



THE NSW ASSOCIATION OF AUSSI MASTERS SWIMMING CLUBS INC

trading as Masters Swimming NSW

Annual General Meeting

held on 27 June 2020

at Murray/Lachlan Rooms, 8 Parkview Drive,
Sydney Olympic Park and online via ZOOM.

Minutes

The meeting commenced at 10:34am.

1. Welcome to members by President

Kerryn Blanch gave an acknowledgment of Country and welcomed and thanked the Member Clubs' delegates and Registered Persons for their attendance.

Moment's silence in memoriam of deceased members.

2. Apologies

Registered Persons: Gary Stutsel (NCN), Life member; Jenny Whiteley (NRY) Endurance 1000 Recorder, Jenny Banks (NBM), John Collis (NCN), and Mark Hepple (NHL) Life member, John & Daphne Kulhan (NTR) and Anne Smyth (NTN).

Clubs: Coffs Harbour, Liverpool, Novocastrians and Trinity

Declaration of Delegates

Delegates for the 19 clubs both present and online as follows:

Bidgee—Nancy Cauduro

Blacktown – Scott Hay

Blue Mountains Phoenix – Sue Wiles via Zoom

Campbelltown – Jenni Goodhew

Cessnock – Phil Murray via Zoom

Hills – Di Coxon-Ellis via Zoom

Lane Cove—Nigel Van Reyk via Zoom

Manly – Sue Sacker

Myall – Leon Bobako via Zoom

North Shore – Stuart Ellicott via Zoom

North Sydney – Mickaela Mate via Zoom

Ryde – Andrew McCrindell via Zoom

Raymond Terrace – Lesley Potter via Zoom

Seaside Pirates – Sue Tompkins via Zoom

Singleton—Peter Bull via Zoom

Warringah – Graham Campbell

Wests Auburn – Terry Gainey

Wett Ones — Robert Hardie

Wollongong – Sue Johnstone (Life Member)

Other Registered Persons present were:

Vice President: Tony Tooher (Warringah)

Treasurer: Paul Bailey (Warringah)

Vice President, Country: Lawrence Powderly (Wett Ones)

Ordinary Members of the Board: Jon Hawton (Seaside Pirates), David Loader (Wett Ones), Diana Watts (Manly)

Life Members: Sue Johnstone, (Wollongong), Jane Noake (Seaside Pirates), Helen Rubin (Ryde) via Zoom, Mark Hepple (Hills) via Zoom.

Administrator/Minute taker: Jillian Pateman (Blue Mountains)

Registered Persons: Mark McDonald (Blacktown) Heather Rouen, Russel McLeod (Campbelltown); Di Partridge (Cessnock) via Zoom; Dawn Gledhill, Diana Watts (Manly); Kevin Willoughby (North Shore) via Zoom; Jamie Turner (Ryde).

3. Declaration of Postal Votes

No postal votes

4. Confirmation of Minutes of Annual General Meeting of 18 May 2019

As the minutes have been available on the MSNSW website, they were taken as read.
Matters arising: Nil

Motion: That the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 18 May 2019 be accepted as correct.
Moved: Terry Gainey (West's Auburn); seconded: Lawrence Powderly (Wett Ones).
Motion carried.

5. Receipt and review of the reviewed reports of the Statement of Income and Expenditure in the Treasurer's Report

Paul Bailey spoke to the financial statements:

Paul explained the organisation has moved to Xero, an online accounting system, this allows transparency and a self-audit system. The loss has been reduced from 2018. A \$5,000 discrepancy is showing from the Accounts Reviewers report. Improved situation partly due to losing the Marketing Coordinator position.

6. Appointment of an independent assurance practitioner for the next financial year

In 2008 the Association gave the Board the discretion to present an independent assurance practitioner's review of accounts by a qualified accountant to the Annual General Meetings. Again, this year (31 December 2019), a review was made of the functions in the branch office by Cabel Partners, as stated on pages 22 & 23 of the Annual Report.

Appointment of Reviewing Accountants Cabel Partners confirmed.

Terry Gainey (West's Auburn) moved the motion that they remain. Seconded: Diana Watts (Manly).

All in favour, nil against. Motion carried.

7. To receive reports on the activities of the Association

It was agreed that all reports would be accepted (or not) at the conclusion of the presentation of them all.

President – Kerryn Blanch

Kerryn spoke to her report which is on the website. Kerryn gave a brief overview of activities including recognising that the Coaching Team made waves, that Jane Noake (Swim Meet Director) kept us in lanes and hearty congratulations to Aaron Cleland (Blacktown) as runner up Coach of the Year, to Greg Gourley (Tuggeranong) recognised as Coach of the Year, to Dawn Gledhill (Manly) awarded Official of the Year and to Clary Munns (Blacktown) who received National female Swimmer of the Year.

Kerryn thanked Mark Hepple for his tireless contribution and recognised all club's volunteers, our Officials and the Board for everyone's involvement. Accepted: T. Gainey (Wests Auburn), seconded H. Rubin (Ryde)

Vice-President, Country – Lawrence Powderly

Lawrence outlined activities in the regions and particularly thanks Bruce Williamson (Sapphire Coast) for his efforts in the Pambula weekend.

Also, on the calendar was a Learn to Swim clinic at Goulburn, a social swim weekend at Ulladulla and a Coach Clinic at Yass. All these came about due to great efforts from a team of Coaches, Officials & volunteers. Report accepted: R. McLeod (Campbelltown Collegians), seconded T. Gainey (Wests Auburn)

National Delegate – Jon Hawton

Jon spoke to his report. The dynamics of National meetings are always interesting. Biggest note is National Championships and inclusion of Multi class recording. MSNSW raised a robust discussion regarding this issue. Still unresolved to date. Mark Hepple led and worked hard on this for all branches to be innovative.

Administrator – Jillian Pateman

Jillian noted her report is on the website.

Coaching Director Report – Di Coxon-Ellis

Di Coxon-Ellis' report is in the Annual Report on the website. Di outlined some activities that have already occurred in 2020 including a Coach Course where three participants from that have already qualified. Reaccreditations are coming in. 84 coaches now qualified in MSNSW.

Di noted that she is now stepping down from this role and handing over to Anne Smyth (Tuggeranong) noting that Anne has assistance from her team including Greg Gourley, 2019 Coach of the Year. Greg has written a transition back to swimming after lockdown, Di recommends members take time to read through this.

An advanced coaching course is being designed and MSA piloting an online coaching course.

Di thanked Jillian, MSNSW Administrator and Sarah, MSA General Manager and Kath the MSA Administrator.

Kerryn thanked Di for her nine years in this role and wished her well heading up the National Coaching Committee.

Technical Director – Marilyn Earp

Marilyn's report is on the website.

Training Co-ordinator – Diane Partridge

Di spoke to her report. Di asked for Officials to reaccredit well ahead of time for the National Championships. Di wants to impress upon clubs that they encourage members to get qualified as our team is aging and the pool deck jobs can be tiring.

Endurance Report – Jenny Whiteley

The report is on the website- Jenny sent her apologies.

Meet Recorder – Mark Hepple

Mark's report is on the website and he had nothing further to add. Mark thanked the writers of other reports for their noting of his huge contributions.

Webmasters team — report is on the website.

Motion: Kerry Blanch moved that all the above-mentioned reports be accepted.
Accepted: Robert Hardie (Wett Ones) Seconded: Helen Rubin (Ryde). All agreed

8. Election of Office Bearers—all positions are declared vacant.

Election of Executive

President — one nomination had been received for Kerry Blanch, who was declared elected.

Vice-President — one nomination had been received for David Loader, who was declared elected.

Vice-President, Country — one nomination had been received for Lawrence Powderly who was declared elected.

Treasurer — one nomination had been received for Paul Bailey, who was declared elected.

9. Ordinary Members of the Board –

Three nominations had been received for the three positions – Jon Hawton (Seaside Pirates), Mark McDonald (Blacktown City) & Lesley Potter (Raymond Terrace).

Kerry extended her congratulations to all on their appointment and a warm welcome to Mark and Lesley.

The elected Executive and Ordinary Members will constitute the MSNSW Board from the conclusion of this meeting until the next Annual General Meeting. The National Delegate will be decided by the Board.

10. (a) General Business

A farewell to Diana Watts for serving two years on the MSNSW Board as she moves to a position on Manly Masters club Committee. Paul recognised Diana's contributions and sincerely thanked her, a small gift was presented.

Tony Toohar has also stepped down after many years (12?) of valuable service to MSNSW. While Tony was always prevented from providing professional legal advice his sound judgement was proved invaluable. A gift or recognition was presented. Tony thanked the Board and membership for the years of support.

(1) To consider motions and all agenda items for which due and proper notice has been given.

No agenda items were received.

10. (b) Expressions of Interest

The Board has sought expressions of interest in appointment to the following positions prior to the AGM:

- Branch Coaching Director
- Branch Technical Director
- Branch Training Coordinator
- Webmaster team
- Endurance 1000 Recorder
- Branch Safety Co-ordinator
- Social Media team

These positions will be ratified at the following Board Meeting.

An expression of interest form is available for Member Clubs and it was requested that all members seriously consider volunteering as succession planning is essential.

11. Close

The meeting closed at 11:23pm.