen Ryan, Jill Vernon, Rowan Campey
West Akld Aquatics	Donna Bouzaid, Jo Draisey, Leigh Johns

CONSIDERATION OF THE ASSOCIATION'S ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2007

Corrections to the Annual Report

Page 2: 2006/2007 Matthew Saunders co-opted onto board.

Index page of accounts need to be amended with regard to page numbers

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

David Jack spoke to the financial statements with the following highlights:

- ▶ Very good financial report to present and pleased to be able to present this to our members
- ▶ Main source of funds came through the funding of the new Screen which lifted the value of the Association.
- ▶ Actual trading from meets, subscriptions and funding applications has generally mirrored previous years.

Moved by David Jack that the adoption of the financial statements be accepted.

Seconded Gwen Ryan

Carried

ADDRESS BY CHAIR - MARK SAUNDERS

"I will assume that my report is taken as being read"

"Significant sport by 2010". We have started moving in that direction in line with our strategic goals.

What have we done –

- Support our swimmers by running efficient and timely championship meets.
- Continued with the incentive scheme for swimmers achieving at the open level.
- Secured a new colour digital screen. A special thanks to our funders, The Lion Foundation, ASB Community Trust and the Waitakere Licensing Trust. We are proud to be the first region in the country to have a colour digital screen. Promoting the Swimfun carnival for school and swim school swimmers.

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- Distribution of funds to assist with pool hire costs to clubs that run the monthly interclub meets.
- Suzanne Speer and Philippa have been involved in the ARPASS meetings (together with the 7 councils, regional sports trusts and national and regional sports organisations) which are reviewing Auckland's aquatic facilities.

Our swimmers are leading the way in New Zealand and so are some of the programmes. Our best practise has been recognised by other regions, some of who are now requesting Auckland to share their resources.

Funding is always an issue with sport. The new digital screen will help in assisting clubs with sponsors and fundraising.

National scene –

- Absolute Insurance is supporting clubs and have a fundraising option in place for clubs through insurance. Opportunities are there.
- Development of a national database for clubs to enter all their members and keep a check on times etc. Voting at the Swimming New Zealand AGM in 2008 will be based on regions numbers on the database.
- Acquired the MYOB package which clubs can get through Swimming New Zealand at discounted prices.

If we are to keep moving forward all clubs need to be pro-active in meeting the needs of swimming in the Auckland region.

Moved by Mark Saunders that his report be accepted.

Seconded David Jack

Carried

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Office	Nominee		
President:	Andy Harper	Board/Philippa Bouzaid	Elected
Board Member	Ken McEwan	Sandra Burrow/Ian Burrow	Elected
Registrar	Norma Williams	Sandra Burrow/Ian Burrow	Elected

These nominates were all carried unopposed

Competitive Swim Group

Moved B McEwan/Ken McEwan the election of S Burrow to CS Group

Coaches Appointed Gwen Ryan/ Dan Feisst/Paul Kent to CS Group
 Competitive Swim Group to appoint their 5th person **All Elected**

Events Management Group

Moved G Ryan/J Vernon the election of K Bernsten to EM Group
 Moved G Ryan/S Mackay the election of J Draisey to EM Group
 Moved D Crossan/J Salt the election of K Davison to EM Group
 Moved J Draisey/J Vernon the election of M Knowles to EM Group
 Moved B McEwan/G Ryan the election of K Holder to EM Group
All Elected

Technical Group

Moved G Ryan/J Vernon	the election of R Campey	to Tech Group
Moved M Mincham / K Bernsten	the election of J Vernon	to Tech Group
Moved A Speirs / J Jones	the election of C Rouse	to Tech Group
		All Elected

Technology Group

Moved G Ryan/S Mackay	the election of J Draisey	to T/logy Group
Moved G Ryan/J Vernon	the election of C Blackburn	to T/logy Group
		All Elected

Awards Committee

Moved by B McEwan/K McEwan	the election of S Burrow	Elected
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CONSIDERATION OF LIFE MEMBERSHIP AND AWARDS COMMITTEE REPORT

Presented by Andy Harper (Chair)

Pleased to report that the committee had received a good number of nominations this year and thanked the clubs in forwarding names.

The Awards Committee requested the board to consider the following:

1. That the Auckland Service and Honours awards be restored to the Auckland Yearbook.
2. Look at the rules with regard to the length of time before receiving an Auckland Honours Award. The old remit stated the award was to be given at least 10 years after a member received a Service award. Awards Committee recommended that this be changed to 15 years from the time of service.

Andy Harper then presented the following awards:

Moved Andy Harper/Jan Cameron	that an Auckland Honours Service Award be presented to Ian Burrow	Carried
Moved Andy Harper/Craig Rouse	that an Auckland Honours Service Award be presented to David McCrae	Carried
Moved Andy Harper/Jim Goodwin	that an Auckland Honours Service Award be presented to Jan Fulton	Carried
Moved Andy Harper/Jan Cameron	that an Auckland Service Award be presented to Toni Bayliffe	Carried
Moved Andy Harper/Jim Goodwin	that an Auckland Service Award be presented to Neil Williams	Carried
Moved Andy Harper/Jan Cameron	that an Auckland Service Award be presented to Andy Brown	Carried
Moved Andy Harper/Mike Knowles	that an Auckland Service Award be presented to Helen Price	Carried
Moved Andy Harper/Jo Draisey	that an Auckland Service Award be presented to Mike Knowles	Carried
Moved Andy Harper/Toni Bayliffe	that an Auckland Service Award be presented to Nick Blundell	Carried

CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS AND REMITS

The following remits from the Board had been received for consideration:

1. 6.03 Transfers
 - Rule 6.03.1
 - Change the wording "granted by the Board" to read "granted by the Executive Officer"
 - Rule 6.03.2
 - Change the wording "the board shall have discretion....."
 - TO "the Executive Officer shall have discretion....."
 - Rule 6.03.3
 - Change the wording "granted by the Board" to read "granted by the Executive Officer".

With regard to Rule 6.03.3 – Compliance with SNZ Inc. Rules.

The unattached (60 days) ruling would come into effect due to this SNZ Rule. This ruling may change at the 2007 SNZ AGM and for this reason the board suggests that we leave our rule as is for the meantime.

2. R13.2.1 Ted Harding Memorial Trophy
 - After the word "who", delete the following words, "in the opinion of the selection committee"
 - and replace with the words "in the opinion of the ASA Selectors"

Delete the words "in any of the three disciplines of the sport – competitive swimming, diving and synchronized swimming"

Delete the following sub rules:

R.13.2.2 through to R13.2.8

Change R13.2.9 to now become R13.2.2

Amendments marked in Red

R1 INTERPRETATION

R1.1 In these Regulations, except where a contrary intention appears, "Association" means the Auckland Swimming Association.

"Championships" means the Auckland Swimming Championships.

"Competitive Swimming Group" means that panel set by the authority of Rule ~~7.06.3~~ 7.04 of the rules of the Auckland Swimming Association for the government of competitions in the Auckland Swimming Association Region.

"F.I.N.A." means the Federation Internationale de Natation Amateur.

Events Management Group means that panel set by the authority of Rule ~~7.06.5~~ 7.05 of the rules of the Auckland Swimming Association for the government of League competitions in the Auckland Swimming Association Region.

Male shall import the female.

1"S.N.Z." means Swimming New Zealand.

"Rule" means the Rules of the Auckland Swimming Association Inc.

Singular shall import the plural.

R.2 AUCKLAND SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

R2.1 AUTHORITY

R2.1.1 In accordance with ~~Rule 11~~ Rule 14 of the Association, the Association may hold annually Auckland Swimming Championships. **(should wording state "will" hold Annually instead of "may")**

R2.3 ASA BOARD - POWERS

R2.3.1 The Administration Board may, within the terms of ~~Rule 11.01.1~~ Rule 14.01.2, and at its discretion, authorise any club within the Association Region to hold on behalf of the Association all or any of the meetings that form the Championships.

R2.6 ENTRIES

R2.6.1 Competitors shall send their entries for the Championships, together with the entry fee, to the Secretary or some other responsible person of their club. The person who receives such entries shall, subject to the provisions of Regulation R2.6.5 of these regulations, forward them to the Organising Committee of the meet at the place and by the time specified in the Poster advertising the competition. Scratching from a race shall not relieve a competitor from the liability of paying his entry fee and no refund is claimable ~~(refer also to R2.10.6 "Withdrawals")~~. **(R2.10.6 Does NOT Exist)**

R2.6.6 4Club Representation - Refer to ~~Rule 5.02.5~~ Rule 6.0 (Individual Membership)
~~The Auckland Winter Championships is exempt from Rule 5.02.5 Transfers. (why should these be exempt?)~~

R2.8 ADVANCING TO FINALS

R2.8.1 The provisions of S.N.Z. Regulation ~~SRG10.4~~ SW3.2 with reference and excepting the first paragraph, shall apply where applicable and with the necessary modification, to the Open events, age group individual events and relay events forming part of the Auckland Championships.

R2.8.2 The provisions of S.N.Z. rule ~~SRG10.5~~ SW3.2.3 in relation to a dead heat result shall apply.

R2.11 VISITORS

R2.11.1 Visitors may compete in any meeting of the Auckland Championships in accordance with ~~Rule 11.01.2~~ 14.02.1

R2.11.3 Where visitors are not eligible to hold an Auckland title or to Championship medals they may receive such awards as the Events Management Group shall decide from time to time.

- Visitors are not eligible to hold an Auckland title in age group events as listed in R2.2.1(a) **Summer Open and Age group Championships** or R2.2.1(d) Winter Championships, but may do so in all Auckland Open Championship events, including the Spring and Autumn Short Course Champs.

R3 ASSOCIATION COMPETITIONS

R3.1 AUTHORITY

R3.1.1 The Association may from time to time organise competitions within and by authority of ~~Rule 1.02.4~~ 2.0

R3.7 FINALS

R3.7.1 The provisions of Regulation ~~R2.7~~ R2.8 in its entirety shall apply.

R7 ASSOCIATION RECORD TIMES

R7.1 RECOGNITION

R7.1.1 All Auckland Records shall be recognised by the Association 9whether established within the Association area or outside it PROVIDED HOWEVER that in every case where such a record at a meeting other than a Meeting organised and run by the Association and where more than one record in the same event is claimed on the same date such record application shall include a certificate as to the time that the record was established from the Referee of the meet at which the record was set. R7.1.2 The Association shall consider applications for recognition of record performances only where such records have been established by swimmers 2eligible under **Rule 5.01.1** either in scratch competition or in an individual race against time, decided in public and duly fixed and advertised in accordance with these regulations **3NZR1.1 and NZR5.1.1 and NZR5.1.2**. The time shall be taken by Electronic Timing Equipment with at least two (2) time-keepers or three (3) time-keepers with watchers.

(Not able to find these rules at SNZ need to clarify what these refer to)

R9.3.1 The Technical Technology Group shall appoint annually under the terms of Rule **7.06.8d** examiners for each level of qualification.

(Rule 9.06.8d does not exist need to find what this refers to)

R10 Zone

(all of 10 Zones needs to be updated to truly reflect what happens this is significantly out of date)

R10.1 CONSTITUTION OF ZONES

R10.1.1 There shall be ~~four~~ **three** Zones of the Association Region, namely CENTRAL, ~~EASTERN~~, NORTHERN and WAITAKERE, such Zones generally conforming to the geographic location of the Clubs.

R10.1.2 The Central Zone shall consist of the following Clubs, Mt. Eden, Onehunga, ~~Waitemata~~ , Roskill and ~~Ponsonby.~~, Mt Wellington, Parnell, Total Aquatics, Metro, Central City.

~~R10.1.3 The Eastern Zone shall consist of the following Clubs, Mt Wellington, 12Newmarket and Parnell.~~

~~R10.1.4~~

~~R10.1.3~~ The Northern Zone shall consist of the following Clubs, Devonport/Navy, Northcote, North Shore, , Kowhai and Coast.

~~R10.1.5~~

~~R10.1.4~~ The Waitakere Zone shall consist of the following Clubs, ~~Avondale (in recess)~~, Helensville, 14RNZAF Base Auckland, West Auckland Aquatics, Waitakere City and Waterhole.

~~R10.1.6~~

~~R10.1.5~~ Additional Clubs may be added to a Zone from time to time by the ASA Board and confirmed by alteration of this regulation in accordance with the rules of the Association.

~~R10.1.7~~

~~R10.1.6~~ Clubs may apply to the ASA Board to operate with and be part of any other Zone

R10.2 MANAGEMENT

R10.2.1 Each Club within a Zone shall have the right to nominate two delegates to a Zone Committee and that committee shall appoint either from those delegates or otherwise as that committee shall determine a Chairman, Deputy Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer or Secretary/Treasurer.

R10.2.2 Where the Chairman of the Zone is appointed from one of the delegates to the Committee, that person shall no longer hold a deliberative vote and the Club that that delegate represented will be entitled to appoint a replacement delegate.

R10.2.3 Active Zones to furnish an annual Auditor's Report

R10.3 FUNCTIONS

The function of the Zone shall be to organise, manage and control inter-club races and competitions within the Zone or other competitions as the Competitive Swimming Group shall approve or delegate.

(10.2 and 10.3 Zones Section is significantly out of Date is it all still relevant??)

7.05 Events Management Group

7.05.1 The Group will comprise five members elected at the AGM.

7.05.2 Objectives:

1. To implement plans and programmes for ASA Interclub, League and Auckland Championship Meets as decided by the Competitive Swimming Group, National Meets allocated to the Association and such other meets as may be appropriate.
2. To allocate the running of Interclub meets to clubs as per the Competition Plan based on criteria determined by the ASA Board.

7.05.3 The Chair will make progress reports and an appraisal after each ASA meet to the Executive Officer.

7.05.4 The Group will appoint Organising Committee Chairs for meets as required including ~~Dolphin League~~ ~~SwimFun League~~. They shall gather a team to run their allocated meet and make progress reports to the Group. Organising committee chairs shall be ex officio members of the Events Management Group.

7.06.2 Objectives:

1. To foster and educate Technical Officials to a high level to assist our swimmers in obtaining their goals.
2. To ensure that there are sufficient qualified Technical Officials available for clubs to draw on to run meets.
3. To ensure that the meets are run in conjunction with FINA, ~~NZSF~~ SNZ and ASA Rules.

9.03.5 Attendance

Any delegate who is absent from two consecutive meetings of the Association without cause to the satisfaction of the Association having been shown shall be deemed to have vacated the position and the position shall be declared vacant. The Club which such delegate represented shall have the right to appoint another delegate, but it may not within the period defined in Rule 5.01.6, reappoint the delegate whose position has been declared vacant. Where an apology is recorded and a proxy attends, the appointed delegate shall be recorded as having attended the particular meeting.

Proposed Changes marked in Blue:

6. MEMBERSHIP OF INDIVIDUALS

6.01 Registration

6.01.1 Association Membership

In accordance with the procedure approved by the Board, each Club shall at the time members join or renew memberships, register the names of that or those members with the Association.

6.01.2 Competitive Registration

Swimmers wishing to compete in Interclub and Association competitions, ~~Swimmers~~ shall be registered with the Association as competitive swimmers. ~~unless otherwise provided for by the Board~~ In accordance with SNZ Rule 5.3 - A member may only be a competitive swimmer for 1 club at any one time.

6.03 Transfers

6.03.1 ~~this is Now covered by 6.01.20's reference to SNZ rule 5.3~~

~~No swimmer whose name appears on the membership register as a member of a Club shall represent any other Club unless a transfer of the said member from that Club to the other Club has been granted by the Board. The appearance of the name of any swimmer on the membership list of a Club submitted by the Secretary of the Club to the Association in the manner laid down in Rule 6.01 hereof shall be accepted by the Board as prima facie evidence that the said name is properly included in such list.~~

6.03.2 Transfer Application

Application for a transfer shall be made in writing by the Club member concerned to their present Club who, provided that such member is not financially indebted to them, shall make an application in writing to the Board and the Board shall have discretion to grant or refuse such transfer.

Subject to the provisions of this Rule regarding transfers a member of a suspended Club may with the permission of the Board, apply to any other Club for membership.

~~6.03.3~~ 6.03.2 Compliance with SNZ Inc. Rules

~~In no case shall a transfer be granted by the Board unless evidence satisfactory to the Board has been produced that the Rules of SNZ Inc. relating to transfers of membership have not been breached and/or will not be breached by the transfer being effected.~~

~~All transfers must comply with SNZ Membership Rule 5~~

6.03.4 6.03.3 Transfer Fee

Each application for transfer shall be accompanied by a fee of the amount from time to time determined by the Board. The fee shall be paid to and remain the property of the Association.

~~6.03.5 Auckland Swimming Championships~~

~~For all events at the Auckland Championships, a swimmer shall represent the Auckland club with which he/she is officially registered on the date entries closed for the first event of the Auckland Championships. This rule shall not apply to the Relay Championships when this meet is held after the end of the financial year in any season. This rule does not preclude a swimmer who has received transfer approval, from representing his/her new club from the date that such transfer becomes effective, at events other than the Auckland Championships~~

~~This section is largely obsolete due to the SNZ rules~~

Proposed amendment to clarify the application of the Level 1 and 2 qualifying standards
Additional wording in Blue.

7.04 Competitive Swimming Group

7.04.1 The Group will comprise:

- Three members nominated by the Coaches Group
- Two members elected by the AGM
- Registrar elected at the AGM
- The Selector/s (Ex officio).
- One member nominated by the swimmers group who attends in an advisory capacity.

7.04.2 Objectives:

1. To carry out the philosophies established by the ASA Board by providing competition and development packages to cater for the various pathways for the different levels of swimming, which will broaden the scope and improve the standards of swimming in Auckland.

2. To provide Competition Plans for all levels of swimming.

4. To Ensure the development of talented young swimmers.

7.04.3 The Group will set the Programmes for ASA Championships.

7.04.4 The Group will appoint the Selector/s for the Association from within the membership of the Association. The Selectors will select the Association Relay and Representative teams as and when required.

7.04.5 The Group will determine qualifying times for Level 1, Level 2 and the Auckland Championships. **Once a swimmer has attained a qualifying time, they can not swim in a meet of a higher level, unless they have aged up, and not maintained a suitable qualifying time.**

7.04.6 Through the Registrar keep records of Championship events and Race Records of the Association.

Moved by Mark Saunders that Rule 6.03 be looked at in its entirety and that the whole of Rule 6 be accepted.

Seconded: David Jack

Carried

Moved by Mark Saunders that R13.2.1 be accepted.

Seconded: Gwen Ryan

Carried

Moved by Mark Saunders that these regulations with the amendments in red be accepted in its entirety.

Seconded: Teresa Stanley

Carried

Proposed amendment to clarify the application of the Level 1 and 2 qualifying standards. Additional wording in blue.

Moved by Total Aquatic Sport that a new sub-group be included under Rule 4 as follows:

Rule 4.2.2 Interclub Competitions – Qualifying Times
Interclub competitions are swum at Level 1, 2 and 3. Once a swimmer has attained a qualifying time they cannot swim at a meet at a lower qualifying standard.

Seconded: Coast Swim Club

Moved by David Jack that an amendment be made to read

Rule 4.2.2 Interclub Competitions – Qualifying Times
Interclub competitions are sum at Level 1, 2 and 3. Once a swimmer has attained a qualifying time they cannot swim at a meet at a lower qualifying standard **and that existing R4.2.2 be renamed R4.2.3.**

Seconded: Coast Swim Club

Carried

PRESENTATION BY EXECUTIVE OFFICER – PHILIPPA BOUZOID

A power point presentation looking back over the year was presented with regard to what Swimming Auckland has achieved in line with strategic goals and objectives, swimmers achievements, funding received, records attained and sponsors & funders.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Club Zone Forums

Mark advised the members of the upcoming zone forums and asked members to indicate their preferred day and time. Responses were:
Waitakere and Northern Zones – any night;
Central Zone any night after holidays

2. Awards Dinner

The majority of members thought this was a very good idea and feedback from clubs and coaches with regard to the appropriate month for this Award Dinner to be held. It was recommended that Swimming Auckland suggest to Swimming New Zealand that it adopt an Annual Awards Dinner whereby the New Zealand trophies and awards can be presented.

3. **Annual General Meeting 2008**

Thursday 19th June, 2008 has been agreed and set for the Annual General Meeting.

4. **Unattached Swimmers**

- Philippa spoke to the members with regard to the process of transferring swimmers. Points noted:
- some clubs holding up the transfers and therefore swimmers are unattached for more than 60 days
- clubs must forward transfer form to office not directly to other club
- unattached date starts from the time the Executive Officer has signed the form
- Swimming Auckland will forward a copy of the "top times report" with copy of transfer to new club
- Transfer process will be documented and forwarded to club secretaries and handicappers

Unattached swimmers with regard to Level 1, 2, and 3 meets

Discussion around unattached swimmers attending level 3 meets and not being able to swim in the relay team for their new club. It was suggested that we keep the same rule right through as we have for Auckland Championship events being:

Unattached swimmers can swim in the relays for their new club but the team will forfeit any medals or points. They will be noted as "exhibition" teams.

The members agreed on this for all Auckland swim meets.

5. **National Calendar**

Jan Cameron spoke to group re the National calendar advising that at the recent SCAT conference the coaches voted unanimously with changing the Swimming New Zealand national meet calendar as detailed:

- a) Periodisation for the meet in September is unsuitable for international swimmers but very well placed period wise for our age, youth and senior non internationals. This meet should become the NZ Age Group short course championships. Ages to be 13,14,15,16,17 & over to allow for all to compete if they want. Discriminate against no one.
- b) NZ Short Course, Open champs, December – also trials for international meets.
- c) National age champs become NZ Age and Youth champs - 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 & 18 year olds. Held in March. Rationale – our age group and youth swimmers need to be toughened in an environment which requires less time between the sessions and is a vigorous preparation for the Australian Age championships. It is essential that this meet be run very efficiently with minimum time between races unlike what is required for open meets.
- d) NZ Opens to be a meet in itself held late March or early April depending on national calendar. Rationale is that this meet is our showcase and needs to be sold to corporate businesses and promote international swimmers to participate in an open format (unlikely in an age format). This meet then has heats a.m. and straight finals p.m. One day to decide the result which is appropriate in our country with limited number of swimmers. All swimmers who qualify may participate at this open event.
- e) Division 2, to remain as is.

These meets are very important and coaches from regions would like this to be taken to SNZ with the regions support .

Moved by Ian Burrow a motion to accept the information shared by Jan Cameron.

Seconded: Donna Bouzaid

Carried

It was agreed that Swimming Auckland support the above as part of their feedback on the National Calendar to Swimming New Zealand.

6. **David Jack**

Mark commended David Jack on the wonderful work that he has done for Swimming Auckland and more recently the negotiations to secure the digital colour screen. On behalf of the board and Swimming Auckland, many thanks.

7. **Recommendation by Awards Committee**

As mentioned previous the Awards Committee requested the board to consider the following:

- a) That the Auckland Service and Honours awards be restored to the Auckland Yearbook.
- b) Look at the rules with regard to the length of time before receiving an Auckland Honours Award. The old remit stated the award was to be given at least 10 years after a member received a Service award. Awards Committee recommended that this be changed to 15 years from the time of service.

The members discussed the above and agreed:

- a) that the Honours and Service Awards be included in the Swimmers Yearbook
- b) an amendment to the Constitution is required. John Mace suggested that the Awards committee look at this in more depth and report to the board with the appropriate wording for discussion.

8. **Absolute Insurance - Fundraising**

David Jack spoke briefly to the members about the Absolute Insurance Swimsure fundraising programme and encouraged all members to seriously consider taking this up.

That being the end of General Business

John Mace congratulated Swimming Auckland on the positive progress they are making and enlightened the members that 30 years ago he attended a meeting where the topic of 'transfers' was a heated debate. Some things never change.

John also extended thanks to Swimming Auckland for their contribution to the NZ Swim Trust and advised that \$16,000.00 was distributed to 18 swimmers in the past year. This was in the form of either \$500 or \$1,200 which was greatly appreciated by the swimmers.

Mark Saunders thanked all members for attending and taking part in the Annual General Meeting and then declared the meeting closed.

The meeting finished at 9.35pm.

Signed as a true and correct record of the meeting

Date: