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Swimming WA Visits Goldfields Region

This week Swimming WA's Country Development Officer Tristan Wood has been embedded in the Goldfields region working on development opportunities with the three Swimming WA affiliated Regional Clubs. Tristan has visited all three Clubs : Kalgoorlie Swimming Club, Kambalda Swimming Club and Esperance Swimming Club. The primary purpose of these visits has been to facilitate a series of meetings with Club committees and their members.

Tristan's visit has been expedited by a number of regional groups including the staff from the local Department of Sport and Recreation offices who have provided support in the form of office space, local knowledge and contacts. Assistance has also been provided through the Curtin University WA School of Mines who have facilitated accommodation requirements and the City of Kalgoorlie Town Council who have contributed funds to make the project possible.

Tristan along with Swimming WA CEO Darren Beazley had recently visited Kambalda and Kalgoorlie as part of the Goldfield Splash event last month, however Swimming WA had not visited Esperance for some time.

Along the way Tristan made time to visit the town of Norseman, half way between Kalgoorlie and Esperance. The town of Norseman has a six lane 50m pool and is well positioned to host events in the Goldfields Region due to its central location. There was discussion and planning about Norseman hosting an inter-region friendly meet with Kambalda, Kalgoorlie and Esperance on 17 November 2018 – watch this space.

Continuing on to Esperance, Tristan kicked off his overnight visit by meeting with the Community Development and Events Manager from Shire of Esperance, Shane Tobin to discuss future events in the area including a Westpac Summer League carnival to be hosted by the Esperance Swimming Club in February 2019. The Shire of Esperance are excited about the possibility of hosting a regional event and especially about the prospect of getting a Swimming WA ambassador such as Tomasso D'Orsogna to visit their community.

Tristan also observed an Esperance Swimming Club training session and got the opportunity to talk with Esperance Juniors Coach Kim and Seniors Coach Blair about how their swimmers were doing. Local rising star Ben Murgatroyd showed at this training session that he is dedicated to doing the hard yards needed to be the best. Watch out for Ben, with his attitude and the support that he gets from his club and family, he is sure to go far.

Tristan will be hosting the Goldfields Region AGM on Saturday. Around this meeting will be a specialist Coaches Workshop for all three Club's Coaches and aspiring Coaches facilitated by Ryan Evernden from Formidable Strength and Conditioning. Ryan is excited to visit the Region and see what he can offer the Coaches.

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Swimming WA General Manager Performance and People, Carolyn Morrison said that 'it is so helpful for all of these Clubs and Swimming WA to have these face to face meetings and planning sessions in the Regions, as well as meeting with the local government resources. This Region is very active and we look forward to working with all the Clubs to get them more involved'.

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