

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
OF CHIPPENHAM ASC
HELD ON 6th JANUARY 2012, 7.00 p.m.
AT CHIPPENHAM RUGBY CLUB

Present

Committee members – James Hare, Terry Coupland, Sally May, Lyn Denning, Ruth Powell, Tracey Crow, Mike Lewis, Ivor Martin, Ruth Holden (Minutes), Nigel Butler, Denise Preece, Julia Chard, Lyn Cairns, Don Smith (Chair)

Parents - Pete Crow, Tony Wright

1. Apologies

Claire Randerson, Steve Miller, Karen Tucker, Jehane Dewar

2. Minutes

AGM held on 07 January 2011 – read and agreed.

3. Matters arising

None.

4. Secretary's Report

2011 got underway with the Wiltshire County events:

Sprints - February - the club achieved 18 gold, 16 silver and 16 bronze medals.

Long Distance - February - 3 silver medals were won.

Youth championships - March - 27 medals were won in total, 7 Gold, 8 Silver and 12 Bronze.

Jack Crow reached five championship finals (50, 100 & 200 fly and 50 & 100 back) and Jack Cook came 3rd in the 50m free. In the Junior Championships Matthew Hare finished 4th in the 400 IM and 5th in the 400m freestyle. Katie Smith was 3rd in the 50m breaststroke and 4th in both the 100m and 200m breaststroke.

Age group medals were won by:

Beatrice Moore; Sapphire Randerson; Katie Smith; Evangeline Preece; Chelsea Chard; Emma Holloway, Jack Crow; Peter Holden; Matthew Hare; Jack Cook; Henry Moore

Chippenham also competed in the men's 4 x 50m freestyle relay, coming third, and in the 4 x 50m medley relay finishing fourth.

Age Group championships - March - we won 16 medals and further medals were won by the boys relay team - the 4x100m freestyle relay team took 2nd place with the 100m medley relay team taking 1st place.

Regional Events:

Youths championships held in May

Jack Crow had a busy weekend reaching the finals of the 200m butterfly and 200m backstroke and also competing in the 50m freestyle and the 100m free. Henry Moore competed in the 100m backstroke, Evangeline Preece competed in the 100m and 200m backstroke, Chelsea Chard competed in the 200m backstroke, Beatrice Moore competed in the 100m butterfly and Lewis Wilson in the 50m freestyle.

Also in May the boys 13-14 year age group relay team reached the 200m freestyle relay final, finishing 7th.

Age Group championships held in June

The club had two finalists: John Branston, reached the finals of the 100m and 200m butterfly and 100m backstroke; Matthew Hare reached the final of the 100m butterfly.

The boys 13/14 age relay team (Matthew Hare, George Claverley, John Branston and Peter Holden) were out in force again competing in the 400m freestyle relay, finishing 7th and the 400m medley relay finishing 10th.

Regional Sprints held in July

A silver medal was won by John Branston in the 14 years age group and a bronze medal by Matthew Hare in the 13 year old age group.

National County Team Championships:

Matthew Hare competed in the Individual 100m Fly and 4x50m Medley Team (50m Fly).

Wiltshire County Moonraker Leagues:

The Club finished 4th and retained our position in Division 1 in the Winter league. In the Summer league we won Division 2 and are promoted to Division 1.

Club championships

There were a total of 101 swimmers competing in the club champs in 2011. These swimmers competed in a total of 954 swims resulting in a total of 451 county qualifying swims from 42 swimmers - there are some 200 trophies to be awarded.

Training

There were a number of training courses completed this year with 10 volunteers completing the L1 coaches course (results expected any day now) at a total cost of £2,550 - names are Marianna Hare, Mark Ogilvie, Gary Brown, Tony Wright, Kim Branston, Stephen Preece, Chris Hardick, Stephen Miller, Evangeline Preece & Ruth Powell.

Awards

The club nominated Nigel for a Wiltshire & Swindon Sports Partnership award and on 22nd September a group attended the City Hall in Salisbury to see Nigel get through to the final three nominees for High Performance Coach of the Year. The committee felt it was important to recognise the hard work and commitment Nigel gives to the club.

5. Treasurer's Report

Jehane gave her apologies for not attending the AGM, but was able to prepare draft accounts which were distributed.

Training and affiliation fees have increased this year. Ivor expressed concern that the loss we are experiencing currently could easily grow each year if we are not careful. It was therefore decided to look at increasing session fees as soon as possible. This will be done during future committee meetings.

Tracey asked about predicted spending on training. Terry indicated that we are looking at increasing the number of Level 2 coaches which will have an impact on training costs this year. However, there is funding still available from WASP, County etc. to help towards the costs.

Sally commented that direct debit mandates are taking a long time to get to the bank. From now on Sally and Claire will take over this responsibility rather than sending on to the Treasurer.

6. Proposal to increase club membership fees

In light of the above, and not being able to cover all club expenses with current income, it was proposed and agreed by all present that the annual membership fee be increased to £40 for an individual and £80 for a family membership.

7. Election of Tellers

Not applicable

8. Election of Officers

It was agreed that Sally would change her role to Assistant Secretary, thus freeing up a vacancy on the committee.

President – Denise Preece (President elect will be required at next AGM)
Chair – Don Smith
Secretary – Ruth Holden
Treasurer – Jehane Dewar will be resigning. Don will call a meeting before next Committee meeting on 3 Feb to break down this role into more manageable pieces.
Head Coach – Nigel Butler
Competition Secretary – Tracey Crow (for one more year). Tracey will need someone to shadow her this year and learn the role in preparation for taking it over.
Welfare Officer – Karen Tucker
Auditor – Richard Dutton

9. Election of Executive members

Mel Weston was welcomed onto the committee.

Sally May – Assistant Secretary
James Hare, Terry Coupland, Claire Randerson, Steve Miller, Mel Weston all agreed to be on the committee for another two years.

10. Election of delegates to Wilts AGM

Tracey Crow.

11. Election of delegates to Wilts County

Tracey Crow to share this with person who shadows her for Competition Secretary role.

12. Election of delegates to Western Regions AGM

Paul Dudley will continue to represent the club, but Don will attend if Paul is unable.

The meeting closed at 7.45 p.m.