



**President's report:**

I have pleasure in presenting the 2011/2012 Annual Report for Swimming Canterbury West Coast.

Over the past 12 months there have been a number of challenges that our sport has had to overcome because of the effects of the Earthquakes and it has been pleasing to see that with determination and resourcefulness we have been able to deliver on the outcomes necessary. One of the main indicators for success in our sport are the results in the pool and it is pleasing to see that all our competitive swimmers have performed admirably and with success both locally and nationally for which we congratulate them on. The number of Canterbury and New Zealand records that have been broken over the past 12 months is also testament to how well our swimmers are performing at the highest level.

Apart from having no 50m pool within region we do continue to have limited aquatic facilities in the greater Christchurch region to meet all the demands for competitive swimming and learn to swim organisations. However, with the Selwyn Aquatic Centre planned to open mid-2013, the re-build of an Aquatic Centre in the central city over the next 3 to 4 years and other private business providers looking at developing extra pool space in the region, things are finally starting to look encouraging.

There were a number of highlights this year that need to be mentioned; we successfully ran the regional championships outside of the region which was by no means a simple feat, we have worked with the Christchurch City Council and other aquatic users to get the Sports Pool at Jellie Park up to FINA standards for club meets including the retrofitting of electronic timing planned for late 2012 early 2013, we have launched the new web site to deliver a better quality information and service to clubs and we have had a number of swimmers, officials and coaches from within the region who have represented NZ for which we acknowledge these achievements.

Many thanks to all those volunteers and officials throughout the region, who have unselfishly given up their own valuable time to assist our sport, without this support we would in reality not be able to operate the various club and centre meets. To the coaches, whether they are employed full time or an unpaid volunteer, your contributions and achievements are invaluable and appreciated by all.

The past year has seen a myriad of complexities between regions and the National Body (SNZ) which has only compounded existing problems and resulted in the need for an Independent review. This review for which I was fortunate to be part of has 21 recommendations which I hope in the weeks ahead are accepted so that we can move ahead collectively and for the betterment of the sport.

Finally, I want to take this opportunity to thank the Management Committee and our Administrator (Jenny Jones) for their efforts, knowledge and support during the past 12 months; it has certainly made my job much easier.

Moved: Gill                                      Seconded: Ron                                      All in favour. Carried

**Financial Report:**

Previously circulated.

Moved: Liz                                      Seconded: Janice                                      All in favour. Carried

**Remits:**

**Remit 1**

**Officer positions: Rule 18a**

Currently reads:

- a. The Officers of the Regional Association shall consist of: Patron, President, Snr. Vice-President, and Jnr. Vice-President, who need not be delegates to the Regional Association. There shall also be an office to be known as "Immediate Past President", which shall automatically be held by the person who most recently held the office of President of the Regional Association.

Nominations for the Office of: President, Snr. Vice-President, Jnr. Vice-President, Selectors, Members of Management Committee, Technical Committee, Finance Committee, Public Relations Committee, Vacancy on Life Membership and Blazer Committee shall close with the Association's Administrator on **15 June in each year** and shall be promptly circulated to all Clubs at least four weeks prior to the Annual General Meeting.

Change to:

- a. The Officers of the Regional Association shall consist of: Patron, President, Vice-President, who need not be delegates to the Regional Association. There shall also be an office to be known as "Immediate Past President", which shall automatically be held by the person who most recently held the office of President of the Regional Association.

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Rationale

To bring constitution in line with current make up of the committee which no longer differentiates between Snr and Jnr Vice-President.

Moved Christine

Seconded: Marlene

All in favour. Carried

**Remit 2**

**Rule 18i: Management Committee and Coaches Representative**

Currently reads:

Management Committee: - The affairs of the Regional Association shall be conducted and governed by the Management Committee of the Regional Association. For the purpose of this rule the Management Committee shall consist of: President of the Region, who shall be Chairman, Snr. Vice-President, Jnr. Vice-President, Immediate Past President, Administrator and such other elected members, who need not be delegates, as will bring the strength up to, but not exceeding 11 persons.

Change to:

Management Committee: - The affairs of the Regional Association shall be conducted and governed by the Management Committee of the Regional Association.

For the purpose of this rule the Management Committee shall consist of: President of the Region, who shall be Chairman, Vice-President, Immediate Past President, Administrator and such other elected members, who need not be delegates, as will bring the strength up to, but not exceeding 11 persons. A Coaches Representative, elected by the Coaches, can bring the number to 12 persons if necessary.

Rationale:

To bring constitution in line with current make up of the committee which no longer differentiates between Snr and Jnr Vice-President. The inclusion of a Coaches Representative on the committee has been current practice for some years, however it was never the intent of the Management Committee when making this position available, that it would be at the expense of the clubs' representation.

Moved: Christine

Seconded: Neil.

All in favour. Carried

**Remit 3**

**Rule 22h: Senior Vice President**

Currently reads:

At all meetings of the Regional Association unless otherwise specifically provided by these rules the President shall preside, and in his absence the Senior Vice-President shall preside.

Change to

At all meetings of the Regional Association unless otherwise specifically provided by these rules the President shall preside, and in their absence the Vice-President shall preside.

Rationale:

To bring constitution in line with current make up of the committee which no longer differentiates between Snr and Jnr Vice-President and is not gender specific.

Moved: Ron.

Seconded: Vicky.

All in favour. Carried

**Remit 4**

**Rule 19 a(iv): Awards Committee**

Currently reads:

There shall be a committee called the Awards Committee consisting of three elected members plus the President and Administrator of the Regional Association (ex-officio). The composition of the Awards Committee shall be:

- One Life Member of the Regional Association
- One Honours Award Holder of the Regional Association
- One Service Award Holder of the Regional association

One member shall retire by rotation annually, and be replaced at the Annual General Meeting by a Member **with the same qualifications or higher**. The retiring member shall be eligible for re-election. The order of retirement shall be decided by ballot immediately after the first election. If for any reason a position becomes vacant out of rotation, a replacement by a member of **with the same qualifications or higher** shall be elected to serve the remainder of the term of that position.

Change to:

There shall be a committee called the Awards & Selectors Committee consisting of three elected members plus the President and Administrator of the Regional Association (ex-officio). The composition of the Awards & Selectors Committee shall be:

Three Selectors appointed at the AGM, one of which must be a Life Member if available.

These members shall be elected annually at the AGM.

Rationale:

The current criteria for composition of the Awards Committee is archaic and difficult to implement. Many affiliated members capable and willing to fulfill this role would not, or do not, meet the current strict criteria.

It is the responsibility of the Awards Committee to determine all Life Membership, Honours Awards and Service Awards at regional and national AGMs.

It is the responsibility of the Selectors to forward nominations for regional and national sports awards. Much of this work is doubled-up by the two committees. Combining the two committees would ensure the appointment process of the Awards committee is updated, and a more efficient method of selections and nominations of awards at all levels is implemented.

The retention of a Life Member on the Awards & Selectors Committee remains essential to ensure traditional knowledge is not lost.

Moved: Zelda                                      Seconded: Lesley                                      All in favour.                                      Carried

**Possible further remits:**

If the above remit is passed then an amendment will need to be made to the following rules:

**Remit 5**

**Rule 18 Officers and Officials:**

Currently reads

Nominations for the Office of: President, Vice-President, Selectors, Members of Management Committee, Technical Committee, Finance Committee, Public Relations Committee, Vacancy on Life Membership and Blazer Committee shall close with the Association’s Administrator on **15 June in each year** and shall be promptly circulated to all Clubs at least four weeks prior to the Annual General Meeting.

Change to:

Nominations for the Office of: President, Vice-President, Members of Management Committee, Awards & Selectors Committee, Technical Committee, Finance Committee, Public Relations Committee, shall close with the Association’s Administrator on **15 June in each year** and shall be promptly circulated to all Clubs at least four weeks prior to the Annual General Meeting.

Rationale:

To bring wording into line with that of remit 4

Moved: Gill                                      Seconded: Zelda                                      All in favour.                                      Carried

**Remit 6**

**Rule 18b Officials of the region**

Currently reads:

The Officials of the Region shall consist of: Hon Sports Doctor(s), Hon Solicitor and 3 Selectors and such other officials as the Regional Association shall determine."

Change to:

The Officials of the Region shall consist of: Hon Sports Doctor(s), Hon Solicitor and 3 Award/Selectors and such other officials as the Regional Association shall determine.

Rationale:

To bring wording into line with that of remit 4

Moved: Christine                      Seconded: Liz                      All in favour.                      Carried

**Remit 7**

**Rule 22 Meetings:**

Currently reads:

Election of Awards Committee

Election of 3 Selectors

Change to:

Election of 3 Award & Selector Committee members

Rationale:

To bring wording into line with that of remit 4

Moved: Marlene                      Seconded: Gill                      All in favour.                      Carried

**Election of Officers for 2012/13:**

Scrutineers appointed:

Returning officer: Ron

Scrutineers: Jan

**President:**

Candidates:

Wayne Rollinson.

Moved: Templeton      Seconded Liz.                      All in favour.                      Duly appointed

**Vice President:**

Janice Rennell.

Moved: Jasi                      Seconded Wayne                      All in favour.                      Duly appointed

**Coaches Representative:**

Brigitte Mahan

Moved: Coaches                      Seconded Ron                      All in favour.                      Duly appointed

**Management Committee:**

Candidates:

Fiona Campbell	Wharenui
Christine Cassin	Halswell
Lesley Huckins	Wharenui
Neil Porter	AquaGym
Graham Scammell	AquaGym
Kathy Wilson	QEII
Brian Pitt	North Canterbury

Janice moved all nominees be appointed. Seconded Vicky. All in favour. Duly Appointed

**Selectors:**

Gill Cain	Wharenu
Fiona Campbell	Wharenu
Christine Cassin	Halswell
Marlene Morrison	Wharenu

Marlene – Automatically appointed as Life Member to the committee  
 After a vote the following people were elected:  
 Gill and Fiona

Ron moved papers destroyed. Marlene seconded. All in favour. Carried

**Technical Committee:**

Ron Clarke  
 Lesley Huckins  
 Robert Johnston  
 Christine Cassin  
 Geoff Bryce

Moved Wayne. Seconded Zelda. All in favour. Duly appointed

**National examiner:** Lesley Huckins Appointed by SNZ. Seconded Gill

**Centre Examiner:** Robert Johnston Moved: Templeton Seconded Christine

**West Coast Examiner:** Rick Cairney Moved: Gill. Seconded Zelda

**Honorary Doctor:** Colin Chin Moved: SCWC Seconded Marlene

**Honorary Solicitor:** Michael Toomey Moved: SCWC Seconded Gill

**Finance Committee:**

**Christine Cassin.** Moved Jenny. Seconded Wayne. All in favour. Carried  
**Janice Rennell:** Moved Wayne. Seconded Christine. All in favour. Carried  
**Wayne Rollinson:** Moved Janice. Seconded Christine. All in favour. Carried

**Public Relations committee (Publicity Person):**

**Auditor.** Peter Davidson & Associates  
 Moved Liz. Seconded Christine. All in favour. Carried

**Trustees for the Doreen Brown Trust:**

Marlene Morrison  
 Michael Toomey  
 Jim Turpin

**Selectors & Awards committee:****Recommendations from the Selectors & Awards Committee:**

Service awards:  
 Mesdames Margaret Crawford (Greymouth); Karen Hayes, Clare Pitt (North Canterbury); Margaret Fiveash (Templeton); Cindy Hutchins (Wharenu)  
 Messrs: Tony Hutchins, Frank McMaster (Wharenu); Chris Kershaw (North Canterbury)

Honours awards: Ms Jenny Jones, Mr Huia Mikara (Templeton)

Life Membership: Mrs Gill Cain (Wharenu)

## **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

- Gill expressed thanks on behalf of all members to President Wayne Rollinson for his leadership during a very difficult post earthquake year and for his efforts in helping our sport recover and move forward.
- Wayne has been involved with the Working Group for Swimming in NZ which put together 21 recommendations which had been passed at the SNZ SGM the previous day at which he attended. Auckland and Nelson Marlborough abstained as they felt they could not vote for this under their own constitution. Wayne advised Sue Suckling has been appointed Governance Administrator of SNZ until such time as new directors and a new CEO are appointed.

Peter Burgon asked if a timeline had been made, Wayne said had not been as yet but would be quick. He advised that next step from here was that Chris Moller and John Anderson would be looking at the process of director appointments.

- Wayne spoke on the current state of swimming in the region: SCWC is awaiting confirmation from EQ Trust for \$200,000 applied to refurbish Jellie Park; SCWC may have to contribute up to \$35,000. Selwyn Pool is on time for opening next May, is restricted on seating but available for club meets. CCC Plan to be advised on Tuesday so everyone would be in a better position to know state of pools in Christchurch after this. Suzy Sugrue asked when electronics would be available at the refurbished Jellie Park pool. Wayne said probably some time between December-February when the outdoor pool opens.
- Suzy Sugrue asked about 2013 Canterbury West Coast Championships; Wayne advised meet would be split into two with a separate Junior Championships now taking place in December. Wayne explained logic behind this decision, ie the need to look after all swimmers in region, committee had looked at other regions to see their juniors programmes, to keep costs down to families, and to keep the time frame of the Championships shorter.
- Lawrence Taylor asked about separate gender racing as some girls found it difficult to swim against the boys in the top heat due to the wake created in the pool. Brigitte said she would take this back to the coaches next meeting for their consideration.
- Greg asked if anyone was going to Elsie Horner's retirement dinner. Elsie is stepping down after a many decades of involvement with the sport at all levels.
- Lesley thanked SCWC on behalf of officials for its assistance and Jenny for securing funding enabling them to travel and gain experience at national meets.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2.03pm after which President Wayne Rollinson invited those present to partake of coffee and cake.