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## **Scarborough Relay Round a New Edition to Open Water Swimming Series**

On Saturday 23rd December 2017, Swimming WA will be hosting a new event at Scarborough Beach as part of their Open Water Swimming (OWS) Series. Named the Relay Round, this event is a welcome addition to the eleven Rounds that are held throughout the summer.

Thanks to the support of 3 Oceans Property, this family friendly event from 8am suits all ages and fitness levels. There are two ways to participate - either as an individual or as a team of three.

For as little as \$25 per person, teams of three will vie for \$300 prize money - swimming 2.4km (made up of distances of 500m, 880m and 1.2km). Individuals will win \$150 for fastest male and female over each distance for an entry of \$35. There is also an opportunity for clubs such as swimming clubs, surf lifesaving clubs and triathlon clubs to enter into the teams' competition and win \$300 for their club.

David Johnson, Events and Operations Director of the OWS Series said :  
'this Relay Round is a fun way to showcase open water swimming, set amongst iconic Scarborough Beach. We are encouraging all aquatic clubs to enter and for their members to have one last swim, either as individuals or a team before Christmas.

In addition to the water activities, there will be some great fan activation on land with free giveaways from 3 Oceans Property - a great way to spend a Saturday morning'.

The OWS Series kicked off at Cottesloe Beach on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2017 with a record 740 swimmers taking part. Since then it has visited Bunbury, Coogee and Leighton, and the State Open Water Swimming championships were held last month at Champion Lakes.

Celebrating 10 years, the SWA OWS Series runs throughout the summer until March 2018 and attracts 6,000 competitive and novice swimmers.

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For further information about the OWS Series or to register, visit [www.openwaterswimming.com.au](http://www.openwaterswimming.com.au). Online registrations for the Scarborough Relay Round close 10pm on Thursday 21st December 2017, although you can register on the day from 6:30am.

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