



Merrylands Amateur Swimming Club Inc.



SANTAS WHALES TALES

Saturday 22nd December, 2018

Christmas Wishes

Today is our last day for club races in 2018. After club races we will have a BBQ breakfast & Christmas Hamper raffle draw. Thank you to everyone who has donated prizes for the hampers. Tickets are \$1 and a book of 10 tickets is \$10, which you can still purchase this morning.

On behalf of the Committee I would like to wish every one of our members and their family's a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy and Safe New Year.

We look forward to seeing you back at training from Wednesday 2nd January, 2019 and club races on Saturday 5th January, 2019.

SNSW Senior State Age Championships

Congratulations to Alison Sakurovs who competed at the Senior State Age Championships last Saturday. Alison swam just outside her time from the Metropolitan Championships, finishing ahead of many competitors half her age. Well done Alison, time to relax and celebrate your efforts!

50th Anniversary Celebrations

The Merrylands 50s will be held on our return on Saturday 5th January, 2019. A new event, the Merrylands 50s, will be held as part of our Club Races. This Knockout Handicap event consists of 3 rounds (Heats, Semis and Finals), with each round held at different points within the morning's program. The top placed swimmers in each round progress onto the next round. As the event is handicapped, every swimmer has the chance to win, with the overall winner taking home a prize. Enter online at: <https://www.merrylandsasc.asn.au/clubraces/onlineentries.aspx>

Information about the Dive In Movie is available on the club website and Facebook page. Entry to the movie is free but numbers are limited and entry into the event will be by ticket only. To find out more information or to order your tickets go to www.merrylandsasc.asn.au/50thanniversary

Going on Holidays?

Share a photo with your 50th Anniversary Cap and let's see how many places it can visit before the end of the summer 📷. Tag [Merrylands Amateur Swimming Club](#) in your photo and add the hashtag [#masc50](#) to get involved.

Speedo Sprint Series

Going away in January? Don't forget entries for the Speedo Sprint Series close on 22nd January, 2019. Enter online today at: <https://www.merrylandsasc.asn.au/swimmeets/upcoming.aspx>

Club Uniform

For all club uniform orders visit the online shop <https://shop.merrylandsasc.asn.au/club-uniforms>. If you have any questions about club uniform items please see the Property Officer (Margaret Edwards).

For more information & race results check out our club website www.merrylandsasc.asn.au

January Skills & Drills Sessions

The squad will be running Skills & Drills sessions for the swimmers in the Junior and Development Squads on Thursday mornings during January. Sessions will be held on the 3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th January, 2019 from 7am to 8:15am. Swimmers can book in for which ever sessions they want. Sessions will include filming of technique and race skills. Register online at <https://squadshop.merrylandsasc.asn.au/drills-skills-session>

Merrylands SwimFest & Masters BPS Meet– Saturday 23rd February, 2019

Entries for the 2019 Merrylands SwimFest remain open. The program of events is available online.

Members of our club will receive a discount on their event entries. To receive your discount, make sure you enter using the "Entries for Merrylands Members" button on the Online Entries page on our website at <https://www.merrylandsasc.asn.au/swimfest/>.

We are hosting the Masters BPS Sprint Meet and SwimFest on the same day Jobs on the day will include set up & pack up, timekeeping, marshalling, check starting, starting, bbq & refreshments. Please advise Graham of your availability for the day.

Member Profile

Name: Gabriella Rose Assi
Age: 6
Year Joined: 2018
Favourite Stroke: Freestyle
Favourite thing about swimming: Learning new strokes
Favourite food: Apples
Favourite TV show: The Greatest Showman
When I grow up I want to be: Ballet Teacher or a Mermaid
Favourite Swimmer: Cate Campbell

See Graham to provide your profile information for inclusion in future editions of the Whales Tales.

Upcoming Events

MEET NAME	MEET DATE	ENTRY CLOSING
Christmas – New Year Break	Saturday 29 th December	
Club Races return	Saturday 5 th January	Thursday 3 rd January
MSW Long Course Qualifying Meet	Sunday 6 th January	Closed
MASC 1500metre Freestyle (Open)	Friday 18 th January	Thursday 17 th January
Whales Challenge	Saturday 19 th January	Thursday 17 th January
Dive In Movie	Saturday 19 th January	
MASC 50metre Butterfly	Saturday 26 th January	Thursday 24 th January
MASC 50metre Breaststroke	Saturday 2 nd February	Thursday 31 st January
Speedo Sprint Series - MSW Heats	Saturday 2 nd February	Tuesday 22 nd January
MASC 50metre Freestyle	Saturday 9 th February	Thursday 7 th February
MASC 200metre Individual Medley Boys 14 ys – SNR, Girls 13yrs - SNR	Saturday 16 th February	Thursday 14 th February
MSW Area LC C/hips (13yrs & under)	Saturday 16 th February	Tuesday 5 th February
MASC 400metre Freestyle Open	Saturday 23 rd February	Thursday 21 st February

