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BUNBURY NAMED AUSTRALIAN CLUB OF THE YEAR

Bunbury Swimming Club was named Optus Club of the Year by Swimming Australia Limited (SAL) at their annual Gala Awards Dinner in Adelaide on Sunday evening.

The SAL Club of the Year award aims to recognise and reward swimming clubs that are demonstrating a commitment and passion for supporting all members to become the best swimmer they want to be whilst effectively managing and strengthening the club's infrastructure.

Bunbury Swimming Club were judged to be the best club in the nation in the following areas: Club Achievements, Club Environment, Club Committee and Governance, Members, Fundraising/ Sponsorship/Grants, Facilities, Workforce and Volunteers, and finally Diversity and Inclusion.

This award follows on from Bunbury Swimming Club receiving the Swimming WA Regional Club of the year for two years in a row. The club was established in 1960, and is now one of the biggest clubs in the South West with more than 300 members.

Darren Beazley, Chief Executive Officer of Swimming WA said:

“On behalf of Swimming WA, our sincere congratulations to the Bunbury Swimming Club. They should be incredibly proud of this achievement that is deserved recognition of their efforts over the past few years. They have certainly played their part in ensuring that ‘swimming is an essential part of the Western Australian way of life’”.

David Hunt, President of Bunbury Swim Club said :

“This national award and recognition is a massive achievement that recognises the efforts of our Committee, Coaching Staff, officials, swimmers and parents and we should all be extremely proud”.

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Swimming WA is one of the leading not-for-profit sporting organisations in Western Australia established in 1902, representing 83 clubs and more than 12,300 registered swimmers across the state. From Learn to Swim, competitive swimming, recreational swimming or conducting open water events, Swimming WA focuses on providing access to swimming wherever people may live in Western Australia.

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