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Masters Swimming NSW

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Monthly News – June 2014



Volunteer of the Month for May is Roger Montgomery from Wollongong Masters club. Congratulations Roger and thank you for all you do for your club and masters swimming.

A note to all: please think about showing your appreciation and nominate a member, anyone who goes the extra mile for your club or someone else's club! Simply write a paragraph describing their impact on you or your club and they may win the \$30 Coles Myer gift card. Email your nomination to the Branch office BEFORE the Board meeting on 21 July.

Small print- Be aware that the information may be used for publicity purposes.

BORING NEWS Too often members say they didn't know about something, weren't aware, hadn't been told or didn't understand and then I find that they don't read the Monthly News! This is where it's all at but if not here then where? Where do you go to find out about news from MSNSW? How can we reach you best? Would you read a blog? Tell us and tell us now! Also, please print the Monthly News and share it around on pool deck.

Are you going to Montreal? Mitch Patterson is holding a Racecraft workshop on 12/13 July at Warringah and there are 12 spaces available. More information is attached in the pdf link below on page 3.

Annual General Meeting MSNSW AGM was held on Saturday 18 May with representation from 23 clubs. The Board members elected for 2014-15 are:

- President Jane Noake
Vice President Tony Tooher
Vice President Country Sue Wiles
Treasurer Stuart Meares
Ordinary Members Jon Hawton, Chris Lock & Owen Sinden

MSNSW received expressions of interest in various volunteer positions and the following personnel have been ratified:

- Safety Coordinator Jodie Burke Technical Director Gary Stutsel
Training Coordinator Diane Partridge Coaching Director Di Coxon-Ellis
Endurance 1000 recorder Jenny Whiteley Facebook Admin Roger Dietrich
Webmasters: Lindsay Brice, Lynette Falconer, Helen Rubin Newsletter editor Vacant

The President thanked Neil Keele for his contribution to the Board over many years.

Awards presented included Club Administrator of the Year to Annette Britten from Tuggeranong and the Gary Stutsel award to Mark Hepple for his outstanding contribution to the branch including rewriting and redesigning forms and processes, reviewing the website and moving it to its new platform and an outstanding contribution to the National Championships in 2013.

Male Swimmer of the Year for 2013 was Ian Jeffery (NNC) and Female Swimmer of the Year was Jenny Whiteley (NRY). The Annual report and minutes from the AGM are available on our website.

Master Class Coaching Forum - All invited

A Coaches Masters Class is to be held on Sunday 17 August at NSWIS (next to Sports House), Sydney Olympic Park. Coaches are asked to book their place now. This offer will be open to all members-come along & listen to experienced coaches. Agenda below

As expressed at the recent AGM, coaches are the backbone of our organisation, consider accreditation now.

A Club Coach course will be conducted at Olympic Park on July 19. Book your place NOW! ~

2015 swim meet calendar

Expressions of Interest for BPS Meets 2015

Calling all clubs that wish to host a swim meet in 2015.

Please email your preferred dates by 18 July to the Branch office. Do not leave it too late, the Board needs to start working on the calendar next month and many clubs are having to confirm their pool bookings already. This year some clubs missed out so be kind to yourselves-plan ahead. Please send in your application by the closing date! Note: From 2015 the number of Officials required from the host club has risen from 3 to 4 for clubs with 25+ members and this excludes 2nd claim members.

Last award for 2013 - Betty Grant Award Clubs are invited to submit nominations for the Betty Grant Award. The criteria for this award for over 60s are attached and nominations are due by Friday 11 July and it will be presented at the State Relay meet on 20 July.

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2015 Membership fee rise Masters Swimming Australia has reviewed the membership fee structure and prices are about to rise. A 16 month membership (1 Sept 2014-31 Dec 2015) for new members will be \$86 + club fee then in 2015 fees will be \$70 for a 12 month membership + club fee (both inclusive of Branch fees). This rise comes about from a renewed contract with IMGSTG which sees us with an annual licence fee but the transaction fee reduces from 6% to 4%.

All memberships will expire on 31st December 2014 **This is new** In the past we have enjoyed a one month period of grace to renew our membership but on 31st December 2014 all memberships will expire so Club Registrars need to spread the word that once they open their 2015 membership on 1 December all members will be strongly encouraged to re-join immediately. This is a constitutional change.

Note: If swimming while unfinancial there is NO insurance cover.

Technical Courses **Competition!** **Two weeks left to get accredited**

We are near the end of the competition for clubs to get more technical officials trained up and accredited. Your club still has time and could win a Vorgee gift voucher for \$200 or \$100!! Don't hold back-get your completed paperwork in NOW. The game is on and time is running out but DiP is away overseas until 17 July.

Are you SAL accredited? Officials who have a current accreditation with a swimming organisation other than MSA should refer to [Cross Accreditation and Re-accreditation](#) on the MSA website.

SAL accredited officials may officiate at MSA sanctioned meets except in the role of the Meet Referee, who must be accredited with MSA. SAL referees should refer to the [Guide for SAL accredited referees](#).

All members and their family and friends are encouraged to become officials!

Incidents and injuries. **Should you or a fellow club member receive an injury (no matter how minor) whilst training, competing or involved in club activities you or the club MUST complete an injury or incident form and send it to the Branch/National office. It needs to be reported as soon as practicable for insurance purposes so please do not leave it longer than 48 hours before letting us know. Forms are on our website under Downloads/Forms.**

Member Protection Information Officer Are you interested in being a MPIO for your club? The Member Protection Information Officer (MPIO) is trained to be the first point of contact for a person reporting a complaint under, or a breach of, the Member Protection Policy. The MPIO provides impartial and confidential support to the person making a complaint. If you are interested in finding out more please go to <http://www.playbytherules.net.au/mpio>

Social Media  We now have 1092 likes! Wow!

Visiting our page directly at www.facebook.com/mastersswimmingnsw is a good way to keep up to date with the happenings of Masters Swimming NSW and seeing our news. **Tell us what your club is doing** We would like all clubs to put our facebook email address content@msnswfacebook.info on your club mailing list so that we are up to date with what is happening at your club. We have started using hashtags, so ask you to use our hashtag, #msnsw when posting about your swimming or achievements in swimming. We ask that clubs with fb pages use this hashtag when posting about upcoming championships and FINA Worlds eg does your club have members swimming at Montreal? (Hashtags are a unique link on social media which points users to a common page that highlights posts that are of a common subject.)

Photographs on Social Media At swim meets and social activities images may be taken for promotional purposes within our sport. If you do not wish your photo to be displayed please contact the branch office and we will ensure our administrators do their best to take any image down as soon as possible. We are happy snappers and there are many cameras and smart phones now appearing on pool deck where reporting on facebook can happen instantly but we do not wish to offend.

Swim the English Channel-opportunity MSA has been approached by English Channel swimmer Chloe McCardel to assist her in finding participants for the English Channel Swim in 2015. Throughout this experience, Chloe will set a training program and help participants train for the English Channel Swim. Her 2014 event is already sold out. Due to the vastness of the Australian climate, Chloe has asked that members in Victoria, NSW, Tasmania and South Australia are the main focus of advertising. This is the first & final call for "expressions of interest" for those interested in being trained by Chloe? Expressions are due in by July 1st. [CLICK HERE](#) [CLICK HERE](#)

Accommodation at Tuggeranong If you are planning ahead to swim at Tuggeranong's meet on 20 September the club has provided some accommodation options to the branch office-just call!

Time to Party.... Did you know that we turn 40 next year??? That's a ruby anniversary and we mean to party. Ideas are welcome if you have talent in the party planner sphere.

Lost property found at the Manly meet a pair of TYR size 32 Black Jammers-contact the Branch office.

Coming up in NSW and beyond:

	Until 1 st August	Bunbury Postal swim 3x400m	Details on MSA website
	5 July	Hunter Festival of Sport	Entries closed 20 June
	12 July	5 x 400m Endurance 1000 swims	Katoomba SC
	20 July	State Relay Meet	Entries close 16 July
	11-18 October	Alice Springs Masters Games	Entries close 12 September

Coaching Forum - 17th Aug 2014 Hosted by MSNSW Sport Development Officer Simon Watkins -ably assisted by Branch Coaching Director Di Coxon-Ellis and John Kulhan

Guest appearance by Peter Johnston MSA National Coach of the Year & MSNSW Coach of the Year!

Program - Full Day - 10 am to 3 pm - 17th Aug 2014

10 - 11am Strokes, Starts/Turns/Finishes

11 - 12pm Coach of the Year & International Level Experience

LUNCH

1 - 2pm Working within the rules and with the Technical Officials

2 - 3pm Coaching Qualification Framework & Crossover from ASCTA & RPL & Delivery

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Two events in the 2014 Swim Series have been completed and the points for the leading swimmers are in the [Results Portal](#) [Female Top 10 in each Age Group](#) [Male Top10 in each Age Group](#) Next event is in Launceston 23-24 August 2014.



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Jillian Pateman Administrator



The next Board meeting is scheduled for Monday 21 July 2014. These meetings are open to any member of Masters Swimming NSW. Please notify the branch office by the Friday before the meeting of your intention to join us or of any agenda items you wish to add.