



## Media Release: Monday 24 December 2018

### Swimming WA's Open Water Swimming Series heads to Mullaloo Beach for Round 6

Mullaloo Beach is set to host the 6<sup>th</sup> Round of the OWS this Saturday 29 December with the event commencing at 7.30am. Mullaloo Beach has been a feature of the OWS Series since 2007 and attracted 649 participants last year.

With a variety of distances available (500m, 1.25km, 2.5k, 5km and 10km), all ages and fitness levels will be catered for. The main 10km event will kick off at 8.00am, with friends and family now able to follow the progress of their long-distance swimmer on their 'smart device' thanks to WASE Timing. To keep track of the event in real time, spectators simply need to download the app 'Racemap' from their preferred App provider.

The Mullaloo OWS Series Round marks the half way point of the 2018/19 Open Water Swimming Series. Celebrating its 11<sup>th</sup> year, record numbers at the first four Rounds has seen participants numbers rise eight percent and Round 6 at Mullaloo expects to attract over 700 swimmers. A total of 6500 swimmers are expected to compete in the 12 Round Open Water Series finishing at Scarborough Beach 4 March of 2019.

David Johnson said "the Mullaloo Round, has gained popularity in recent years because of the timing between Christmas and New Year's. Our swimmers enjoy the opportunity to exercise when most options are closed for the break. The weather around this time is perfect and Mullaloo Beach is typical of what most visitors to WA visualize when dreaming of coming to WA."

This year's Round looks like being one of the biggest events of the Series.

For further information about the OWS Series, or to register, visit [www.openwaterswimming.com.au](http://www.openwaterswimming.com.au).

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