



Patrons: Sharron Davies MBE, Stephanie Millward MBE

<u>Team Bath AS Network Committee</u> <u>Meeting Agenda</u>

Network Members:

Bradford on Avon, Calne Alpha Four, Chippenham, Corsham, Frome, Keynsham, Melksham, Norton Radstock, Trowbridge Westbury

Meeting to be held on

Monday 2nd October 2017 at 6.30pm in The Lecture Theatre, Bath University STV

Time

Welcome, Introductions & Housekeeping

- <u>Apologies for Absence</u>: Richie(CA4), Wendy Hood (TBAS), Terry Wilcox(NR), Dave B (Keynsham), Barry Heywood(Westbury), Kate Watts(TBAS), Nick Bown(TBAS), Sally Fowler(TBAS) Rebecca Smith (BoA)
- <u>Minutes of Previous Network Meeting</u> to be agreed and signed as true and correct record: approved will be published on website.
- <u>Update from Team Bath AS</u>: After the email sent out to all Network clubs that was read and received by all the meeting discussed the way forward for TBAS to become a sustainable club. The ASA has recommended that TBAS becomes a stand alone club to become sistainable. The recommendation is that they start the development by growing the club from the bottom post stage 7 swimmers. This will hopefully take place at a pool near to the Uni but recruiting from the 'Learn to swim programme at the Uni and local swim schools it will not 'poach from Network clubs. The future will see the club 'grow up to meet the performance programme. In the first instance a sub committee will need to be formed and a business plan submitted-Emily will liaise closely and help with this process. Lindsay supported this proposal as Bath needs a performance programme and this is the only way the club can be sustainable. Each Network club will have individual access points to the programme.

Chippenham club expressed concern, as to how this will affect their club and what happens to swimmers who can't progress to performance level. 14-18 year olds back to Network clubs at present but this is open to development as COB have a separate programme for 'retired swimmers(Lindsay).

Corsham are in support as are Trowbridge, BoA, NR,Frome. Westbury cautious as worried about Bath Dolphins reassured by Emily she will be in discussion with them and that TBAS will not be recruiting from the GLL pool that BD do at present-there is room in Bath for 2 clubs.

- Emily stated that finding a sustainable future for TBAS will have little impact on the Network Clubs in her opinion.
- Action for TBAS to form a sub committee and propose a business plan starting at 1 hour rising to 30 hours-report back in 4-6 months.

- Update from the Network clubs.
- Westbury; nothing to report still trying to work with pool management
- <u>BoA</u>; Rebecca Smith has taken over as Head Coach.Problems with pool management taking back pool time and no volunteers.
- Frome; AGM in November with big changes on the committee squads are building.
- <u>Chippenham</u>; Synchro and Masters developing, increasing numbers, extra pool time-all positive.
- <u>Trowbridge</u>; Healthy waiting list need more volunteers AGM in November.
- Corsham; did well at Wilts development meet continuing to grow.
- <u>Keynsham</u>; Retirement of Lynne Bartlett, long standing coach who will be missed.
 They are looking to form a sub committee to develop plans for when the pool is closed for re-development.
- Norton Radstock; Stephanie Millward MBE ran a Masterclass in September which was funded by a grant received from The Sperring Trust.
- John Warren said that Network should work together to help form a squad for the older 'retired 'performance swimmers -clubs to report back and discuss a solution its important to keep swimmers swimming as they are potential volunteers and coaches.
- Matters arising from Previous Minutes not covered by Agenda Items:
- Team manager 1 & 2 before Xmas. To investigate S&C course.
- Update on Network Development plan:
- AOB:
- TBAS AGM 27th November 2017
- Date & Time of Next Network Committee Meeting -TBC