

**Dorset County Amateur Swimming Association**  
(Affiliated to Swim England and Swim England South West Region)

Minutes of the County Emergency Meeting 7 April 2020  
held via Zoom commencing 16.00

**Present**

President	L Jessop	Emergency Committee	R Holman
Chairman	R Honeybun	Emergency Committee	A Smart
County Secretary	Mrs D Gibbs	Rules Committee	A Mullins
Treasurer	G Griffin		

**20/01 Purpose**

To progress priority policy and procedure required for the management of the Association affected by the cancellation of the County Executive Meeting scheduled 2 April 2020 and postponement of the Dorset County ASA Annual General Meeting scheduled 4 June 2020.

**20/02 Reference**

20/02.1 DCASA Executive Meeting 2 April 2020 Agenda item 20/34 Pre-AGM Matters Appx 3

20/02.2 DCASA Executive Meeting 2 April 2020 Agenda item 20/32 County President Appx 1

**20/03 20/34 Pre-AGM Matters**

An abstract of proposals for constitutional revisions was presented by DG/GG for discussion. Rules revision effective 4 June 2020 were approved and agreed as follows:

- 20/34(f)i 1 Definitions, 1.1.5: "Discipline" shall mean the aquatic disciplines of swimming, open water swimming, artistic swimming, diving, water polo and Masters activity within those facets.
- 20/34(f)ii 1 Definitions, 1.1.8: The term swimmer shall include pool swimmer, open water swimmer, artistic swimmer, diver, water polo player and Masters activity within those facets.
- 20/34(f)iii 3 Affiliation and Composition, 3.2.1: Clubs that have affiliated with Swim England and the Region by virtue of and approval by the Association; and the following bodies by consent of the Association...
- 20/34(f)iv 3 Affiliation and Composition, 3.3.2: The Association reserves the right to decline a request for the affiliation of an organisation not deemed to be in the best interests of the Association, its' membership and the sport of swimming.
- 20/34(f)v 5 Objections, 5.3: The Association shall at all times promote, protect and act in the best interests of its' members and in a manner that is equitable to all its clubs.
- 20/34(f)vi 6 Responsibilities of County Association, 6.2 Administration and Finances of the Association, 6.2.4: No external organisation, association, committee or body may:
- 6.2.4.1 impose a charge upon the Association without a written request being made by such an organisation, association, committee or body for the prior approval and agreement by the Association; and
- 6.2.4.2 the Association will not accept or be responsible for any costs, fees or debts incurred whatsoever by any organisation, association, committee or body without the written prior approval and agreement of the Association; and noting
- 6.2.4.3 the aforementioned stipulations apply regardless of affiliation.
- 20/34(f)vii 8 The Council, 8.1 Composition, 8.1.2: Twenty of those members entitled to attend and vote shall form a quorum at any meeting of the Council, and which shall include at least one Principal Officer.
- 20/34(f)viii 9 The Executive, 9.1 Composition, 9.1.5: The quorum at any meeting of the Executive shall consist of ten of those members entitled to attend and vote, and which shall include at least one Principal Officer.
- 20/34(f)ix 8 The Council, 8.9.1 Nominations for Election, 8.9.3 Nominations for Life Members and 8.10.1 Proposals for Consideration, date of submissions: 1<sup>st</sup> April prior to the AGM.

- 20/34(f)x 9 The Executive, 9.3 Powers, 9.3.6: Elected members of the Association, its' employees, agents or any person duly appointed by the Association to act with its' authority shall be paid expenses only where agreed with the Treasurer in advance of any such engagement for which expenses may be necessarily incurred through that membership or appointment by the Association.
- 20/34(f)xi Annex A, A1.1 President/President Elect, A1.3.4: No nominations shall be accepted if that club has provided a President within the past three clear years;
- 20/34(f)xii Annex A, A1.1 President/President Elect, A1.3.6: In the event of an Executive nomination when the three-year and successive Presidents rulings shall not apply.
- 20/34(f)xiii Annex A, A1.3 Regional Representatives, A1.3.2: The remit of Regional Representatives is advisory; Regional Representatives do not have the authority to make, agree to or implement decisions on behalf of the Association without prior agreement of the Association.
- 20/34(f)xiv Annex A, A2.1 Elected Committees, A2.1 Responsibilities, A2.1.3: The remit of all Elected Committees is advisory; Elected Committees do not have the authority to make, agree to or implement decisions on behalf of the Association without prior agreement of the Association.
- 20/34(f)xv Affiliation fees 2021, £3pp all categories.

**20/04 20/32 County President**

Proposals for constitutional revision of rules concerning election of a County President/President Elect were presented by RH for discussion and agreement as follows.

- 20/32.1 The Presidential period to be a term of two years: Consensus that the proposal could deter nomination therefore the proposal was withdrawn.
- 20/32.2 The election of President to take place annually but the Executive to have the emergency power to extend the presidential term of the incumbent president according to County requirement.  
Prop: R Honeybun                      Seconded: G Griffin                      **Carried**
- 20/32.3 Past Presidents to serve a second non-consecutive term by Executive nomination unless Appendix A clause A1.5.2 applies.  
Prop: R Honeybun                      Seconded: L Jessop                      **Carried**

**20/05 AOB**

- 20/05.1 L Jessop agreed to continue in the role of President until the 2020 AGM.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 17.00.

**PMN 20/32 County President**

The rules approved for inclusion shall be as follows:

Appendix 1: A1.1 President/President Elect, 1.1.3 Nominations for President/President Elect:

- A1.1.3.7 The Executive reserves the right to make a nomination at one year's notice; and  
A1.1.3.8 shall have the emergency power to extend the presidential term of the incumbent President according to the requirement of the Association; and  
A1.1.3.9 by Executive nomination, shall have the power to approve a Past President for a second non-consecutive presidential term for the Association, unless Appendix A clause A1.5.2 applies.

**Chairman:** R Honeybun

**Signed:**

**Date:** 8 April 2020