

2025/26

Re-Affiliation & Membership Booklet



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Testimonials

"Swimming will always be a part of my life, from my time as an Olympian to my current career in radiology. The discipline, resilience, and focus I developed in the pool allowed me to easily transition into a new career in medicine, where precision and perseverance are key. Beyond that, the passion to stay involved and feel a part of the broader Swimming WA community has never faded. Even after stepping away from international competition, I've remained in the sport through participation in volunteer roles, mentoring, and even some competing, allowing me to stay connected with the next generation of athletes."



Swimming teaches you far more than just the sport — it builds character, fosters teamwork, and instills a mindset of continuous growth. These lessons have been invaluable in my transition from elite sport to a career in medicine, and I'm incredibly grateful for the personal growth and lifelong friends this sport has given me."

Tommaso D'Orsogna
Highlanders Swimming Club



As the President of North Coast Swim Club, I've had the privilege of experiencing firsthand the powerful impact of developing essential skills such as leadership, teamwork, and communication. These skills have not only shaped my journey within the club but have also contributed significantly to my personal and professional growth.

One of the most valuable aspects of my role has been honing my ability to problem-solve and lead by example. As a leader, I've learned that the key to success lies in understanding the unique needs of each individual at every level of the swimming hierarchy. Whether it's a young swimmer just starting or the experienced coach it's crucial to recognize that everyone requires different forms of support and encouragement.

My time as President has enhanced my ability to communicate effectively with people from all walks of life, ensuring that we can work together towards a common goal. By listening to the concerns and aspirations of others, I've been able to find solutions that benefit the team as a whole. It's about drawing on the strengths of those around you and providing the necessary support whenever it's needed.

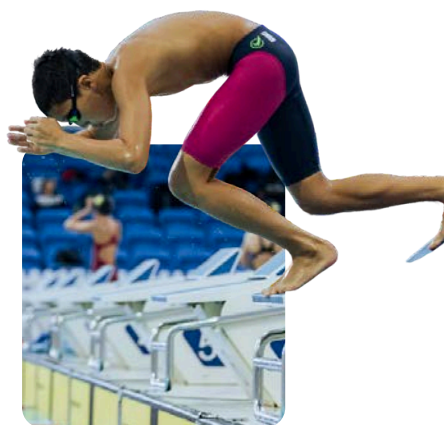
Ultimately, leadership is about guiding others with empathy and respect, fostering an environment where every member feels valued and supported. The skills I've gained have not only helped the club thrive but have also been invaluable in my professional life, where collaboration and clear communication are just as essential. I look forward to continuing to grow alongside my fellow members, always striving to create a stronger team.

Sarah Foster
North Coast Swim Club

"Swimming has always been about the race-craft for me. Racing has taught me so many things - how to win and more importantly how to lose gracefully. How to work hard for something and feel the reward of that training paying off. Transitioning into a career, the same things that are key to racing and swimming well, also matter in my work. Being disciplined, looking for ways to constantly improve and enjoying everyday/race as it comes.

With every passing year, it becomes more obvious just how much swimming has helped me and continues to do so. It was the best thing I have ever chosen to do."

Ben Popham
Highlanders Swimming Club



Affiliated clubs can access a broad range of benefits from Swimming WA to support the growth of your club.



COMPETITION & PATHWAYS

A wide range of competitive pathways are available to swimmers from age eight upwards and all abilities, whether seeking to swim for fitness and fun or aspiring to be an Olympian.

INSURANCE

Coverage for \$20 million Public Liability Insurance, \$5 million Directors and Officers Insurance and \$10 million Professional Indemnity Insurance through our national insurance program, tailored to suit the needs of swimming clubs.



GRANTS & FUNDING

From general grant funding from Healthway, to equipment subsidies and TAG funding for athletes, there are a large range of grant and funding opportunities available to affiliated clubs & coaches.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Professional development opportunities for Coaches, Committee Members and Technical Officials such as workshops, presentations and discussions with industry professionals. Our club conference is free for participants and offers valuable opportunities to learn from sector experts.

HOSTING SANCTIONED MEETS

Conduct sanctioned meets and receive support for your event with online promotion, Dolphin/Wylas Timing Equipment and provision of expert advice and support.

INTEGRITY SERVICES

Independent information services to assist with the implementation and ongoing support of the National Integrity Framework. As well as other issues where your club may require assistance.

ADVICE & SERVICING



The Swimming WA team are resourced to support affiliated clubs with all swimming matters including business operations, running a meet, technical advice, member protection issues, marketing and more. Contact the Swimming WA team to discuss the areas that matter most to your club.



RESOURCES & SOFTWARE

Access to Club Hub which provides business templates, useful guides, promotional material and more to make it easy to run your club and grow participation. Swimming WA provides access to software to register your members, take payments and run competitions.

AWARDS & RECOGNITION



Swimming WA seeks to recognise both performance and contributions to our swimming community through multiple opportunities including medals, trophies & prize money for event performances and volunteer contributions as well as hosting two Awards Ceremonies to recognise excellence in our community.

VAP AND EAP SERVICES



Access to independent Employee Assistance Program (EAP) and Volunteer Assistance Program (VAP) which provides mental health and wellbeing counselling along with critical incident response to Swimming WA affiliated Clubs and Affiliates Members.

2025/26 Affiliation Fees

Metropolitan Member Club	\$800
Regional Member Club	\$600
Cold Water Club (6 month affiliation)	\$350

Affiliation period 1 July 2025 - 30 June 2026

All prices are inclusive of GST



Steps for Re-Affiliation

□ **Step 1:** Crucially, please update your club information on Swim Central, including all relevant committee members. Along with submitting your Annual Information Statement to DMIRS & Income Statement to ATO.

Annual Information Statement for DMIRS –

Every incorporated association must submit an association's information statement (AIS) every year. The AIS is a short online form that asks basic questions about an incorporated association's operations to confirm that it is still active and eligible to remain incorporated.

***When an incorporated association does not submit its information statement for two or more years, we may believe it is no longer operating and take action to cancel its incorporation.**

Income Statement to ATO –

Non-charitable not-for-profits (NFPs) with an active Australian business number (ABN) that self-assess as income tax exempt are required to lodge an annual NFP self-review return. For more information visit the ATO website.

□ **Step 2:** [Complete the Re-Affiliation application form by clicking here.](#)

□ **Step 3:** All committee members are required to complete the Sport Integrity Australia online course and upload certificate to Swim Central – [Click here to access the Safeguarding Children and Young People in Sport Induction.](#)

□ **Step 4:** Upload the Required Club financials to Swim Central.

Required Finances:

- Profit & Loss as at 30 June 2025
- Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2025

If the club doesn't have a Profit & Loss and Balance Sheet report, please provide a Bank Statement from 01 July 2024 through to 30 June 2025.

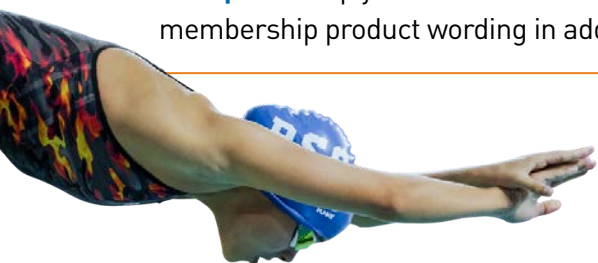
Optional Finance Reports:

- Trade Debtors report, also known as an Account Receivables report.
- Trade Creditors report, also known as an Account Payables report.

□ **Step 5:** Finalise payment of your affiliation invoice.

□ **Step 6:** Once your affiliation is ratified by Swimming WA, a confirmation email will be sent to you.

□ **Step 7:** Set up your club membership products in Swim Central for the new season using the SWA membership product wording in addition to your own.

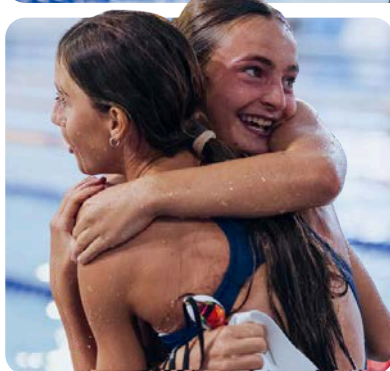
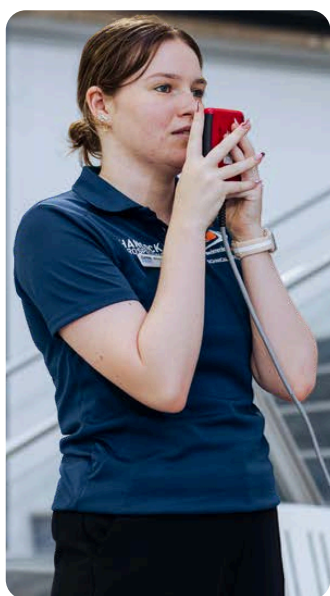


Swimmer Memberships

Outlined on the following pages are the individual membership products available for the 2025/2026 season. To help compare member products, please refer to the membership matrix and the competition tiers within this section. Individual Membership is valid from 1 October 2025 to 30 September 2026. Memberships will be open for public purchase from 1 September 2025 within Swim Central. Member Clubs will be able to set up their products in Swim Central when they have completed the Re-Affiliation requirements.

Swimming WA clubs are strongly encouraged to ensure that everyone participating within the club is a registered member.

Membership provides individuals with access to the full suite of benefits offered by Swimming WA, including protection under the National Integrity Framework, comprehensive insurance when engaging in club activities, access to pathway programs such as the State Performance Pathway Program for identified swimmers, and the H2Grow Project to track growth and maturation in developing swimmers. Members can participate in the Junior Excellence program, receive support through initiatives like the Volunteer Assistance Program, and enjoy early access to SWA merchandise. Additional benefits include a subscription to our monthly e-newsletter, The Western Swimmer, exclusive access to member-only functions and educational opportunities, and rewards through the Swimming WA Rewards Programme. Being a member enhances the individual experience and strengthens the club community and the sport across Western Australia.



Competition & Membership Alignment

Annual & Seasonal Membership



International

Includes Multi Class and Open Water



National

Long Course, Short Course, Duel in the Pool, Multi Class and Open Water



State

Age, Open, Country, Open Water (5km, 7.5km, 10km) and End of Season Championships



Competitive

Swimming WA Competitions

Participation Membership



Club Competition

Club Premierships, Country Pennants



Participation

Region and Club Sanctioned Meets, OWS Series

Fitness Membership



Annual Fitness

Open Water Swim Series, Club Nights, Splash & Dash and Swimming WA Clinics

90 Day Membership & Junior Dolphin



Entry Level

Junior Dolphins, Splash & Dash, Club Nights, Official Club Nights

Swimmer Membership Categories

*Prices exclude Swim Central fees

Annual Member

Swimming Australia: \$35.20

Swimming WA: \$121.00

Total: \$156.20

Full membership for swimmers (9+ years) who actively seek to swim year-round.

- Access to Swimming WA Competitions (pool and Open Water Swimming Series).
- Access to Swimming WA Club Competitions.
- Access to Swimming Australia-sanctioned competitions (pool and open water).

Seasonal Member

Swimming Australia: \$19.80

Swimming WA: \$102.30

Total: \$122.10

Full membership for swimmers (9+ years) from pools open seasonally, typically October to April.

- Access to Swimming WA Competitions (pool and Open Water Swimming Series).
- Access to Swimming WA Club Competitions.
- Access to Swimming Australia-sanctioned competitions (pool and open water).

Participation

Swimming Australia: \$19.80

Swimming WA: \$74.80

Total: \$94.60

Suited for swimmers (9+ years) who swim for fitness and/or those who have just entered the competitive swimming scene.

- SWA Open Water Swimming Series.
- Club Premierships or Country Pennants.
- Club-sanctioned meets.
- Inter/Intra Club Competition.

Junior Dolphins

Swimming Australia: \$0

Swimming WA: \$39.60

Total: \$39.60

Swimmers aged 5-8 years who are looking to become members of their local swimming club as they transition from learn-to-swim.

- Junior Dolphins welcome pack.
- Stroke development at SWA Clubs.
- Swimming WA development clinics.
- Access to fun club nights.

90 Day Training

Swimming Australia: \$0

Swimming WA: \$55.00

Total: \$55.00

Suited for swimmers (9+ years) who swim for another summer sport and those who want a competitive edge at their school swimming carnival. The 90-day training membership entitles you to;

- Internal club competitions during the 90 days.
- Can only be used once a season.

Annual Fitness

Swimming Australia: \$0

Swimming WA: \$38.50

Total: \$38.50

Suited for swimmers (9+ years) who swim for Fitness all year round with an Affiliated Swimming WA Club and/or wish to enter the SWA Open Water Swim Series.

- Access to internal club competitions only
- Swimming WA member discount for Open Water Swimming Series

Club Committee Support



Club Hub is your one-stop shop for essential resources, templates, and information to support the smooth running of affiliated swimming clubs. Instead of spending hours searching online, volunteers can now access everything they need in one easy location — from constitution templates and coach admin tools to social media assets and tips for creating positive club environments.

Accessible to executive committee members of all SWA-affiliated clubs — just use your club's generic email to get started. Club Hub is a live platform, regularly updated based on club feedback to ensure it stays relevant and useful.

Swim Central Fee Estimator

Not sure how much your membership fees will be? The Swim Central Fee Estimator is a quick and easy tool for clubs to help you calculate the total cost of memberships.

[Download the excel here](#)



Swimming WA is dedicated to growing the sport statewide, with community clubs at the heart of its success. The Club Excellence (CX) Program supports clubs to strengthen their operations and recognises those that meet and exceed key standards. All clubs are encouraged to work towards Bronze level and continue progressing through Silver to Gold.

How to Create Membership Products

To support Club Registrars, Swimming WA has created a step-by-step guide on how to create membership products for the 2025/26 membership season.

[Download the Guide here](#)

Need Assistance? contact
membership@wa.swimming.org.au
or 9328 4599

Competition Matrix



	Annual 9+ Yrs	Seasonal 9+ Yrs	Participation 9+ Yrs	Junior Dolphins 5-8 Yrs	90 Day Training 9+ Yrs	Annual Fitness 9+ Yrs
Swimming Australia National Championships	✓	✓				
Swimming WA State Championships	✓	✓				
Swimming WA Hosted Meets (Qual, Prep)	✓	✓				
Premierships / Country Pennants & Region Meets	✓	✓	✓	8 Yrs Only		
Sanctioned & Inter Club Meets	✓	✓	✓	8 Yrs Only		
Open Water Swim Series	✓	✓	✓			✓
Official & Unofficial Club Nights	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Splash & Dash	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Swimming WA Clinics	✓	✓	✓	8 Yrs Only	✓	✓

Non-Swimmer Membership Categories

*Prices exclude Swim Central fees

Accredited Coach / Foundation / Community

Swimming Australia: \$0

Swimming WA: \$11.00

Total: \$11.00

- Accredited Coach - for Swimming Australia Accredited Coaches.
- Foundation Coach - for Certified Teachers who hold current AUSTSWIM - Teacher of Towards Competitive Strokes, SCTA - Teacher of Competitive Strokes or equivalent.
- Community Coach - for those who are working towards certified qualifications.

Exemption from holding a mandatory parent/guardian membership for swimmers under 18 years.

Parent/Guardian & Dry Member

Swimming Australia: \$0

Swimming WA: \$6.60

Total: \$6.60

Mandatory membership for all swimmers under 18, to have a parent/guardian membership attached.

Dry member is for supporting members of Swimming in WA eg, grandparents or Swimming Alumni.

Second Claim

\$44.00

Swimmers can only be a member of one Member Club unless approved to join a second with valid reasons, such as training disruptions or school/work commitments. Approval requires consent from both clubs and remains valid only while the justifying circumstances continue.

Accredited Technical Official / Community Official

FREE

Swimming WA for the 25/26 season will be separating official memberships into two tiers:

- Accredited Technical Official - for Swimming WA Accredited Officials.
- Community Officials - for those who are working towards qualifications.

Exemption from holding a parent/guardian membership for swimmers under 18 years.

Club Committee Member

FREE

Swimming WA acknowledges the volunteer parents who sit on their children's club committees. This provides an exemption for the need to obtain a mandatory parent membership, whilst a member remains on the club committee.

Club Transfer

\$27.00

Transfers that occur throughout the swimming season and between Seasons incur a cost per swimmer. Exemptions apply to parents, coaches and those under 8.

Fees to Note



Splash & Dash



The Splash & Dash is a **FUN** event which gives participants **aged 6yrs and above** a chance to have a go at competitive swimming. There is no technical officiating, no official times, and no disqualifications.



This event offers a **safe, inclusive and welcoming environment** for new participants. Through non-traditional racing, local community members can build connections with their local clubs. Showcasing swimming as a fun & inclusive sport.



Through the healthy Fuel to Go & Play messaging we work to educate swimmers and families on **how to fuel their bodies** for a healthy lifestyle and sport.

Community | Modified Racing | Healthy Messaging

HANCOCK PROSPECTING

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