

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN MASTERS WATER POLO ASSOCIATION, HELD AT RONDEBOSCH BOYS HIGH SCHOOL, CAPE TOWN ON WEDNESDAY 13TH MARCH 2024 AT 18H00

IN ATTENDANCE:

AS PER THE ATTENDANCE REGISTER

1. WELCOME

1.1 The Chairman, Mr Jared Wingate-Pearce welcomed all persons attending the 2024 Annual General Meeting.

2. APOLOGIES/ ATTENDANCE

2.1 Provinces in attendance were:

- Border
- Central Gauteng
- Easterns
- Natal
- Northerns
- Western Province
- Zambia
- Zimbabwe

2.2 Apologies:

- Eastern Province – proxy given to Border

2.3 Attendance was as per the attendance register attached hereto.

3. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING DATED 08TH MARCH 2023

3.1 There being no matters arising and was proposed by Brett Redelinghuis from Western Province and seconded by Richard Potter from Central Gauteng.

4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

4.1 On behalf of all the SA Masters Waterpolo players, Jared Wingate-Pearce extended their sincere condolences to the family and friends of players who had passed away since the last AGM namely:

2024	Peter Doyle	Gauteng
2023	Greg Brill	Gauteng
2023	Carl Dysan	Northerns
2023	Trevor Bawden	Easterns

4.2 Chairman's report - copy attached to minutes.

- Great to have the tournament in Cape Town.
- 44 teams – 10 in the Open section thanks mainly to Currie Cup being cancelled by SSA.
- The five (5) age groups are all well represented.
- Sincere thanks to the MOB LOC for arranging the tournament and for especially handling the late change in venue to RBHS.

4.3 There being no matters arising it was proposed by Chris Beale from Easterns and seconded by Richard Potter from Central Gauteng.

5. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

5.1 Copies distributed via email as well as attached to minutes.

5.2 Salient points from the treasurer's report:

- Old Standard Bank account managed by Neville Clarence was closed as he stepped down as chairman.
- Funds were transferred to a new Capitec account under Ian van Zyl's personal capacity
 - Bank: CAPITEC
 - Account no: 2105300320
 - Savings Plan: SA Masters Waterpolo
- Separate savings plan created for SA Masters Waterpolo.
- Interest and Bank Charges
 - Bank charges have dropped substantially as the monthly charge is absorbed by the account holder.
 - The bank charges reflected on the income statement are in effect for payments made from the SA Masters account balance.
- Costumes
 - Some new costumes were purchased to cover 2024 awards.
 - There are 42 costumes (Xtra Small, Small and Medium) across the 10yr and 20yr awards which are not really of appropriate Masters size.
 - Additional costumes will be purchased this year to cover the general sizes – Large, X Large, Double and Triple XL sizes with the odd 4XL.
- 2024 Subs will remain unchanged at R50/player.

5.3 There being no other queries arising from the financials, acceptance was proposed by Mike von Bardeleben of Northern and seconded by Chris Beale of Easterns.

6. **NOMINATIONS FOR NEW OFFICE BEARERS**

6.1 The following members were elected: -

Executive

Jared Wingate-Pearse	-	Chairman
Ian van Zyl	-	Secretary
Ian van Zyl	-	Treasurer

Representatives

Central Gauteng	-	Richard Potter & Jonathan Abbott
Western Province	-	Brett Redelinghuis & Rod Panagos
Border	-	Andrew Reeves & Derek Breetske
Eastern Province	-	Rob Rowles & Gavin Metzler

Natal	-	Donn Stewart & Gregg Higgs
Northerns	-	Mike von Bardeleben & Peter Blaauw
Easterns	-	Chris Beale & AN Other
Zimbabwe	-	Rob Hammond & Paul Harley
Zambia	-	David Chilvers (approved at 2023 AGM)

Blue = new member

Red = AN Other (TBA)

6.2 Updated details of provincial representatives are attached hereto.

7. SOUTH AFRICAN MASTERS WATER POLO CHAMPIONSHIPS 2025-2026

7.1 As per the 2023 AGM Minutes and the resultant WhatsApp messaging, Western Province were awarded the 2024 tournament with the option to renew for 2025.

7.2 Western Province politely declined the 2025 hosting as they could not guarantee a venue for 2025.

7.3 Border (East London) stated that they were happy to host the 2025 tournament for two years.

7.4 General consensus by all present that Border be afforded the opportunity to host the 2025 tournament – motion carried.

8. SELECTION OF A DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

8.1 For any disciplinary hearing required at the tournament, the following will be required to be present:

- Tournament directors
- Referees involved in the game
- Chairman of SAMWP

8.2 Provinces to provide suitably qualified referees to assist if called upon.

9. GENERAL

9.1 2025 venue – refer #7 above

9.2 Ladies team participation at SA Masters Waterpolo

9.2.1 Although there are many ladies teams partaking in the various leagues across the country, to date, there has not been a Ladies team entered at the annual Masters tournament.

9.2.2 Currently there is no critical mass for specific Ladies league, the general consensus was that Masters needs to make allowance for Ladies teams to play at the event.

9.2.3 Ladies team(s) should:

- Be afforded the opportunity to initially select the age group they would like to participate in (e.g. a younger team playing in an older age group)

- The standard Masters age grouping should be applied, however, it may be subject to change as suggested by the LOC and approved by the Chairman of SA Masters Waterpolo.

9.2.4 The Provincial representatives were tasked with encouraging their Ladies teams to partake at the annual SA Masters Waterpolo tournament.

9.3 Age Groupings and Handicapping

9.3.1 A concern was raised – especially in the 60+ age group – where an older player (70) has to contest with an opponent who is a lot younger (55).

9.3.2 It was suggested that Masters review its process of determining the age grouping a team should play in based on the youngest member in that team (World Masters rule) vs the SA rule of the youngest seven (7).

9.3.3 Since SA does not have the volume of Masters players per age group, it would be difficult to apply this rule without causing some teams to fold and not attend the tournament.

9.3.4 It was deemed that the next LOC should determine and report back at the 2025 AGM.

9.4 Additional Attendance Awards

9.4.1 The members were asked to consider the award of a 35 year costume.

9.4.2 **This motion did not carry.**

9.5 Capitation to Swim SA as recorded in the Constitution.

9.5.1 Anyone may capitate with Swim South Africa (SSA) at any time.

9.5.2 If a local team wishes to attend an international waterpolo tournament that is affiliated to World Masters, then those team members would have to be capitated to Swim South Africa.

9.5.3 By general consensus, the reference to all SA waterpolo players having to be capitated to SSA should be removed from the SA Masters Waterpolo Constitution.

9.5.4 This motion carried – no objections.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

10.1 The date of the next Annual General Meeting will be on the Wednesday night prior to the commencement of the 2025 tournament – dates to be finalised.

11. CLOSURE

11.1 There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 19h15.



Chairman

2024-03-19

Date

Attendance Register:

Chairman	Jared Wingate-Pearse	Present	jaredwp8@gmail.com
Secretary	Ian van Zyl	Present	ianvanzyl@gmail.com
Finance	Ian van Zyl	Present	ianvanzyl@gmail.com
Border	Andrew Reeves	Present	andrew@reevesgroup.co.za
Central Gauteng	Richard Potter	Present	richard@hilltop215.co.za
	Jonathan Abbott	Present	jonathan@waxedmedia.co.za
Eastern Province	Rob Rowles	Apologies	rowlesr@arhs.co.za
	Gavin Metzeler	Apologies	gavin@algoabatteries.co.za
Easterns	Chris Beale	Present	cbeale@telkomsa.net
Natal	Donn Stewart	Present	donn@shongwenibrewery.com
	Gregg Higgs	Apologies	gregg.higgs8@gmail.com
Northerns	Mike von Bardeleben	Present	mike7@mweb.co.za
	Peter Blaauw	Present	peter@blaauwfamily.co.za
Western Province	Brett Redelinghuis	Present	brettredd@gmail.com
	Rod Panagos	Present	rod@actionpursuit.co.za
Zambia	David Chilvers	Present	lukugems@gmail.com
Zimbabwe	Rob Hammond	Present	robh@zol.co.zw
	Paul Harley	Present	paulharley@afrihost.co.za

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**SOUTH AFRICAN MASTERS WATER POLO
MESSAGE FROM THE Maties Old Boys Committee**

On behalf of the SA Masters Water Polo Committee and the LOC of the Maties Old Boys team, I would like to welcome you all to the 34th Annual SA Masters Water Polo Tournament.

We extend a special welcome to all teams who have travelled from afar, most notably our water polo friends from Brazil. It is wonderful to have you with us, to add your own special culture and flair to the event.

Thanks must go out to Rondebosch Boys High School for accommodating us at this brilliant water polo venue, especially as the Newlands pool withdrew their availability to host the tournament despite long planning discussions in place. We thank the headmaster, Mr Shaun Simpson and his team, for working on short timeframes to make this possible.

2024 is a very significant year for water polo, with the World Championships and Paris Olympics occurring within a few months of each other, and surely the perfect curtain-raiser for it all is the SA Masters tournament. We are looking forward to welcoming finely tuned athletes of all shapes, ages and sizes into the pool to contest the various divisions. Above all, the spirit of this competition is what is actually important. We hope you all use this opportunity to connect with your friends and teammates from the water polo community, enjoy the water polo and festivities, and reminisce about wonderful times you have spent playing this amazing sport.

Masters water polo has a wealth of experience, knowledge and resource that provide an important stakeholder group to contribute to the health of water polo in South Africa- so please consider yourself both an important part of the past, but also of the future of South African water polo. That is something to be celebrated.

Enjoy the tournament and bring the gees.

Duncan Woods
LOC committee member

SOUTH AFRICAN MASTERS WATER POLO

INCOME STATEMENT

INCOME	2024	2023	2022
Interest earned on Savings Account	1,669	486	368
Subscription from Previous Masters	16,414	17,650	
Sale of costumes			
Bad Debts Recovered / Written Off			
TOTAL INCOME :	18,083	18,136	368
EXPENDITURE			
Costumes	4,875	8,580	
Trophies	5,497	3,738	
Web support	690	755	755
Replacement caps			
Travel, Disbursements, etc.			
Bank Charges	10	775	279
Honorium			
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	11,072	13,848	1,034
PROFIT/(LOSS) FOR PERIOD	7,011	4,288	-666

BALANCE SHEET FOR PERIOD ENDING 31 MARCH	2024	2023	2022
CURRENT ASSETS			
Costumes on hand - 30 year :			
20 year :			
10 year :			
Debtors			
Caps			
Standard Bank Savings Account	39,098	35,824	27,798
TOTAL ASSETS	39,098	35,824	27,798
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Costumes			
Trophies	0	-3,738	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	0	-3,738	0
CAPITAL EMPLOYED			
39,098	32,086	27,798	
EMPLOYMENT OF CAPITAL			
Retained earnings previous year	32,086	27,798	28,464
Value of Caps to be written off			
Profit/(Loss) current year	7,011	4,288	-666
EFFECTIVE SURPLUS	39,098	32,086	27,798

TROPHY WINNERS - SA MASTERS WATER POLO – CAPE TOWN (RONDEBOSCH) 2024

Section: OPEN

AWARD	TITLE	2024
Winners	Alan Dickie Memorial Trophy	SACS Old Boys
Runners up		Rondebosch Meerkrats
Best Player	John Wells Floating Trophy	Jono Swanepoel
Best Goalie	Keith van der Spuy Floating Trophy	Matt Kemp

Section: 30+

AWARD	TITLE	2024
Winners	Neville Clarence Floating Trophy	Maties Old Boys
Runners up		Sleeves
Best Player	Paul Semple Floating Trophy	Alex Watt-Pringle
Best Goalie	Alan Kaye Floating Trophy	Marvyn Killian

Section: 40+

AWARD	TITLE	2024
Winners	Des Foster Memorial Trophy	QP Geezers
Runners up		Vatos Locos
Best Player	Terry Downes Floating Trophy	Brent Wiltshire
Best Goalie	Ronnie de Fin Floating Trophy	Chunky Dempster

Section: 50+

AWARD	TITLE	2024
Winners	Mike Samuel Floating Trophy	RWC Rogues
Runners up		Master Brasillia
Best Player	Ted Townsend Floating Trophy	Allessandro Checchinato
Best Goalie	Neville Davies Floating Trophy	Gus Woolridge

Section: 60+

AWARD	TITLE	2024
Winners		Coelacanth Extincts
Runners up		Geriatrics
Best Player		Mike Nahon
Best Goalie		Keith van der Spuy

Other

TITLE	2024
Kenny McLean Spirit of Masters	Oscar Chalupsky
Peter Louw Team Spirit Award	GOB Disco Ballers
Paul Semple Walking Stick – oldest player	Arthur da Costa – 82yrs
Breetzke Brothers Floating Trophy - Best Defender	Josh Faber
Craig Nancarrow Floating Trophy – most flamboyant player	Riley Nielson
“Owen Stokie award” presented by QP Geezers	Neville Clarence