

Australian Swimming Inc.

Board Meeting 30 March 2003

CEO GENERAL REPORT

1. Two Tiered Capitation

The State Swimming Associations and ASCTA have been informed of the Board's decision to introduce a two tiered capitation structure. Very positive comments have been received from the stakeholders. **Attachment A** is a letter from Swimming Victoria.

2. Meeting 16 February

Directors sought clarification on a number of items of business at the 16 February meeting. On 29 February, a paper was distributed to Directors providing this detail. The paper is **Attachment B**.

3. Insurance Seminar

On 25 February, I attended an Australian Sports Commission seminar on insurance. This was a follow up to a seminar on risk management last year. At the seminar, the ASC distributed its 75 page report on insurance and sport. The Executive Summary (**Attachment C**) from the report, which includes the recommendations of the reviewers, is appended. The Financial Controller is reviewing the report in order to ensure ASI's insurances are adequate. The full report is tabled for Directors.

At the seminar, Sport Industry Australia presented a risk management accreditation scheme, SafeSport. Under the scheme, sporting organisations could be audited and receive accreditation that may assist in obtaining insurance at better prices. The Financial Controller has read the scheme outline and recommends a watching brief at this stage. Whilst costs of the scheme are not fully known, the Financial Controller has indicated that similar schemes in other industries are very expensive. Australian Swimming is not a member of Sport Industry Australia.

4. Australian Commonwealth Games Association

I attended a meeting in Melbourne 15 March, at which, the ACGA announced a \$6 million program to develop athletes for the Melbourne 2006 Commonwealth Games. Sports will be required to develop an Athlete Preparation Plan by 1 May 2003. The program and the funding will commence on 1 July 2003.

The High Performance Unit will develop the plan, which will be based on the activities already programmed for the Telstra Dolphins. As yet the ACGA has not indicated the level of funding for each sport but I expect swimming will receive a considerable amount for its programs.

5. Our Sporting Future

The Australian Sports Commission conducted its annual conference in Melbourne over 13-14 March. Titled "Our Sporting Future", the conference attracted 480 delegates from the sports industry and overseas. **Attachment D** is the conference program. Swimming was well represented at the conference by ASI staff, State Association staff and several Directors.

ASI staff will be meeting in April to review the conference materials and assess the information received. This review will also look at possible presentations or guest speakers for our own forum in October.

6. Uncle Tobys Go Swim

To date 51 swim schools have signed up to deliver the Uncle Tobys Go Swim Program. The Program aimed to have 50 schools in term one. Enrolment numbers are not available as yet. All collateral for the program is in production; this includes drink bottles, duffle bags, membership cards, certificates etc.

An interim media report has been tabled at this meeting for the Directors' information. Please note the Cost Benefit Analysis at the back of the report. Our agreement with Uncle Tobys is that a minimum value of \$40 000.00 media exposure is to be achieved in the first year.

7. Scott Volkers

A verbal report will be given at the meeting.

8. Report Against the KPI's Listed in the Strategic Plan

Attached is a report on the performance of the organisation against the key performance indicators listed in the Australian Swimming Strategic Plan.