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# Minutes of the League AGM of Swim England Suffolk held via zoom on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2023 at 10am

### **ATTENDEES:**

lan Cotton	IC	Chairman	Nicki Hall	NH	Deben
Chris Vinter	CV	Secretary	Nick Thompson	NT	St Felix
Paul Bowman	РВ	Newmarket	Sylvia Harrison	SH	Stowmarket
Stephen Bunclark	SB	Deben	Debs Greenhalgh	DG	West Suffolk
Vicki Emmerson	VE	Leiston			

## 1. Apologies

Sarah Elmer	SE	Championship Sec	Chris Bellwood	CB	MB
Lesley Beevor	LB	Treasurer	Tanya Mason	TB	Stowmarket
Sue Purchase	SP	St Felix	John North	JN	MB







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#### 2. League Report 2023

A total of 6 teams participated in the Suffolk League this summer. Many thanks to Newmarket and Stowmarket for hosting on behalf of the County.

A late announcement to dates for Regional competition gave rise to a date clash for Round 1, but clubs were happy for the original date to be kept.

The Grand Final took place at Crown Pools on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June and was a well contested event. In fact, the overall result was only confirmed when the scores for the relays and jokers were added in. Congratulations to all the winners: Grand Final and Girls winners – Newmarket; League and Boys winners – Stowmarket.

It is proposed to keep the same events in each round next year.

Suggested dates for 2024 are 20<sup>th</sup> April, 18<sup>th</sup> May and 29<sup>th</sup> June (Grand Final).

Having taken over running the League in 2016, I feel that the time has come to hand over the reins to someone new. I will be around to support in the background for the coming year.

Newmarket	
Stowmarket	
Deben	
Leiston	
Felixstowe	
Hadleigh	

Round 1					Round 2				Grand Final					Combined			
	Girls	Boys	Mixed	Total	Girls	Boys	Mixed	Total	Girls	Boys	Mixed	Total	Girls	Boys	Mixed	Total	
	107	99	22	228	99	85	20	204	116	126	28	270	322	310	70	702	
:	83	114	22	219	101	109	23	233	97	145	25	267	281	368	70	719	
	106	67	14	187	102	95	15	212	110	114	18	242	318	276	47	641	
	67	63	14	144	66	72	12	150	66	73	14	153	199	208	40	447	
	44	63	6	113	49	57	10	116	45	64	12	121	138	184	28	350	
	33	37	6	76	0	0	0	0	51	49	7	107	84	86	13	183	

SE confirmed that the format of this year's competition had been well received by the competing Clubs and generally everything had gone well.







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#### 3. Discuss and Agree League Rules for 2024

The proposed rules previously submitted were agreed by all attendees.

#### 4. Agree Dates for 2024

It was suggested that the dates of next years competition could be, 13<sup>th</sup> April, 18<sup>th</sup> May and 29<sup>th</sup> June. These would need to be checked against possible conflict with other competitions including Regional dates.

#### 5. AOB

SB raised an issue regarding the Development Meet times and in particular the disadvantage of some swimmers due to the realigned 2024 County qualifying times. IC accepted that this was an issue but nothing could be done at this late stage. The Development meet times had been set based on the 2023 County QT's and this worked when the Development meet was held in June. Options to align times in 2024 will be considered.



