AUSTRALIAN winter swimming

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FOR MORE INFORMATION

Saturday June 24th:
Delegates meeting at Cronulla.

Southern Metrops will be hosted by Clovelly on July 2nd

2017 National Titles on the 10th September at Southport Pool, hosted by Gold Coast Marlins

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Website

FROM THE WSAA

As you are aware we have upgraded the WSAA website and will be doing more this year. As part of the site that needs assistance is the member clubs supplying information. Some clubs have already done so, but there is still a lot of clubs that have not done so.
In order to have the website working at the full potential we need club information, including club name/logo/address/contacts with email/mobile as well a little history of the club and any recent photos.
Please send to smkgoddard@bigpond.com

MAY Message:

Dear Winter Swimmers,

Wishing all clubs a successful 2018. The WSAA, AGM, took place on April 29th including the annual elections the results were as per last year.

President, Greg Holland, Deputy President Steve Goddard, Secretary VJ Jootna, Treasurer Tony Beger, Chief Referee Michael Ryan, Committee Personal Nev Barker and Robert Taylor Patron John Sharp and deputy referees Don Gaines and Eric Haynes, Chief Judge, Steve Goddard and Chief Timeskeeper John Seven.

For our full list of committee positions please refer to the website and the list on the right of this page.

Best regards,

The 2017 WSAA Committee

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This months cartoon

CLUB NEWS

See what is happening this month

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Bondi Icebergs:

Bondi Icebergs commenced our 2017 with 100 new members. Openning day saw some 72 heats. On a sad note our club lost one president prior to the season start, see the next page.

Shayne Keys announced as new Vice - Captain

The Keys family name is synonymoous with the Bondi Icebergs Club as Shayne's father, the late Frank Keys, is a life member of the club. He did multiple jobs in his many years at the club, which included being a director, Race Secretary and Handicapper to name a few. It's great to see Shayne follow in his father's footsteps and take on the important role as club Vice-Captain. Please join me in congratulating Shayne on this appointment.

(Flip the page for more club news)

Bergs trip to the Gong

It will be the Icebergs turn to travel to Wollongong on Sunday, June 18, to swim against the Wollongong Whales for the Mo Wally Edwards Shield. The club will be providing a complimentary 24 seater bus for the trip. Unfortunately, this is a boys' trip only as the Whales is a male-only Winter Swimming Club, so if you wish to attend please put your name down on the list which will be posted on the noticeboard. A group will be heading down by train on the Saturday to beat the traffic. so if you wish to come early it will cost $80 for accomodation.

Vale David Hall

The world of winter swimming is in mourning after the death of Bondi Icebergs Club president David Hall last month following a short battle with cancer.

David was a popular fixture at the Bergs, volunteering many hours and holding numerous roles, the last being president after joining the Bergs in 1989. He was 53. Born in Condobolin in central NSW in 1964, he was the youngest of three children to Alan and Jeanne Hall, a loved brother to Jan and Peter. David moved to Sydney in 1986 to pursue a footballing career and found home in Bondi soon after.

A loveable larrikin who always had a smile and enjoyed a laugh and a joke, he is greatly missed by his fiancee Louise, family, friends and fellow Icebergs and Icecubes. More than 500 people paid their respects at MR Hall's funderal at Bondi Pavilion earlier this month. Davids nephew, Jamie Berry, siad more than 100 people visited his uncle while he was at St Vincent's Hospital.

"Dave's family and friends appreciate all the kind thoughts and well wishes during his very breif fight," he said

"He stayed strong and tried to maintain his charm and sense of humour right to the very end. " The world has lost a great man and many in Bondi and way beyond have heavy hearts. Hopefully the pain will be replaced with the countless and beautiful memories we have of him in due course, "

Photographs from the Bergs this past month

Cotlesloe Crabs:

Life membership for David Craig

the Cottesloe CRABS Founded 1973

WINTER SWIMMING CLUB (INC.)

Cottesloe Crabs Winter Swimming Club (inc.)

Life Membership Nomination 2017

It is with pleasure to nominate **David Melville Craig** for Life Membership of the Cottesloe Crabs Winter Swimming Club.

David Craig joined the club in 1997 and has 18 years of continuous membership and as at the end of 2016 has completed 367 swims.

David has also attended 18 National Titles.

David Craig was Club Vice President for five years in 2003, 2004, 2009, 2010 and 2011 and President for two years in 2013 and 2014.

During David's time as President the Club was Australian Champions in 2013 at Challenge Stadium and he presided over one of the best organized after carnival functions ever run.

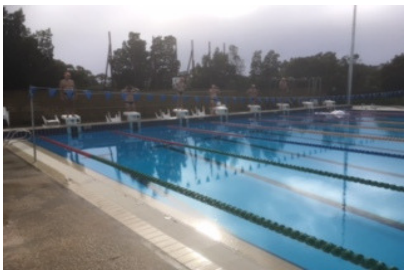
David has been a dedicated supporter of the Cottesloe Crabs and has competed in the very successful over 50 and over 60 relay team on numerous occasions and has medaled in the over 65 individual event.

David continues to support the Cottesloe Crabs and is a very generous donor to the clubs touring team

It is with great pleasure that the nomination of **David Craig** is forwarded to the Club members for the award of Life Membership of the Cottesloe Crabs Winter Swimming Club.

(Endorsed by Management Committee 2017)

Photographs From: Family Day



Club president Nev "Sparrow" Barker walking his daughter down the aisle

"Don't fall, don't fall. I can't afford the medical bill and the wedding. "

Harbord Frigid Frogs

World Masters Games

These were held in late April in Auckland. Good results were achieved by Frogs in the swimming events.
Gordon Whyte, Steve Lamy, Barry Seymour & Ossie Doherty all scored gold medals in some of their indivudial events with Ossie doing the best with 4 individual golds in the 90-94 age group. Steve Lamy won three gold in the 65-69 age group category with Barry Seymour winning two in the 70-74 years category.

John de Mestre & Peter Thiel also had success in the Open Water Swims in the 1.5km & 5km races.

Overall it was a great effort by these Frogs who competed in multiple events over the carnival, including relays for their respective clubs.

Harry & Shirley Ryan Memorial Day

On Sunday, May 21st the club held the annual Harry & Shirley RYan Memorial Day to celebrate the contribution of Harry & Shirley Ryan - one-time owners of the Steyne Hotel in Manly, to the Frogs & also to the wider sporting community on the Northern Beaches. We invited the local surf clubs - Manly, Freshwater & Sourth Curl Curl to the day to swim against the club in a 10 x 50 relay & join in the celebrations afterwards. TO make it interesting the event was handicapped with each team required to work out their overall time for the 10X 50 race. The "Freshie Fighters" were the narrow winners from a fast finishing Manly Surf Club. The Frogs were a distant fourth due to either some bad handicapping or a bit of gaming by the surf clubs! It was good to see everyone joining in the spirit of the event & also contributing to the success of the Frogs "traditonal breakfast" afterwards.
Croak croak.

Coming Events

Saturday 24th June - Cronulla
Delegates meeting at Cronulla

Sunday 2nd July - Clovelly
Southern Metrops hosted by Clovelly

June 2018
International Winter Swim Carnival
Events in June 2018 will be held at
North Sydney Pool
and Bondi Icebergs at Bondi Bay.

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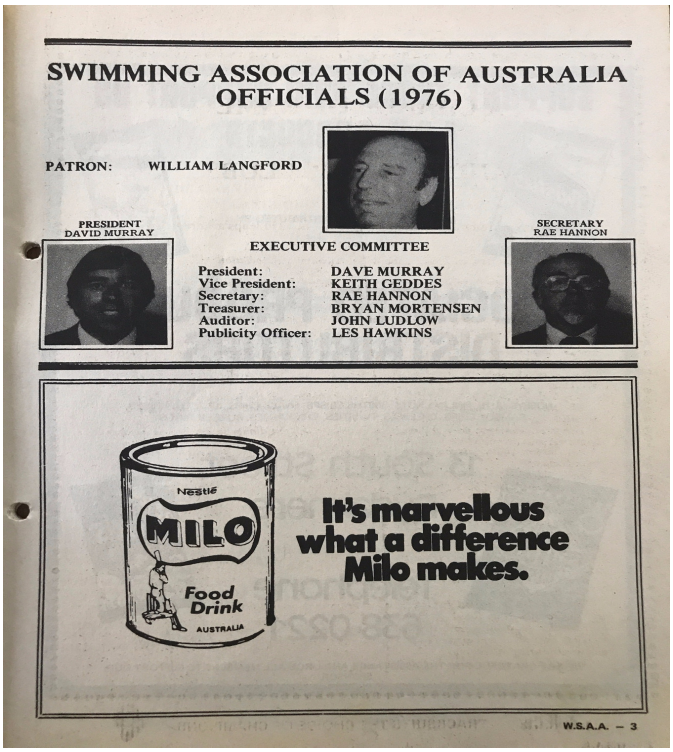
National Titles

National Titles will be held on the 10th September at Southport Pool, hosted by the Gold Coast Marlins.
There will be updates on these events on our website and newsletter.

History

The first ever Winter Swimming Australia Program from 1976



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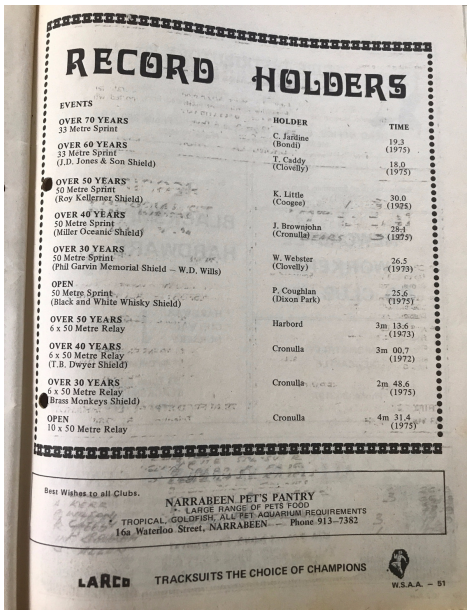

RECORD HOLDERS

EVENTS	HOLDER	TIME
OVER 70 YEARS 33 Metre Sprint	C. Jardine (Bondi)	19.3 (1975)
OVER 60 YEARS 33 Metre Sprint (J.D. Jones & Son Shield)	T. Caddy (Clovelly)	18.0 (1975)
OVER 50 YEARS 50 Metre Sprint (Roy Kellgrnet Shield)	K. Little (Coogee)	30.0 (1928)
OVER 40 YEARS 50 Metre Sprint (Miller Oceanic Shield)	J. Brownjohn (Cronulla)	28.4 (1975)
OVER 30 YEARS 50 Metre Sprint (Phil Garvin Memorial Shield – W.D. Wills)	W. Webster (Clovelly)	26.5 (1973)
OPEN 50 Metre Sprint (Black and White Whisky Shield)	P. Coughlan (Dixon Park)	25.6 (1975)
OVER 50 YEARS 6 x 50 Metre Relay	Harbord	3m 13.6 (1973)
OVER 40 YEARS 6 x 50 Metre Relay (T.B. Dwyer Shield)	Cronulla	3m 00.7 (1972)
OVER 30 YEARS 6 x 50 Metre Relay (Brass Monkeys Shield)	Cronulla	2m 48.6 (1975)
OPEN 10 x 50 Metre Relay	Cronulla	4m 31.4 (1975)

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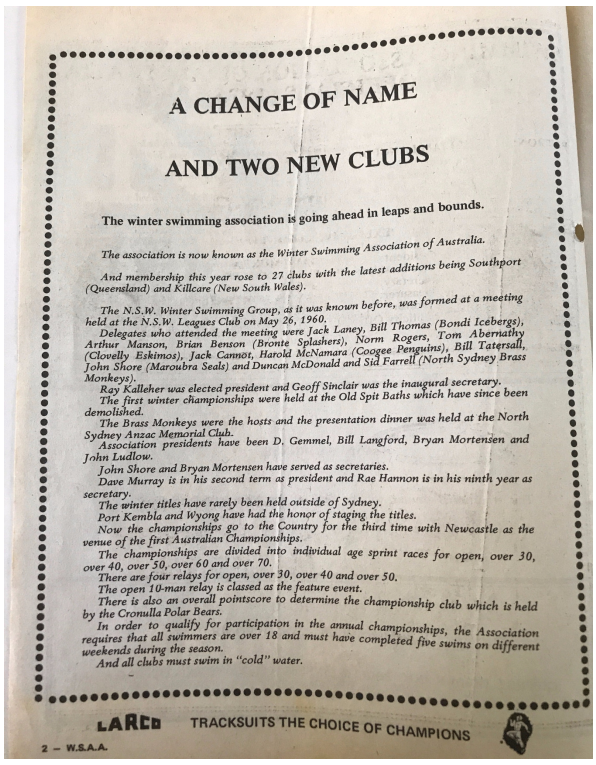

A CHANGE OF NAME

AND TWO NEW CLUBS

The winter swimming association is going ahead in leaps and bounds.

The association is now known as the Winter Swimming Association of Australia.

And membership this year rose to 27 clubs with the latest additions being Southport (Queensland) and Killcare (New South Wales).

The N.S.W. Winter Swimming Group, as it was known before, was formed at a meeting held at the N.S.W. Leagues Club on May 26, 1960.

Delegates who attended the meeting were Jack Laney, Bill Thomas (Bondi Icebergs), Arthur Manson, Brian Benson (Bronte Splashers), Norm Rogers, Tom Abernathy (Clovelly Eskimos), Jack Cannot, Harold McNamara (Coogee Penguins), Bill Tatersall, John Shore (Maroubra Seals) and Duncan McDonald and Sid Farrell (North Sydney Brass Monkeys).

Ray Kalleher was elected president and Geoff Sinclair was the inaugural secretary.

The first winter championships were held at the Old Spit Baths which have since been demolished.

The Brass Monkeys were the hosts and the presentation dinner was held at the North Sydney Anzac Memorial Club.

Association presidents have been D. Gemmel, Bill Langford, Bryan Mortensen and John Ludlow.

John Shore and Bryan Mortensen have served as secretaries.

Dave Murray is in his second term as president and Rae Hannon is in his ninth year as secretary.

The winter titles have rarely been held outside of Sydney.

Port Kembla and Wyong have had the honor of staging the titles.

Now the championships go to the Country for the third time with Newcastle as the venue of the first Australian Championships.

The championships are divided into individual age sprint races for open, over 30, over 40, over 50, over 60 and over 70.

There are four relays for open, over 30, over 40 and over 50.

The open 10-man relay is classed as the feature event.

There is also an overall pointscore to determine the championship club which is held by the Cronulla Polar Bears.

In order to qualify for participation in the annual championships, the Association requires that all swimmers are over 18 and must have completed five swims on different weekends during the season.

And all clubs must swim in "cold" water.

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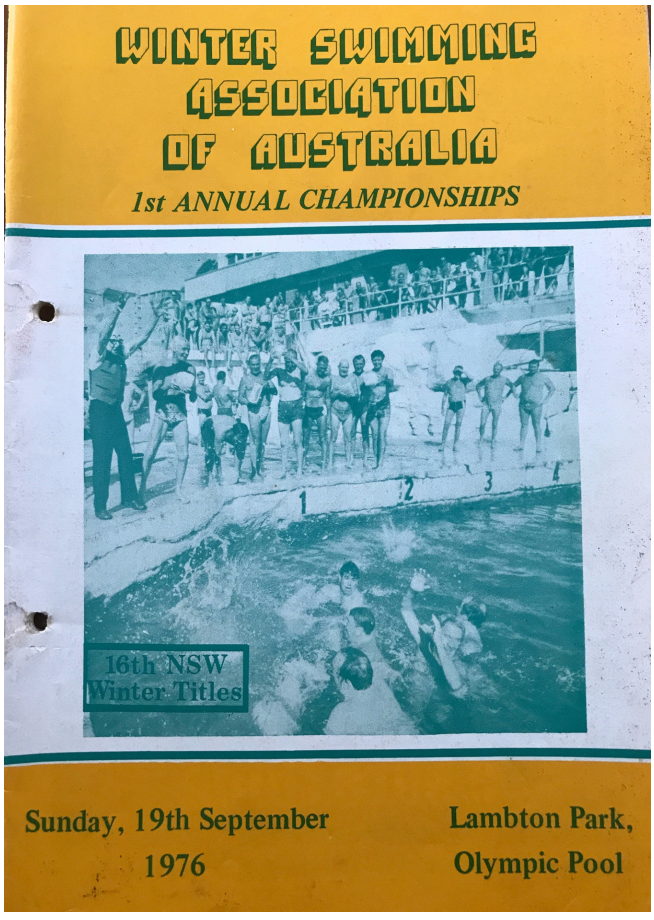

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16th NSW Winter Titles

Sunday, 19th September 1976

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