

Minutes of NZMS Executive Meeting 8th September 2012

Present: Sue Pollard, Paul McStay, Mike Bodger

Information Manual 2009: The following sections have been amended and updated to 2012. Sections: 1, 2, 4, 6, 9 & 10. These updated sections have been sent to the webmaster for display on the NZMS website.

NZMS History: Roger Eagles is close to finishing the History and is just awaiting some club histories. The finished document and its further processing will be discussed at AGM2013.

IT Strategy: An ongoing discussion with the Liz Davidson (IT officer), Andrew Gabites (Webmaster) and John Fisher (WK1). Mike Bodger to organize a Skype meeting with Liz, Andrew and John and for them to advise the executive.

Website: At the present time members have access to the financial reports, executive and AGM minutes and the Information Manual using a username and password combination. Some swimmers have experienced difficulties with the log in process and the executive is considering having the login removed from the website.

We discussed a move to place a membership application form for NZMS on the website. Masters clubs have previously been sent an electronic version of the membership form to register new swimmers. Swimmers looking to join NZMS could then fill out their details on the form which would then be sent to the National Secretary who would then send out a list of local Masters clubs.

Vanuatu Swim: Paul Ellercamp of oceanswims.com is offering a prize (worth c. NZ\$2500-NZ\$3000) to NZ Masters Swimmers for “promotion” of the Vanuatu open water swims throughout the Masters Swimming season of 2012/2013.

North Island Short Course Championships: This meeting is on target and medals have been ordered.

2013 Long Course Championships: Kieran Garbutt, President of Dunedin Masters, has confirmed with the National Secretary, that their club will host this meeting on 12th/13th April 2013.

Masterscrawl: From 2013 NZMS will be offering swimmers the chance to subscribe to Masterscrawl with delivery by post. In October swimmers will receive an email asking for their interest in a subscription to Masterscrawl. Club secretaries would send the annual membership fee of \$50 and the subscription fee to the National Secretary.

Clubs: A letter will be sent to clubs with less than five members and those that appear in-active to ascertain their continued participation in NZ Masters Swimming.

Finances: As of the 31st August 2012 NZMS has a surplus of approximately \$8600.

Coaching: Discussion about a possible coaching session for Masters swimmers in Dunedin before the Long Course Champs. No action taken yet. Mike Bodger to instigate weekly coaching tips on Facebook and also to display them monthly on the NZMS website and newsletter.

FINA: Starting from the 2012/4 edition, and for one year, FINA will provide (free of charge) a link to the online version of the magazine. This link will be sent to all registered Masters swimmers.

AGM2013: Sue Pollard to write up the Strategic Plan in a new format and report to meeting. Nominations for President and Vice-President. Nominations for Life Membership and submissions of remits to be sent to the National Secretary by 31st December , 2012.

ACTIONS:

- Possible new source of medals from Dan Feisst, Swim T3 – Mike
- New format for Strategic Plan – Sue
- Auckland Central Masters hosting of OWS 2013 – Mike
- IT Strategy Plan meeting 1st October – Mike
- Criteria for Life Membership - Sue