



Warriors of Warrington Swimming Club

# Secretary Report for 2020 AGM

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- Summary of the year
  - The club embraced technology to keep swimmers motivated and involved along with parents up-to-date throughout the lockdown period. Many thanks to Darren and Tim for the landwork and to all the members who took part in the quizzes and videos we created.
  - Some changes within the committee with members stepping down during the year or not standing for re-election
  - Swim Camp 2020 took place with 34 swimmers attending in February and was an amazing experience for everyone involved, many thanks for the hardwork of the parent volunteers and Darren Ashley and Jonathan Gatley for making it happen. The club has booked to attend again next February.
  - Some of our swimmers have enjoyed trying open water swimming during the Lockdown period. Well done to any swimmers that have given this a go and to those that have gone on to compete in events such as the Epic Swim in Wigan and the Greater Manchester Swim. A few Warriors swimmers and parents also spent a great wet weekend in Bala enjoying the waves in the lake!
  
- Committee Changes
  - There has been some changes within the Committee:
    - Alison Smeltzer stepped down from the responsibility of Away Galas and the committee. The committee co-opted Lisa Kelly onto the committee to take on this role.
    - Zoe Moore stepped down from the responsibility of Fundraising and Community and the committee. This role has not been covered on the committee for the remainder of the year

- Martin Lakin stepped down from the responsibility of Memberships and the committee. This role has been covered by Stuart Davidson along his role as IT Support for the committee
    - Laura Gayter will not stand for re-election
    - Jo Burgess will not stand for re-election
    - Ste Critchley will not stand for re-election
  - The nomination form for committee members was emailed upon request to members.
  
- High Degree of attendance at monthly committee meetings:
  - A quorum has been present at all meetings
  - Since lockdown meetings have taken place via Zoom
  
- Actions and Decisions
  - Throughout the year 53 have been raised (Actions or Decisions)
  - Updates for all actions or decisions raised were provided at the following committee meeting and recorded on an actions log, of these 40 were closed.
  - The remainder will be reviewed by the chair with a view to close/ take further action as required
  
- The Future
  - Swim Camp is booked for 28 swimmers for next February in Cyprus and hopefully this will go ahead as planned. The swimmers and parents have done a fantastic job so far of fundraising. A notable event is the Manchester to Cyprus challenge which includes donating half of the money raised to the local charity St Roccas
  - Swimmers are starting to get back into the pool after the extended break from water time and it is vital that we continue to support everyone as they start to build back up their fitness levels and get back into the water.
  - Everything that happens within the club is down to the hard work and commitment of volunteers. I would like to personally thank any parents who may

have got involved over the last year as it really does make a difference to the lives and experiences of all the swimmers involved in the club. The club would not run without volunteers so please get involved if you can.

Many thanks for your continued support this year and helping to create a safe and enjoyable environment for all our swimmers to thrive.

Kate Vincent