LINCOLNSHIRE COUNTY AMATEUR SWIMMING ASSOCIATION

Annual General Meeting 13th November 2024

1. Welcome by the County President

The president welcomed officers and delegates to the 2024 (74th) Lincolnshire County Swimming Association AGM and thanked everyone for attending.

1. Apologies for Absence

Jo Highfield (Officials), Sally Norman (masters)

1. Those present at the Meeting

Michael Ridge (president), Cheryl Hendel (treasurer), Dave Hendel (secretary), Jason Skinner (Deepings), Lauren Mallett (Boston), Becci Bailey (champs entry officer), James Marshall (LV), Claire Gilman-Abel (CLP), Sarah Richardson (min sec), Sara Danby (Boston), Graham Richardson (Louth), Cheryl McCorkell (Gainsborough), Caroline Strathon (Lincoln Trident), Sam Edwards (records officer), Tanya Talkes (champs &age group Sec), Rachel Miller (Louth), Karina Peters (water polo Sec), Anita Ruffle (CLP), Emma Bird (welfare), James Bird (Skegness), Nicky Laund (Sth Lincs)

1. Minutes of the AGM held on the 15th of November 2023

Minutes proposed by Sarah Richardson seconded by Jason Skinner and agreed by those present at the meeting.

1. Matters arising from those minutes.

No matters arising.

1. Annual Report of the County Treasurer

Income and expenditure sheets have been circulated to all clubs prior to meeting for accounts as at year ending 31st August 2024.

There were no questions on the accounts and these were proposed by Sarah Richardson and seconded by Caroline Strathon, and accepted by those present at the meeting.

Accounts can now be filled with HMRC.

Cheryl Hendel thanked Beccie Bailey for auditing the year end accounts. Beccie agreed to undertake for next year, agreed by those present at the meeting.

1. Annual Report of the County Champs & Age group Secretary

The 2024 championships were a great success, with all sessions running smoothly and to schedule. There were 2,359 qualifying swims from 316 swimmers, plus 56 relay teams. This in an increase on 2023, with 21 more swimmers, 235 additional swims and 8 extra relay teams. Like last year, the relay events were well received and provided a great atmosphere on poolside.

I would like to thank everyone who contributed to the successful running of the championships, including the many officials and volunteers who gave up so much of their time over the last few weeks and months. Special thanks goes to Cheryl for all her help and support and also Beccie Bailey for doing a fantastic job organising entries and leading the AOE.

There were 3 Championship Records achieved, one in the Female 200m Backstroke and two in the Junior Open/Mens 50m Freestyle and 50m Butterfly. There were 3 new Age Group Best Times recorded in the female 15 years 50m, 100m and 200m Backstroke.

The coverage on You Tube proved to be even more popular this year. The stats show there were 12.5k views, up 35% on last year, and 3.2k unique views, up 18% on last year. Many thanks to Lou Turner for his continued efforts and hard work with the Live Streaming.

Next year’s Championships will run from the 25th January - 9th February 2025.

1. AGM Report of the County Masters Secretary

**13th October 2024** the County Masters Championships held at One NK.  
Again this was well attended with some great swims and was well supported by Officials and Volunteers. Thank you all.  
  
24 individual championship records were broken/set.

Top Club: **City of Lincoln Pentaqua**  
Top Open/Male: **Gareth Cocks** [CoLP]  
Top Female: **Suzy Hegg** [LVSC]

**Sunday 10th November** @ Sandwell Aquatics Centre, Smethwick B67 7EW  
I’m excited to be attending the Masters Inter-Counties with a small team of swimmers – Watch this space (and FB) for results to follow.

1. Annual report of County Officials Secretary

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| In the last year we have had the following applications, to register with the ASA to train to become officials.  1 Timekeeper  ?? Online J1 (not all trainees are reporting to club mentors or to the Officials Secretary)  7 J2  4 J2S  0 Referees  The following numbers have passed a qualification  1 Timekeeper  22 J1  2 J2  4 J2S  1 Referee  We do need more officials, as many have retired and many do not want to officiate at every gala as they have no swimmers. I will be available at the counties next year if anyone would like to know how to get involved in officiating. Please let your club members know.  Can I ask that if you re-licence that I am told. I need to keep my list of officials up to date.  There are guidelines for officials on the British Swimming Website.  I would like to thank Nicola Hitchcock for helping to sort officials for the county galas.   1. Annual report of County Records / Rankings Officer   Lincolnshire clubs girls have had a fantastic year especially at Long Course competitions. Within long and short course galas, the girls have posted 17 new record times with the boys recording excellent swims in 5 events. The girls’ records were dominated by Emily Talkes and Grace Macdonald, with Alexandria Bulat and Holly Marshall taking one each in the older categories. The boys records were taken by 3 swimmers – Ewan Cox (building on last year’s fabulous swimming), Robbie Duff, and Oliver Clarke.  Well done to all the swimmers and coaches.  Short Course Records   |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Girls Event** | **Age Cats** | **Swimmer** | **Club** | | 200m Backstroke | 14 years | Grace Macdonald | Grantham | | 50m Backstroke | 14 years | Grace Macdonald | Grantham | | 200m Fly | 18 years | Holly Marshall | Lincoln Vulcans | | **Boys Event** | **Age Cats** | **Swimmer** | **Club** | | 50m Breaststroke | 11 years | Oliver Clarke | Deepings | | 50m Freestyle | 15 years | Ewan Cox | City of Lincoln Pentaqua |   Long Course Records   |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Girls Event** | **Age Cats** | **Swimmer** | **Club** | | 1500m Freestyle | 11 years | Emily Talkes | Lincoln Vulcans | | 200m Freestyle | 11 years | Emily Talkes | Lincoln Vulcans | | 200m Individual Medley | 11 years | Emily Talkes | Lincoln Vulcans | | 400m Freestyle | 11 years | Emily Talkes | Lincoln Vulcans | | 400m Freestyle | 11 years | Emily Talkes | Lincoln Vulcans | | 400m Individual Medley | 11 years | Emily Talkes | Lincoln Vulcans | | 50m Freestyle | 11 years | Emily Talkes | Lincoln Vulcans | | 100m Backstroke | 14 years | Grace Macdonald | Grantham | | 200m Backstroke | 14 years | Grace Macdonald | Grantham | | 200m Backstroke | 14 years | Grace Macdonald | Grantham | | 50m Backstroke | 14 years | Grace Macdonald | Grantham | | 100m Backstroke | 15 years | Grace Macdonald | Grantham | | 50m Backstroke | 15 years | Grace Macdonald | Grantham | | 50m Freestyle | 17 years | Alexandra Bulat | City of Lincoln Pentaqua | | **Boys Event** | **Age Cats** | **Swimmer** | **Club** | | 50m Butterfly | 12 years | Robbie Duff | Lincoln Vulcans | | 50m Butterfly | 12 years | Robbie Duff | Lincoln Vulcans | | 50m Butterfly | 16 years | Ewan Cox | City of Lincoln Pentaqua |   Full details available at <https://lincolnshirecountyasa.org/events/>  Sam Edwards - Lincolnshire ASA Records / Rankings Officer  Prepared 5th November 2024  Sam Edwards reported a further County Short Course record for Joshua Clarke (Grantham SC) in the 50m Backstroke 16 years age group.   1. Annual report of the County Development Officer   NATIONAL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS  The National team championships took place on Sunday 6th October the team finished in 11th place; we went in at 14th, so this was a great achievement for the team.  Twenty-four swimmers where selected thanks to those that represented the County.  Thanks also to Mark Anstey (Louth), Lou Turner (Grantham) Jacqui Willatts (Grantham) and Emily Mason-Smith (Louth) for their support with the team on the day. Also, Richard Ingham (Louth) who was the Counties official at the event.  COUNTY PATHWAY PROGRAMME  The pathway programme took place on the 10th February 15th February 20th April, and 30th May 2024.  This was an induction via Zoom, two face to face camps and an online education session.  The face-to-face camps consisted of two pool sessions, one land session and a workshop.  Forty-eight swimmers from across the County clubs where selected to attend.  Thanks to James Stannard (Grantham) who was lead coach for the programme with Luke Blanchard (Sth Lincs), Nigel Oldham (LV), Hannah Berwick (Grantham) and Madison Lamb (LV) supporting at the camps as coaches, also Emma Middleton (Louth) and Tanya Talkes (LV) for supported athletes as team managers.   1. Annual report of the County Water Polo Secretary   It has been another busy year for both the Water Polo Clubs – both clubs are very active competitively playing matches in various leagues and age groups, travelling great distances for away games.  Spalding Water Polo has grown and is pleased to report it will be in a position to field a Women’s team for the first time. It enjoyed the Summer program at Bourne Outdoor pool as usual, finishing the summer season with an outdoor tournament.  Grantham Water Polo attended the East Midlands Regional Awards at Loughborough. Several members were nominated. Sally Dunlop won a Highly Commended Award for Outstanding Contribution. Gareth Rees won the Water Polo Development Coach Award. Grantham Water Polo Club celebrated their 25th Anniversary.  It is with great sadness that we report the death of Jim Caulfield in October. Jim had a huge impact on the provision of Water Polo within the county and was a true legend of the sport – both locally within the Kings School and Grantham clubs as well as regionally and nationally. Condolences to his family and friends.   1. Annual report of the County Open Water Secretary   No report submitted. Cheryl Hendel commented that the Open Water County Championships in 2024 were very successful with higher competitor numbers than previously.   1. Election of Officers   President Michael Ridge Boston  President Elect Vacant  Secretary Dave Hendel Lincoln Vulcans  Treasurer Cheryl Hendel Lincoln Vulcans  Champs/Age Group Se Tanya Talkes Lincoln Vulcans  Records/Rankings Officer Sam Edwards Grantham  Masters Secretary Vacant  Trophy Trustees Michael Ridge Boston  Swimming Officials Sec Jo Highfield Lincoln Vulcans  Water Polo Secretary Karina Peters Grantham Water Polo  Open Water Secretary Suzy Hegg Lincoln Vulcans  Welfare Officer Emma Bird Skegness  Development Officer Cheryl Hendel Lincoln Vulcans  Minute Secretary Sarah Richardson Louth SC  Disability Secretary Vacant  The above elections were agreed by all those present at the meeting.  Cheryl Hendel pointed out that Sally Norman has not stood for re-election as Masters Secretary, so there is a vacancy in that position. CH thanked Sally for all her hard work in getting the Masters County Championships back up and running over the last couple of years and sorting a Lincolnshire team for the recent Inter-County competition. CH asked all clubs to ask within their own Masters Sections to see if there is a willing volunteer to take over this her role as Masters Secretary, as it would be such a shame to lose the championship competition going forward. If so, please contact Sally on [lincsasamasters@gmail.com](mailto:lincsasamasters@gmail.com) who will be happy to give information on what is required in this role.   1. 2025 dates for Executive meetings will be 12th February, 9th April, 9th July, 8th October 2. AGM date for 2025 will be 19th November. | | | | | |
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