

Agenda: 14 - Team Unify – background & issues

Please correct me if I am wrong in any of the following:
(sorry if a bit muddled – very difficult to produce this!!!)

Software – Meet Management software and other features

Becoming more sophisticated and offering more facilities from just running meets (entries to results) to modules for membership such as online payment of fees, entries and payment, communication, registers etc.

Until 2012 CCASA used **Sportsystems** for meet management (MM)(SESW and SE still do for running meets)

Then Philip & Rosie Gordon took over as competition secretary and recorder and successfully moved to **Hy-Tek** for meet management as a more user friendly, intuitive and flexible system. The correct decision. At the time Hy-Tek offered a discount to Cornwall clubs (arranged by the Gordons) and are considered as sponsors. Other Cornwall clubs use Hy-Tek as do many clubs in the country.

Three clubs in Cornwall (Caradon, St Ives & Truro) are/have moved to a new system: **Team Unify (TU)** – notably for their online membership and financial tools e.g. various payments, communications, website support etc. TU also offer meet management i.e. for actually running meets from setting up galas, to processing entries, running at poolside and producing results as we currently do with Hy-Tek. They have offered (**very very keen!**) to provide the county with website support and hosting free of charge in exchange for having promotional displays & handouts at our galas and attending some.

I have investigated a range of TU websites and examined the features. Provided care is taken in designing and setting up the implementation (as with anything) - I am confident that it would suit our needs and not be difficult to use. Our current website is also free of charge but we do need to move to something else soon and I would like to eventually handover as website administrator.

Questions, concerns & comments:

- Agreeing to TU exposure at our meets would imply sponsorship and our recommendation. Such a county website would have TU branding (as does Caradon's). This has wide implications. Would the MB agree to this?
- Should we wait and ask the clubs already committed to reflect on their experiences to date?
- Is there a conflict with Hy-Tek and our relationship with them?
- If a club/county runs a meet using TU can clubs who do not have their software submit electronic entries free of charge as they can with Hy-Tek using Hy-Tek Lite?
- Can TU MM output results files in correct format for SE rankings?
- Additionally, using the **TU software for our meets** would certainly help with administration/collection of gala fees etc, it would have implications for our recorder (Belinda) and Comp Sec (Anne), training would be required – there would be a cost for this. Need to consider poolside timing systems and WiFi access may be required.
- **Advice/recommendations to give clubs - Need clarification to 'lay' users not with any pressure from marketing ('Ad' men)**

Note: Hy-Tek or 'Hy-Tek ACTIVE' <https://hytek.active.com/swimming-software.html>

also offers other swimming modules such as team manager, business manager and team registration.