

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

Minutes of the County Association Executive Meeting No 2 of 2022/2023  
By Zoom – 3 November 2022

**Present**

President	Mrs G Nuttall	County Competitions Secretary	S Platts
Chairman	R Honeybun [PP]	Synchronised Swimming Secretary	Mrs C Seall
County Administrator	Mrs D Gibbs	Officials Secretary	Mrs J Beard
Treasurer	G Griffin [LP]	Officials T & D Secretary	Mrs T Roberts
		Legal Adviser	D McWilliam

**Past Presidents** C Gassmann, R Holman, M Hoskins, L Jessop, A Smart, M Smith, Mrs C Thompson.

**Clubs Represented** Bere Regis, Bridport Barracudas, North Dorset Turbos, Poole, Seagulls, Swim Bournemouth, Wareham, West Dorset, and Weymouth.

**22/06 Apologies**

R Brocklehurst, Mrs T Hemmings, Mrs N Honeybun, Mrs G Houlston, J Restorick, Mrs J Tillyard.

**22/07 Minutes of the County Association Executive 9 June 2022**

Agreed that the minutes of the County Association Executive Meeting on 9 June 2022 be accepted as a true record with the addition of L Jessop to attendees list.

Prop: L Jessop

Sec: A Smart

Carried

22/07(a) **Matters Arising** - none

22/07(b) **Outstanding Actions**

E22/01 - complete

**22/08 Correspondence**

1. SE: One-off bursary of £150 for clubs to support Ukrainian refugee members. Circulated; accessed by Weymouth SC.
2. SE: LTS and Workforce Audit.
3. SE Swimming: Subsidy £1k reimbursed against cost of accommodation for National County Team Competition.
4. SE SWR: 2022 club affiliation fee waived for Dorset Synchro SC.
5. SWR: 2022 South West Region Award winners; no Dorset awards.
6. SE SWR: 2022 South West Region Award winners; no Dorset awards.

**22/09 Finance Report**

1. DCASA finances as reported updated to 30 September 2022, account balances as follows: Current £71,911.01; Deposit £19,761.58; Cash in hand £150.00; Tornadoes SD SC £10,247.70; Total £102,070.29.

**Action GG  
E22/02**

2. DCASA current account monies to be moved to savings account.

Prop: G Griffin

Sec: D Gibbs

Carried

3. DCASA 2022 affiliation fees waived for Ukrainian members with refugee status.

**22/10 Welfare** – Nothing to report

**22/11 Development**

1. Club Development: Financial Webinars added to the SE Club Governance Resources available with Taxation and Fundraising, Sponsorship & Grants webinars scheduled for this autumn.

2. Dorset County Development Programme: Appx 1 STC Minutes 20 Oct 2022 refers.

## 22/12 County Business

Mrs L Young nominated by North Dorset Turbos SC for President Elect 2022-23. Co-option required.  
Prop: C Gassmann Sec: R Honeybun Carried

## 22/13 County Reports

22/13(a) Swimming 1. County Records: Ratification requested of five [5] new records as follows:

Snr M LC	H Stewart	Breast 50m	=29.45	Plymouth	May 2022
Snr M LC	R Hemmings	Back 200m	2:01.83	Bucharest	July 2022
Snr M LC	R Hemmings	Back 100m	55.04	Sheffield	July 2022
Snr M LC	R Hemmings	Back 50m	25.64	Sheffield	July 2022
Snr M LC	R Hemmings	I/M 200m	2:06.54	Sheffield	July 2022

Prop: D Gibbs Sec: R Honeybun Carried

### Action DG E22/03

22/13(b) Inter-County 2. Software programme for volunteers recruitment now complete. Volunteers Coordinator for 2023 Championships is Mrs T Hemmings. Clubs to be advised.  
Report as submitted; STC Minutes 20 Oct 2022 refers. Dorset team placed sixth in Division 2.

22/13(c) County STC Minutes 20 Oct 2022 refers.

22/13(d) Masters STC Minutes 20 Oct 2022 refers. Noted that Dorset the only SWR county not holding a dedicated Masters competition.

22/13(e) Disability Para Swim Development Day scheduled 10 December 2022 at Marlborough College.

22/13(f) Open Water Dorset swimmers (4) entered the SE SWR OW Championships 2022; no DCASA trophies awarded.

22/13(g) Diving No local activity.

22/13(h) Synchronised Swimming Report as submitted and circulated; Appx 2 Synchro Minutes refers. Admin burden of Dorset Synchro outweighs benefits; Synchro Secretary to review alternatives for competitive opportunity with SE AS and refer to Exec for decision regarding dissolution. Email vote to be taken.

### Action CS E22/04

PMN: Following consultation with M Ramos (SE AS) it was agreed DCASA could not run a County Championships under the conditions set by SE. Recommendation for dissolution and to progress development days to provide competitive opportunity. Email vote of those present (18) on 3 Nov 2022 with 14 votes received as follows: For 12, Against 0, Abstain 1. Motion for dissolution carried.

22/13(i) Water Polo Seagulls WP activity discontinued; financial decision.

22/13(j) Officials Report as submitted.

22/13(k) Officials T&D Report as submitted. No new J1 candidates in Dorset emerging from funded J1 online programme. Clubs to be reminded to promote by Officials reps.

22/13(l) Volunteers No report / no secretary.

22/13(m) Rules 1. DCASA By-Laws (licensing): Agreed DCASA By-Law DCASA Executive June 2022 (22/04(i) refers) confirmed as follows: "No club may submit more than three applications for a licensed L1, L2 or L3 open competition in any one year with the proviso that a fourth application may be considered only if deemed in the interests of the County as a whole by the licensing administration officer of Dorset County ASA."  
2. DCASA By-Laws (competitions): RLO has stated that Club members have a right to be provided with details of a County Association's Competition programme and to participate if they wish. County Competition information should be circulated to/must not be withheld from a club's membership on the grounds that the club has not included a county competition on its competition calendar. Should this be ratified as a By-Law?

Prop: G Griffin Sec: G Nuttall Carried

3. DCASA General Competition Conditions (trophies): Recommendation by County Secretary/Trophies Administrator that the DCASA GCC clause 7.4 be amended as follows: "Trophies shall be returned engraved and in a clean condition in a single one-off batch at the request of and by the date specified by the Dorset County ASA Trophy Administrator or the Dorset County ASA Secretary or a designated Dorset County ASA Officer."

Prop: D Gibbs Sec: L Jessop Carried

4. Clubs: The constitutions of Bournemouth SC, North Dorset Turbos, Weymouth, and Wareham are 2022 compliant.

22/14	<b>SW Region Reports</b>	
22/14(a)	Management	<p>(i) 2023 Affiliation Fees: SE - Club Train £9.50, Club Compete £30.00, Club Support from £5.40. SESWR - Club Train £3.15, Club Compete £3.95, Club Support £2, Club fee £90.</p> <p>(ii) SWR to provide the National Vice President in 2025, SE President 2026.</p> <p>(iii) SWR Strategy Plan 8 January 2023 for County Exec Officers/SWR Board members led by Swim England.</p> <p>(iv) Appointment of a Welfare Officer to become an essential part of the County Association structure.</p> <p>(v) Team Management courses to remain online.</p>
22/14(b)	Swimming	SE SWR Summer Championships entry times agreed but date of issue tbc. PayPal account set up for coach passes; Summer Championships £15pp, Winter Championships £7.50pp.
<b>PMN:</b>	SE SWR Regional	times issued and circulated to clubs.
22/14(c)	Masters	<p>(i) Lane draw for 2022 Masters Inter-County Competition at Millfield 13 November: 2 Dorset, 2 Glos, 4 Devon, 5 Wilts, 6 Cornwall, 7 Somerset.</p> <p>(ii) Mrs S Haigh to stand down as SWR Masters Secretary.</p>
22/14(d)	Open Water	No report/no SWR rep.
22/14(e)	Diving	No report.
22/14(f)	Synchronised Swimming	President to attend SW Champs in Plymouth.
22/14(g)	Water Polo	M Coles to stand down as SWR WP Secretary. The Bristol & West WP League has set up two new Junior WP Leagues for Mixed u/17s and Mixed u/15s to provide opportunity to compete for younger WP players. Matches are scheduled 1 Nov-31 March for the u/17s and Feb-Oct next year for the u/15s. It is hoped teams from DCASA clubs will participate.
22/14(h)	Officials	<p>National Swim Officials Group (reported to SWR SOG 6 Oct 2022):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FINA Rules update implemented by British Swimming anticipated at the year end. There will be a rapid cascade of the rules updated by Zoom and all licensed officials will be invited to attend a session as soon as they can.</li> <li>• Any licensed official with a licence expiry date this autumn who has not attended the current update launched in 2017 or studied for a new qualification since September 2017 will have to attend the FINA Rules update from 2017 before they can renew their licence. There is only one official in this category in Dorset and they will be offered a 1-2-1 opportunity should they wish to re-licence.</li> <li>• The mandatory requirement for J1 trainees to attend a L1 or L2 meet during their J1 practical training has been removed. Instead, if they wish to go on to study for J2, they will need to attend a L1/L2 meet as part of their 20 post experience hours before being able to enrol on J2.</li> <li>• The "Afro" hat is now an accepted swim hat in all competitions.</li> <li>• Certificates of Exemption replacing Certificates of Disability are being seen on poolside. They should be accepted without question.</li> <li>• PMN: L1/L2 meet applications must now include confirmation of the availability of a strobe which should be asked for at the time a swimmer makes their entry to a competition and should be provided (unless documented circumstances prevent this). Meets at L1/L2 must have a minimum water depth of 1.35m.</li> </ul>

**22/05 Any Other Business**

1. Expected closure of pools noted.

There being no further business the President closed the meeting at 20.54.

**Date of next meeting:** 16 February 2023  
**Venue** Zoom  
**Start** 19.30