

Memorandum

To: SWA Region Club Presidents, Regional Coordinators

CC: Carolyn Morrison (GM Performance and People), Darren Beazley (CEO), Country Swimming Committee

From: Georgi Powers (Development Manager)

Subject: SWA Country Swimming Committee May Meeting Outcomes

Date: Monday, 27 May 2019

Good afternoon all,

The Swimming WA Country Swimming Committee (CSC) met on Thursday 23 May. This Memorandum highlights some of the key outcomes from that meeting that the Association wishes to convey to the Membership;

Country Pennants Rule Changes

The CSC Committee agreed to adopt the rule change for Rule 4, regarding the facilities of pools eligible for hosting Country Pennants. The rule change now reads:

“The competition is to be held annually in a pool of 50 metre length with a minimum of six (6) lanes. ***Diving blocks at both ends of the pool are preferred.*** The pool must comply with facility rules as per Swimming Australia (SAL) and Swimming WA competition requirements.”

In addition, Clubs are to follow the Swimming Australia Diving Entry for Competitive Swimming Policy and utilise the Diving Competency checklist.

The CSC Committee agreed to adopt the rule change for Rule 10.2, regarding the facilities of pools eligible for hosting Country Pennants. The rule change now reads:

“In accordance with Swimming WA competition rules, swimmers for relays need ***must be named*** at the time of nomination.”

The Committee received requests for additions to the Country Pennants programme from Clubs. The following requests were received;

- **10& Under Relay Divisions changed to Mixed Relays**

This was taken under consideration with the Committee agreeing to keep 10 & Under relays as Boys and Girls, stating that this may have been anomaly due to Karratha being cost inhibitive to travel. In the long term, every Clubs has different demographics and could be an argument for other age groups.

- **Mixed 6 x 50 Relay added**

After consideration, the Committee agreed that this event should be encouraged at Region Meet level only and would push the time line out further at Country Pennants.

- **Creating Atmosphere on Deck**

The Committee agreed that the rotation of Clubs needs to be maintained and that Clubs need to encourage supporters to come out to pool deck at chosen times to support their swimmers.

- **Order of Presentation**

The Committee agreed to grouping certificates for each Swimmer to give more order and context to the Presentations. This will be included in the developing Country Pennants Tool Kit.

Should you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact the Swimming WA office (08) 9328 4599.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Georgi Powers".

Georgi Powers

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