## NIAGARA DISTRICT MEETING -- MINUTES -- AUGUST 4, 1990 EMPIRE STATE GAMES -- SYRACUSE

PRESENT: Betty Barry (Secretary), Grace Houghton (Newsletter Coordinator), Norbert Olzmann (Binghamton Representative), Kay Turner (Treasurer), Bill Walter (Chairman). The meeting was called to order at 3:35 P.M.

BYLAWS The bylaws will be printed in the September Newsletter with appropriate strikeouts/redlining to indicate changes. Notice will be included that the suggested revisions will be voted on at the annual meeting.

## CALENDAR -- 1990/91

- 1) <u>SEPTEMBER</u> The September 23 meet request by the University of Rochester will be discouraged because it is too early in the season.\*
- 2) OCTOBER The University of Buffalo meet request for either 10/14, 10/21 or 10/28 will not be sanctioned for the 10/28 date because it falls too close to the 11/4 Binghamton meet date.
- 3) NOVEMBER Binghamton will hold their meet on Sunday, November 4.
- 4) <u>DECEMBER</u> It was agreed to approve the request from the University of Rochester for the 12/16 date.\*
- 5) <u>JANUARY</u> Syracuse wants to host a January meet. However, it will be as late as mid-September before their pool calendar is set and they can request a specific date.
- 6) <u>FEBRUARY</u> No written request has yet been received, but MCC indicated an interest in hosting their distance meet or a pentathlon-type meet.
- 7) MARCH There have been no requests for meets this month.
- 8) APRIL The State meet will be hosted by Binghamton and Syracuse in Syracuse April 6. The University of Buffalo has also requested a meet for the month of April -- either 4/21 or 4/28.\*
- 9) MAY MCC would like to hold a meet in May -- either 5/4 or 5/12.\*\*
  The University of Rochester has asked for sanction of a meet 5/12.\*
- 10) JUNE/JULY The University of Buffalo has requested a long course meet for either June or July.\* They are also planning to hold a clinic in July. Empire State Games will be held the last weekend in July of 1991 in Albany.

Jim Goodenough would be asked to contact those who have not indicated in writing their sanction requests. Jim would also be asked to contact U.B. and the U. of R. to convey the Board's decisions on their requests.

EMPIRE STATE GAMES The 1989 Games records were never updated after last year's results. Swimmers will be asked (in the Newsletter) to write to Victor Holl if they know they broke records last year to facilitate his job of going over the "results" from the 1989 meet. A concern was also expressed for the practice of swimming two to a lane in the distance events with men and women sharing lanes. It was also noted that one man had done a flip turn and came up in the next lane, swimming a considerable distance before realizing what had happened after colliding with one of the two women in the lane.

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FEES The decision was made (based on last year's promise not to raise dues again because of the size of the increase in the fall of 1989) that the LMSC dues would remain the same (\$23) this year. That information will go out in the first Newsletter along with the new form from the Registrar.

NEWSLETTER George McVey had sent word that he wished the deadline for the first Newsletter to be September 1, with the issue mailout as soon after that as possible. However, several felt that waiting a few weeks to allow the calendar to be firmed up was a better approach so that as detailed an outline of the year as possible could be distributed.

The first issue should include the bylaws, notice of the annual meeting, the calendar, the new registration form and necessary information, any meet sheets available (Binghamton 11/4), future deadlines, and 1989 ESG records. No records were available for comparison for swimmers to guage their 1990 performances. Grace will handle the preparation of the <u>Gazette</u>.

SANCTIONS The outline submitted by George McVey for sanctioning meets was discussed and approved. It will be used when granting sanction requests.

1993 EMPIRE STATE GAMES BID A discussion of any possible Masters participation in the bid negotiations or actual handling of the Games should Rochester be granted them in 1993 was tabled due to lack of information.

Respectfully Submitted,

Betty J. Barry, Secretary

\* It was decided to limit non-Masters groups (e.g. the U. of R., U.B., and the Fairport age group team) to one meet per calendar year, unless there were time periods when no Masters sponsored meet was requested; thus it would be in the best interest of Niagara swimmers to allow additional meets. Masters groups would be limited only if necessary to allow other Masters clubs to host meets.

\*\* MCC (Kay Turner) made note of the fact that, if Masters groups are going to be limited to one meet to balance the calendar, MCC's first choice would be the May meet.