Executive Meeting Minutes 9<sup>th</sup> December 2014

Present: John Fisher (President), Warren Gilbertson (Vice President), Mike Bodger (Secretary)

**Barry Young:** The executive acknowledged the death of Barry Young. Robert Redford will be speaking at the funeral and memorial service and we will publish his obituary speech on our websites. A copy of the NZ Masters Swimming History has been presented to Barry's family.

**Privacy Issues:** Mike says he often gets requests from swimmers for other swimmer's email addresses, postal addresses and phone numbers. The national database exists as a record of Masters Swimmers in New Zealand and is used for the day to day business of NZMS principally by the secretary, webmaster and IT officer. The privacy laws do not allow the secretary to pass out information from the database. The database has approximately 2400 entries and many of the swimmers are no longer financial members and the executive will make a decision of deleting many of the entries.

**2015 NZMS Openwater Championships:** Auckland Central Masters has agreed to host this event as part of their Chelsea Swim on February 7<sup>th</sup>.

**2015 Long Course Championships:** This event is scheduled for March 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>. AGM2015 will take place on March 27<sup>th</sup> in Auckland.

**South Island Short Course 2015:** John and Warren have been in contact with Sarah Persico of Jasi Club in Christchurch about the possibility of the club hosting SISC 2015. Jasi has between 15-35 active members and ran a successful SISC in 2013. Queenstown is also viewed as an alternative venue with either venues programme structural around leisure time with no Saturday morning swimming. Also North Canterbury Masters Club is an alternative host.

**Ratification of NZMS Records:** Swimmers setting records at the New Zealand Master Games in Dunedin, January 2014 were not financial swimmers at the time. NZMS does not have the discretion to award records to swimmers who are not financial at the time of competition and to over-ride FINA rules. Records cannot be ratified retrospectively.