



ANNUAL REPORT

2022-2023

PRINCIPAL PARTNER **HANCOCK PROSPECTING**

SWIMMING – AN ESSENTIAL PART OF WESTERN AUSTRALIAN LIFE

Swimming WA is the peak body for the sport of swimming in Western Australia



Swimming WA represents 77 Clubs and over 10,500 registered Members across the State.

Each day, dedicated volunteers work in conjunction with the team at Swimming WA to provide opportunities for Western Australians of all ages, genders, ethnic backgrounds and physical abilities, to engage in our sport. Swimming is truly an essential part of West Australian life!

As a not-for-profit State Sports Association, Swimming WA relies on the generous support of its members, the State Government, sponsors, suppliers, event partners and the people of Western Australia. Together we are committed to growing swimming and delivering opportunities for all in the sport across the State.

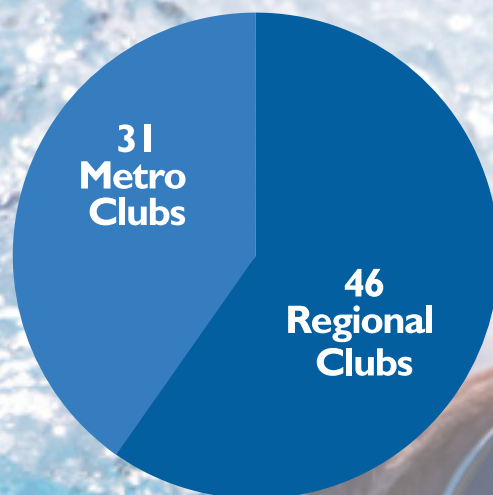
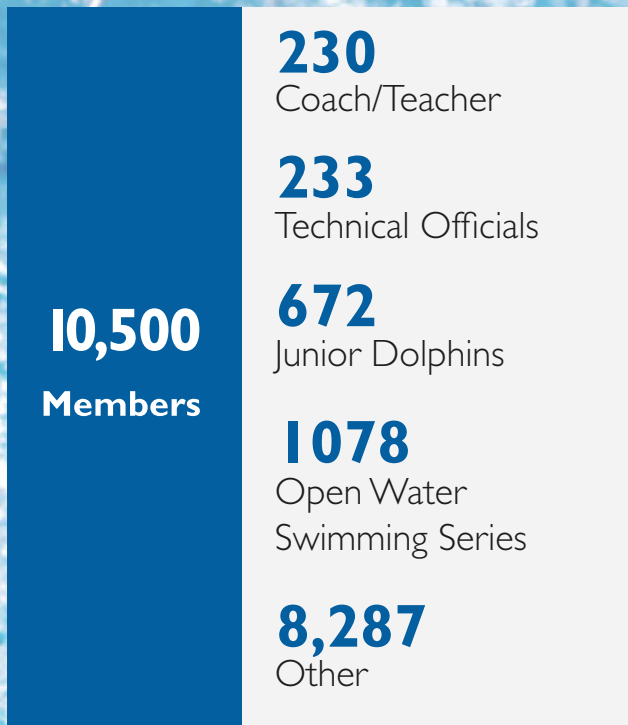
Our thanks to you all.

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Swimming WA: Snapshot in Numbers

Membership



Total Clubs: 77
Associations: 5

Events



405
Total Competitors in the Community Swim



380
Total Competitors in the Australian Championships

9,263

SWA Pool Competitors

2,044

OWS Series Competitors

350

Swimming WA Squads Programme (SWASP) Members

62

SWA Conference

342

Awards of Excellence

Participants

Programs

7

Technical Official Workshops and Webinars

8

Coach Courses and Workshops

11

Regional Coach Scholarship Recipients

14

Online Webinars for Members

Digital Media Growth

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Likes

Swimming WA

Open Water Swimming WA

Last Year

7,300

4,900

Current

7,900

5,100

Increase

+600

+200

@swimwa



Followers

Swimming WA

Open Water Swimming WA

Last Year

4,200

1,800

Current

4,700

2,100

Increase

+500

+300

Open Rate

Western Swimmer

15K Subscribers

OWS E-News

3K Subscribers

Average Open Rate

30%

30%

Current

45%

50%

Increase

+15%

+20%

Swimming WA Leadership

Board

Ten (10) Swimming WA Board Meetings were held during the 2022/23 year:

| The number of Board Meetings attended by each Director during the year: | Attended | Eligible to Attend |
|--|----------|--------------------|
| Mr. Darren Michael – President (Elected 9/10/21) | 9 | 10 |
| Mr. David Bond – Vice President (Elected Director casual vacancy 21/11/21) | 9 | 10 |
| Mr. Robert Brauer (Appointed 13/10/22) | 6 | 9 |
| Ms. Kerry O'Sullivan (Elected Director casual vacancy 29/6/23) | 9 | 10 |
| Ms. Libby Fulham (Elected 8/10/22) | 6 | 8 |
| Mrs. Jocelyn Ryan (Elected 8/10/22) | 8 | 8 |
| Mr. David Kent (Appointed 7/6/23) | 1 | 1 |
| Mr. Tommaso D'Orsogna (Appointed, term expired 9/10/22) | 2 | 2 |
| Mrs Dorothy Harris (Elected, term expired 8/10/22) | 2 | 2 |

Swimming WA Committees

TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND OFFICIAL COMMITTEE

Kylie Baker – Technical Official, South Shore
Kaye Bolger – Chief Referee, Swimming WA
Stella Carrara – Technical Official, Southside Penrhos Wesley
Katherine Hurford – Technical Official, Canning Districts
Trevor Verran – Technical Official, Guildford Kalamunda
Swimming WA Representatives:
Sophie Row – Chief Executive Officer
Cathy Halsted – Coach and Officials Development Manager

OPEN WATER SWIMMING COMMITTEE

Robyn Arblaster – Technical Official, Breakers
Stella Carrara – Technical Official, Southside Penrhos Wesley
Amanda Morris – Secretary, Central Aquatic
Steven Jones – Technical Official, Mandurah
Mel Tantrum – State Technical Director, Swimming Australia
Swimming WA Representatives:
Sophie Row – Chief Executive Officer
Ben Harvey – General Manager Competitive Pathways

COMPETITION PLANNING COMMITTEE

Tony Ball – Records Officer, Swimming WA
Julia Blandford – Technical Official, Bunbury (resigned May 2023)
Ashton Brinkworth – Athlete, UWA Westcoast
Mat Lyons – Coach, Southside Penrhos Wesley
Jason Scrivens – Parent Member, Scarborough Beach
Swimming WA Representatives:
Sophie Row – Chief Executive Officer
Ben Harvey – General Manager Competitive Pathways

COUNTRY SWIMMING COMMITTEE

Briana Crisp – Northern (Pilbara & Kimberley)
Steve Douglas – Wheatbelt
Tracy Fernihough – Gascoyne
Clare McPherson – Mid-West
Anne-Lise Murch – South West
Andrew Wherret – Great Southern
Swimming WA Representatives:
Sophie Row – Chief Executive Officer
Kirsty Read – General Manager Participation and Member Services

MULTI CLASS ADVISORY GROUP

Chrissie Banwell – Paralympics Australia
Peter Foley – Vice President, UWA Westcoast
Grace Hull – UNESCO
Christian (CJ) Jongsma – Coach, Curtin University Victoria Park
Hayden Lewis – Rebound WA
Ben Popham – Paralympic Gold Medallist
Danielle Portelli – City of Canning
Katrina Porter – Paralympic Gold Medallist
Jan Saunders – Chairperson, Superfins & National Classifier, Paralympics Australia
Tara Schwarze – Special Olympics Australia
Swimming WA Staff Representatives:
Sophie Row – Chief Executive Officer
Kirsty Read – General Manager Participation and Member Services
Adam Popham – Inclusion Coordinator

HONOURS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE

Muriel Jefferson – Technical Official, (resigned February 2023)
Kaye Bolger – Technical Official, Albany (from March 2023)
Tommaso D'Orsogna – Swimming WA Alumni, Highlanders
William Rollo – Athlete, North Coast Swimming Club
Nick Watkins – Coach, Southside Penrhos Wesley
Swimming WA Representatives:
Sophie Row – Chief Executive Officer
Andrew Stanbury – General Manager Organisational Sustainability

FINANCE, GOVERNANCE AND RISK COMMITTEE

David Bond – Board Director, Swimming WA
Rob Brauer – Board Director, Swimming WA
Jocelyn Ryan – Board Director, Swimming WA
Jonathan van Hazel – Independent (June 2023)
Swimming WA Representatives:
Sophie Row – Chief Executive Officer
Andrew Stanbury – General Manager Organisational Sustainability

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Aaron Brinkworth – Independent
Libby Fulham – Director, Swimming WA
Dorothy Harris – Independent
Darren Michael – President, Swimming WA
Swimming WA Staff Representative:
Sophie Row (ex officio) – CEO, Swimming WA

ATHLETE ADVISORY GROUP

Emma Bond – Athlete, UWA Westcoast
Olivia Boulton – Athlete, Moora
Tommaso D'Orsogna – Olympian, Highlanders
Isabella Eibrink Jansen – Athlete, Rockingham
Harrison Farmer – Athlete, Central Aquatic
Sally Hunter – Hall of Legends & Olympian
Andrew Morris – Athlete, Central Aquatic
Swimming WA Staff Representatives:
Sophie Row – Chief Executive Officer
Matthew Nelson – Athlete Pathways Manager

COACH ADVISORY GROUP

Ralph McManis – ASCTA(WA) Chair & Coach Newman Churchlands
Nola Osborne – Head Coach, Albany
Gaye Pocrnja – Head Coach, Claremont Aquatic
Cameron Hawthorne – Head Coach, Scarborough (resigned June 2023)
Sarah Scott – Head Coach, South Lake Dolphins (resigned April 2023)
Swimming WA Staff Representatives:
Sophie Row – Chief Executive Officer
Cathy Halsted – Coach and Officials Development Manager

Patrons



Patron

MRS GINA RINEHART

Executive Chairman of the Hancock Prospecting Pty Ltd Group

Mrs. Rinehart has long played a crucial role in the development of swimming in Western Australia. Her public support of the Association and its activities has given great credibility to the sport of swimming for three decades. Swimming WA has had a distinguished lineage of Patrons over the years including three former Governors of WA, and Mrs Rinehart's position in this honorary role and her well known enthusiasm for swimming, continues to go a long way towards increasing the profile of Swimming WA.



Vice Patron

HON. ROGER COOK MLA

Premier of Western Australia

In March 2019, Roger accepted an invitation to be a Vice Patron for the Association. From his seat in Kwinana, Mr Cook has been a stalwart for swimming in all of its forms not only for the Association, but also for Kwinana and the local swimming Clubs within that catchment area. Swimming WA hopes with Roger's support, he'll be able to assist us with growing the profile of swimming in Western Australia and also increasing our sphere of influence.





USA
TEAM

AUSTRIAN SWIM TEAM
2023 World Junior Championships
Netanya, Israel

WORLD AQUATICS
ANDERSON
WORLD AQUATICS
NETANYA 2023

Western Australian Swimming – A Rich Heritage

Swimming WA Life Members

1925 T. W. Jones*
 1929 J. Cook*
 1936 M. D. Musgrove*
 1940 W. Boylan*
 1941 A. E. Middleton*
 1943 T. H. Goudie* BEM
 1943 J. G. Whittle*
 1944 A. E. Blakers*
 1946 C. E. Newsham*
 1950 W. J. Kirkby*
 1951 R. Bestman* BEM
 1951 W. F. Oats*
 1953 W. J. Kestel*
 1955 B. Oliver*
 1958 G. H. Yewers*
 1958 J. F. Howson* OBE JP
 1962 A. E. Wilson*
 1962 E. D. Yeldon*
 1968 F. W. Dawson*
 1968 C. A. Kanair*
 1972 D. M. Nordahl* MBE
 1979 R. W. Bally*
 1979 C. N. Boys* SM
 1979 J. M. Shephard
 1979 D. C. Watson*
 1981 J. F. Stephens*
 1981 E. J. Symes* OAM
 1982 L. T. Stephens*
 1982 A. L. Moebius*
 1983 T. E. Brazier
 1984 R. A. Patching*
 1986 S. P. Bratton

1986 I. W. Murray
 1989 C. A. Lee
 1989 R. K. Duff
 1994 W. DeSmedt
 2001 J. Collins
 2003 M. Jefferson
 2003 H. Pedretti
 2004 L. Arrowsmith
 2004 M. Gerber
 2004 P. Prunster*
 2006 C. Prunster
 2007 J. Stonor
 2008 P. Anderson
 2008 A. Matthews
 2009 T. Ball
 2009 K. Holtom
 2014 P. Lawless
 2014 G. Wilson
 2015 K. Bolger
 2015 I. Arblaster
 2015 R. Arblaster
 2016 J. Bailey
 2016 D. Harris
 2017 S. Carrara
 2017 S. Stephen
 2018 J. McNamara
 2018 K. Hazell
 2021 E. Smith
 2021 J. Hofer OAM
 2021 J. Smith
 *Deceased

Swimming WA Hall of Fame

Garrick Agnew
 Fiona Alessandri
 Barry Armstrong
 Peter Anderson
 Lesley Arrowsmith
 Christine Barnettson
 Lynne Bates (née Watson)
 Neil Brooks
 George Brown
 Ian Brown
 Roger Bruce
 Lara Carroll
 Tracey Cross
 Frederick de Lacy
 Helen Denman
 David Dickson
 Lorraine Dodd
 Kevin Duff
Blair Evans
 (Inducted 2022-23)
 Peter Evans
 Dorothy Green
 Philip Harrington Jose
 Rachel Harris
 Ernest Hobbs
 Kevin Holtom
Sally Hunter (née Foster,
 Inducted 2022-23)
 William Kirby
 John Kulasalu

Peter Lawless
 Adam Lucas
 Antony Matkovich
 Alf Matthews
 Lorraine McCoulough-Fry
 Jacqui McKenzie
 Lara Mist
 Bernie Mulro
 Travis Nederpelt
 Kevin O'Halloran
 Percy Oliver
 Ross Patterson
 Todd Pearson
 Deane Pieters
 Nicole Redford
 Simon Redmond
 Jennifer Reilly
 John Ryan
 Dianne Saunders
 Gerry Stachewicz
 Tom Stachewicz
 Grant Stoelwinder
 Sarah Thorpe
 Jonathan Van Hazel
 Lester Watkins
 Evelyn Whillier
 (née de Lacey)
 Fiona Wildy
 Belinda Woosley
 Sandra Yaxley

Swimming WA Hall of Legends

Kingsley Bugarin OAM
Priya Cooper
 (Inducted 2022-23)
 Elizabeth Edmondson
 Lyn McKenzie
 (née McClements)
Eamon Sullivan
 (Inducted 2022-23)
Shelley Taylor-Smith
 (Inducted 2022-23)

Swimming WA Staff Members – Current as of 30 June 2023

Sophie Row
 Chief Executive Officer
Andrew Stanbury
 General Manager –
 Organisational Sustainability
Ben Harvey
 General Manager –
 Competitive Pathways
Kirsty Read
 General Manager –
 Participation & Member
 Services
Cathy Halsted
 Coach & Officials
 Development Manager
Karen Wishart
 Office Manager

Matthew Nelson
 Athlete Pathways Manager
Fiona Laden-Wearne
 SWA Squads Programme
 Craigie
Jessica Hall
 Development & Participation
 Coordinator
Adam Popham
 Inclusion Coordinator
Ryan Porter
 Events Officer
Narelle Keys
 Participation & Membership
 Officer

Isabella Eibrink Jansen
 Marketing Officer
Suba Gunasekaran
 Accounts Officer
Ashley Eibrink Jansen
 Casual Events Officer
*Departed prior to
 30 June 2023:*
Josh McCleery
 General Manager –
 Organisational Sustainability
Rebecca Hamer
 WestSwim Facilities
 & Operations Manager
Scott Johnston
 Partnerships Coordinator

Open Water National Championships – Busselton

Swimming WA was delighted to bring the first major Australia-based swimming event of the calendar year, the 2023 Ocean Swim Festival and Australian Open Water Championships, to WA. Busselton hosted the event from 25-28 January, with the iconic Busselton Jetty the centrepiece of the swimming course.

The event, the pinnacle of Open Water Swimming in Australia, marked the return of elite swimming to Western Australia. It attracted 375 national athletes, vying for the national titles on offer. The sole Olympic event on the programme, the Men's, and Women's 10km Australian Championship, was the first step towards qualification for Paris in 2024.

For the first time, inspired by the success of WA's Open Water Swim Series, the National Championships included a community swim event. An additional 404 community swimmers of all ages completed a variety of course distances including 500m, 1.25km, 2.5km, 5km, 7.5km, and 10km. The 10km was well represented providing the last chance qualification for the Rottneest Channel Swim. There was a wonderful vibrant atmosphere around the event, enhanced with festival activities

including an outdoor cinema event and Beachfront Twilight Markets.

The event was run by Swimming Australia, with support from Swimming WA, and was made possible by funding support from Tourism WA and DLGSC. There were, in total, 1047 accredited participants, including swimmers, officials and event management staff. It attracted a total of 1,888 visitors from outside WA's South-West region, contributing an estimated \$2 million-plus direct expenditure to the local economy. It was fantastic to see 17 of our WA Technical Officials in Busselton during the four days to officiate the event.

This was a great opportunity for WA's aspiring open water swimmers to compete on their home turf. North Coast's **Kyle Lee** claimed the National title in the Men's 5km race, as he touched out 10km champion

Nick Sloman by just .06 of a second. Lee achieved his success after an incredible anchor leg in the 4x1500m mixed freestyle relay the day before, with North Coast teammates **Jack Wilson, Chloe Truscott** and **Rosie Wilson**. The victory for North Coast didn't stop there, as the club was awarded the C.B. Rickards trophy as champion club of the 2023 Australian Open Water Championships with 331 points. Congratulations to North Coast Swim Club and coach **Ian Mills** on a very successful Championships.

Kaiden Richings finished with a Silver in the Boys' 19-Year-Old 5km event. The Girls' 19-Year-Old and 16-Year-Old events saw **Rosie Wilson** and **Bianca Monaco** finish in third and second place, respectively. **Xavier Collins** claimed Silver in the Boys' 17-year-old 5km. In the Boys' 16-Year-Old 5km, Highlanders' swimmer



Tex Cross finished in second place and not far off, **Thomas Dreverman**, finished in third.

The Friday of the event was an exciting day for six of our WA clubs (Breakers, Busselton, North Coast, Scarborough Beach, UWA West Coast and Westside Christchurch) racing the 4x1500m mixed freestyle relay. In the 14-15-Year-Old event, the UWA West Coast team of **Javier Marginet, Yohanna Jackson, Alice Massey** and **Benjamin Manning** took Gold, and the Scarborough Beach team of **Eleanor Flowers, Kaitlyn Brown, Nicholas Kryachok** and **Lucas Fazari** the Bronze. Whilst North Coast placed first in the Open relay, the Westside Christchurch team of **Max Coten, Josie Page, Bianca Monaco** and **Byron Kimber** placed third.

The event was a great success and a wonderful celebration of open water swimming in an iconic WA location. At the time of writing, we are awaiting confirmation that the event will be returning to Busselton again in 2024.



Swimming WA's Awards of Excellence

The 2022 Annual Awards of Excellence was hosted at the Ritz-Carlton on Saturday 8 October. It is Swimming WA's night of nights, at which the WA swimming community comes together to celebrate and mark the achievement of the swimmers, coaches, technical officials and administrators who have contributed so much to the sport in WA.

Hall of Legends

Swimming WA's Hall of Legends is a rarefied space, designed to accommodate the rarest of tenants – the best of the best in our sport, from WA. Our newest inductees deserved no less than being granted legend status, not just for excelling in the world of Olympics, World Aquatics (formerly FINA) World Championships, and Paralympics, but for elevating the profile of our sport.

We celebrated three inductees to the Hall of Legends in 2022, **Eamon Sullivan**, **Shelley Taylor-Smith** and **Priya Cooper**.



Shelley Taylor-Smith and Eamon Sullivan pictured receiving their awards.

HALL OF LEGENDS INDUCTEE EAMON SULLIVAN

A three-time Olympic medallist, a world champion and a world record holder, few athletes climbed higher than Sullivan. Making his Olympic debut in 2004 at just 19 years old, Sullivan was a part of a six strong Western Australian team. 2008 was the year of Eamon came of age, when he blasted the world record in the 50m Freestyle. His form continued into the Beijing Olympics where he broke the world record numerous times in the 100m Freestyle, ultimately walking away with the silver medal to go along with his silver in the 50m Freestyle and a bronze in the 4x100m Freestyle Relay. Sullivan under the careful guidance of coach Grant Stoelwinder, was always been an

incredible ambassador for the sport and continues to advocate as a proud alumni and leader in WA's swimming community.

HALL OF LEGENDS INDUCTEE SHELLEY TAYLOR-SMITH

The queen of Open Water Swimming, Shelley Taylor-Smith is regarded as one of the greatest Open Water Swimmers of all time. A victim of scoliosis, her career happened almost by chance as her coach in Arkansas suggested she take up distance swimming to overcome the pain of tumble turning. From there the world was Shelley's oyster, breaking the four-mile world record in 1983, the first of many world and other records she was to break, including the Manhattan Island Marathon Swim, a race she won five times. Arguably the peak of Shelley's career came here in Perth, when she claimed gold in the 1991 25km World Championships.

In 2021, the Open Water Swimmer of the Year was fittingly renamed the Shelley Taylor-Smith medal, an honour recognising the fantastic work Shelley has done for the OWS community as an athlete, coach and ambassador.

HALL OF LEGENDS INDUCTEE PRIYA COOPER



Priya Cooper is a nine-time Paralympic champion, representing Australia at the 1992, 1996 & 2000 Paralympic Games, and battling cerebral palsy to become WA's most decorated athlete. A proud Swan Hills swimmer, Priya was a leader from the outset and made Australian co-captain numerous times. In addition to her nine paralympic golds, Priya claimed three silver and four bronze paralympic medals as well as eight gold and two silver world championships medals – amassing an incredible 17 international golds in total. Upon retirement, Priya has continued to shine as a leader in the community advocating for and promoting the paralympic movement and acting as the Chair of the Western Australian Institute of Sport.

Hall of Fame

At the beginning of 2022-23, Swimming WA's Hall of Fame comprised fifty-nine of the most respected and celebrated names in Western Australian swimming. At the 2022 Awards of Excellence, this illustrious group became sixty-one. Induction to the Hall of Fame acknowledges an individual's achievement in representing Australia at the highest international level, and the outstanding contribution they have made to swimming in Western Australia. We celebrated two inductees to the Hall of Fame in 2022, **Blair Evans** and **Sally Hunter**.

HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE BLAIR EVANS

Blair Evans is a dual Olympian, Commonwealth Games Medallist and proud Western Australian. She made an impressionable entrance to the international scene at the 2009 FINA World Championships after dominating the 800m Freestyle at the

Australian trials. Since 2009, Blair has been an integral part of the Australian team, swimming at the 2012 and 2016 Olympics, and 2010 and 2018 Commonwealth Games, where she won bronze in the 400m Individual Medley. In addition, Blair has been an incredible ambassador for the sport, supporting the community from learn-to-swim through to mentoring our rising stars.

HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE SALLY HUNTER

Sally Hunter is a proud product of the Central Aquatic Club and DeLacy Swim School. Representing Australia from 2007 to 2014, few swimmers offered the versatility of Sally, swimming in sprint freestyle early in her career through to her pet event the 200m Breaststroke. An AIS scholarship recipient, Hunter trained across Australia with some of the best coaches, before ending her career in Adelaide with **Peter Bishop** and the Marion Swimming Club.

2022 Swimming WA Awards of Excellence: Annual Award Winners

Swimming WA presents 17 annual awards at the Awards of Excellence. They celebrate excellence amongst our athletes, clubs, coaches, technical officials and administrators. Swimming WA President **Darren Michael** opened proceedings and welcomed guests at the event, handing over to Nova 93.7's **Ross Wallman**, our MC for the occasion.



Alex Saffy pictured receiving one of four awards he received, from Swimming WA President Darren Michael.

The roll call of award winners included the following:

Nineteen of our swimming clubs were represented on the night, and we welcomed our largest partners, including **Marguerite Olivier** and the team from Hancock Prospecting, the **Beale Family** and representatives from Aqua Technics, **Joe Zito** and the team from New Town Toyota and our collaborators from the Western Australian Institute of Sport (WAIS).

LYN McCLEMENTS SWIMMER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Presented to a resident Western Australian able-bodied swimmer who returns the most outstanding performance during the defined period. The award went jointly to **Holly Barratt** (Rockingham Swimming Club) & **Kieren Pollard** (North Coast Swim Club) who both represented Australia on the international stage.

SHELLEY TAYLOR-SMITH SWIMMER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Presented to a resident Western Australian Open Water swimmer who returns the most outstanding performance during the defined period. The award went to **Kyle Lee** (North Coast Swim Club), selected to represent Australia at the Open Water World Championships, winning a silver in the Mixed 4 x 1500m and fifth place in the Men's 25km.

ELIZABETH EDMONDSON SWIMMER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Presented to the resident Western Australian para-swimmer who returns the most outstanding performance during the defined period. The award went to **Alex Saffy** (Bunbury Swimming Club), his fourth award of the evening, for his outstanding performances at the Commonwealth Games.

SWIMMING WA PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Presented to **Tony Ball** (Kwinana Swimming Club), recognising 50 years

of service to swimming in WA! Tony's record of service to the swimming community in WA is immense. He celebrates a 50-year association with the Kwinana Swimming Club, where he was President for 21 years, Treasurer for seven years and Club Handicapper and Record keeper for 35 years.

As the State Records Officer for Swimming WA over the past 30 years, Tony has given outstanding service to swimming in WA more widely. His recall of every athlete, member and family, and his knowledge of the history of swimming in Western Australia, is encyclopaedic. Tony is a living treasure of Swimming WA and his club Kwinana.

SWIMMING WA PATRON'S TROPHY AND SIR FRANK BEAUREPAIRE TROPHY

Both trophies awarded to **Alex Saffy** for his outstanding performance winning bronze in the S10 Men's 100m Butterfly at the World Para Championships, and his all-round brilliant year including outstanding performances at both Commonwealth Games and World Championships.

COACH OF THE YEAR AWARD

Awarded to **Ian Mills** (North Coast Swim Club, who guided **Kieren Pollard** to the Commonwealth Games team, **Kyle Lee** into his first Open Water World Championships team, as well as continuing to develop champion Open Water swimmers at the North Coast Swim Club.

SCTA (WA) DEVELOPMENT COACH OF THE YEAR AWARD

Awarded to **Lakshman 'Lucky' Weerakkody** (Kwinana Swimming Club)

TECHNICAL OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR AWARD

Awarded jointly to **Deb Doody** (Riverton Aquanauts Swimming Club) and **Kim Blake** (Geographe Bay Swimming Club)

Swimming WA's Awards of Excellence

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Awarded to **Steve Hill** (UWA West Coast Swimming Club)

BEN BEALE MEMORIAL AWARD

Awarded to **Emma Bond** (UWA West Coast Swimming Club)

This award is in honour of **Ben Beale** who tragically passed away in April 2017. He was part of family-owned WA business, Aqua Technics, who have been a proud partner of Swimming WA for over six years. Ben was a talented athlete but what he loved most of all, was the camaraderie and club spirit that brings everyone together. We often recognise the personal achievements in the pool, but the Ben

Beale Memorial Award is about celebrating a person who embodies the best club spirit, rewarding and recognising a swimming champion both in and out of water.

CLUB OF THE YEAR AWARD

Club of the Year (Metropolitan) – South Shore Swimming Club

Club of the Year (Regional) – Australind Swimming Club

Awarded to our affiliated clubs that demonstrate, amongst other things, excellent governance practices, membership growth, programme engagement, and a wide range of opportunities for their members to develop within the sport.

SWIMMERS' SWIMMER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Awarded to **Iona Anderson** (Breakers Swim Club) and **Alex Saffy** (Bunbury Swimming Club)

This is a peer-selected award, chosen in a 3,2,1 voting system by Swimming WA Travel Assistance Grant (TAG) funded athletes.

AGE SWIMMER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Awarded to **Iona Anderson** (Breakers Swim Club) for the most outstanding performed resident Western Australian Swimmer aged between 13-16 for girls and 14-17 for boys.

2023 New Town Toyota National Excellence Awards

NATIONAL AGE AND OPEN MEDALLISTS

| National Athlete Medallists | Club |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Alex Saffy | Bunbury |
| Alexander Sillitoe | South Lake Dolphins |
| Anouk Potter | Southside Penhros Wesley |
| Braden Fyneman | UWA West Coast |
| Daniel Boshart | Formerly Scarborough Beach, now Highlanders |
| Inez Miller | Formerly St Hilda's |
| Ingrid Blandford | Bunbury |
| Isabel Sheldrick | Formerly St Hilda's |
| Jack Wicks | Rockingham |
| Johann Szymanski | Highlanders |
| Jordan Berryman | UWA West Coast |
| Joshua Yong | UWA West Coast |
| Lucas Fackerell | Breakers |
| Lucy Porter | Westside Christchurch Aquatic |
| Samuel Hicks | Westside Christchurch Aquatic |
| Sean Alcorn | Peel Aquatic |
| Sylvia Czajko | UWA West Coast |
| Talara-Jade Dixon | St Hilda's |
| Talia Wilkinson | St Hilda's |
| Thomas Prowton | Arena |
| Tom Wyatt | Arena |
| Xavier Collins | Westside Christchurch Aquatic |

NATIONAL AGE AND OPEN CHAMPIONS

| National Athlete Medallists | Club |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| Alexander Sillitoe | South Lake Dolphins |
| Braden Fyneman | UWA West Coast |
| Johann Szymanski | Highlanders |
| Jordan Berryman | UWA West Coast |
| Kyle Lee | North Coast |
| Lucas Fackerell | Breakers |
| Sylvia Czajko | UWA West Coast |

NEW TOWN TOYOTA TROPHY

Kyle Lee (North Coast)

BOB BESTMAN CUP

Lucas Fackerell (Breakers)

KEVIN DUFF TROPHY

Deb Jones (formerly St Hilda's)

HANCOCK PROSPECTING PERPETUAL TROPHY

Joshua Yong (UWA West Coast)

2022 Hancock Prospecting State Age and Open & LC Championships Awards

THE OLD COURT CUP

Alyssa Burgess (Arena)

THE HALL OF FAME ALUMNI TROPHY

Iona Anderson (Breakers)

Eamon Sullivan

Inez Miller (formerly St Hilda's)

SWIMMING WA LIFE MEMBERS' TROPHY

Rosie Wilson (North Coast)

Jack Howson

Helen Smith (formerly South Shore, now Highlanders)

Jennifer Reilly

Isabella Russell (Highlanders)

THE FRANK OSMAN MEMORIAL SHIELD

Alice Massey (UWA West Coast)

THE MAX GERBER MULTI-CLASS CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY

Jordan Berryman (UWA West Coast)

THE METROPOLITAN LC CLUB SHIELD

UWA West Coast

COUNTRY LC CLUB SHIELD

Peel Aquatic

Swimming WA Life Membership

Life Membership is awarded by Swimming WA to acknowledge and reward the dedication and selfless contribution of members who have provided outstanding volunteer service to Swimming WA over an extended period of time. Presentation of Life Membership is made at Swimming WA's Annual General Meeting. We aim, in this honour, to recognise and preserve the record of service of recipients, given the very significant contribution they have made to Swimming WA and the swimming community in WA.

In 2022-23, Life membership was awarded to two individuals, Jan Smith and Joshua Hofer OAM

Jan Smith



Jan has made, and continues to make, an immense contribution to the successful management and operation of swimming events at local, regional and state level in WA. Jan started her journey as a parent, like many involved in swimming, timekeeping at her (York) Club Nights. In her 30 years involved in the sport, she has been awarded Life Membership at York Swimming Club, and been a tireless advocate and worker for her Region and country swimming more generally.

Her roles have included:

- York Swimming Club Secretary and Committee Member (current)
- Technical Official (starting as a District Referee)
- Region Secretary, Region Club Delegate and Region Coordinator.
- Country Coordinator voted by Country Clubs (2003-2014 and again 2019-current)
- Overseeing 11 Country Pennants and Country Championships as an official.

Joshua Hofer OAM

Joshua Hofer OAM has used his international and national swimming achievements as a platform to positively promote the sport of swimming, especially within the multiclass swimming community. His willingness to travel the state, share his experiences and show off his medals and trophies, has helped inspire the next generation of multiclass swimmers.

Josh has undertaken many roles over the years, including as a member of the Perth City Swimming Club committee for five years, Club Captain for two years, as well as Ambassador for Swimming WA for three years. Josh has dedicated his life to swimming and his experience in the sport has contributed towards many positive changes in recent years in multiclass swimming, in particular:



Swimming WA was sorry to see three stalwarts of our community pass away during the year.



Grant Staelwinder

Grant Staelwinder was a successful swimmer and National Gold Medallist before turning to coaching, where he became known as a world class sprint coach during the 2000s, with many representatives on State and National teams including **Eamon Sullivan, Libby Trickett** and **Eamon, Jim Piper** and **Tommaso D’Orsogna**. The contribution Grant made to swimming in WA was hugely significant as a coach, and resulted in him being inducted into the Swimming WA Hall of Fame in 2008.



Lester Watkins

Lester Watkins had a distinguished coaching career establishing the Maida Vale Swim School with his wife Jan before relocating to Wesley College pool in South Perth. Lester consistently produced top swimmers, among them Olympian and Sports Star of the Year Award winner **Ian Brown** as well as **Melinda Hill, Nicola Yates, Eric Dennis, Jon Harrison** and **Helen Denman**.

After regularly sending swimmers to the national championships, Watkins excelled to become an Australian Team Coach at the 1991 Edmonton Pan Pacific Championships. Lester was inducted into Swimming WA’s Hall of Fame in 2008. His contribution as a coach and mentor to younger coaches left such a legacy to swimming in Western Australia.



Tom Brazier

Tom Brazier was an exceptional sports administrator, who alongside key contemporaries, was instrumental in professionalising Swimming WA, (formerly known as Western Australian Amateur Swimming Association) during the 1980s.

Initially a Technical Official, Tom became more involved in the sport’s administration, joining the WAASA board, serving as President from 1982 to 1985 and acting as Team Manager to for the 1984 Olympics.

Following his tenure as President of WASA, Tom subsequently served as President of Swimming Australia, also playing a key role in the organisation of the FINA World Aquatics Championships held in Australia and also serving as National Planning Coordinator from 1993 to 1997.

Our Clubs



President's Report

On behalf of the Board of Directors of Swimming WA it is my privilege to table the annual President's report for the 2022-2023 year. I would like to thank Board members for their time and effort in working towards achieving our strategic objectives.

At the last AGM the term of board member Mrs. Dot Harris expired, as well as the term of appointed Director Mr. Tommaso D'Orsogna, who chose to not seek reappointment. I would like to thank Mrs. Harris and Mr. D'Orsogna for their diligent service. Mr. David Kent was appointed to the Board in June 2023 to fill the Appointed role left vacant by Mr. D'Orsogna.

In line with guidelines provided by the Australian Sports Commission Sport Governance Framework*, over the past year the Board has worked on improving governance for our Association. Thanks to our members for assisting in commencing this process, at our last AGM, by passing our new Rules which align with the model rules and contemporary practice. The Board and CEO have worked over the year in moving our key documents from what was a large set of Bylaws to a comprehensive set of plain language policies. The process is ongoing but its end is within sight.

Swimming WA has progressed its Sports Governance Standards to a 'high' level, and we will continue to improve by working in areas such as:

- **Principle 2:** The Team – Having an aligned sport through collaborative governance by continuing to have Board members attend Presidents' Forums to engage with Club Presidents and collaborate across all areas of our sport.
- **Principle 4:** The Players – Continuing efforts to diversify the Board to improve our decision-making and use of the Nominations Committee to identify gaps in skills and attributes and seek diversity on the Board.

- **Principle 6:** Board processes which ensure accountability and transparency, including reporting such as this to provide transparency to the members.

During the year, the Board undertook a complete review of the Association's risk management framework, risk policy and risk register. The risk register has been comprehensively updated and will be regularly reviewed by the Board in line with best practice.

In this past year, work continued executing our *Strategic Plan 2021-24* with particular focus on Pillar 1 and the ongoing health of our Clubs, through the Club Excellence Programme, and improving the quantity, quality and gender equity of accredited coaches. On Pillar 2, we have focused on developing opportunities to increase our athlete representation at national events and in increasing participation at our Open Water Swim events. Overall, we have continued to work together to complete the implementation of our strategic plan by its expiry at the end of 2024.

The SWA Board and the CEO continued to work very closely with the Lakelands Swim School Board. However, despite best efforts, the organisation was closed in June 2023. The Board is pleased that the facility is reopening under new ownership and will therefore continue to provide an important service to the local community.

Swimming WA has worked closely with Swimming Australia this past year. The President of Swimming WA worked on the Oversight Committee which consisted of several other Member Organisation Presidents and members of the Swimming Australia Board, and which oversaw an independent



review into Swimming Australia and its stakeholder relationships. Swimming WA has continued to be involved, through the President and CEO, in assisting with the implementation of the recommendations resulting from the independent review. You will also be aware of the recent publicity surrounding Swimming Australia and World Aquatics. The Swimming WA President is representing Swimming WA on a Collaboration Steering Committee which is assisting Swimming Australia with changes to their Constitution.

The Board would like to acknowledge and thank our CEO, Sophie Row, and the SWA team for their hard work over past year. The Board and the CEO work very closely throughout the year to ensure our organisation performs at its best.

The Board would like to thank all our members for making the past year a successful one. Thank you to the Department of Local Government, Sport & Cultural Industries, our Principal Partner, Hancock Prospecting, and all our valued sponsors and patrons for their ongoing support.

Darren Michael
President

*The Sport Governance Framework (sportaus.gov.au)

Chief Executive Officer's Report

The 2022-23 year was the first full year of activities not disrupted by the pandemic and was an opportunity to re-set and build on the organisational restructuring and return to core business strategy that had been adopted the previous year. The year saw a huge increase in our activities across the board, including more events, more coach and official development opportunities, increased athlete pathways programmes, new regional initiatives, club development and volunteer support initiatives and a new focus on inclusion and MC opportunities.

Our Club Conference in October focused on 'inclusion' as the theme, with presentations very well received from participants. The AGM followed, seeing the adoption of a new, simplified Constitution that laid the groundwork for future governance reform. In the evening our Annual Awards of Excellence celebrated and acknowledged our swimming community at the Ritz and welcomed new inductees, Blair Evans and Sally Hunter (née Foster) into our Hall of Fame and Priya Cooper, Shelley Taylor-Smith and Eamon Sullivan inducted into our Hall of Legends.

We were delighted to secure hosting the National Open Water Championships and Ocean Festival to be held in Busselton in January. Piloting a new collaborative approach to event delivery with Swimming Australia, the four-day event integrated a community swim and other festival activations, which were incredibly well supported in the stunning setting of Busselton Jetty. To top off the fantastic week, our own Kyle Lee snatched victory in the Men's 5km event, and North Coast won Champion Club.

Our open water swim series kicked off the season in Karratha, soon followed by the first metropolitan swim in Leighton. Unfortunately, the cold weather in the first half of the season saw reduced numbers over the course of the series, however our new Elite Series saw some exciting swims from our top athletes, and we were delighted to see Kyle Lee and Jack Wilson being selected for the Dolphins Team along with coach Ian Mills representing Australia in the World Championships.

Following recommendations from the Competition Structure working group, a revised competition structure was adopted for pool meets during the summer of 2022-23, seeking to align membership categories with our competition pathway, improve retention of athletes and create an improved tiered pathway for athletes. Competition registrations reached capacity for most meets, which is very encouraging for the future health of swimming in WA. A review at the conclusion of the season sought feedback from all stakeholders and resulted in some further refinements to the structure for the forthcoming season. Competition demand has remained very strong resulting in several new meets being introduced to meet the increased need.

Focus on the competition structure and with the appointment of new Athlete Pathways Manager, SWA saw significant growth in the performance pathway programme. Seven activities were undertaken across the year targeting over 100 athletes across three squads. Residential training camps and other opportunities saw WA athletes have great success at National and International level. Congratulations to the eight athletes selected to represent Australia across the racing season and new athletes moving into the WAIS programme, particularly Josh Yong who was a member of the World Record breaking relay team at the FINA SC World Championships held in Melbourne.

Coaches and officials saw increased support from our new Coach & Official Development Manager role, providing scholarships and many



new opportunities for professional development. These included weekend workshops, webinars and 'lunch and learn' initiatives covering subject matters such as 'inclusion', MC & Para athlete pathways and open water.

Our new Inclusion Coordinator drove new initiatives for our MC athletes ensuring increased competition opportunities and classification days. This has driven up our MC athlete numbers by over 50%.

Our Participation and Membership team has worked tirelessly to deliver a number of new initiatives to support our all-important clubs and volunteers. This included the Club Excellence Programme, launched in October to encourage, and incentivise clubs to develop their governance frameworks to become the best clubs they can be. In addition, a suite of webinars was provided throughout the year to upskill volunteers comprising the Wellbeing Series hosted by Richmond Wellbeing, and the 'How To' series to provide guidance to volunteers on effective and efficient club operations.

The regions saw an increased focus as our new team visited regional centres to host development weekends, incorporating coaching and official development opportunities alongside swimming time trials providing athletes with the opportunity to achieve times. In addition, new coaching scholarships and a pilot programme for the

Chief Executive Officer's Report

Development Coach Course over two days to support regional coaches to achieve their accreditation over one weekend, saw improved opportunities for the regions to increase capability and capacity in these vital roles. Our new Athlete Pathways Manager also worked with regional academies to seek alignment for swimming pathways programmes to improve opportunities for regional pathway athletes.

Restructuring of the WestSwim brand commenced during the year with the squads bridging programme operating from Craigie Leisure Centre being re-branded under Swimming WA and renamed SWASP – Swimming WA Squads Programme. Our Lakelands facility continued operations and despite seeing some growth in enrolments post-covid, the financial and operational burden saw the facility close its doors at the end of June. While very unfortunate for our dedicated team and customers, we're delighted that a new operator

has now commenced trading, while Swimming WA can now focus on our core business.

During the year the whole swimming community was saddened to lose three stalwarts of swimming in WA. Former coaches Grant Stoelwinder and Lester Watkins and former WASA President Tom Brazier all passed away during the year, all having left a significant mark on the WA swimming community in years past.

Imperative to our financial sustainability, is the long-term support of our many stakeholders and funding partners. Significant amongst those is Department of Local Government, Sport & Cultural Industries, Healthway and Hancock Prospecting, who all provide important funding support. Deepest thanks to your all for your ongoing support of swimming.

I would like to thank the Swimming WA team, who put in countless hours above and beyond the call of duty.

Their dedication to servicing our swimming community often goes without recognition and I thank them for their ongoing support.

I would also like to thank the Swimming WA Board for their ongoing commitment, giving their time freely to the ongoing success of swimming in WA. In addition, my thanks to our many volunteers who serve on Swimming WA Committees and give their time and expertise so readily to support swimming.

On behalf of the entire team at Swimming WA we thank you, our valued members for ensuring that swimming is an essential part of the Western Australian way of life.



Sophie Row
Chief Executive Officer, Swimming WA



Membership

A like-minded community of swimming enthusiasts



Membership

Reflecting on the 2022/2023 Membership Year: triumphs amidst challenges.

As the curtains fall on the 2022-2023 membership year, it is time to celebrate the incredible journey our clubs have undertaken in a rapidly changing landscape. From swift updates to navigating unprecedented challenges, this year has showcased the resilience, adaptability, and camaraderie of our community.

Facility restrictions presented a unique challenge, but our clubs rose to the occasion. Many thought outside of the box on what business as usual looks like and stretched themselves to keep swimmers swimming.

One of the brightest highlights of this membership year was the overwhelming response to our programmes across the state. The dedication to skill enhancement and personal growth was evident as these programmes reached their capacity. Members displayed a hunger for improvement, showcasing the passion that drives our community forward.

Amidst the challenges, clubs found a silver lining in the realm of social participation. The year saw an impressive

surge in members engaging in non-competitive activities. This reaffirms that our clubs are not just about competitions; they are about forging lasting social connections.

The growth of our Junior Dolphins membership programme has been heartening. Young minds and budding talents joined our ranks, taking their first steps in a journey of camaraderie and sportsmanship. Nurturing these young enthusiasts paves the way for a promising future where the values of teamwork, discipline, and dedication take centre stage.

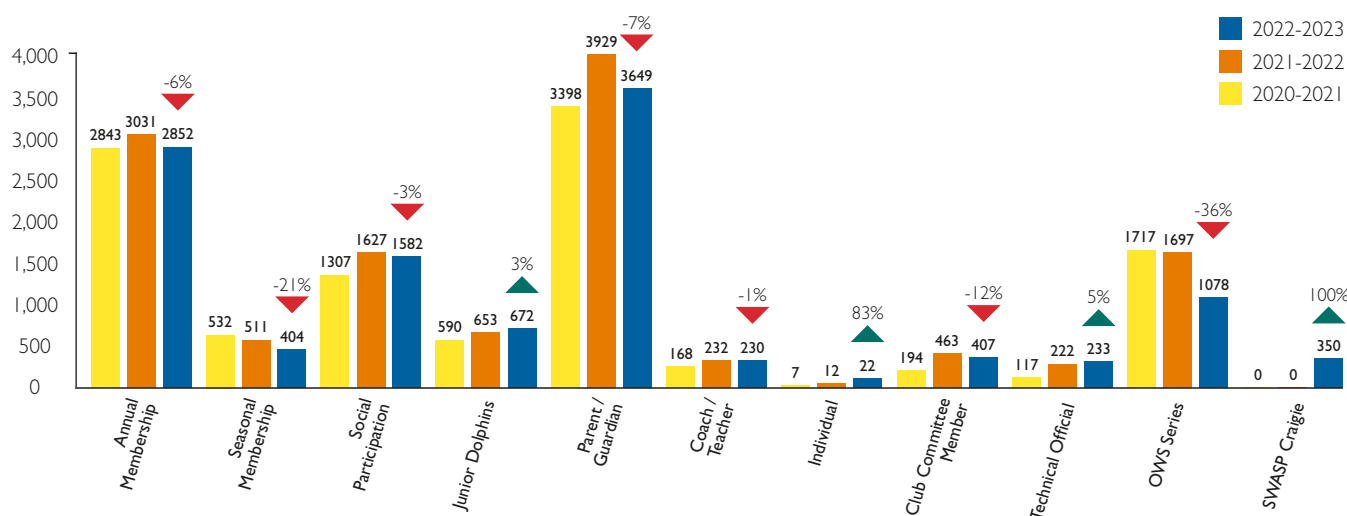
As we reflect on the 2022-2023 membership year, it is crucial to acknowledge the unwavering dedication of our members, coaches, officials, and volunteer committees. The challenges of this year have fostered resilience and unity that will serve as our foundation moving forward. While we faced difficulties, we also discovered innovative ways to thrive.

The next membership year holds promise and possibility. With a growing sense of community, we will continue

to adapt, evolve, and thrive in an ever-changing world. The lessons we have learned, the connections we have made, and the achievements we have celebrated will guide us as we step into the future with gratitude, optimism, and a deepened sense of purpose.



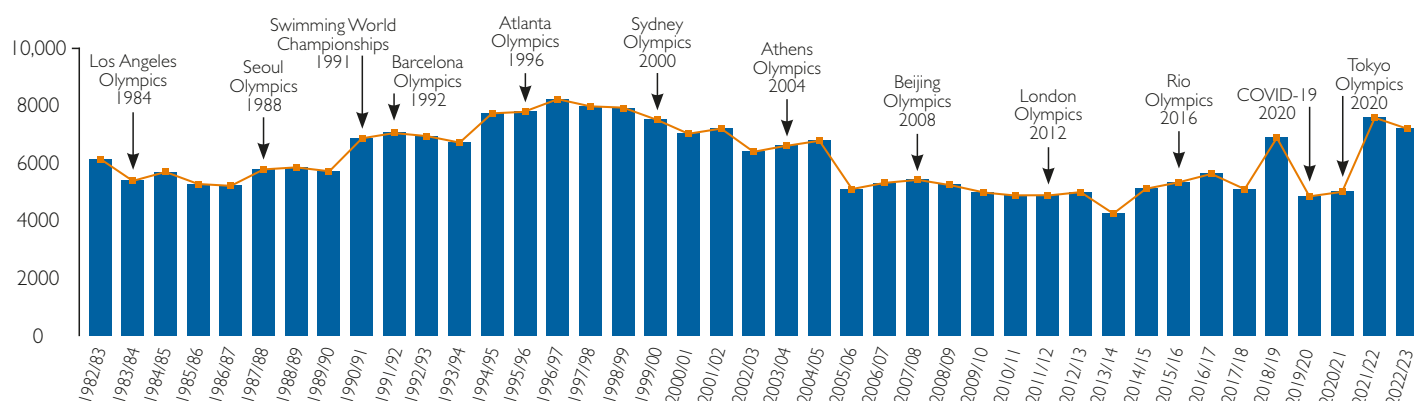
Swimming WA Membership – by category 2020-2021 / 2021-2022 / 2022-2023



This data is compiled by total memberships in each category. Please note that a member may hold a number of different types of memberships.

Swimming WA Membership – Swimmers Only

Swimmer numbers Trend



| Metro | Total Membership Season 2020/21 | Total Membership Season 2021/22 | Total Membership Season 2022/23 | Difference | % |
|---|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------|------------|
| All Saints | 90 | 76 | 63 | -13 | -17% |
| Aqua Attack | 97 | 93 | 117 | 24 | 26% |
| Aquajets Swimming Club | 44 | 38 | 21 | -17 | -45% |
| Arena | 336 | 389 | 268 | -121 | -31% |
| Armadale Kelmscott | 159 | 194 | 203 | 9 | 5% |
| Breakers WA | 281 | 335 | 367 | 32 | 10% |
| Canning Districts | 57 | 70 | 57 | -13 | -19% |
| Central Aquatic | 143 | 161 | 146 | -15 | -9% |
| Claremont Aquatic | 96 | 104 | 125 | 21 | 20% |
| Curtin University Victoria Park Swimming Club | 98 | 93 | 85 | -8 | -9% |
| Fremantle Port | 107 | 131 | 176 | 45 | 34% |
| Guildford Kalamunda | 400 | 447 | 457 | 10 | 2% |
| Highlanders | 0 | 151 | 170 | 19 | 13% |
| Kwinana | 181 | 200 | 207 | 7 | 4% |
| Lesmurdie Legends Swimming Club Inc | 117 | 123 | 115 | -8 | -7% |
| Mt Helena | 105 | 99 | 68 | -31 | -31% |
| Newman Churchlands | 226 | 259 | 238 | -21 | -8% |
| North Coast | 100 | 131 | 257 | 126 | 96% |
| Perth City Swimming Club | 175 | 162 | 134 | -28 | -17% |
| Riverside SC | 111 | 83 | 41 | -42 | -51% |
| Riverton | 133 | 167 | 197 | 30 | 18% |
| Rockingham | 332 | 341 | 339 | -2 | -1% |
| Scarborough Beach | 283 | 337 | 300 | -37 | -11% |
| South Shore | 259 | 270 | 260 | -10 | -4% |
| Southlake Dolphins | 240 | 209 | 194 | -15 | -7% |
| Southside Penrhos Wesley | 219 | 262 | 272 | 10 | 4% |
| St Hildas | 148 | 177 | 165 | -12 | -7% |
| Superfins WA | 15 | 15 | 12 | -3 | -20% |
| UWA West Coast | 500 | 775 | 782 | 7 | 1% |
| Western Sprint | 76 | 89 | 101 | 12 | 13% |
| Westside Christchurch Aquatic | 197 | 206 | 217 | 11 | 5% |
| Totals | 5325 | 6187 | 6154 | -33 | -1% |

Membership

| Regional | Total Membership Season 2020/21 | Total Membership Season 2021/22 | Total Membership Season 2022/23 | Difference | % |
|---|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Albany | 141 | 111 | 125 | 14 | 13% |
| Australind | 78 | 96 | 83 | -13 | -14% |
| Beverley | 65 | 68 | 58 | -10 | -15% |
| Boddington | 30 | 17 | 22 | 5 | 29% |
| Broome | 121 | 148 | 166 | 18 | 12% |
| Bunbury | 195 | 172 | 144 | -28 | -16% |
| Busselton | 184 | 178 | 154 | -24 | -13% |
| Carnarvon | 90 | 93 | 84 | -9 | -10% |
| Collie | 60 | 54 | 61 | 7 | 13% |
| Corrigin | 91 | 82 | 87 | 5 | 6% |
| Dalwallinu Amateur Swimming and Life Saving Club | 69 | 69 | 44 | -25 | -36% |
| Derby | 0 | 35 | 42 | 7 | 20% |
| Dowerin | 70 | 34 | 0 | -34 | -100% |
| Esperance | 62 | 69 | 52 | -17 | -25% |
| Exmouth | 97 | 104 | 97 | -7 | -7% |
| Geographe Bay Swimming Club | 63 | 52 | 62 | 10 | 19% |
| Geraldton | 162 | 155 | 153 | -2 | -1% |
| Gingin Aquatic | 71 | 48 | 38 | -10 | -21% |
| Goomalling | 62 | 80 | 67 | -13 | -16% |
| Harvey | 40 | 48 | 36 | -12 | -25% |
| Hedland | 64 | 127 | 101 | -26 | -20% |
| Kalgoorlie | 167 | 168 | 150 | -18 | -11% |
| Kambalda | 48 | 34 | 34 | 0 | 0% |
| Karratha | 185 | 213 | 207 | -6 | -3% |
| Kojonup | 0 | 83 | 72 | -11 | -13% |
| Mandurah | 116 | 157 | 232 | 75 | 48% |
| Manjimup Marlins | 69 | 65 | 60 | -5 | -8% |
| Margaret River | 102 | 83 | 0 | -83 | -100% |
| Moora | 91 | 85 | 84 | -1 | -1% |
| Morawa Amateur Swimming Club | 27 | 27 | 35 | 8 | 30% |
| Mt Barker | 92 | 106 | 101 | -5 | -5% |
| Narembeen | 33 | 21 | 52 | 31 | 148% |
| Narrogin | 41 | 38 | 34 | -4 | -11% |
| Newman Amateur Swimming Club | 81 | 59 | 0 | -59 | -100% |
| Northam | 161 | 144 | 142 | -2 | -1% |
| Onslow | 41 | 66 | 84 | 18 | 27% |
| Pannawonica | 16 | 5 | 28 | 23 | 460% |
| Paraburdoo | 99 | 115 | 93 | -22 | -19% |
| Peel Aquatic | 167 | 233 | 153 | -80 | -34% |
| Pinjarra | 106 | 82 | 32 | -50 | -61% |
| Quairading SC | 53 | 75 | 50 | -25 | -33% |
| Tom Price | 118 | 107 | 101 | -6 | -6% |
| Wagin | 95 | 79 | 45 | -34 | -43% |
| Waroona Amateur Swimming Club | 34 | 29 | 15 | -14 | -48% |
| Wickham | 42 | 71 | 72 | 1 | 1% |
| Wongan Hills Swimming Club | 51 | 36 | 75 | 39 | 108% |
| York | 55 | 90 | 62 | -28 | -31% |
| Totals | 3905 | 4111 | 3689 | -422 | -10% |
| Total Members* | 9230 | 10298 | 9843 | -455 | -4% |

* Total number of members at the club, includes swimming and nonswimming members.
Each member is only counted on their primary membership.

Participation

Providing the opportunity for everyone to become involved



Participation

Junior Development Programmes

SWIMMING WA SQUAD PROGRAMME (SWASP) CRAIGIE

Swimming WA Squad Programme (SWASP) Craigie is a pre-competitive and fitness squad that operates out of Craigie Leisure Centre. The aim has been to support and develop swimmers once they finish Learn to Swim and need further support before they are ready to enrol in a competitive swim club, or to offer opportunity if they wish to continue to develop their fitness.

The programme went from strength to strength, with high numbers retained over the chilly winter months and then, in summer, we reached capacity in squads, with a waiting list created for eager swimmers.

The new financial year saw us welcome a permanent part time administration manager to the team, and the appointment of a new programme manager, who was the on-deck point of contact for all swimmers and parents. Toward December, the programme was refreshed, with the addition of a new brand identity, centred on WestSwim Craigie evolving into Swimming WA Squad Programme (SWASP) Craigie. This reform was undertaken by our Participation and Member Services division.



With this new brand identity, the squads were renamed to reflect their swimming pathway, intent, and goals. The competitive pathway, which feeds into Swimming WA competitive clubs, saw the two squads merged and rebranded as JUNIORS (Bronze, Silver, Gold, and Platinum), with clearer criteria and expectations shared with the community. The fitness pathway saw its three squads rebranded as Aqua Fit (Developing), Challenge Fit (Intermediate) and Enduro Fit (Advanced).

We welcomed several new coaches to the team and were able to invest in our current coaches' professional development, providing the opportunity to participate in additional SCTA coaching courses to further their skill set and credentials. SWASP Craigie now has the perfect balance of more experienced and certified coaches who are mentoring our younger and developing team members.

Our JUNIORS Bronze and Silver squads continued to be our most successful programme, as participation rates reached capacity. The majority of these swimmers remained with SWASP Craigie and continued through to our advanced fitness and competitive programmes.

The Swim Fit pathway continued as a popular programme that catered for triathlon, surf and team sport athletes. At a junior level, it encouraged and retained athletes in swimming, which

then complemented their other sporting and fitness pursuits. The Enduro Fit (Advanced) programme resulted in several high-performance achievements, with swimmers attending the National Surf Lifesaving Championships, National Age Triathlon Championships, and the annual Cottesloe to Rottnest swim.

With the restructure and re branding of SWASP Craigie achieving greater alignment to Swimming WA, we now have consistent strategic intent. The programme has matured and evolved into a successful and reputable programme for swimmers in the northern suburbs. The coming year is promising and bright; we now have a blueprint to potentially introduce similar initiatives to other metro and regional areas, to provide that crucial link between Learn to Swim and our competitive swimming clubs.

WESTSWIM LAKELANDS



WestSwim Lakelands continued to operate a 5-lane facility and a variety of programmes in Lakelands. May 2023 was the fifth year of operation, where WestSwim continued to build the initial Learn to Swim programme and developed affiliations within the PEEL community.

During the past year, a focus on staff development and the team was a priority. WestSwim took on board





and trained several newly qualified teachers and upskilled current staff to take on new responsibilities such as deck supervision, pool operations, swim teaching, aquafit instruction, CPR training, customer service and squad coaching.

The community affiliations continued with The Education Department WA (Ed Dept), Multiple Sclerosis WA (MSWA), Royal Lifesaving Society of WA (RLSSWA), Mandurah Surf Club, Children and Youth Community Services (CHOYCES), Mandurah Water Polo Association (MWPA) and several local school PE programmes. WestSwim continued to host aquatic events including Mandurah Surf Club nippers' assessment day, Ed Dept in-term swimming lessons, MSWA physical therapy sessions, CHOYCES infant CPR and water safety workshops, and MWPA Stroll o Polo / Flippa Ball sessions. A new programme called "Aqua Skills 55+" from RLSSWA was facilitated at WestSwim, which resulted in a highly successful eight-week programme for seniors in the community.

Corporate sponsorship was received, including support from Paralympics and Seaside Estate, where monetary contributions toward equipment for our seniors and people with disability were greatly appreciated.

Enrolment numbers were positive due to initiatives introduced in the Learn to Swim programme, along with the Holiday Programme and Private Lessons,

which catered toward swimmers with individual learning needs and disabilities. Safety Week continued to be a biannual highlight, being an important initiative offered to all Learn to Swim classes in both July and December.

WestSwim Lakelands has faced several challenges in recent years. As the community was already aware, the COVID-19 pandemic caused widespread disruption and difficulty for many businesses, and unfortunately, the Lakelands facility was not immune to this. Despite our best efforts, including a rigorous search for a potential buyer, the impact of the pandemic on the operations was substantial, and combined with mounting inflationary pressures, resulted in the difficult decision to close the doors on WestSwim Lakelands, effective 24 June 2023. A strategic review of the business by the Lakeland's Board resulted in this decision to permanently close the business.

The decision was not taken lightly, and it was disappointing news for many loyal customers and local community members. Lakelands leased the facility from a private owner, and it remains possible that it will reopen under new management. However, this is now a matter for the owner: From Swimming WA's perspective, the very marginal returns of recent times, and the potential for mounting losses in the future, meant it was no longer in members' interests to continue the Lakelands operation.



Lakelands was provided with administrative support from Swimming WA which minimised the impact to its customers, staff, and suppliers through the transition period. This is a disappointment to our swimming community, and it was a difficult decision for all concerned. However, the closure of the facility will allow Swimming WA to focus more fully on its core business and mission.

JUNIOR DOLPHINS



The Junior Dolphins membership category represents an introduction to aquatic adventure for young

swimmers and a stepping-stone to our affiliated clubs and competitive swimming. There are currently 675 Junior Dolphins between the ages of five and eight across the state, with 68% based in Regional WA. Aquatic Leisure Technologies (ALT) are proud sponsors of the Junior Dolphins, and their generous support enables Swimming WA to offer a range of benefits to members.

Junior Dolphins membership is designed to create a structured pathway for young water enthusiasts to develop in swimming, ultimately to build the skills for competitive racing. However, it is also very much about offering an established environment that is fun and fosters positive social connections.

Participation

| Junior Dolphins membership | |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 2022-2023 | |
| 8 years | 222 |
| 7 years | 288 |
| 6 years | 99 |
| 5 years | 47 |
| Total | 675 (increased by 25) |

SPLASH & DASH



The inaugural statewide Splash & Dash weekend marked a significant milestone in our marketing

strategy for Western Australia, featuring 12 events and attracting 400 participants.

Fuel to Go & Play Splash & Dash represents an innovative introduction to competitive swimming, offering newcomers a supportive and playful environment. Unlike traditional competitions, this event emphasizes camaraderie over strict rules, allowing swimmers of all levels to race without fear of disqualification.

What sets these events apart is the focus on personal growth. With a blend of traditional races and creative challenges, participants can engage in both classic and unconventional swimming events. This not only adds excitement to the overall experience but also encourages swimmers to push their limits, with the emphasis squarely on personal development rather than achieving specific time goals.

Fuel to Go & Play Splash & Dash events are a celebration of swimming, community, and self-improvement. By fostering a playful and supportive atmosphere, the events encourage swimmers to dive in, have fun, and embrace the joy of competitive swimming in a new and refreshing way.



JUNIOR EXCELLENCE



Swimming WA continues to champion the Junior Excellence

programme, generously supported in 2022-23 by Pho3nix. This programme extends its reach to children throughout Australia, catering to swimmers aged 9 to 13, and guiding them on a journey of growth and accomplishment. The Pho3nix Junior Excellence programme is not solely focused on speed; it underscores the importance of progress and dedication. These young swimmers are charting their development in the water, following the benchmarks set by Swimming Australia. There are a range of achievements to aspire to, from gold to silver, bronze, and blue standards, each a testament to their diligence and unwavering spirit.

This programme is an integral part of the Swimming Australia participation pathway, with all current Australian Dolphins team members having achieved excellence within the Junior Excellence programme.

| Junior Excellence | |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| 2022-2023 Results | |
| Blue | 529 ▲ |
| Bronze | 330 ▲ |
| Silver | 268 ▲ |
| Gold | 137 ▲ |
| Total | 1,261 (increased by 134) |

SCHOOLS

Swimming WA continues to serve as the central hub for coordinating various school-based competitions across Western Australia. We play a vital role in providing technical officials for eight school associations, including ACC, SSWA, PSA, IGSSA, and JIGSSA. Approximately 100 officials contributed to this collaborative effort during the month of March. These strong partnerships both bolster our membership and expand the scope of participation opportunities offered in the sport. They also underscore our deep connections within the school sports community.

Country Swimming

FOSTERING GROWTH IN COUNTRY SWIMMING COMMUNITIES

Swimming is more than a sport; it is a way of life that builds discipline, teamwork, and personal growth. While metropolitan areas often take the spotlight in the swimming world, the heart of the sport lies within regional communities. Passionate swimmers, dedicated coaches, and enthusiastic officials come together in these communities to create a thriving aquatic culture. In the past year, two regional activation weekends have brought these communities closer than ever, sparking growth and development that promises a brighter future for country swimmers.

UNITING COACHES, OFFICIALS, AND SWIMMERS

Swimming thrives on collaboration and learning, and two transformative events were organized to bring coaches, officials, and swimmers together – Regional Development Weekends. These weekends saw participants from various regional areas gathering to enhance their skills, exchange knowledge, and build connections that would further enrich their swimming communities.

The first activation weekend in Northam served as a launchpad for this initiative, focusing on skill development and creating a platform for swimmers to refine their techniques, officials to deepen their understanding of the sport's rules, and coaches to fine-

tune their training methodologies. The event not only enhanced skills but also strengthened camaraderie among participants, fostering a shared commitment to the growth of country swimming.

Building on the success of the first event, the second activation weekend in Mt Barker took a broader approach. In addition to skill development, this event emphasized knowledge sharing and mentorship. Experienced coaches shared insights, officials provided guidance, and successful coaches shared strategies with swimmers that had proven effective in training. The weekend promoted a culture of continuous learning that we hope will have lasting impact in the regional swimming community.

BRIDGING THE FINANCIAL BARRIER

One significant hurdle limiting the growth of regional swimming communities is the financial barrier faced by volunteer coaches. Dedicated coaches in these areas often struggle to access advanced coaching certifications due to associated costs. To address this, new Regional Coaching Scholarships were introduced in 2022-23. These scholarships aimed to bridge the financial gap, enabling passionate coaches to pursue further education and training without financial constraints.

This has been a game-changer for country swimming. It has helped develop enhanced coaching knowledge and skills, contributing to improved quality of coaching across the regions. Swimmers have benefited from more refined training methods, resulting in improved motivation and performance. These scholarships underscore the idea that every individual within the swimming community is valued and worthy of investment, regardless of their geographical location.

The recipients for the 2022/2023 Regional Coaching Scholarships were:



Participation



- Brian Crisp (Karratha)
- Peter Carroll (Broome)
- Joanne Stephens (Northam)
- Olivia Boulton (Moora)
- Rebecca Foulkes-Taylor (Gingin)
- Kirk Foster (Carnarvon)
- Toni Hibbert (Carnarvon)
- Claire MacPherson (Geraldton)
- Mary Lynas (Geraldton)
- Andrew Sexton (Busselton)
- Taarna Cam (Australind)

CELEBRATING SUCCESS AND TEAM CAMARADERIE

Northam Swimming Club played host to the 2023 Country Pennants, held over the weekend of 4-5 March. The event brought together over 500 swimmers from 30 country clubs right across Western Australia.

Country Pennants has a long and storied history in Northam, with the first event taking place there in 1959. It was fitting, therefore, that the competition returned to its roots in 2023, with the Northam Aquatic Centre, which officially opened in 2020, providing an excellent venue for the occasion. The state-of-the-art facilities and ample space for spectators made for a fantastic atmosphere.

Two days of competition featured participants ranging from eight to

57-years-old, six multiclass swimmers, and six and seven-year-olds taking part in the Splash & Dash races. A multitude of swimmers and relay teams broke Country Pennants records. Busselton Swimming Club demonstrated exceptional performance as six of its individual swimmers' broke records, along with six of its relay teams. Bunbury Swimming Club also achieved outstanding results with four individual records and six relay records. Congratulations also to Moora Swimming Club, who won the march past with their impressive Horse Racing theme, while the Goomalling Swimming Club made their debut in the competition.

The competition was intense but as usual the swimmers displayed great sportsmanship and support for each other. Swimming WA extends its thanks and appreciation to Northam Swimming Club, its volunteers, and its Committee Members for their dedication and hard work in making the event such a success.

A BRIGHT FUTURE AHEAD

Country swimming has experienced a resurgence in recent years, driven by the commitment, passion and collaboration of all those in regional swimming communities. The regional

activation weekends, the introduction of Regional Coaching Scholarships, and the remarkable success of events like the Country Pennants have contributed to growth and development in the regions and it is clear the heart of swimming continues to beat strongly in the country.

Advancing Inclusion in Aquatics

In the realm of swimming with disabilities, significant progress has been made by Swimming WA and its Multi-Class Advisory Group in 2022-23.

New partnerships were established in 2022-23 with key stakeholders including Paralympics Australia, Inclusion Solutions, and Special Olympics Australia. These contributed to the creation of a groundbreaking participation initiative known as 'Super Splash.' The inaugural Super Splash event attracted 35 participants from Western Australia, including both novice and experienced swimmers, all united by their shared passion for competitive swimming and the spirit of inclusivity.

The ethos of the Super Splash programme centres on bringing swimmers of diverse abilities together for a series of safe, fun and inclusive

events. It opens the door for individuals who may have previously felt excluded from mainstream aquatic activities, providing them with a safe and welcoming environment to explore competitive swimming.

Significant progress was also achieved in the number of classified swimmers in Western Australia, with growth of 50% on the previous year. A total of 30 newly classified swimmers was achieved during designated classification weekends, with additional certifications facilitated through national partnerships, including those with Deaf Sports Australia and Sport Inclusion Australia.

Significant progress in inclusivity in events was also achieved through the inclusion of Multi-Class events in a greater number of Club Championships, both in Metropolitan and Regional areas. For the first time in Club Premiership competition history, our Multi-Class athletes were able to earn points alongside their able-bodied counterparts. Likewise, in Country Pennants 2023, multi-class races were introduced, allowing swimmers with disabilities to be part of the club team alongside their able-bodied peers. Combined with educational opportunities for coaches, club committees, and technical officials, focused on creating welcoming environments, these initiatives reinforced Swimming WA's commitment to making swimming a sport where everyone belongs.

DUKE OF ED



Swimming WA takes pride in being a Duke 4Sport partner with the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award, a global youth development programme empowering young Australians aged 14-24 to unlock their full potential. This programme centres on participants learning or honing a skill, volunteering,

improving their physical wellbeing, and experiencing a team adventure in a new environment. Each Award journey is unique, with qualified Award Leaders guiding participants through all stages of their Bronze, Silver, or Gold Awards.

Swimming WA offers a range of diverse and enjoyable opportunities for Duke of Ed participants to meet their requirements in the areas of Physical Recreation, Skills and Voluntary Service at all award levels. Many of our experienced and skilled swimming members, including coaches, can serve as Assessors for the Duke of Ed Award. Below, are some examples of swimming-related activities that can be completed for each of the Award sections:



| Skills | Voluntary Service | Physical Recreation |
|--|---------------------------------|--|
| Officiating | Officiating | Squad training |
| Coaching | Coaching | Competing |
| Managing social media or other digital media | Club Night organisation | Gym training |
| Photography | Sitting on a committee or panel | Special event training (ocean swim, triathlon) |
| Videography | | |
| Learn to swim instruction | | |

What are the benefits of the Award?

Through this challenging journey of self-discovery, Award Participants:

- Are equipped and empowered to achieve their personal best
- Learn to take responsibility for their goals and choices
- Become connected to and actively engaged within their immediate community.
- Make a real difference to society through their positive contributions and involvement
- Learn to persevere and overcome barriers to success
- Learn important life skills such as communication, resilience, leadership and teamwork, which increases their career opportunities.
- Participate in an international Award in which the value is recognised by employers and tertiary institutions.

Swimming WA is enthusiastic about the opportunities offered to our young athletes in the programme, and the benefits that clubs see in the retention of older swimmers and greater volunteer engagement amongst its participants. Witnessing the added value to our young adults as they develop essential skills in teamwork, goal setting, perseverance and leadership throughout their journey has been particularly gratifying.



Athlete Pathway

The opportunity for our athletes to reach their potential

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Performance Pathway Programme

The Performance Pathway Programme has seen some significant growth in the 2022-2023 year, following interruptions due to COVID-19. In total, seven activities were undertaken, targeting athletes across three squads.

| Squad | Athlete Numbers |
|--------------------------|-----------------|
| WA Development Squad | 61 |
| WA Flippers Squad | 36 |
| WA Target Flippers Squad | 5 |

Table 1: Athlete numbers within the 2022/23 Performance Pathway Programme

July 2022 saw a refresh of the annual residential training camp which included both pool and non-water training and learning opportunities. The camp was attended by 21 athletes from the WA Target Flippers and Flippers Squad and delivered by six coaches.

September 2022 saw a unique competition opportunity for Performance Pathway Programme athletes, competing in non-traditional racing in three teams, with a specific focus on practicing learnt skills within a safe, competitive environment. The meet was also attended by a visiting Singapore team that included National Junior Squad athletes. Feedback from the event was mixed, however the concept was welcomed as a sound training mode.

October 2022 saw the establishment of regular education workshops for the WA Flippers Squad, delivered in conjunction with the Swimming Australia WA Performance Hub. Learnings were aligned to a skill development focus and included a swimming-specific component. Three workshops across two dates were held, with 32 athletes participating.

November 2023 saw the first Swimming WA organised international tour in a number of years, targeted to WA Target Flippers and Flippers Squad athletes competing at the Singapore



Major Games Qualifier. Eight athletes and three coaches participated in the tour, which provided numerous athletes with their first high-profile international touring experience.

The Performance Pathway Programme saw numerous developments leading towards the 2023 Australian Age and Open Championships, including:

- A refresh of athlete and coach selection criteria and processes
- A refresh of training camp and tour processes and guidelines
- The addition of scholarship coach roles

For the 2023-2024 season, a strengthening of athlete selection criteria has allowed for a growth in activity, better targeting the needs of differing athlete cohorts. The programme will be launched in July 2023.

| Squad | Athlete Numbers |
|--------------------------|-----------------|
| WA Development Squad | 35 |
| WA Flippers Squad | 20 |
| WA Target Flippers Squad | 7 |

Table 2: Athlete numbers within the 2023/2024 Performance Pathway Programme

Excitingly, an updated Athlete Pathway Strategy has been developed and will shape future structure and activity, aligned to key strategic pillars that correlate with the strategy's purpose and vision.

PERFORMANCE PATHWAY TEAMS

Swimming WA supported two Performance Pathway Teams to make up for lost opportunities through interruptions due to COVID-19, and loss of key competition opportunities for nationally identified athletes.

January 2023 saw the inaugural Performance Pathway Team travel to the South Australian State Open Championships. A total of 24 athletes were selected from performances at Hancock Prospecting State Championships, supported by four coaches during the tour. The tour included multiple pre-competition training opportunities that aimed to both prepare athletes for upcoming competition and supplement their training programme in preparation for Australian Age Championships. The team registered some outstanding

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performances, including 38 personal best times, racing against idols such as Kyle Chalmers and Col Pearse.

April 2023 saw an expanded instalment of State Relay competition within Australian Age Championships, with 33 athletes and two coaches selected across 10 relay events. WA teams were competitive against interstate competition, registering three podium performances.

National and International Performance

2023 AUSTRALIAN OPEN WATER CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 2023 Australian Open Water Championships was held in Busselton in January 2023, with 61 WA participants.

WA registered 11 medals in individual competition, with UWA West Coast, North Coast and Westside Christ Church Aquatic achieving podium performances in the Mixed Relay events.

Kyle Lee (North Coast, coached by Ian Mills) became National Champion in the Open 5km event, following strong performances in the Open 10km and Mixed Relay events.

North Coast were rewarded for their club's consistent strong performances throughout the championship, with the C.B. Rikards Trophy as the club recording the highest total of team points and becoming the champion club of the meet.

2023 AUSTRALIAN AGE AND OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

The 2023 Australian Age and Open Championships was held on the Gold Coast in April 2023, with 227 WA participants registered to compete.

In total, WA athletes participated in 829 swims across the two-week competition. WA saw a total of 166 finalists competing in 274 final swims. WA registered 37 medals from 22 individual medalists.



Below is a list of the WA National Champions from 2023 Australian Age and Open Championships:

- Alexander Sillitoe (Southlake Dolphins, coached by Stefano Di Bernando)
- Braden Fyneman (UWA West Coast, coached by Rob Palfery)
- Johann Szymanski (Highlanders, coached by Ryan Steenkamp)
- Jordan Berryman (UWA West Coast, coached by Brett Tongue)
- Lucas Fackerell (Breakers WA, coached by Harry Clark)
- Sylvia Czajko (UWA West Coast, coached by Rob Palfery)

INTERNATIONAL PERFORMANCES AT 2022 INTERNATIONAL SEASON

Kieren Pollard (North Coast, coached by Ian Mills), Alex Saffy (Bunbury, coached by AIS Performance Hub) and Joshua Yong (UWA West Coast, coached by WA Performance Hub) represented Australia at the 2022 Commonwealth Games held in Birmingham in August. Alex won a silver medal in the S10 100m Butterfly event in his Commonwealth Games debut,

just short of the gold medal position. Kieren finished 5th in the 1500m Freestyle and 6th in the 400 Individual Medley events, capping an incredible season for him. Joshua claimed 7th in the 100m Breaststroke in his Dolphins team debut.

Lewis Burras (Peel Aquatic, coached by Zoe Baker) and Oliver Brehaut (Peel Aquatic, coached by Zoe Baker) also competed at the 2022 Commonwealth Games for foreign nations, with Lewis claiming three silvers.

Iona Anderson (Breakers WA, coached by WA Performance Hub) made her Junior Dolphins debut at the Junior Pan Pacs Championship in Hawaii, in August 2022. Iona smashed her personal best in the 100m backstroke, winning a silver medal, just 0.5 seconds out from the gold medal position.

Alec Mander (Perth City, coached by Eoin Carroll) and Talara-Jade Dixon (St Hilda's, coached by Deb Jones) represented Australia as part of the Australia "A" tour to the USA National Championships in July 2022. Alec claimed a bronze medal in the 1500m

Freestyle, whilst Talara-Jade also claimed bronze medal in the 100m Breaststroke.

Joshua Yong (UWA West Coast, coached by WA Performance Hub) represented the Dolphins team at World Short Course Championships in Melbourne, in December 2022. Joshua smashed his personal best in the 100m Breaststroke, with undoubtedly the highlight being a part of the 4x100m Medley Relay team that won the gold medal and, in the process, smashed the World Record.

INTERNATIONAL TEAM SELECTIONS FOR 2023 INTERNATIONAL SEASON

Eight athletes have been selected to represent Australia across the International racing season.

- Johann Szymanski (Highlanders, coached by Ryan Steenkamp)
- Iona Anderson (Breakers WA, coached by WA Performance Hub)
- Inez Miller (St Hilda's, coached by Deb Jones)
- Braden Fyneman (UWA West Coast, coached by Rob Palfery)
- Joshua Yong (UWA West Coast, coached by WA Performance Hub)

- Jack Wilson (North Coast, coached by Ian Mills)
- Kyle Lee (North Coast, coached by Ian Mills)
- Alex Saffy (Bunbury, coached by AIS Performance Hub)

Ben Higson (WA Performance Hub), Ian Mills (North Coast) and Mel Tantrum (Swimming Australia) were selected as team coaches for touring Australian teams.

Alex Saffy will represent Australia at the World Para-Swimming Championships in Manchester following an outstanding Australian Open Championships. Alex will be a strong medal chance at the Championships in the 100m Butterfly, following previous podium finishes in benchmark events.

Jack Wilson and Kyle Lee will represent Australia at the World Championships in the 5km event, following strong performances throughout selection events held in Busselton and Israel. Jack will make his Dolphins team debut, whereas Kyle will make his second consecutive World Championships team.

Joshua Yong will represent Australia as part of the Australia "A" team at the TYR Pro Championships in Los Angeles, USA, following a strong performance in the 100m Breaststroke at 2023 Australian Trials. Ben Higson will lead the coaching team at the TYR Pro Championship in what will be his first opportunity to lead an Australian coaching team since relocating to Perth in 2022.

Iona Anderson and Johann Szymanski will represent Australia at Junior World Championships in Israel. Iona will make her second Junior Dolphins team following selection for the 2022 Junior Pan Pacs Championships, whilst Johann will make his Junior Dolphins debut following a WA All-Time record in the 800m Freestyle at Australian Age Championships.

Inez Miller and Braden Fyneman will make their Junior Dolphins team debut at Commonwealth Youth Games in Trinidad and Tobago. Inez had multiple strong performances at Australian Age Championships, whilst Braden stormed home in the 1500m Freestyle, sealing their team selection.





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Making waves with highlights from our swimming competitions

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SUMMARY

After a year which featured both the Olympics and Commonwealth Games, 2022-23 saw a greater focus on the domestic calendar in what was a quieter year on the international competitive scene. Western Australia benefited, as a result, with a number of swimmers traveling from across the country to attend our pool meets.

With COVID largely in the rear-view mirror, WA's athletes and coaches were ready and raring to go in the 2022-23 season. The year had its own challenges, with many events being over-subscribed, and a new qualification format for juniors and the junior state championships. It was a season in which clubs were vital in supporting their swimmers in getting times and qualifying opportunities.

2022 HANCOCK PROSPECTING WA STATE AGE AND OPEN LC CHAMPIONSHIPS

We were privileged, at the 2022 Hancock Prospecting WA State Championships, to have a number of international and interstate competitors attend the event, providing great racing experience to their athletes and greater variety for our WA competitors. In total, six countries, four Australian States and 59 different clubs were represented at the championships, with a succession of records falling across the week in both relays and individual events.

UWA secured the first record of the meet in the 4x100 medley relay and Johan Szymanski (Highlanders) took home the first individual record in the 400m Freestyle. Alex Saffy (S10; Bunbury) was racing against able-bodied athletes in the 200m Butterfly and broke records in the process. He was delighted to be able to race against his mates after training for so long interstate.

The sprinters took to the stage on the Monday of the championships and

Sylvia Czajko broke Brianna Throssell's record from 2009 in the 100m Freestyle, touching in 56.50s. The fastest open swimmers in the 100m Freestyle are awarded the Roy Hammond Trophy (Female) and the Hicks Ive Trophy (Male). These were presented to Crystal Edwards (Scarborough Beach) and Ashton Brinkworth (UWA West Coast) respectively.

The highest point-earning clubs in the metro and country regions were recognized as the top performing clubs. Shields were awarded to UWA West Coast and the Peel Aquatic Club.

It was fantastic to be able to host unrestricted competition again in 2022-23 and have so many competitive races in our own backyard. The number of records broken, and personal best times achieved, was a testament to the WA spirit and the passion of our swimming community.

2023 COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

The first meet of the new year was, as usual, the Country Championships. Just shy of 400 swimmers took part in 2,100 swims over the weekend. Ingrid Blandford (Bunbury) had a great meet, achieving seven gold medals. There were great results across the board at the Championships, with 56% of swims witnessing personal bests.

As ever, there was great support for the event and the large number of coaches and officials present was so vital to its success. We wish to thank all those involved, from club volunteers to coaches and officials, for making the Championships such a resounding success.

CLUB PREMIERSHIPS

A total of 26 clubs lined up for the Club Premierships this year, across four divisions. The passion for these events makes them amongst the best on the calendar to attend. The march-pasts were full of colour and energy, with a highlight being an almost life-sized

fighter jet being marched around by SSPW and dedicated to Lester Watkins, who poignantly passed away a couple of months later after a short illness.

As usual, the Club Premierships raised the roof, with the first race of the evening being the Men's 100m Freestyle. This was also the first year that Multi-Class races offered points. UWA, featuring a strong cadre of MC athletes in their squads, reclaimed their place at the top of A Division by more than 100 points. A close fought battle between Breakers and Westside Christchurch finished with Breakers claiming silver by 10 points.

The B division was just as close for second and third, as Rockingham finished only 11 points ahead of Riverton Aquanauts. South Lake Dolphins fought their way back into A Division after taking the win this year, convincingly ahead of their closest rival by 97 points.

C and D Divisions again competed together in the pool, but in their own competitions for promotion and relegation. Highlanders were elated after gaining promotion for a second year in a row, which will see them enter B Division next year, and Aqua Attack beat a late charging Armadale Kelmscott, by 15 points, for promotion.

This year was the first time that the supporters' relay was part of the event, five points being awarded to every club that fielded a team. This forced some parents out of retirement, coaches laid down their stopwatches and even an official or two pulled on their swimsuits for their clubs.

COUNTRY PENNANTS

Northam hosted Country Pennants this year, bringing together more than 500 swimmers from 30 clubs. Moora took out the march-past, with a horse racing theme. Throughout the two days, swimmers put in their best efforts, with some remarkable performances

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recorded. The competition featured a wide age range, ranging from eight to 57-year-old participants, the inclusion of six Multi-Class swimmers, and six and seven-year-olds participating in the Splash & Dash races.

A multitude of swimmers and relay teams achieved significant milestones in surpassing previous Country Pennants Records during the event. Both Bunbury Swimming Club and Busselton Swimming Club produced exceptional performances. Busselton achieved outstanding results as six of their swimmers and six of their relay teams broke records. Bunbury swimmers achieved four individual records and six relay records.

Despite the intense competition, all the swimmers displayed great sportsmanship and support for each other, making the event a great success. Country Pennants once again brought together communities from all across Western Australia in a celebration of swimming and competitive excellence.

2023 HANCOCK PROSPECTING WA JUNIOR LC CHAMPIONSHIPS & END OF SEASON CHAMPS

For the first time in recent memory, the qualification process for the Junior State Championships was based on swimmers' rankings instead of qualifying times. The top 12 per region or league was introduced as the qualifying point, and this offered more swimmers the opportunity to enter the Championships, with 899 swimmers stepping up to the blocks. The top performing league was Watson, followed by Evans, Cooper, Sullivan and O'Halloran in that order.

A standout performer was Beau Mepham (Western Sprint), who broke two records and bagged four gold medals. Aaden Kettle (Guildford Kalamunda) had the heaviest bag to take home at the end of the event with 13 gold medals. Six athletes finished the event with five golds, four athletes took out four golds and a whopping 13 swimmers walked away with a triple haul of golds.

The top performing club was UWA West Coast who finished with 387 points, while second place was a closely fought battle between four clubs all within seven points of each other; Southshore (323), Westside Christchurch (321) Southside Penrhos Wesley (321) and Kwinana (316).

END OF SEASON CHAMPIONSHIPS

The End of Season Championships created a great opportunity for WA's Open and Age swimmers to round out their season by giving them one last meet to target. More than 200 swimmers entering the water, provided proof of the desire amongst our swimmers to prove themselves one last time during the season, and offered good reason to retain this meet in future years.

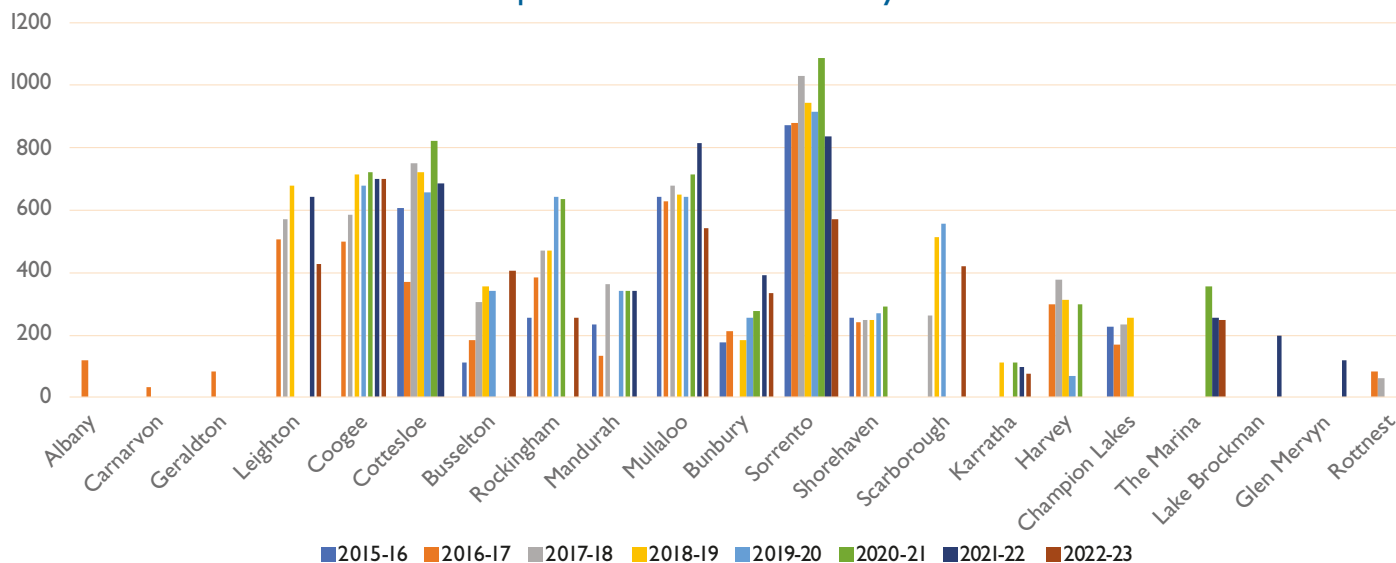
LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS

The League Championships was a new concept introduced in 2022-23. It provided an opportunity for members to swim for their region's championships.

The five Leagues were named after Swimming WA Hall of Fame athletes, and their team colours selected to represent the first nations culture and the seasons of the year. League Watson was named after Lynette Bate (née Watson) who represented Australia and medaled at the 1968 Mexico Olympics. League O'Halloran was named after Kevin O'Halloran, selected for the Australian team at the 1956 Melbourne Olympics and a record holder in the 2x200m Freestyle Relay team. League Evans was named after Blair Evans, the most recent on this list, an Australian representative at multiple Olympics, Commonwealth Games and World Championships, where her race of choice was the 400 Individual Medley. League Sullivan was named after Eamon Sullivan who picked up an Olympic silver and world records in the 100m Freestyle at the Beijing Olympics in 2008. The fifth and final League was named after Priya Cooper, who won



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two gold and two silver medals at the 1992 Paralympic games, and more medals in the Atlanta and Sydney games in the following Olympiads.

The League concept was designed to provide for a regional format and to separate the groups of athletes, so shortening the sessions and giving everyone a chance at getting qualified for the Junior State Championships. With each League event running for half a day, the concept worked well and gave many the opportunity to swim against their mates for their League titles.

Open Water Competition

SUMMARY

The 2022-23 Open Water Swimming Series is now in its 15th season. This season the OWS Series attracted over 4,000 participants across ten incredible events showcasing WA's stunning coastline. The new season brought some new initiatives, including the introduction of The Elite series and new age categories. Other additions to the season that were well received were the introduction of the new Teams & Duos concept, plus a secondary course and the popular closest to the pin competition. In a testament of

the Series' success, 2022-23 saw WA host the 2023 Ocean Swim Festival & Australian Open Water Championships in Busselton, in what was an outstanding four days of swimming. For the first time, a community Open Water Swim was held at the Nationals' event, showcasing to the rest of Australia just how far the Series has come in 15 short years.

STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS & CLUB PREMIERSHIPS

Rounds Two to Four saw the return of the popular State Championships & Club Premierships, once again being held across three venues: Leighton, Sorrento and Bunbury. The 7.5km event was a gloomy and windy day but that did not prevent an unbelievable finish, with Kyle Lee and Jack Wilson only being separated by a second. Bianca Monaco continued her dominance, finishing first in the females. The 5km State Championships at Sorrento was a much more pleasant day but still saw the water temp come in at 19 degrees, making it a wetsuit optional race. A total of 100 SWA members took on the challenge to become the State Champion, with Bryon Kimber and Bianca Monaco taking out the fastest times. The 10km States at Koombana Bay in Bunbury

was a magical day with the water sitting at a very stern 20 degrees, resulting in wetsuits off and racing on! SWA was lucky enough to welcome along some of the Queensland based National Team to compete alongside our swimmers. Jack Wilson was the fastest on the day in what was another incredible finish, just holding off Robert Bonsall and Kyle Lee, with only two seconds separating the three. Chloe Truscott was the female champion, finishing with a time of 2:09:28. The 2022-23 Open Water Club Premierships were hotly contested with clubs turning out in huge numbers across the three events. The Jeannette Bailey Cup was awarded to North Coast, finishing on an impressive 205 points, and Superfins took out the Kevin Holtom Shield. Congratulations to all our State Champions and Club Champions!

THE SERIES

The season kicked off in Karratha at a brand-new venue at Dampier Foreshore. The newly refurbished area provided stunning backdrop, as swimmers dived in to kick off the Series in style. After the State Championships were concluded, we headed off to Rockingham for a windy afternoon swim. Almost 300 swimmers braved

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the challenging conditions. All credit to our incredible officials who operated without a pontoon and got in knee deep water to ensure that all results were confirmed and official. Round Six and Seven saw the ever-popular Mullaloo post-Christmas swim and the first swim of the new year at Coogee. These events featured our biggest turnouts of the season, with the swimmers loving the opportunity to swim at two iconic locations and strive for that all-important Rottneest qualifying time. Round Nine saw the OWS Series deliver a Point-to-Point event for the first time in many years. Swimmers swam from City Beach, finishing just in front of the Scarborough Beach SLSC in what was a successful event enjoyed by all. Our Series concluded at the beautiful Mindarie Marina, the event evolving once again with swimmers tackling a Point-to-Point from Quinns Beach to the Marina. A fitting finish saw the end of Series shields handed out before the traditional finale function, attended by our valued suppliers, sponsors and officials, who put in tireless hours to make the Series happen.

AWARDS:

| Male | |
|--------|-------------------|
| U14 | Owen Rowland |
| Open | Giacomo Lucivero |
| Legend | Trevor Van Aurich |
| Elite | Bryon Kimber |
| Female | |
| U14 | Niamh Dickson |
| Open | Jaimee Traeger |
| Legend | Gerry Fallara |
| Elite | Bianca Monaco |

2023 OCEAN SWIM FESTIVAL & AUSTRALIAN OPEN WATER CHAMPIONSHIPS:

In 2022-23, Swimming WA was excited to host the Open Swim Festival and Australia Open Water Championships in Busselton, taking place over three days from 25th to 28th January 2023. A total

of 375 top-class open water swimmers, including many from interstate and abroad, as well as 17 of WA's incredible officials, headed to the stunning South-West to make their mark on the national stage.

Australia Day witnessed a great day of competition, with over 400 participants taking part in Round Eight of our Open Water Series. During this event traveling families and friends of the interstate athletes also participated in the public event and loved it. This combined with the festival of swimming which included a night market and open-air cinema event, attracting a big crowds across the board.

Busselton proved a fantastic location to host the national championships. It was a rewarding experience to host the event with Swimming Australia, and to see so many top-class swimmers from interstate, and around world, competing here in WA. Congratulations to all those swimmers and Officials who attended the event.

Records Officer Report 2023

A total of 106 state records were broken during the 2022-23 season, compared to the 221 for the 2021-2022 season.

The top five record breaking clubs were St Hilda's (328), Westside Christchurch Aquatic (19), UWA West Coast (15), Breakers (12) then Highlanders with (11). There were a total of 10 clubs whose members broke records (compared to last season's 12 clubs).

The top five female record breakers were Talara-Jade Dixon SHILD (14), Iona Anderson BRW (12), Sylvia Czajko UWSC (6), Lucy Porter WCA (6) followed by Isabella Russell HLDR. There was a total of six local female record breakers.

The top five male record breakers were Johann Szymanski HLDR (8), Tom Wyatt ARE (7), Sean Alcorn PAQ

(5), Beau Mephram WSS (4), followed by Kieran Pollard NCT with (3).

There was a total of seven local male record breakers.

STATE RECORD STATISTICS

The oldest Male Long Course record broken was Johann Szymanski of Highlanders in the 17yrs 800m Freestyle on 18th December 2022, who beat the record previously held by Travis Nederpelt of City of Perth, set on 26 January 2002, a record that stood for 20yrs and 326 days.

The most improved Male Long Course record broken was the WA Residential 15yrs 200m Butterfly which was reduced from William Smith of Victoria Park's time of 2:07.90 to Sean Alcorn of Peel Aquatic's new time of 2:06.14, a 1.39% improvement.

The oldest Male Short Course record broken was Westside Christchurch Aquatic in the 13yrs 4x50m Medley Relay on 3 September 2022, which beat the record previously held by West Coast set on the 24 July 2010, a record that had stood for 12yrs and 41 days.

The most improved Male Short Course record broken was the WA All Comers, All Time & Residential Relay 13yrs 4x50m Medley Relay which was reduced from West Coast's time of 2:03.78 to Westside Christchurch Aquatic's new time of 2:00.90, a 2.38% improvement.

The oldest Female Long Course record broken was Lucy Porter of Westside Christchurch Aquatic in the 14yrs 200m Breaststroke on 12 April 2023 who beat the record previously held by Catherine Moore of Applecross set on 15 January 1989, a record which had stood for 34yrs and 87 days.

The most improved Female Long Course record broken was the WA All Time Club 18yrs 4x50m Freestyle Relay which was reduced from West Coast's time of 1:48.89 to St Hilda's new time of 1:45.51, a 3.20% improvement.

The oldest Female Short Course record broken was Lucy Porter of Westside Christchurch Aquatic in the 15yrs 200m Breaststroke on 9 July 2022, who beat the record previously held by Jennifer Reilly of Victoria Park on 16 August 1998, a record which had stood for 23yrs and 327days.

The most improved Female Short Course record broken was the WA All Time Open 50m Breaststroke which was reduced from Sally Foster of Central Aquatic's time of 0:30.75 to Talara-Jade Dixon of St Hilda's new time of 0:30.07, a 2.26% improvement.

COUNTRY RECORD STATISTICS

During the 2022-23 season a total of 201 country records were broken, compared to 142 for the 2021-2022 season.

The top five record breaking clubs were Peel Aquatic (154), Bunbury (29), Busselton (13) followed by Mandurah (3). There was a total of four clubs whose members broke records.

The top five female record breakers were Ingrid Blandford BUN (29), Kayla Van Der Merwe PAQ (12), Jasper Barnett CWA (6), Calia Vlastuin PAQ (4), followed by Kate Baxter PAQ (2). There was a total of five country members that broke country records.

The top five male record breakers were Sean Alcorn PAQ (97), Finlay Larmour PAQ (12), Lewis Burras PAQ (5), Filip Fraczek-Krygier PAQ (4), followed by Stefano Mitchell PAQ (3). There was a total of six country members who broke country records.

The oldest Male Long Course record broken was by Sean Alcorn of Peel Aquatic in the 15yrs 200m Butterfly set on 20 December 2022 who beat the record previously held by Joshua Sinclair of Peel Aquatic set on 27 January 2001, a record that stood for 21yrs and 327 days.

The most improved Male Long Course record broken was the Country Residential



Open 50m Butterfly which was reduced from Brodie Hedges of Peel Aquatic's time of 0:25.97 to Lewis Burras of Peel Aquatic's new time of 0:24.57, a 5.70% improvement.

The oldest Male Short Course record broken was by Sean Alcorn of Peel Aquatic in the 15yrs 200m Freestyle set on 7 August 2022 who beat the record previously held by Joshua Sinclair of Peel Aquatic set on 3 September 2000, a record that had stood for 21yrs and 338 days.

The most improved Male Short Course record broken was the Country Residential 15yrs 200m Butterfly which was reduced from Alex Saffy of Bunbury's time of 2:10.11 to Sean Alcorn of Peel Aquatic's new time of 2:03.76, a 5.13% improvement.

The oldest Female Long Course record broken was by Kayla Van Der Merwe of Peel Aquatic in the Open 400m Individual Medley set on 17 December 2022 who beat the record previously held by Toni Ciffolilli of Bunbury set on 7 January 1995, a record which had stood for 27yrs and 344 days.

The most improved Female Long Course record broken was the Country Residential Open 200m Breaststroke which was reduced from Emma Hancox of Bunbury's time of 2:39.06 to Kayla Van Der Merwe of Peel Aquatic's new time of 2:32.64, a 4.21% improvement.

The oldest Female Short Course record broken was by Jasper Barnett in the 10yrs 50m Butterfly on 4 September 2022 who beat the record previously held by Toni Ciffolilli of Bunbury on 6 July 1991, a record which had stood for 31yrs and 60 days.

The most improved Female Short Course record broken was the Country All Time & Country Residential 10yrs 100m Butterfly which was reduced from Heidi Gstaettner of Peel Aquatic's time of 1:22.51 to Jasper Barnett of Country WA's new time of 1:20.03, a 3.10% improvement.

More detailed tables follow on the next few pages.

Over the course of the last season, I have migrated the Swimming WA records to the Swimming WA Website, whereby Male & Female Long Course and Short Course records are now viewable for ready access. Also, during this period, I have started compiling our Multi-Class Records for Male & Female Long & Short Course Records. This is a very big job, as we must delve back into the history of swimming, researching from many years of competitions that have been held. We must check age, gender and classification. The starting point was looking at World Records, then Oceania Records, then Australian Open & Age Multi-Class records. When we find a record at this level, this generally becomes our state record. In the meantime, with the more recent results these times will be considered the fastest times, until the research determines that there is a faster historical time. It is a long process, but we are up for the challenge of researching this to ensure there is integrity in determining who the ultimate state record holder is for each event.

Tony Ball

Swimming WA Records Officer
Swimming WA Country Records Officer

Competition

SUMMARY OF TOP RECORD BREAKING CLUBS 2022-2023

| Club | Long Course | | | | Short Course | | | | Grand Total |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-------------|
| | All Comers | All Time | Residential | Total | All Comers | All Time | Residential | Total | |
| St Hilda's | | 15 | 3 | 18 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 10 | 28 |
| Westside Christchurch Aquatic | | 2 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 16 | 19 |
| UWA West Coast | 2 | 1 | 12 | 15 | | | | | 15 |
| Breakers | | 8 | 4 | 12 | | | | | 12 |
| Highlanders | 1 | 5 | 5 | 11 | | | | | 11 |
| Arena | | | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 7 |
| Peel Aquatic | | | | | | 4 | 1 | 5 | 5 |
| Western Sprint | | 2 | 2 | 4 | | | | | 4 |
| North Coast | | 1 | 2 | 3 | | | | | 3 |
| South Lake Dolphins | | 2 | | 2 | | | | | 2 |
| Total | 3 | 36 | 30 | 69 | 9 | 16 | 12 | 37 | 106 |

SUMMARY OF TOP RECORD BREAKING CLUBS – COUNTRY 2022-2023

| Name/Club | Long Course | | | | Short Course | | | Grand Total |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|------------|--------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|
| | State | All Time | Residential | Total | All Time | Residential | Total | |
| Peel Aquatic | 5 | 53 | 35 | 93 | 32 | 29 | 61 | 154 |
| Bunbury | | 17 | 12 | 29 | | | | 29 |
| Busselton | | 5 | 2 | 7 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 13 |
| Mandurah | | 3 | | 3 | | | | 3 |
| Unattached, Country WA | | 1 | 1 | 2 | | | | 2 |
| Total | 5 | 79 | 50 | 134 | 35 | 32 | 67 | 201 |



SUMMARY OF INDIVIDUAL FEMALE RECORDS – METRO AND INTERNATIONAL 2022-2023

| Name/Club | Long Course | | | | Short Course | | | | Grand Total |
|---|---------------|-------------|----------------|-----------|----------------|-------------|----------------|-----------|-------------|
| | WA All Comers | WA All Time | WA Residential | Total | WA All Corners | WA All Time | WA Residential | Total | |
| Talara-Jade Dixon St Hilda's | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 10 | 14 |
| Iona Anderson Breakers | | 8 | 4 | 12 | | | | | 12 |
| Sylvia Czajko UWA West Coast | | | 6 | 6 | | | | | 6 |
| Lucy Porter Westside Christchurch Aquatic | | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 6 |
| Isabella Russell Highlanders | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | | | | | 3 |
| Isabel Sheldrick St Hilda's | | 1 | | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| Total | 1 | 12 | 15 | 28 | 3 | 6 | 5 | 14 | 42 |

SUMMARY OF INDIVIDUAL MALE RECORDS – METRO AND INTERNATIONAL 2022-2023

| Name/Club | Long Course | | | | Short Course | | | | Grand Total |
|--|---------------|-------------|----------------|-----------|----------------|-------------|----------------|-----------|-------------|
| | WA All Comers | WA All Time | WA Residential | Total | WA All Corners | WA All Time | WA Residential | Total | |
| Johann Szymanski Highlanders | | 4 | 4 | 8 | | | | | 8 |
| Tom Wyatt Arena | | | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 7 |
| Sean Alcorn Peel Aquatic | | | | | | 4 | 1 | 5 | 5 |
| Beau Mepham Western Sprint | | 2 | 2 | 4 | | | | | 4 |
| Kieran Pollard North Coast | | 1 | 2 | 3 | | | | | 3 |
| Alexander Sillitoe South Lake Dolphins | | 2 | | 2 | | | | | 2 |
| Joshua Yong UWA West Coast | | | 2 | 2 | | | | | 2 |
| Total | | 9 | 11 | 20 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 11 | 31 |
| Grand Total | 1 | 21 | 26 | 48 | 5 | 12 | 8 | 25 | 73 |

Competition

SUMMARY OF INDIVIDUAL FEMALE RECORDS – COUNTRY 2022-2023

| Name/Club | Long Course | | | Short Course | | | Grand Total |
|---|-------------|-----------|-------------|--------------|----------|-------------|-------------|
| | State | All Time | Residential | Total | All Time | Residential | |
| Ingrid Blandford Bunbury | | 17 | 12 | 29 | | | 29 |
| Kayla Van Der Merwe Peel Aquatic | | 4 | 4 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| Jasper Barnett Country WA | | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| Calia Vlastuin Peel Aquatic | | | | | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| Kate Baxter Peel Aquatic | | 2 | | 2 | | | 2 |
| Total | | 24 | 17 | 41 | 6 | 6 | 12 |

SUMMARY OF INDIVIDUAL MALE RECORDS – COUNTRY 2022-2023

| Name/Club | Long Course | | | Short Course | | | Grand Total |
|---|-------------|-----------|-------------|--------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| | State | All Time | Residential | Total | All Time | Residential | |
| Sean Alcorn Peel Aquatic | 5 | 33 | 25 | 63 | 15 | 19 | 34 |
| Finlay Larmour Peel Aquatic | | | | | 10 | 2 | 12 |
| Lewis Burras Peel Aquatic | | 2 | 3 | 5 | | | 5 |
| Filip Fraczek-Krygier Peel Aquatic | | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Stefano Mitchell Peel Aquatic | | 1 | 2 | 3 | | | 3 |
| George Williams Peel Aquatic | | | | | | 1 | 1 |
| Total | 5 | 37 | 31 | 73 | 26 | 23 | 49 |
| Grand Total | 5 | 61 | 48 | 114 | 32 | 29 | 175 |

NATIONAL COMPETITORS 2022-2023

| Name | Club | Meet |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Joshua Agnihotri | Southside Penrhos Wesley | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Sean Alcorn | Peel Aquatic | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Iona Anderson | Breakers WA | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Jamie Anderson | Arena | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Brody Andrews | Breakers WA | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Damian Badenhorst | Rockingham | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Kate Baxter | Peel Aquatic | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Ingrid Blandford | Bunbury | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Ashton Brinkworth | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Alyssa Burgess | Arena | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Tyrone Crees | Southside Penrhos Wesley | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Talara-Jade Dixon | St Hilda's | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Crystal Edwards | Scarborough Beach | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Sophie Ellerton | Arena | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Charlotte Ericksen | Arena | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Neeve Fasher | St Hilda's | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Tiana Forrestal | Arena | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Filip Fraczek-Krygier | Peel Aquatic | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Lauren Gastevich | Arena | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| James Hansford | St Hilda's | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Seria Hasebe | Westside Christchurch Aquatic | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Harrison Hynes | Southside Penrhos Wesley | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Miranda Kiewiet | Australind | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |

| Name | Club | Meet |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Alessio Macri | Scarborough Beach | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Zachary McCamley | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Mitchell McKell | St Hilda's | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Maeve McKenna | St Hilda's | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Anna Monaghan | Westside Christchurch Aquatic | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Ben Popham | Arena | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Thomas Prowton | Arena | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Tegan Reder | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Caitlyn Ribbons | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Alex Saffy | Bunbury | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Liam Smith | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Adriano Todoro | Scarborough Beach | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Calia Vlastuin | Peel Aquatic | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Jett Walker | Southside Penrhos Wesley | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Elyse Weston | Breakers WA | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Lucas Wilson | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Rosie Wilson | North Coast | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Jayden Yong | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Joshua Yong | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships |
| Hannah Abdulrahim | Westside Christchurch Aquatic | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Sean Alcorn | Peel Aquatic | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Jackson Anderson | Highlanders | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Lucia Anderson | Kwinana | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |

NATIONAL COMPETITORS 2022-2023 (CONTINUED)

| Name | Club | Meet |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Tom Anderson | Breakers WA | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Jemma Apps | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Jack Ashby | Westside Christchurch Aquatic | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Sidney Ashby | Peel Aquatic | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Louise Barton | St Hilda's | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Charlotte Bass | St Hilda's | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Daniel Beales | St Hilda's | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Ethan Beardmore | Southlake Dolphins | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Thomas Beardmore | Southlake Dolphins | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Xander Beaver | Southside Penrhos Wesley | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Mackenzie Bell | Riverton | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Jordan Berryman | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Madelyn Bertolini | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Lian Bewsher | Westside Christchurch Aquatic | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Ingrid Blandford | Bunbury | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Daniel Boshart | Scarborough Beach | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Jessica Bourke | Newman Churchlands | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Arabella Bowie | St Hilda's | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Freya Bowyer | Arena | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Bailey Bradbrook | Guildford Kalamunda | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Oliver Brehaut | Peel Aquatic | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Alexander Broadbent | Southside Penrhos Wesley | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Isabelle Brockhurst | Southside Penrhos Wesley | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Bridgette Brodalka | Scarborough Beach | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Fletcher Bromwell | Scarborough Beach | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Kayla Browne | Highlanders | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Abbey Burgess | Arena | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Lucy Byrne | Busselton | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Valentina Caminita | Riverton | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Sam Carmignani | Breakers WA | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Liviya Chen | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Eloise Cleaver | Scarborough Beach | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Xavier Collins | Westside Christchurch Aquatic | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Ciara Conroy | Southside Penrhos Wesley | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Gracie Cooper | Westside Christchurch Aquatic | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Sam Coveney | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Delta Cross | Highlanders | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Tex Cross | Highlanders | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Sienna Cummins | Kwinana | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Sylvia Czajko | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Bel Dabic | Bunbury | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Abby Davies | Highlanders | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Joel Davies | Bunbury | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Charlie Davis | Highlanders | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Thomas Davis | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Atlan Devin | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Brielle Dredge | Kwinana | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Thomas Dreverman | South Shore | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Anyi Duan | South Shore | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Rhiannon Dunning | Perth City | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Lucy Dutton | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Ruby Eastaugh | Busselton | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Daniel Eve | South Shore | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Lucas Fackerell | Breakers WA | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Audrey Fang | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Harrison Farmer | Central Aquatic | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Neeve Fasher | St Hilda's | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |

| Name | Club | Meet |
|--------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Hayden Ferguson | Westside Christchurch Aquatic | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Paige Flowerdew | St Hilda's | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Teagan Flowerdew | St Hilda's | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Liam Foley | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Lucinda Foley | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Rebekah Fraser | Riverton | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Annabelle Frederic | Southlake Dolphins | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Jorden Friesema | Breakers WA | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Braden Fyneman | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Roy Glare | Arena | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Georgina Gray | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Heidi Gstaettner | Rockingham | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Jacob Hale | Riverton | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Mackenzie Hall | Breakers WA | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Katie Hankin | Breakers WA | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Dana Harrison | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Elijah Hart | St Hilda's | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Tana Hathway | Bunbury | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Amber Head | Peel Aquatic | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Sienna Hepworth | Southside Penrhos Wesley | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Owen Hewitt | Southlake Dolphins | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Samuel Hicks | Westside Christchurch Aquatic | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Brandon Ho | Riverton | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Summer Houston | Peel Aquatic | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Lachlan Ison | Westside Christchurch Aquatic | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Yohanna Jackson | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Kaitlyn James | All Saints | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Amy Joyce | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Talanah Kadamani | Kwinana | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Daisy Kammermann | Riverton | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Miranda Kiewiet | Australind | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Jordan King | Mandurah | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Blair Kruger | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Sophia Larranaga | Breakers WA | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Tamzyn Laverack | Peel Aquatic | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Madison Lill | Arena | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Tristan Lin | Riverton | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Piper Lloyd | St Hilda's | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Matthew Loffler | Riverton | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Eva Longstaff | Fremantle Port | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Abbie Loraine | Highlanders | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Mitchell Lourey | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Samantha Lourey | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Jessica Louw | Southside Penrhos Wesley | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Caitlyn Ludlow | Guildford Kalamunda | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Eleanor Lund | South Shore | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Alessio Macri | Scarborough Beach | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Chelsea Maley | Mandurah | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Megan Maley | Mandurah | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Benjamin Manning | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Javier Marginet | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Alice Massey | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Hudson May | Western Sprint | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Allen Maynard | South Shore | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Zachary McCamley | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Callum McCourt | All Saints | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Charlie McKell | All Saints | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Mitchell McKell | St Hilda's | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Jasmine Mercer | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |

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NATIONAL COMPETITORS 2022-2023 (CONTINUED)

| Name | Club | Meet |
|------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Inez Miller | St Hilda's | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Zachary Mills | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Eilidh Milne | Southlake Dolphins | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Alyssa Monaco | Westside Christchurch Aquatic | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Bianca Monaco | Westside Christchurch Aquatic | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| James Neal | Aqua Attack | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Sean Ng | Southlake Dolphins | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Brian Nguyen | Karratha | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Lily O'Meara | Busseton | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Zack Palandri | Fremantle Port | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Alyssa Peake | Southside Penrhos Wesley | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Josephine Peirce | Scarborough Beach | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Bianca Petsos | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Sienna Pitt | Southlake Dolphins | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Lucy Porter | Westside Christchurch Aquatic | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Anouk Potter | Southside Penrhos Wesley | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Joshua Powell | Breakers WA | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |

| Name | Club | Meet |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Eben Prinsloo | South Shore | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Thomas Prowton | Arena | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Joe Quirk | Arena | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Anisha Raja Azizi | Western Sprint | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Brooklyn Rayne | Busseton | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Madison Rayne | Busseton | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Kian Reader | Southside Penrhos Wesley | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Violet Reynolds | Busseton | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Scarlett Riddle | Busseton | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Harry Rosman | South Shore | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Kelton Rothnie | Southside Penrhos Wesley | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Lachlan Rowles | UWA West Coast | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Isabella Russell | Highlanders | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Lenny Russell | Kwinana | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Antoinette Ryan Gamez | St Hilda's | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Michelle Ryan Gamez | St Hilda's | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Mia Salamone | Breakers WA | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Linus Schad | St Hilda's | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |

Brief Summary of records created or broken by WA Swimmers at Interstate or Overseas Swim Meets or Records broken or created in WA due to National Events, in chronological order.

| Date | Occasion |
|-------------------|--|
| 09 July 2022 | 2022 Perth City Short Course Classic |
| 23 July 2022 | 2022 Swimming WA Short Course Qual Meet #2 |
| 06 August 2022 | 2022 Hancock Prospecting SWA State Open & Age Short Course Championships |
| 24 August 2022 | 2022 Australian Short Course Championships |
| 03 September 2022 | 2022 Swimming WA Junior Championships |
| 26 September 2022 | 2022 Kimberley Open Short Course Championships |
| 15 October 2022 | 2022 Swimming WA Long Course Season Opener |
| 19 November 2022 | 2022 Swimming WA Long Course Meet #2 |
| 26 November 2022 | 2022 UWA-West Coast Challenge |
| 27 November 2022 | 2022 Mandurah Long Course Carnival |
| 16 December 2022 | 2022-23 Hancock Prospecting WA State Relay Championships |
| 17 December 2022 | 2022 Hancock Prospecting SWA Open & Age Championships |
| 06 January 2023 | 2023 Swimming WA Country Championships |
| 05 February 2023 | 2023 St Hildas Swim Club Carnival |
| 10 February 2023 | 2023 Swimming WA Club Permierships A Division |
| 17 February 2023 | 2023 Swimming WA Junior Challenge and National Prep Meet |
| 04 March 2023 | 2023 Country Pennants – Northam |
| 09 April 2023 | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Swimming Championships – Gold Coast |
| 11 April 2023 | 2023 Swimming WA Long Course Junior Championships |
| 18 April 2023 | 2023 Australian Swimming Championships – Gold Coast |
| 20 May 2023 | 2023 Swimming WA Short Course Season Opener |
| 14 June 2023 | 2023 Australian Swimming Trials – Melbourne |
| 24 June 2022 | 2023 Breakers Big Splash #1 |

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NATIONAL COMPETITORS 2022-2023 (CONTINUED)

| Name | Club | Meet |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Megan Schwinkowski | Guildford Kalamunda | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Kristian Seidl | Westside Christchurch Aquatic | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Isabel Sheldrick | St Hilda's | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Alexander Sillitoe | Southlake Dolphins | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Helen Smith | Highlanders | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Tadhg Smith | Breakers WA | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Angelina Smythe | Southside Penrhos Wesley | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Shyla Sofele | Arena | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Zoe Stachewicz | All Saints | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Madison Stephens | Busselton | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Emma Stewart | Arena | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Riley Suckling | Newman Churchlands | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Charlotte Swann | Westside Christchurch Aquatic | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Griffin Szczecinski | Southside Penrhos Wesley | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Johann Szymanski | Highlanders | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Luciana Taraborrelli | St Hilda's | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Sophia Tarman | Breakers WA | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Jemma Thomson | Mandurah | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |

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| Helena Toms | Breakers WA | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Rebecca Tuitupou | Kwinana | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Alexey Ulupov | Kwinana | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Tristan van Waas | Rockingham | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Farley Webster | St Hilda's | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Freya Weston | Breakers WA | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Jack Wicks | Rockingham | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Talia Wilkinson | St Hilda's | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Lachlin Wilks | Westside Christchurch Aquatic | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Charlie Williams | St Hilda's | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Taine Williams | Rockingham | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Jurgens Wilson | St Hilda's | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Amy Winton | Scarborough Beach | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Neve Wong | Westside Christchurch Aquatic | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Jack Woods | South Shore | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Tom Wyatt | Arena | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Boston Yoong | South Shore | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Cody Zambon | Peel Aquatic | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |
| Romeo Zver | Rockingham | 2023 Australian Age & MC Age Championships |

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Development

Supporting Clubs, Coaches and Officials to develop and achieve



Development

Club Development

CLUB EXCELLENCE

Whilst Swimming WA strives to promote and grow swimming right across the State, community swimming clubs remain the foundation of swimming in WA. The future of the sport hinges on the strength and sustainability of these swimming clubs. The introduction of the Club Excellence Program is aimed at delivering a clear framework and the means for clubs to continue to enhance their governance and operations, for the benefit of the sport as a whole in WA.

The Club Excellence Program offers all swimming clubs the direction and opportunity they need to achieve a minimum standard of club administration. Furthermore, it recognises and rewards clubs that attain excellence.

Participation in the Club Excellence Program has yielded substantial benefits for clubs, extending beyond financial advantages. It has delivered improvements in the quality of swimming club operations and services, driving growth in new participants, officials, and members, and improving member retention. Additionally, the programme assists in creating environments that appeal to sponsors, helps in minimising risks associated with

running clubs, offers best practise guides for club committees. In its inaugural year of 2022-2023, 15 clubs across WA achieved success across various levels of the programme.

- **Bronze Level:** Curtin University Victoria Park, Rockingham, Mandurah, Riverton, Arena, Perth City, Guildford Kalamunda, Australind, Breakers, Albany, North Coast, Northam, Newman Churchlands, Harvey, and Central Aquatic.
- **Silver Level:** Breakers, Arena, Perth City, Guildford Kalamunda, Australind, Riverton
- **Gold Level:** Guildford Kalamunda, Perth City, Riverton, Breakers

INTRODUCTION OF TWO NEW EDUCATIONAL SERIES FOR THE 2022-2023 SEASON

In 2022-23, Swimming WA introduced two educational series aimed at developing our athletes, coaches, parents and volunteers. They have delivered valuable insight and resources to this broad range of stakeholders in the WA swimming community.

The 'How-To' series and the 'Wellbeing' series have been introduced not only to enhance the technical aspects of swimming, but also to nurture the mental and emotional well-being of all in our swimming community.

THE 'HOW-TO' SERIES: NAVIGATING THE WATERS OF EFFICIENT SWIMMING CLUB MANAGEMENT

Effectively managing a swimming club requires more than pool time and a passion for the sport. Recognising the need for best-practice guidance in club management, the 'How-To' series has been designed to encompass a comprehensive range of key inputs to successful swimming club management. The series has to date offered insight and guidance into club operations, volunteer management, and meet coordination.

Strategic Planning: Clubs often grapple with long-term vision and direction. This segment of the series equips administrators and coaches with the essential tools required to formulate effective strategic plans aligned with the club's goals and aspirations. From membership growth strategies to facility development, strategic planning serves as the guiding compass for a club's journey.

Volunteer Management: At the heart of every thriving swimming club lies a dedicated team of volunteers. Nonetheless, effectively managing volunteers can be a challenging endeavour. The 'How-To' series delves into techniques for recruiting, training, and retaining volunteers, ensuring a harmonious and supportive club environment.

Meet Management: Organising a swim meet is a multifaceted operation that demands attention to detail and efficiency. The 'How-To' series comprehensively covers the software system Meet Manager; from creating the entry file and event management, to results dissemination. A well-executed meet not only enhances the athlete's experience but also elevates the club's reputation.



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THE 'WELLBEING' SERIES: NURTURING MINDS FOR RESILIENT SWIMMERS

While swimming is undoubtedly a physically demanding sport, it is vital not to overlook the mental and emotional well-being of athletes, coaches, parents, and volunteers. The 'Wellbeing' series, hosted in collaboration with Richmond Wellbeing, a renowned local mental health agency, is designed to provide a holistic support system for all members of the swimming community.

Coaches' Role: Coaches play a pivotal role in an athlete's journey. This segment of the series equips coaches with the knowledge and tools necessary to recognise signs of mental distress in their swimmers. Moreover, it offers strategies to create a supportive and nurturing training environment.

Supporting Parents: Parents often serve as significant influences in a young athlete's life. The 'Wellbeing' series helps parents understand the challenges their children may face, offering guidance on fostering healthy communication and providing essential emotional support.

The introduction of these educational series underscores Swimming WA's commitment to holistic growth, wellbeing and excellence in our swimming community in WA. By enhancing club management practises

and prioritising mental well-being, we anticipate not only the development of stronger athletes but also the cultivation of happier, healthier, and more resilient individuals who excel both in and out of the water.

Coach and Teacher Development

During the 2022-2023 financial year, Swimming WA developed new initiatives and processes to provide greater support to its Coach and Teacher members. In addition to these, the coaching workforce was also provided with many opportunities to further develop and enhance their craft, as the basis for sharing skills and knowledge in their training environments.

In the 2022-2023 season, Swimming WA introduced a separate "Teacher" and "Coach" Membership categories to ensure its data accurately reflected this workforce, and to allow the organisation to better communicate with these different cohorts throughout the season. This change also provided an insight into the capability and scope of the membership, to better identify areas of need for our clubs and community.

The Teacher and Coach Bulletin was introduced as a quarterly newsletter to reduce the frequency of emails to



membership, as well as provide an informative resource to them keep up to date with community news. An open rate of around 65%, compared to the industry average of 24.57%, (Mailchimp, 2023) suggests the initiative has been successful in engaging with this membership.

In July 2022, Swimming WA received funds from the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (DLGSC) develop its female coaches. With these funds, the Level Up programme was developed to support 15 successful applicants in furthering their coaching accreditation in the following areas:

- Development Coach Course – five candidates.
- Advanced Coach Course – eight candidates.
- Performance Coach Course – two candidates.

With some support from the grant, Swimming WA also funded 31 coaches to complete the *La Trobe Supporting the Female Athlete* online short course. This online and interactive course educates coaches about the unique physiology and requirements of females in sport, and also provides a forum for coaches from different sports to connect to discuss and explore these topics together.



A Level Up Network was also established to develop a community of practice for performance pathway female coaches in WA, however due to poor interest and attendance from the coaching community the initiative folded early in 2023.

In 2022, Swimming WA created a Coach Advisory Group, an addition to its committees, with a purpose to better connect the organisation with this vital cohort in our community. This group continues to meet quarterly to address items impacting the coaching community and provide constructive feedback for the future of coach development.

After many years of providing grants to support regional community members to complete a Teacher of Competitive Strokes course, Swimming WA launched the Regional Coach Scholarship to aid regional teachers and coaches in advancing their accreditation level to coaching qualifications. A total of 11 scholarships were awarded to coaches from Northern, Wheatbelt, Southwest, Mid-West and Gascoyne regions.

Swimming WA collaborated with Swimming Australia to deliver and pilot several projects in WA. One of these projects included a Mentor Presenter Programme; upskilling four WA coaches to mentor coach candidates in the Development Coach Workshops. The knowledge and skills learned through this programme enable these coaches to present and act as mentors for future workshops. They also pave the way for coaches to translate these mentor practices into their daily training environments.

Swimming WA, in collaboration with Swimming Australia, also hosted the pilot for the updated Development Coach Workshop in October 2022. This workshop was extended from one to two days, from prior years, to enable candidates to complete the practical assessment requirements during the event. This is a positive development for WA regional coach candidates who

have previously struggled to complete the practical assessment under the supervision of coaches with a higher coach accreditation as such coaches are often scarce in their areas. The pilot was highly successful for the 17 participating WA coaches and will remain the template for the future. WA has now hosted three Development Coach Workshops for its members in 2022-2023, using this updated model.

Finally, WA hosted five face-to-face Advanced Coach Course workshops, over a weekend in Perth. These have traditionally been delivered as online webinars, over a period of 12 months, with Swimming Australia. This provided an opportunity to bring together a cohort of 19 coach candidates to learn together and from each other. The workshops provided a chance for candidates to connect with local subject matter experts and complete the programme in a condensed timeframe. This was the first time Swimming Australia had delivered these workshops face-to-face in collaboration with a State Sporting Organisation.

Swimming WA also hosted a number of professional development initiatives for its Teacher and Coach members, including:

- A "Lunch and Learn with Swimming Australia" featuring a presentation from Graeme Hill, General Manager Coach Pathways at Swimming

Australia, where he presented on the Modern Coach Approach, Swimming Australia's Coach Pathways and the collaboration between Swimming Australia and Swimming WA.

- A Webinar on "Inclusive Squads for Coaches" with Inclusion Solutions.
- A Presentation of "Multi Class & Para Athlete Pathways in Australian Swimming" webinar with the Paralympic Pathways Manager at Swimming Australia, Melissa Wilson, and Swimming WA's inclusion coordinator, Adam Popham.
- A Coach and Teacher stream at the Swimming WA Annual Conference with presenters including Sandy Gordon, Greg Hire, Ian Mills and Lucky Weerakkody.

Finally, within the Performance Programme, Swimming WA introduced a Scholarship Coach role to the Flippers Camp and Tours. This role is designed to:

- Provide developing coaches with the opportunity to experience pathway programmes and add this experience to their coaching resumes.
- Enable Swimming WA to develop the depth of our performance pathway coaches.
- Provide more coaches with the opportunity to bring the knowledge and skills learned from their experience, back to their home environment.



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Two coaches were supported in 2022-2023 and Swimming WA will continue this role, into the 2023-2024 season, as the renamed Apprentice Coach role.

Technical Official Development

Swimming WA officially welcomed a number of trainee Technical Officials to its community. During the year, total of 52 participants attended the recently updated *Foundations of Officiating Workshop*, either online or face-to-face. Together with the Technical Education and Officials Committee (TEO), Swimming WA reviewed and updated the workshop and its resources, and welcomed some new workshop presenters to extend our Technical Official education workforce.

Swimming WA was proud to recognise and award three Bob Bestman scholarships, to Karen Davies, Mhairi Doherty and Julia Blandford. Providing the recipient with financial support from Swimming WA, and the TO Social Group, these scholarships were used to assist the recipients in participating in activities to continue to develop their officiating experience and skills over the financial year.

The *Technical Official Bulletin* was introduced to communicate with this community, highlighting swimming news, recognising achievements and providing general updates. With high engagement and an open rate of around 68%, this quarterly newsletter will continue into 2023-2024.

The 2022-2023 year also saw the introduction of the Swimming WA Technical Official shirts. With the support of Mecca Sports, these shirts were successfully rolled out to of Swimming WA pool and open water Technical Officials who officiate at Swimming WA meets or events.

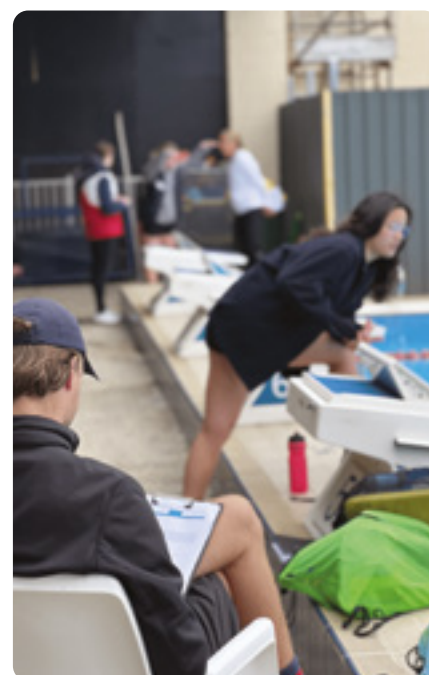
The Swimming WA Annual Conference again included the Technical Official stream and welcomed 44 attendees on the Friday night, who enjoyed hearing from presenters Ryan Arblaster, Steve Jones, Steve Hill, Kaye Bolger, Kylie Baker and Trevor Verran. These presenters explored topics including open water officiating, Hawkeye and advancing officiating technology and general ruling, as well as community updates.

Swimming WA, with TEO member Trevor Verran, piloted a "Rules in Practice" presentation for community

members, to dispel swimming officiating myths, and help educate our community on the rules of swimming. We hope to continue to deliver this successful workshop to more of our swimming community in 2023-2024 to help introduce the rules to new swimmers and parents and ensure their first sanctioned meet experience is a positive one.

The Officials were also provided the opportunity to join a number of professional development and networking opportunities throughout the year, including:

- A webinar with Inclusion Solutions workshop on "Creating Positive Swim Meet Environments" where we hosted 20 participants.
- A presentation on "Multi Class Swimming in SWA events" from Kaye Bolger, with 43 participants joining online.
- An Open Water workshop with participants from Karratha.
- An Open Water Meet-up hosted ahead of the Open Water Nationals to assist participating officials from WA to prepare and network ahead of the event.



Technical, Education and Officials Committee Report

Ongoing development of Officials remains a priority for our Technical Committee, both in the Pool and at Open Water events. We are seeing some excellent Officials moving through our pathways towards higher qualification, and it is very pleasing to see a number of Clubs encouraging their members to take on Officiating roles. This benefits both the Club with running their own time trials and meets, and swimming in general, as we maintain a good base of officials for all meets.

Our high standard of officiating in WA is evidenced by the number of officials being selected to work at National level meets. Over the past year, the following people represented SWA on the National level:

- Short Course 2022 – Ian Arblaster, Robyn Arblaster, Kaye Bolger, Steve Hill, Katherine Hurford, Jacqui McNamara, Darren Michael and Nick Short.
- National Open Water 2023 – Kylie Baker, Sarita Bennett, Caron Bennier, Jim Bolger, Kaye Bolger, Stella Cararra, Deb Doody,



- Mark Foster, Helen Harding, Steve Hill, Katherine Hurford, Steve Jones, Ray Pearce, Brie Runeckles, Lois Runeckles, Trevor Verran and Greg Wilson.
- National Age and MC 2023 – Ian Arblaster, Kylie Baker, Kim Blake, Kaye Bolger, Fiona Christie, Sam Coten, Neil Doherty, Katherine Hurford and Nick Short.

- National Open 2023 – Kaye Bolger, Deb Doody, Dot Harris, Steve Hill, Darren Michael and Nick Short.
- World Selection Trials 2023 – Ian Arblaster, Robyn Arblaster, Ryan Arblaster, Kylie Baker, Kim Blake, Kaye Bolger, Sam Coten, Neil Doherty, Steve Hill and Jacqui McNamara.
- Internationally Ryan Arblaster, Kaye Bolger and Jacqui McNamara all attended World Short Course 2022 in Melbourne.



While it is fantastic to be able to acknowledge so many WA Officials at the elite level, we also appreciate all of our Technical Officials working at State, Regional and Club level and thank you for your dedication and support of our swimmers.

Thank you also for the contribution from Committee members who continue to work for the benefit of all involved in our great sport.

Kaye Bolger
Chief Referee SWA

Commercial Sustainability



Our Revenue Model

For Swimming WA, like most State Sporting Associations, growing financial capacity is a challenge. Unlike a few of the privileged major sports, swimming does not have a major annual event, League franchise or similar, with the valuable media rights, spectator and sponsorship income that these assets can deliver. We have been traditionally largely dependent on income derived from Membership and government grants, with greater variability around sponsorship income generated.

Our membership and club affiliation fees, as well as Government grant income will always be pillars of our commercial model. However, the club model is challenging across the spectrum of sports. Young (and older) people have more choice than ever in where to spend their recreational time and money and prefer greater flexibility in their commitments. Such factors are compounded at present by pressure on disposable incomes. Like most sports we can't rely on membership fee growth to prosper.

We are seeking to meet these challenges by diversifying income. Continuing to improve our swimming event offering, based substantially on a user-pay model, is one pillar of this strategy. In 2022-23, our Pool events performed very strongly, with most sold out. The Open Water Series was more

challenging, with participant numbers down (as recorded earlier in this Annual Report). Both Pool and Open Water events are a focus for income growth in 2023-24 and beyond.

We also need to, and will seek to, expand our partnership (sponsorship) income. We have an extraordinarily healthy sport – both in terms of health attributes and image or brand – with a large participant base. We will seek to leverage these to build our partnership income. To do so we need to work as a team with our clubs because prospective commercial partners seek to access the value from building connection to the wider swimming community in WA. With the greater financial capacity that this delivers, Swimming WA can in turn offer more to our clubs and the swimming community.

In 2022-23, we had significant staff turnover in our commercial roles, and this disrupted the development of partnership income in particular. For 2023-24, we have accessed new grants, outside our core DLGSC and Healthway grant funding, including a DLGSC Asian Engagement Strategy Grant to support a deeper investment in our Athlete Pathway. We are developing new sponsorship income, have added two events to our Pool Meet calendar and refocusing the Open Water Series on the most popular event locations. Our focus is keenly on building and diversifying income for greater commercial sustainability over the longer term.



Partnerships

With COVID substantially behind us, 2022-2023 represented a return to normal, but we are very grateful for the support our partners provided through the previous, very difficult, two years. Most of our partners have been contributing to swimming in WA long before COVID was heard of, and we hope to build on these relationships well into the future.

PRINCIPAL PARTNER – HANCOCK PROSPECTING

Swimming WA has enjoyed the support of Hancock Prospecting, our Principal Partner, for over 30 years, over twice the lifetime of many of our swimmers. We are proud to have a pillar of the WA economy and leader on the world stage in our corner. The support Hancock Prospecting provides Swimming WA is vital, underpinning our staffing capacity and so much of what we offer, from delivery of our Pool Meet calendar to athlete programmes, club support and awards. We extend a sincere thankyou to Mrs. Rhinehart and her team at Hancock Prospecting for their unwavering support, and the opportunity they provide to so many young swimmers in WA.

DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SPORT AND CULTURAL INDUSTRIES

DLGSC continued to provide significant funding to Swimming WA, dedicated to the delivery of our core business and the opportunities we offer in the regions. They also provided additional grant funding for Coaching and Officiating initiatives, professional development opportunities for our staff and for Open Water Swimming clinics, planned for the coming year. Aside from funding, the department offers year-round support and development opportunities across a broad range of areas vital to the delivery of our sport as a State Sporting Association. We are very grateful for the ongoing support from DLGSC.

GOLD LEVEL PARTNERS

Our long-standing partnership with Healthway continues to reinforce healthy eating messaging across a broad spectrum of our activity, from the OWS Series to Pool competition and club development. The recently launched Club Excellence programme is supported by Healthway, and it is a key pillar of our work to support and incentivize the continued growth and development of our affiliated clubs. We are grateful for the support Healthway provides and for the contribution our partnership makes to developing healthy young athletes and people in our swimming community.

SILVER LEVEL PARTNERS

Aquatic Leisure Technologies are another longstanding sponsor of Swimming WA, our exclusive partner in Commercial and Residential swimming pool manufacture and sales. They continued to support, and enjoy naming rights to, the Junior Dolphins programme, as well offer the Aqua Technics Rising Star awards, the Age Swimmer Scholarship, and the Ben Beale Memorial Award.

NOVA 93.7 have been a Swimming WA partner since 2017. Our partnership in 2022-23 was focused primarily on the OWS Series. The Series was promoted





through Perth's most popular breakfast and drive radio station, and the Nova Casanovas were once again at a number of the Series' Rounds, handing out prizes to the crowd and adding to the vibe.

BRONZE LEVEL PARTNERS

New Town Toyota was once again a very active partner in 2022-23. Our staff proudly drove New Town Toyota and SWA branded vehicles throughout the year – a Hilux, Kluger and Yaris – as part of the partnership. New Town Toyota, for the third year in a row, played host to our National Excellence Awards where we welcomed home and recognized our Australian National Championships' medalists and finalists. They also partnered with us to present the Scarborough Round of the OWS Series.

OFFICIAL SUPPLIERS

In 2022-23, we continued to enjoy partnerships with BG Agencies, Mecca Sports and Sports Centre, plus welcomed new partners in Swimtek, Richmond Wellbeing and Formidable Strength and Conditioning. We value each of these relationships and certainly get great value from them for our product and service needs. We encourage our clubs to make our preferred suppliers a first port of call for their needs.



EVENT PARTNERS

Swimming WA would like to take this opportunity to thank Western Australian Institute of Sport for their continued support of Swimming WA, our Athlete Pathway programme and our young athletes. Their work in developing elite athletes is vital in ensuring our most promising athletes can continue their swimming journey and aspire to compete and excel on the world stage.



Media and Marketing

Engaging with the Western Australian community



Media and Marketing

Marketing is an area where Swimming WA experienced some disruption in 2022-23, with staff departures. It is also an area where our financial capacity is limited and where, as a result, we must be very targeted and relatively frugal in our approach. As such, in 2022-23 we again based our marketing and media strategy primarily on social media activity, which has proven to be most effective, and the best-value-for-money, in grass roots sport in recent times. Our ongoing partnership with Shunt Creative was valuable in informing us how to get the best from our social media activity.

To build a community in swimming in WA, connecting with our audience through effective media and marketing strategies is essential. In the past year, Swimming WA has embraced social media as a powerful tool to engage, inform and inspire our community.

We have continued to focus primarily on Facebook and Instagram. It is pleasing that our audiences in each are consistently growing, with 7,733 likes on Facebook and 4,676 followers on Instagram. Swimming WA produces specific content that meets each platform's needs. Instagram became our visual storytelling platform, harnessing the power of videos to better engage our followers. From meaningful coach stories to uplifting footage of our swimming events, expressing the SPIRIT of Swimming WA is the essential goal through our visuals.

Swimming WA has seen some significant spikes in its post-engagement, with some posts reaching up to 900,000 people and receiving 2,300 reactions. Our overall reach metrics were also pleasing, with an approximate 644,000 in the last year.

We have also been focused on fostering strong connections with our partners through social media. Our promotional video for the Duke of Edinburgh programme, featuring our athletes' experiences, gained 3,400 views. The video not only highlighted our strong partnership but also provided valuable exposure for the programme.

Swimming WA has strategically utilised boosted posts on our Open Water Swimming social platforms. By targeting specific demographics, locations and interests we have had good results, including a peak reach of 11,000 and approximately 300 viewers heading to our participant registration page.

Swimming WA's monthly e-newsletter, Western Swimmer, is a vital communication tool for our swimming community. With a solid audience of 15,000, it continues to keep members informed and engaged. The introduction of the Open Water Series E-News has enabled us to target our open water swimmers, keeping them informed on upcoming events.

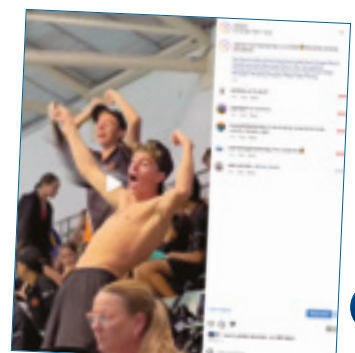
Through social media strategies and targeted marketing efforts, Swimming WA has made significant progress in engaging and connecting with our community. As we continue to build on these successes, we remain committed to inspiring more people to embrace the joy of swimming in Western Australia.

In 2022-23, we continued our radio partnership with Nova 93.7, first established in 2017. The focus of the partnership spend this year was split between promotion of the OWS Series and our Splash and Dash events. In addition, at a number of the OWS Series events, Casanova beach-activations were deployed, the Nova team handing out prizes to the crowd and adding vibrancy to our events.



Delivering substantial media coverage in swimming in WA is challenging. It is no secret that the very large sports, and AFL in particular, dominate the airwaves and column inches. We promote our stories and content to major media outlets on a regular basis and will continue to be as creative as we can in doing so. However, we cannot control the media's response.

Nevertheless, we continue to look to build swimming's profile and brand here in WA through the things we can control. We will maintain a strong social media presence across all our key events and activities, to give the best possible profile to our Pool and OWS events, and all the other opportunities we offer to engage with swimming in our environment. Our sport offers unparalleled and potentially lifelong health benefits, has a very large participation base and a clean image. We will continue to promote these and other attributes of swimming in WA across all the marketing and media opportunities where we can have an impact.



Swimming WA Inc.
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**CONSOLIDATED
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
30 June 2023**

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BOARDS' REPORT

Your Board submits the consolidated financial statements of the Swimming WA (Inc) (formerly Western Australian Swimming Association (Inc)) and its controlled entity (the "Association") for the year ended 30 June 2023 and the auditor's report thereon.

Board Members

Mr. Darren Michael - President (Elected 9/10/21)
Mr. David Bond - Vice President (Elected Director casual vacancy 21/11/21)
Mr. Robert Brauer - (Reappointed 13/10/22)
Ms. Kerry O'Sullivan - (Elected Director casual vacancy 29/6/23)
Ms. Libby Fulham - (Elected 8/10/22)
Mrs. Jocelyn Ryan - (Elected 8/10/22)
Mr. David Kent - (Appointed 7/6/23)

Outgoing Board Members

Mr. Tommaso D'Orsogna - (Appointed term expired 9/10/22)
Mrs Dorothy Harris - (Elected, term expired 8/10/22)

Principal activities

The principal activities of the Association during the year were to:

- Administer the sport of swimming in Western Australia;
- Deliver pool and open water swim meets; and
- Operate learn to swim and pre-squad training programmes.
- Support of Clubs in delivery of swimming programmes including the development of coaches, officials and volunteers.

Review and results of operations

The deficit of the Association for the year amounted to \$202,223 (2022: \$78,598 surplus) which includes a deficit from discontinued operations of \$43,573. The net asset position of the Association amounted to \$489,805 (2022: \$692,028).

On 28 June 2023 the Association appointed Deloitte Australia as liquidator of its wholly owned subsidiary Lakelands Swim School Pty Ltd. The Association determined that it should no longer provide financial support to Lakelands Swim School. Challenges faced through COVID-19 and current inflationary pressures have resulted in ongoing financial losses and the prospect of marginal returns in the future, meaning it was no longer in members' interests to continue to provide financial support to Lakelands Swim School Pty Ltd.

At the 2022 Annual General Meeting of Members held on 8 October 2022, members of the Association approved by way of special resolutions, to update the Constitution and change the name of the Association from Western Australia Swimming Association (Inc) to Swimming WA (Inc).

Events subsequent to reporting date

There has not been any matter or circumstance occurring subsequent to the end of the reporting period

that has significantly affected or may significantly affect, the operation of the Association, the result of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Association in future financial years.

Environmental regulation

The Association's operations are not regulated by any significant environmental regulation under a law of the Commonwealth or of any State or Territory.

Proceedings on behalf of the Association

No person has applied to the court for leave to bring proceedings on behalf of the Association, or to intervene in any proceedings to which the Association is a party, for the purpose of taking responsibility on behalf of the Association for all or part of those proceedings.

No proceedings have been brought or intervened in on behalf of the Association with leave of the Court.

Indemnification of officers

The Association's Constitution provides indemnity to the officers of the Association for costs incurred, in their capacity as an officer, for which they may be held personally liable, except where there is a lack of good faith.

During the financial year, the Association also paid a premium to insure the officers of the Association against costs incurred, in their capacity as an officer, for which they may be held personally liable, except where there is a lack of good faith.

Indemnification of auditors

To the extent permitted by law, the Association has agreed to indemnify its auditors, Nexia Perth Audit Services Pty Ltd, as part of the terms of its audit engagement agreement against claims by third parties arising from the audit (for an unspecified amount). No payment has been made to indemnify Nexia Perth Audit Services Pty Ltd during and/or since the year ended 30 June 2023.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Board.

Sincerely, **Darren Michael** President



Perth, Western Australia Dated 21 September 2023

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the year ended 30 June 2023

| | Note | Consolidated 2023 \$ | Consolidated 2022 \$ |
|---|------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Revenue | 4 | 2,877,070 | 2,426,817 |
| Expenses | | | |
| Employment benefits expense | | (1,463,826) | (1,188,892) |
| Depreciation and amortisation | 6 | (10,972) | (9,547) |
| Other expenses | | (1,562,197) | (1,353,648) |
| Change in fair value of investments | | - | (6,507) |
| Net (deficit) / surplus from discontinued operation | 21 | (43,573) | 210,375 |
| Net expenses before finance income and expenses | 5 | <u>(3,080,568)</u> | <u>(2,348,219)</u> |
| Finance income and expenses | | | |
| Interest earned | | 1,275 | - |
| Net finance income | | <u>1,275</u> | - |
| (Deficit) / surplus for the year | | <u>(202,223)</u> | <u>78,598</u> |
| Other comprehensive income for the year | | - | - |
| Total comprehensive (deficit) / surplus for the year | | <u>(202,223)</u> | <u>78,598</u> |

The above Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 30 June 2023

| | Note | Consolidated 2023 \$ | Consolidated 2022 \$ |
|---|------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| ASSETS | | | |
| Current assets | | | |
| Cash | 7 | 912,744 | 829,638 |
| Trade and other receivables | 8 | 46,701 | 49,125 |
| Prepayments | 9 | 115,211 | 68,871 |
| Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss | 10 | - | 100,028 |
| Inventory | | - | 4,559 |
| Total current assets | | 1,074,656 | 1,052,221 |
| Non-current assets | | | |
| Plant and equipment | 11 | 36,624 | 117,500 |
| Right-of-use asset | 20 | - | 1,246,014 |
| Total non-current assets | | 36,624 | 1,363,514 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | | 1,111,280 | 2,415,735 |
| LIABILITIES | | | |
| Current liabilities | | | |
| Borrowings | 12 | - | 60,252 |
| Trade and other payables | 13 | 540,352 | 336,015 |
| Provisions | 14 | 57,282 | 39,479 |
| Lease liabilities | | - | 58,090 |
| Total current liabilities | | 597,634 | 493,836 |
| Non-current liabilities | | | |
| Provisions | 14 | 23,841 | 16,500 |
| Lease liabilities | 20 | - | 1,213,371 |
| Total Non-current liabilities | | 23,841 | 1,229,871 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | | 621,475 | 1,723,707 |
| NET ASSETS | | 489,805 | 692,028 |
| Members funds | | | |
| Reserves | 15 | 531,000 | 564,340 |
| Accumulated (deficit) / surplus | | (41,195) | 127,688 |
| TOTAL MEMBERS FUNDS | | 489,805 | 692,028 |

The above Consolidated Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBERS FUNDS

For the year ended 30 June 2023

| | Accumulated surplus/(deficit) | Business continuity reserve | Bob Bestman reserve | Total members funds |
|--|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| At 1 July 2021 | | | | |
| Balance at 1 July | 49,090 | 531,000 | 35,340 | 615,430 |
| Surplus for the year | 78,598 | - | - | 78,598 |
| Other comprehensive income for the year | - | - | - | - |
| Total comprehensive surplus for the year | 78,598 | - | - | 78,598 |
| Benefits paid (refer Note 14) | - | - | (2,000) | (2,000) |
| Balance at 30 June 2022 | 127,688 | 531,000 | 33,340 | 692,028 |
| At 1 July 2022 | | | | |
| Balance at 1 July | 127,688 | 531,000 | 33,340 | 692,028 |
| (Deficit) for the year | (202,223) | - | - | (202,223) |
| Other comprehensive income for the year | - | - | - | - |
| Total comprehensive (deficit) for the year | (202,223) | - | - | (202,223) |
| Transfer (refer Note 14) | 33,340 | - | (33,340) | - |
| Balance at 30 June 2023 | (41,195) | 531,000 | - | 489,805 |

The above Consolidated Statement of Changes in Members Funds should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the year ended 30 June 2023

| | Note | Consolidated 2023 | Consolidated 2022 |
|---|------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | | \$ | \$ |
| Cash flows from operating activities | | | |
| Cash receipts from customers, members and sponsors | | 3,227,086 | 3,295,953 |
| Cash paid to suppliers and employees | | (3,180,952) | (3,389,737) |
| Interest received/(paid) | | 1,275 | (3,385) |
| Net cash generated by / (used in) operating activities | 22 | 47,409 | (97,169) |
| Cash flows from investing activities | | | |
| Acquisitions of plant and equipment | 11 | (5,263) | (24,877) |
| Net proceeds from investments | | 100,028 | 645,089 |
| Net cash inflow on discontinued operation | | 1,184 | - |
| Net cash generated by investing activities | | 95,949 | 620,212 |
| Cash flows from financing activities | | | |
| Net repayment of borrowings | | - | (18,702) |
| Net payment for leases | 20 | - | (92,988) |
| Net cash generated (used in) in financing activities | | - | (111,690) |
| Net increase in cash and cash equivalents | | 143,358 | 411,353 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at 1 July | | 769,386 | 358,033 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at 30 June | 7 | 912,744 | 769,386 |

The above Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 30 June 2023

1 Reporting entity

The consolidated financial statements comprise Swimming WA Inc. (formerly Western Australian Swimming Association Inc.) and its subsidiary Lakelands Swim School Pty Ltd (together referred to as the "Association") and are for the year ended 30 June 2023. Swimming WA Inc. is an incorporated association that has been formed, and is domiciled, in Western Australia.

The Board has determined that the Association is not a reporting entity on the basis that, in the opinion of the Board, there are unlikely to exist users of the financial report who are unable to command the preparation of reports tailored so as to satisfy, specifically, all of their information needs. Accordingly, this financial report is a special purpose financial report, which has been prepared to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Act 2015 (WA)*.

The Association is a not-for-profit entity for the purpose of preparing the consolidated financial statements.

The address of the Association's principal place of business and registered office is Level 1, 203 Underwood Avenue, Floreat, WA 6014.

The consolidated financial statements were approved by the Board on 21 September 2023.

2 Basis of preparation

(a) Financial reporting framework

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the *Associations Incorporation Act 2015 (WA)*, the recognition and measurement requirements specified by all Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations, and the disclosure requirements of:

- AASB 101 *Presentation of Financial Statements*
- AASB 107 *Statement of Cashflows*
- AASB 108 *Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors*
- AASB 1054 *Australian Additional Disclosures*

(b) New or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations adopted

The Association has applied all new and revised Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations that apply to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 July 2022. Application of the new and revised Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations did not have a material impact on the financial report.

(c) Accounting Standards and Interpretations in issue not yet adopted

The Australian Accounting Standards Board ("AASB") has issued a number of new and amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations that have mandatory application dates for future reporting periods, some of which are relevant to the Association. The Association has decided not to early adopt any of these new and amended pronouncements. The Association is currently in the process of assessing any potential impact.

(d) Basis of measurement

Historical Cost Convention

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs, modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected financial assets. The amounts presented in the consolidated financial statements are in Australian dollars and have been rounded to the nearest dollar.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

For the year ended 30 June 2023

2 Basis of preparation (continued)

(d) Basis of measurement (continued)

Going Concern

The financial report has been prepared on the going concern basis. In arriving at the position the Board has had regard to the fact that, the Association has, or in the Board's opinion will have access to, sufficient cash to fund administrative and other committed expenditure for a period of at least 12 months from the date of signing the financial report (the "Period").

In forming this view, the Board has taken into consideration the following:

- The Association receives a significant portion of its income from the State Government and other key funding and sponsorship providers ("Significant Sources of Funding"). It is expected that the Significant Sources of Funding for the Period will be comparable to prior years which will enable the Association to pay all its liabilities and commitments as and when they fall due for a period of at least 12 months from the date of approval of the financial report.

Should the Association not achieve the matters set out above there is significant uncertainty whether the Association will continue as a going concern and therefore whether it will realise its assets and extinguish its liabilities in the normal course of operations and at the amounts stated in the financial report. The financial report does not include any adjustment relating to the recoverability or classification of recorded asset amounts or to the amounts or classification of liabilities that might be necessary should the Association not be able to continue as a going concern.

Basis of Consolidation

Subsidiaries are entities controlled by the Association. The Association controls an entity when it is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the entity. The financial statements of subsidiaries are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date on which control commences until the date on which control ceases.

(e) Critical accounting estimates and judgements

The significant accounting estimates and judgements affecting the consolidated financial statements are as follows:

Leases

The Association has applied a number of judgments in assessing its leases against the criteria in AASB 16 *Leases* and calculating the right-of-use asset and lease liability to be recognised. These judgments include the nature of the arrangement (existence of the right to control an asset), the defined lease term, the incremental borrowing rate, lease payments and likely lease payment increases over the lease term. The judgments applied may change year on year if facts or circumstances change and AASB 16 *Leases* requires the change to be reflected in the lease calculation.

Impairment of non-financial assets other than goodwill

All assets are assessed for impairment at each reporting date by evaluating whether indicators of impairment exist in relation to the continued use of the asset by the Association. Impairment triggers include declining product or manufacturing performance, technology changes, adverse changes in the economic or political environment and future product expectations. If an indicator of impairment exists the recoverable amount of the asset is determined.

The recoverable amount of a cash generating unit is based on value in use calculations. These calculations are based on projected cash flows approved by management covering a minimum period of 1 year (maximum of five years). Management's determination of cash flow projections are based on past performance and its expectation for the future.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

For the year ended 30 June 2023

2 Basis of preparation (continued)

(e) Critical accounting estimates and judgements (continued)

Revenue and other income

The Association derives revenue and other income from a range of activities and sources, including revenue from the sale of goods and the provision of services, and income from grants and sponsorship. In accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, the Association is required to determine whether it is appropriate to recognise revenue and other income in the financial year in which cash or non-cash assets are received or to defer the recognition of revenue and other income until associated obligations and/or conditions (if any) are satisfied. In making this judgement, the Association considers the guidance outlined in AASB 15 *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* and AASB 1058 *Income of Not-for-Profit Entities* and, in particular, whether the arrangement relates to the transfer of goods or services and contains enforceable and sufficiently specific performance obligations. Where the Association identifies the existence of the transfer of goods or services, enforceable and sufficiently specific performance obligations, or the arrangement requires the Association to use the funds received to acquire or construct items of property, plant and equipment to identified specifications, the recognition of revenue and other income is deferred until the identified obligations are satisfied.

3. Significant accounting policies

The accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all years presented in the consolidated financial statements.

(a) Revenue

Revenue from major activities of the Association is recognised as follows:

Grant and sponsorship income

When grant and sponsorship income arises from an agreement which is for the transfer of goods or services, is enforceable and contains sufficiently specific performance obligations then the revenue is recognised when those obligations have been met. Other grant and sponsorship revenue is recognised on an accrual basis when the Association has gained control of the asset.

Membership subscriptions

Revenue from the provision of membership subscriptions is recognised over the membership period. Membership subscriptions paid in advance are deferred on the consolidated statement of financial position and brought to account when the membership period commences.

Events Revenue

Revenue from swim meets and events is recognised at a point in time being the day of the event.

Learn to Swim Revenue

Revenue from Learn to Swim fees is recognised at a point in time that the lessons are delivered to the customer.

Interest revenue

Interest revenue is accrued on a time basis, by reference to the principal outstanding and at the effective interest rate applicable, which is the rate that exactly discounts future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial asset to that asset's net carrying amount.

Sale of goods

Revenue from sale of goods is recognised at the point of delivery which corresponds to the transfer of significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods and the cessation of all involvement in those goods.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

For the year ended 30 June 2023

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(a) Revenue (continued)

Rental income

Revenue from rentals is recognised on a straight-line basis over a period of the lease term to reflect a constant periodic rate of return on the net investment.

Donations (including value in-kind)

Revenue from donations is recognised as revenue when received unless the agreement is enforceable and contains sufficiently specific performance obligations in which case the revenue is recognised when those obligations have been met. Value in-kind revenue is recognised as revenue when the fair value can be reliably determined. Fair value is determined using market values, contracted rates, or confirmation with third party suppliers. An equal and offsetting contra-expense is recognised within expenditure for all value in-kind income.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax ("GST").

(b) Current and non-current classification

Assets and liabilities are presented in the consolidated statement of financial position based on current and non-current classification.

An asset is classified as current when: it is either expected to be realised or intended to be sold or consumed in the Association's normal operating cycle; it is held primarily for the purpose of trading; it is expected to be realised within 12 months after the reporting period, or the asset is cash or cash equivalent unless restricted from being exchanged or used to settle a liability for at least 12 months after the reporting period. All other assets are classified as non-current.

A liability is classified as current when: it is either expected to be settled in the Association's normal operating cycle; it is held primarily for the purpose of trading; it is due to be settled within 12 months after the reporting period, or there is no unconditional right to defer the settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the reporting period. All other liabilities are classified as non-current.

(c) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents in the consolidated statement of financial position comprises cash at bank and in hand and short-term deposits with an original maturity of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

(d) Financial instruments

Initial recognition and measurement

Financial assets are initially measured at fair value. Transaction costs are included as part of the initial measurement, except for financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, in which case transaction costs are immediately recognised as expenses in the income statement.

Financial assets are subsequently measured at either amortised cost or fair value depending on their classification and whether the Association irrevocably designates the financial asset on initial recognition at fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVtOCI") in accordance with the relevant criteria in AASB 9 *Financial Instruments*. Financial assets not irrevocably designated on initial recognition at FVtOCI are classified as subsequently measured at amortised cost, FVtOCI or fair value through profit or loss ("FVtPL") on the basis of both: (i) the Association's business model for managing the financial assets; and (ii) the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset.

Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows have expired or have been transferred and

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

For the year ended 30 June 2023

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(d) Financial instruments (continued)

the Association has transferred all the risks and rewards of ownership substantially. When there is no reasonable expectation of recovering part or all of a financial asset, its carrying value is written off.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets not measured at amortised cost or at FVtOCI are classified as financial assets at FVtPL. Typically, such financial assets will be either: (i) held for trading, where they are acquired for the purpose of selling in the short-term with an intention of making a profit, or a derivative; or (ii) designated as such upon initial recognition where permitted. Fair value movements are recognised in the income statement.

Trade and other receivables

Trade receivables are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any allowance for expected credit losses. Trade receivables are generally due for settlement within 30 days.

The Association has applied the simplified approach to measuring expected credit losses, which uses a lifetime expected loss allowance. To measure the expected credit losses, trade receivables have been grouped based on days overdue.

Other receivables are recognised at amortised cost, less any allowance for expected credit losses.

Classification of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities classified as held-for-trading, contingent consideration payable by the Association for the acquisition of a business, and financial liabilities designated at FVtPL, are subsequently measured at fair value.

All other financial liabilities recognised by the Association are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

(e) Inventory and other assets

Inventory and other assets are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

(f) Plant and equipment

Initial recognition and measurement

Items of plant and equipment are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset.

When parts of an item of plant and equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items (major components) of plant and equipment.

Gains and losses on disposal of an item of plant and equipment are determined by comparing the proceeds from disposal with the carrying amount of plant and equipment and are recognised net within other income in the income statement.

Subsequent costs

The cost of replacing a part of an item of plant and equipment is recognised in the carrying amount of the item if it is probable that the future economic benefits embodied within the part will flow to the Association, and its cost can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of the replaced part is derecognised. The costs of the day-to-day servicing of plant and equipment are recognised in the income statement as incurred.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

For the year ended 30 June 2023

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(f) Plant and equipment (continued)

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated over the depreciable amount, which is the cost of an asset, or other amount substituted for cost, less its residual value.

Depreciation is recognised in the income statement on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of each part of an item of plant and equipment since this most closely reflects the expected pattern of consumption of the future economic benefits embodied in the asset.

The estimated useful lives for the current and comparative periods are as follows:

| | |
|------------------------------------|---------------|
| - Plant and furniture and fittings | 2 to 10 years |
| - Motor vehicles | 5 to 6 years |
| - Computer Equipment | 4 to 5 years |
| - Leasehold Improvements | 5 to 10 years |

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed at each financial year-end and adjusted if appropriate.

Impairment of non-financial assets

Non-financial assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount.

(g) Loans and borrowings

Loans and borrowings are initially recognised at the fair value of the consideration received, net of transaction costs. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

(h) Finance costs

Finance costs comprise interest expense on borrowings and bank charges. They are recognised in the income statement using the effective interest method.

(i) Trade and other payables

These amounts represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the Association prior to the end of the financial year and which are unpaid. Due to their short-term nature, they are measured at amortised cost and are not discounted. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition.

(j) Leases

The Association, as a lessee, will assess whether a contract is, or contains, a lease under AASB 16 *Leases*. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. If the contract is assessed to be, or contains, a lease, the Association will recognise a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at the lease commencement date. The right-of-use asset is initially measured at cost, and subsequently at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses and adjusted for certain re-measurements of the lease liability.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

For the year ended 30 June 2023

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(j) Leases (continued)

Initial recognition and measurement

Measurement of lease liability

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at the commencement date, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, and the Association's incremental borrowing rate. Generally, the Association uses its incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate. The lease liability is subsequently increased by the interest cost on the lease liability, offset by lease payments made. It is remeasured when there is a change in future lease payments arising from a change in an index or rate, a change in the estimate of the amount expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee, or as appropriate, changes in the assessment of whether a purchase or extension option is reasonably certain to be exercised or a termination option is reasonably certain not to be exercised.

Measurement of right-of-use asset

The right of use asset is initially measured at cost comprising the initial measurement of the lease liability. Subsequent to initial recognition the right-of-use asset is amortised over the shorter of the assets useful life and the lease term on a straight line basis.

Recognition exemption - short-term leases and leases of low-value assets

The Association has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for short-term leases with a lease term of 12 months or less and leases for low-value assets. The Association will recognise the payments associated with these leases as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Recognition exemption – variable lease

The Association has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for leases with variable payment terms in accordance with AASB 16 *Leases*. The Association will recognise the payments associated with these leases as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

(k) Employee benefits

Wages and salaries and annual leave liabilities for wages and salaries, including non-monetary benefits, are expected to be settled within 12 months of the reporting date and are recognised in respect of employees' services up to the reporting date. They are measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled. Expenses for non-accumulating sick leave are recognised when the leave is taken and are measured at the rates paid or payable.

(l) Fair value measurement

When an asset or liability, financial or non-financial, is measured at fair value for recognition or disclosure purposes, the fair value is based on the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date and assumes that the transaction will take place either in the principal market or in the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market. Fair value is measured using the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, assuming they act in their economic best interests. For non-financial assets, the fair value measurement is based on its highest and best use. Valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data are available to measure fair value are used, maximising the use of relevant observable inputs and minimising the use of unobservable inputs.

(m) Income tax

No provision for income tax has been raised as the Association is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

For the year ended 30 June 2023

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(n) Goods and services tax

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax "GST", except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Tax Office. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the Australian Tax Office is included as a current asset or liability in the consolidated statement of financial position.

(o) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Association has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured.

The amount recognised as a provision is the best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the present obligation at the end of the reporting period.

(p) Comparative figures

When required by Accounting Standards, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current financial year.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

For the year ended 30 June 2023

4. Revenue

| | Consolidated 2023 | Consolidated 2022 |
|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| Membership | 551,465 | 628,065 |
| Grant Funding | 537,883 | 480,543 |
| Sponsorship | 614,576 | 515,905 |
| Performance Pathways | 71,958 | - |
| Staff & Equipment Hire | 31,818 | - |
| Swim Meets | 424,171 | 314,973 |
| Open Water Swimming | 202,906 | 193,442 |
| Learn to Swim | 373,311 | 268,967 |
| Other revenue | 68,982 | 24,922 |
| | 2,877,070 | 2,426,817 |

5. Expenses

| | Consolidated 2023 | Consolidated 2022 |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| Swimming Australia and Direct Membership Costs | 116,939 | 143,640 |
| Grant Funding and Sponsorship | 135,091 | 12,084 |
| Performance Pathways | 120,027 | - |
| Swim Meets | 219,343 | 143,542 |
| Open Water Swimming | 359,435 | 390,425 |
| Development | 125,554 | 133,747 |
| Learn to Swim | 110,146 | 188,251 |
| Operations | 1,841,402 | 1,475,264 |
| Other | 9,058 | 65,134 |
| | 3,036,995 | 2,552,087 |
| Net deficit / (surplus) from discontinued operations | 43,573 | (210,375) |
| Changes in fair value of investments | - | 6,507 |
| | 3,080,568 | 2,348,219 |

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

For the year ended 30 June 2023

6. Depreciation

| | Consolidated 2023 \$ | Consolidated 2022 \$ |
|---------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Plant and equipment | 10,972 | 9,547 |
| | 10,972 | 9,547 |

7. Cash and cash equivalents

| | Consolidated 2023 \$ | Consolidated 2022 \$ |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Cash at bank and in hand | 912,744 | 829,638 |
| | 912,744 | 829,638 |

Reconciliation of cash

Cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the consolidated statement of cash flows is reconciled to the related items in the consolidated statement of financial position as follows:

| | | |
|--------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Cash at bank and in hand | 912,744 | 828,864 |
| Bank overdraft (note 12) | - | (60,252) |
| | 912,744 | 769,386 |

8. Trade and other receivables

| | Consolidated 2023 \$ | Consolidated 2022 \$ |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Trade receivables ¹ | 40,501 | 28,925 |
| Other receivables ¹ | 6,200 | 20,200 |
| | 46,701 | 49,125 |

¹Trade and other receivables are noninterest bearing with 30 day terms. Impairment losses are recognised in accordance with accounting policy (d) Financial instruments as disclosed in Note 3 to the financial statements. Receivables have been assessed by management based on payment history.

The Association has not recognised any losses in the income statement in respect of any expected credit losses associated with its trade and other receivables as they and have been deemed fully recoverable. To the extent any club does not renew its affiliation, the recoverable balance will reduce accordingly.

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For the year ended 30 June 2023

9. Prepayments

| | Consolidated 2023 \$ | Consolidated 2022 \$ |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Swimming Australia capitation fees | 28,303 | - |
| Insurance | 79,068 | 61,371 |
| Events | 7,840 | 7,500 |
| | 115,211 | 68,871 |

10. Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

| | Consolidated 2023 \$ | Consolidated 2022 \$ |
|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Managed funds - Perpetual Private Investment Wrap | - | 100,028 |
| | - | 100,028 |

Managed funds were managed by Escala Partners, Sydney. The Association converted its remaining position of \$100,028 to cash during the year and the Escala account is now closed.

11. Plant and equipment

| | Plant and furniture & fittings \$ | Computer Equipment \$ | Motor Vehicles \$ | Leasehold Improvements \$ | Total \$ |
|--|--|-----------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|
| At 30 June 2022 | | | | | |
| At cost | 99,109 | 56,818 | 4,505 | 37,540 | 197,972 |
| Accumulated depreciation | (44,686) | (16,543) | (4,237) | (15,006) | (80,472) |
| Net written down value | 54,423 | 40,275 | 268 | 22,534 | 117,500 |
| At 30 June 2023 | | | | | |
| Additions | 5,263 | - | - | - | 5,263 |
| Depreciation | (2,427) | (8,277) | (268) | - | (10,972) |
| Derecognition of Lakelands operations ¹ | (43,062) | (9,571) | - | (22,534) | (75,167) |
| Net written down value | 14,197 | 22,427 | - | - | 36,624 |
| At cost | 21,453 | 41,392 | 4,505 | - | 67,350 |
| Accumulated depreciation | (7,256) | (18,965) | (4,505) | - | (30,726) |
| Net written down value | 14,197 | 22,427 | - | - | 36,624 |

¹ Upon appointing Deloitte Australia as liquidator of Lakelands Swim School Pty Ltd on 28 June 2023 and the Association losing control for accounting purposes of Lakeland Swim School Pty Ltd, the net written down value of plant and equipment owned by Lakelands Swim School Pty Ltd has been derecognised from the Association's consolidated statement of financial position as at that date.

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12. Borrowings

| | Consolidated 2023 \$ | Consolidated 2022 \$ |
|-----------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Current | | |
| Bank overdraft* | - | 60,252 |
| | <u>-</u> | <u>60,252</u> |

*During the year Westpac Banking Corporation provided a secured overdraft facility with a limit of \$150,000 (2022: \$150,000) to Lakelands Swim School Pty Ltd. Upon appointing Deloitte Australia as liquidator of Lakelands Swim School Pty Ltd on 28 June 2023, the secured overdraft facility provided by Westpac Banking Corporation was cancelled.

13. Trade and other payables

| | Consolidated 2023 \$ | Consolidated 2022 \$ |
|--|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Trade payables | 140,697 | 106,496 |
| Accrued expenses | 43,625 | 9,500 |
| Unearned revenue – Grants income | 114,500 | 25,000 |
| Unearned revenue – Membership income | 179,600 | 159,600 |
| Unearned revenue – Events | 61,930 | - |
| Zone funds held in trust – Central, North, South | - | 35,419 |
| | <u>540,352</u> | <u>336,015</u> |

14. Provisions

| | Consolidated 2023 \$ | Consolidated 2022 \$ |
|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Current | | |
| Employee benefits | 57,282 | 39,479 |
| | <u>57,282</u> | <u>39,479</u> |
| Non-current | | |
| Employee benefits | 23,841 | 16,500 |
| | <u>23,841</u> | <u>16,500</u> |

The current provision for employee benefits includes all unconditional entitlements where employees have completed the required period of service and those where employees are entitled to pro-rata payments in certain circumstances. The amount presented as current since the Association does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement. However, based on past experience, the Association does not expect all employees to take the full amount of accrued leave or require payment within the next 12 months.

The non-current provision for employee benefits includes entitlements where employees have not completed, or will complete within the next 12 months, the required period of service.

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15 Members funds

| | Consolidated 2023 \$ | Consolidated 2022 \$ |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| <i>Reserves</i> | | |
| Business continuity reserve | 531,000 | 531,000 |
| Bob Bestman reserve | - | 33,340 |
| | 531,000 | 564,340 |

Nature and purpose of reserves

Business continuity reserve

The Business Continuity Reserve is a fund to ensure the Association is financially secure over the next six months.

The Association's policy is to ensure that funds of at least this value are held as either cash and cash equivalents or liquid investments.

Bob Bestman reserve

The Bob Bestman Reserve is a bequeath from the estate of Mr Bestman directed to and for the education of Western Australian Technical Officials. During the year it was assessed that all the obligations under the Bob Bestman bequest had been satisfied by the Association.

16. Financial instruments – Risk management and fair value measurement Market risk

The Association is exposed to equity price risk, which arises from investments measured at FVtPL. Management of the Association monitors the proportion of equity securities in its investment portfolio based on market indices. Material investments within the portfolio are managed on an individual basis, and all buy and sell decisions are approved by the Finance and Governance Committee.

The primary goal of the Association's investment strategy is to maximise investment returns. Management is assisted by external advisors in this regard.

Fair value measurement

Fair value hierarchy

When estimating the fair value of an asset or liability, the Association uses valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data is available to measure fair value, maximising the use of relevant observable inputs and minimising the use of unobservable inputs. Inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value are categorised into three levels according to the extent to which the inputs are observable:

- Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical financial assets that the Association can access at the measurement date.
- Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the financial asset, either directly or indirectly.
- Level 3: Unobservable inputs for the financial asset.

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16. Financial instruments – Risk management and fair value measurement Market risk (continued)

| | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | Total |
|---|----------------|----------|----------|----------------|
| 30 June 2023 | | | | |
| <i>Financial assets at FVtPL</i> | | | | |
| Managed funds - Perpetual Private Investment Wrap | - | - | - | - |
| Total | - | - | - | - |
| 30 June 2022 | | | | |
| <i>Financial assets at FVtPL</i> | | | | |
| Managed funds - Perpetual Private Investment Wrap | 100,028 | - | - | 100,028 |
| Total | 100,028 | - | - | 100,028 |

17. Related parties

Subsidiaries

Set out below is a list of subsidiaries of the Association:

| Name | Principal place of business | Ownership Interest | |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|------|
| | | 2023 | 2022 |
| Lakelands Swim School Pty Ltd | Australia | 0% | 100% |

Transactions with related parties

On 28 June 2023 the Association appointed Deloitte Australia as liquidator of Lakelands Swim School. The Association determined that it should no longer provide financial support to Lakelands Swim School Pty Ltd. Challenges faced through COVID-19 and current inflationary pressures have resulted in ongoing financial losses and the prospect of very marginal returns in the future, meaning it was no longer in members' interests to continue providing financial support to the Lakelands operation.

Key management personnel

The key management personnel comprise the Board and Management. Total remuneration paid with respect to the 30 June 2023 year for management personnel is \$553,717 (2022: \$561,856). The Board are engaged on a volunteer basis and are not remunerated for their services.

18. Auditor Remuneration

During the year the following fees were paid or payable for services provided by the auditor, its related practices and non-related audit firms:

| | Consolidated 2023 \$ | Consolidated 2022 \$ |
|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Audit of the consolidated financial statements – Nexia Perth Audit Services Pty Ltd | 9,500 | - |
| Audit of the consolidated financial statements – Pitcher Partners BA&A Pty Ltd | - | 8,500 |
| | 9,500 | 8,500 |

No Non-Audit Services were provided by the auditor Nexia Perth Audit Services Pty Ltd during the year ended 30 June 2023 or Pitcher Partners BA&A Pty Ltd during the year ended 30 June 2022.

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For the year ended 30 June 2023

19. Capital commitments, contingent assets and contingent liabilities

The Association has no capital commitments, contingent assets or contingent liabilities as at 30 June 2023.

20. Leases

| | Consolidated 2023 \$ | Consolidated 2022 \$ |
|--|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| <i>Amounts recognised in the Consolidated statement of financial position</i> | | |
| The Consolidated statement of financial position shows the following amounts relating to leases: | | |
| <i>Right-of-use asset</i> | | |
| Right-of-use assets recognised as at 1 July | 1,246,014 | 1,118,247 |
| Modifications of current leases during the year | (1,246,014) | 295,577 |
| Less: Amortisation | - | (167,810) |
| Balance as at 30 June | <u>-</u> | <u>1,246,014</u> |
| <i>Lease liabilities</i> | | |
| Lease liability recognised as at 1 July | 1,271,460 | 1,332,065 |
| Add: Interest | - | 117,705 |
| Less: reduction from lease modifications | (1,271,460) | (85,321) |
| Less: Payments | - | (92,988) |
| Balance as at 30 June | <u>-</u> | <u>1,271,461</u> |
| Current lease liabilities | - | 58,090 |
| Non-current lease liabilities | - | 1,213,371 |
| Balance at 30 June | <u>-</u> | <u>1,271,461</u> |

Amount recognised in the Consolidated statement of comprehensive income

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|---------|
| Amortisation of right-of-use asset | - | 167,809 |
| Interest expense on lease liabilities | - | 117,705 |

Leasing activities

Lakelands Swim School Pty Ltd, leases the aquatic facility at 49 Banksiadale Gate, Lakelands WA 6180 (the "Lease").

From 1 July 2022, the payment terms under the Lease were modified to a variable monthly rent resulting in a derecognition of the right-of-use asset and lease liability in accordance with AASB 16 *Leases*.

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21. Discontinued operations

On 28 June 2023 the Association appointed Deloitte Australia as liquidator of its wholly owned subsidiary Lakelands Swim School Pty Ltd. The following is an analysis of the operating results of the discontinued operations for the period:

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| Revenue | 786,278 | 754,470 |
| Operating expenses | (870,389) | (803,903) |
| Operating surplus for the year | (84,111) | (49,433) |
| Gain arising from changes to leasing arrangements | 25,446 | 380,898 |
| Finance cost arising from leasing arrangements | - | (117,705) |
| Gain from derecognition of discontinued operations | 15,770 | - |
| Other finance costs | (678) | (3,385) |
| Net (deficit) / surplus from discontinued operations | (43,573) | 210,375 |

The carrying amount of assets and liabilities of the discontinued operations on derecognition are summarised as follows:

| | Lakelands Swim School Pty Ltd 2023 | Lakelands Swim School Pty Ltd 2022 |
|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| | \$ | \$ |
| ASSETS | | |
| Current assets | | |
| Cash | - | 774 |
| Trade and other receivables | 2,446 | 8,271 |
| Inventory | 4,559 | 4,559 |
| Total current assets | 7,005 | 13,604 |
| Non-current assets | | |
| Plant and equipment | 75,167 | 75,167 |
| Right-of-use asset | - | 1,246,014 |
| Total non-current assets | 75,167 | 1,321,181 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 82,172 | 1,334,785 |
| LIABILITIES | | |
| Current liabilities | | |
| Borrowings | 1,183 | 60,252 |
| Trade and other payables | 83,985 | 17,119 |
| Provisions | 9,774 | 8,265 |
| Lease liabilities | - | 58,090 |
| Total current liabilities | 94,942 | 143,726 |
| Non-current liabilities | | |
| Provisions | 3,000 | 6,377 |
| Lease liabilities | - | 1,213,371 |
| Total Non-current liabilities | 3,000 | 1,219,748 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | 97,942 | 1,363,474 |
| NET LIABILITIES | (15,770) | (28,689) |

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22. Reconciliation between surplus for the year and cash flow from operating activities

| | Consolidated 2023 | Consolidated 2022 |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| Surplus/(deficit) for the year | (202,223) | 78,598 |
| Depreciation and amortisation | 10,972 | 194,520 |
| Finance cost arising from leasing arrangements | - | 117,705 |
| Gain arising from changes to leasing arrangements | - | (380,903) |
| Change in fair value of investments | - | 6,507 |
| Decrease/(increase) in unearned revenue | 136,011 | (97,505) |
| Operating results before changes in working capital | (46,182) | (81,078) |
| (Increase)/decrease in receivables | 1,834 | 9,530 |
| Decrease/(increase)/ in inventory | - | 4,962 |
| Decrease/(increase)/ in prepayments | (46,340) | (12,894) |
| Increase/(decrease) in trade and other payables | 102,733 | (24,381) |
| (Decrease)/increase in provisions | 37,918 | 6,692 |
| Decrease from derecognition of discontinued operations | 6,504 | - |
| Cash flows from operating activities | 47,409 | (97,169) |

23. Events occurring after the reporting period

There has not been any matter or circumstance occurring subsequent to the end of the reporting period that has significantly affected or may significantly affected, the operation of the Association, the result of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Association in future financial years.

STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

For the year ended 30 June 2023

In the opinion of the Board of Western Australian Swimming Association Inc.:

- a. The financial statements and notes of Western Australian Swimming Association Inc. (the "Association") are in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Associations Incorporation Act 2015 (WA)*, including:
 1. Presenting fairly the financial position of the Association as at 30 June 2023 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date; and
 2. Complying with Australian Accounting Standards to the extent described in Notes 1 to 3 to the financial statements.
- b. There are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board and is signed for and on behalf of the Board by:



Darren Michael

President

Perth

21 September 2023

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Swimming WA (Inc) (Formerly Western Australian Swimming Association (Inc))

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

We have audited the financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Swimming WA (Inc) (Formerly Western Australian Swimming Association (Inc)) and its controlled entity (the "Association"), which comprises the consolidated statement of financial position as at 30 June 2023, the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, consolidated statement of changes in members funds and consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the statement by members of the Board.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Association as at 30 June 2023, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards to the extent disclosed in Note 1 to the financial report and the *Associations Incorporation Act 2015 (WA)*.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibility for the audit of the financial report* section of our report. We are independent of the Association in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional & Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (the "Code") that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of matter regarding basis of accounting

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the Association's financial reporting responsibilities under the *Associations Incorporation Act 2015 (WA)*. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Other information

The Board is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information in the Association's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2023, but does not include the financial report and the auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

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If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of the other information we are required to report that fact.

We did not receive the other information prior to the date of this auditor's report. When we do receive it, we will read it and if we conclude that there is a material misstatement in this information, we are required to communicate the matter to those charged with governance and request them to correct the misstated information. If the misstated information is not corrected, we may need to retract this auditor's report and re-issue an amended report.

The Boards' responsibility for the financial report

The Board is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report and has determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 to the financial report is appropriate to meet the requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Act 2015 (WA)* and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The Board is also responsible for such internal control as the Board determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Board is responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Board either intends to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibility for the audit of the financial report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Board.

- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Boards' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Association to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Board regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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Nexia Perth Audit Services Pty Ltd

Michael Fay

Michael Fay
Director

21 September 2023
Perth, Western Australia

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