

DUNBAR AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB

AGM Thursday 19th May 210

Attendees: Katherine Triscott, Tom Dickson, Judy Miller Sarah Everard, Anne Marie Napier, Fiona Morris, Karen Divers, Eloise Miller, Brian Baptie, Alastair Letch, Beng Cheah, Evelyn Philps, David Bell

Apologies: Jane McIntyre

Katherine would like it noted how disappointed she was at the poor attendance at the AGM. Out of over 130 children who are members only 10 people were able to attend.

Presidents Report

Coaches Report

Dunbar Amateur Swimming Club Coaches Report 2009/10

Sometimes you tend to take things for granted and perhaps become a bit complacent with things and assume what you are doing is correct without checking if it is or doing any form of comparison.

In recent weeks three instances have confirmed to me that what we are doing as a club and how we are organised is correct and also progressive;

- Fiona Hamilton recently became involved with the club in a coaching capacity and it was nice to hear from someone new to the club that we have a friendly and well run club.
- After attending a few East Lothian swimming development group meetings it was also reassuring to find out that although we are not affiliated to any

swimming organisations we are following best practice in terms of what we do and how we are organised.

- At the same meeting we were congratulated by the head coach from Haddington on the standard of swimming being taught at the club and Haddington would quite happily accept more swimmers from us in the future.

In addition, we are recognised as part of the local community in providing support to others in the area such as the local schools for swimming competitions, Duke of Edinburgh award scheme, community service awards, cubs & boy scouts.

Club membership currently stands at 132 (1st session 43, 2nd. Session 45, & 3rd. Session 44). The membership is slightly down compared to last year (137). Each session continues to be well attended, especially third session, where there are so much demands on the older children time.

An indication of the popularity of the club within the community is that we have to maintain a waiting list for children wanting to join the club; I'm pleased to say however that the waiting time is kept to a minimum.

The two main highlights in the club calendar are the annual club championships and the sponsored swim week. Both were a resounding success.

It always amazes me how many lengths the younger swimmers achieve when a distance badge is dangled in front of them.

We had over one hundred swimmers take part in our club championships in March, the highlight once again being the team relay swim on finals night. The trophy's presentation went well especially the special award presentations to Dawn & Karen for their service over the years.

Thank you to all involved in the organisation of both events and especially to those who were involved in the collection and organising of the trophies, in particular to Fiona for working her way through replacing all the old tarnished trophies with new shiny ones.

Over the last year our group of volunteer pool life guards have done well to support our swimming sessions, as everyone knows this has taken a lot of work behind the

scenes to ensure that we are adequately covered, however we shouldn't rest on our laurels and should continue to put in place a planned programme for bronze medallion/NPLQ courses to sustain the good position that we are currently in.

As stated earlier we are doing the right things in terms of club organisation and the swimming programmes this is purely down to the commitment of all involved whether poolside or in an administrative role. However we could be in a healthier position regarding swimming coaches, we now only have two fully qualified (three with Fiona Hamilton). We shouldn't take our eye off this ball and hopefully a solution to the ongoing course availability problem may be resolved through our involvement with the East Lothian Swimming Development Group – but this is early days yet and we should still be seeking alternative solutions for courses.

The future continued success and longevity of the club is parents becoming actively involved and we all must continue to encourage parents to become involved with the club.

It is the coaching staff's aim to continue to identify and meet the needs of individuals, to improve performance through a progressive programme of safe, guided practice, measured performance and to create an environment in which individuals are motivated to maintain participation and improve performance.

To add variety to the swimming programme for the coming year, the club has purchased pace clocks for each of the lanes and also it is the intention to have an autumn programme of swimming to include swimming skills and water safety where swimmers will be rewarded with a bronze / silver / gold / platinum award.

In conclusion, to continue to be successful in the future, the club needs to continue to encourage and foster like minded parents of swimmers to become involved in the club.

Thank you to all members of the committee, coaching staff, lifeguards and regular poolside helpers who have supported the club throughout the last year and I look forward to your continued support in the coming year.

Tom Dickson

Head Coach DASC

Friday, 04 June 2010

Financial Report

DUNBAR AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB

FINANCIAL REPORT 2009/2010

The 2009/10 accounts have now been completed and independently audited and show that this year the Club made a loss of £2058. A summary of these accounts is attached for information.

As can be seen from this summary, there are two main reasons for the loss this year. The first is the drop in income from weekly swimming fees (the £4 that swimmers pay each week). Income from this source has seen a reduction of around 20%, or £2400 this year compared to last year. However, last year was a record year for the Club (see attached figures), and although membership remains high, it may well be that this year parents have cut back on after school activities for financial reasons. It is important to note that even though this income is down significantly, the Club is still able to cover pool fees with the income from swimming fees.

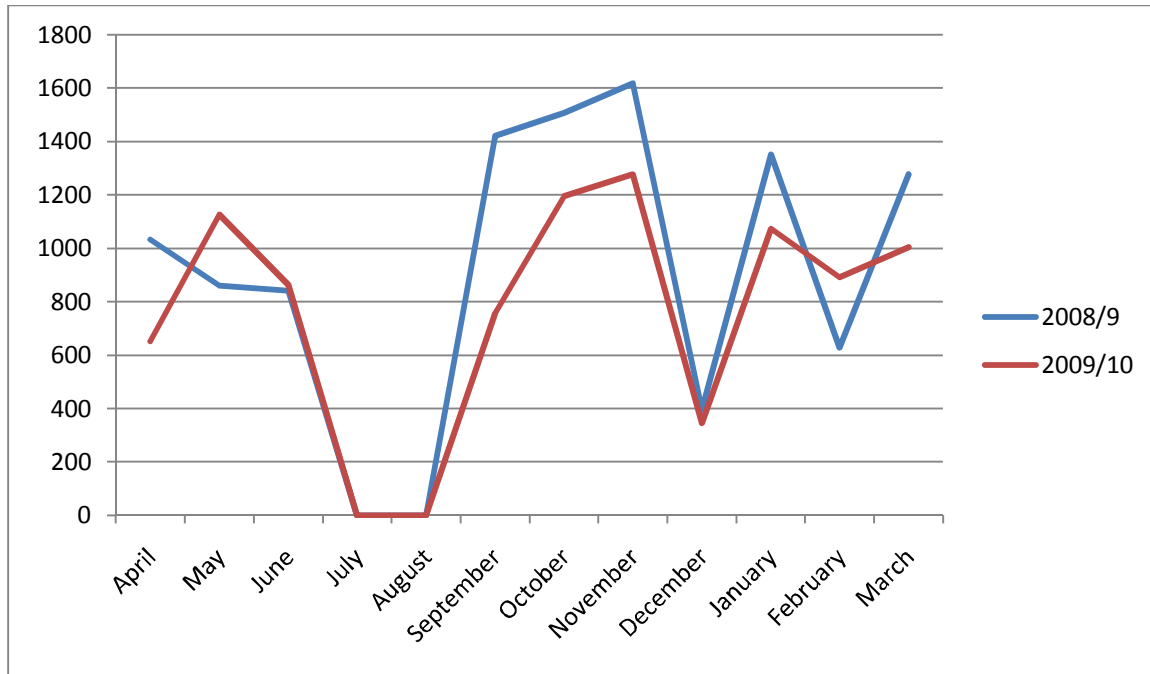
The record year of 2008/9 enabled the Club to build up a healthy bank balance. As the Club is non-profit making, it is only right that excess funds should be put back into the Club for the benefit of the swimmers. This has taken place this year with major expenditure on renewal of Club trophies, and is the other main reason for the loss on paper.

In summary, although the Club made a loss last year, the healthy state of the finances means that it is a managed one and the Club remains in a stable financial state with an end of year current account balance of £6000. I will continue to monitor attendance and income, but do not anticipate that a rise in either membership or weekly fees will be required this year.

Lastly, I would like to thank everyone who has helped on the cash desk over the past year, particularly Karen, and the Auditor for his invaluable advice (again!).

| | Weekly fee income | Membership fee income | Total |
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| 2009/10 | 9180 | 3620 | 12800 |
| 2008/09 | 11630 | 3400 | 15030 |
| 2007/08 | 10190 | 2580 | 12770 |
| 2006/07 | 8680 | 2270 | 10950 |
| 2005/06 | 7080 | 1880 | 8960 |
| 2004/05 | 6390 | 2160 | 8550 |
| 2003/04 | 4930 | 2080 | 7010 |

Table 1: Income from weekly fees and membership



Graph 1: Comparison of monthly income 2008/9 and 2009/10

Reducing fees on bank holiday weeks was mentioned. This will be raised at the next committee meeting for discussion.

Election of Officers:

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| <u>President:</u> | Katherine Triscott | Prop: Tom Dickson | Second: Beng Cheah |
| <u>Vice President:</u> | Fiona Morris | Prop: Katherine Triscott | Second: Beng Cheah |
| <u>Treasurer:</u> | Judy Miller | Prop: Katherine Triscott | Second: Sarah Everard |
| <u>Secretary:</u> | Sarah Everard/ Anne Marie Napier | Prop: Katherine Triscott | Second: Tom Dickson |

Membership

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| <u>Secretary:</u> | Tom Dickson | Prop: Sarah Everard | Second: Katherine Triscott |
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Rota

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| <u>Secretary:</u> | Karen Divers | Prop: Tom Dickson | Second: Anne Marie Napier |
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| <u>Protection:</u> | Beng Cheah | Prop: Katherine Triscott | Second: Sarah Everard |
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Trophy: Fiona Morris Prop: Katherine Triscott Second: Sarah Everard

Gala Sub

Committee: Fiona Morris, Tom Dickson, Brian Baptie

Committee

Members: Alastair Letch, Brian Baptie, Eloise Miller, Evelyn Philp

Matters Arising

Cash Desk Duties

The main issue of the evening was Rota Duties. Karen commented that people were not turning up to take on board their duties. Letters were being sent out but this was making no impact.

This discussion went on for a long time with many ideas being put forward. This will be put on the Agenda for the next meeting but in the meantime a notice should be displayed at the desk area to emphasis the disappointment in this area. We are only asking you to do one duty per term!!!

Non Payment of Fees

Again this seems to be an issue. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

Enjoy Leisure Accreditation Scheme

This was briefly discussed as a letter had been sent to Sarah Everard. Beng will take this forward and update us at the next meeting.

Thank You

A big thanks to Karen and Dawn for all their support.

We have agreed to hold a stall at this year's School Fayre selling tablet. Anne Marie and Sarah to have some testers for Monday 31st May.

Date of next meeting Tuesday 8th June 2010 – 8.00 pm at Halhill. Anne Marie/Sarah to arrange.