

## Adelaide Swords Club (ASC)

**Venue:** Hungarian Club of South Australia – Osmond Terrace, Norwood  
**Date:** Wednesday, 29 September 2010  
**Time:** 7.30pm

### MINUTES

**Present:** Lise Jensen, Stuart Marshall, Barbara Oerman, Bruce Oerman, Ursula Menz, Philippa Horton, Allan Pring, Paul Carter, Daniel Moore, Brett Aistrophe, Erica Williamson, Bruce Dawson, Jahan Penny-Dimri, Zhadanovich Kirill, Steve McClure, David Brautigan, Craig Staehr, Alex Lovell, Andrea Barratt

**Apologies:** Seri Wilson, Matteo Barchesi, Michael Dzodzozos, Frances Williams, Shayne Pay, Adrian Murphy, Leon Thomas

#### 1. Minutes from Previous Meeting

The minutes from the previous AGM (14 October 2009) were presented and read by all present.

Motion to accept the minutes: Stuart Marshall.  
Seconded: Steve McClure.  
No dissent; motion passed.

#### 2. Business arising from last year's minutes

Nil.

#### 3. President's Report

Delivered by Paul Carter. In summary

- 2009/10 has been a challenging year; some people have moved on from fencing but new talent has emerged.
- There has been a strong development of coaches, and through them junior fencing. Thanks are given to Leon, Adrian, Ursula and Kira, as well as the parents.
- Development of sabre thanks to generous donation of Allan Pring
- Biggest challenge facing the club is the search for a venue
- Fencing SA's proposal to share a venue has been the source of much debate
- The club has a medium-term plan to find a new venue that is more suitable
- Paul has been involved with the club for 13 years, and has been President for 7. He is stepping down as distance and work commitments are hampering his ability to run the club.
- He has never regretted his involvement with the club, and has treasured his family's involvement and the friendships he has made over the years.

#### 4. Treasurer's Report

At the start of the financial year (1 July 2009) the club had \$21,300.  
At the end of the financial year (30 June 2010) the club has \$23,400.  
This is in out ANZ bank account and ING account.

Comparing the 09/10 financial year to the 08/09 year, there has been a drop in rent, despite the same premises (due to not being charged over the summer break). Fundraising is down as well.

There has been an increase in advertising charges (yellow pages/SENSIS). The income is down, but so are expenses overall.

A copy of the Auditor's report was made available to the meeting. There were no financial issues in it.

Steve McClure asked why fundraising is down, and what the club does. In 09/10, the main fundraiser was the canteen at the Robyn Chaplin Memorial Tournament.

Motion to pass the Treasurer's Report: Steuve McClure.  
Seconded: Bruce Dawson.  
No dissent; motion passed.

## **5. New committee**

### 5.1 Nominations

Paul Carter declared all positions vacant. Paul nominated himself to chair the remainder of the meeting, as he would not be running for any positions. (Moved: Steve McClure; seconded: Lara Tutty; no dissent).

The following nominations were received:

President: Alex Lovell, Allan Pring

Vice President: Ursula Menz

Treasurer: Stuart Marshall

Secretary: Erica Williamson

General Committee: Bruce Oerman

Brett Aistrope

Matteo Barchesi (in absentia)

Michael Dzodzoz (in absentia)

Seri Wilson (in absentia)

Todd Miller (in absentia)

### 5.2 Position of President

Both nominees for the position of President gave a short speech outlining their aims. Both candidates focused on increasing membership, club funds, coaches and finding a venue.

A secret ballot was held to allow the members to vote.

Results: Allan Pring, 17. Alex Lovell, 2.

Allan Pring declared President.

### 5.3 Other positions

As the other positions were not contested, and the Constitution allows for unlimited General Committee members, all the other positions were declared filled as listed above. Alex Lovell accepted a position as a General Committee member.

Motion to accept the new committee: Lise Jensen.  
Seconded: Lara Tutty.  
No dissent; motion passed.

## **6. Any Other Business**

Thanks were given to Paul Carter, Lara Tutty and Lise Jensen for the time they have served on the committee, as President, Treasurer and Secretary respectively. They have given a total of at least 15 years of service to the club between them.

Meeting closed 7:56pm