



WHALES TALES

Saturday 20th February, 2021

Merrylands SwimFest

Today is Merrylands SwimFest day. We have 200 swimmers from six clubs attending, so it is a big event for us again.

Please ensure you review the online program and SwimFest information on the club website at <https://www.merrylandsasc.asn.au/swimfest> as this contains important information about the meet including COVID-19 Information and the Meet Procedures. This includes every person entering the swimming centre, including all swimmers, must check-in using the Service NSW QR code at the pool entry. There will be additional QR codes located along the external wall outside the pool entry to assist in reducing queuing in this area.

The COVID-19 drive-through test clinic continues to use part of the swimming centre carpark. Parking will remain limited. Please take care when walking from your car to the centre.

SwimFest warm up commences at 1.30pm with races starting at 2.30pm.

Good luck to our 40 swimmers who are competing at the SwimFest. May the whale be with you all 🐳

We ask for the help of all parents and members who are not competing in the SwimFest as we have many roles to undertake on the day.

Season Program Changes

The amended season program can be found at <https://www.merrylandsasc.asn.au/clubbraces>

Please ensure you check the amended season program and plan your swims and championship qualification based on the amended program.

Club Uniforms

Items can be purchased through the club's online shop <https://shop.merrylandsasc.asn.au/club-uniforms>

COVID-19 Safety Plan & Protocols

Health updates that affect our club members can be found at <https://www.merrylandsasc.asn.au/news>.

Sponsors

Thank you to our major sponsors who support our club and who are also sponsoring the Merrylands SwimFest today:



Joab, Lisa, Ruby and Jay representing their school

Member Profile

It's time to find out some interesting information about one of our veterans, Ian Wilson:

<i>Favourite Colour</i>	<i>Blue sky, blue ocean</i>
<i>Favourite Food</i>	<i>Seafood platter, Drummoyne Sailing Club Triathlon</i>
<i>Favourite Sport (apart from swimming)</i>	<i>Giants, never surrender</i>
<i>Favourite Team</i>	<i>Bali</i>
<i>Favourite Holiday Place</i>	<i>Can't remember 😊</i>
<i>Favourite Memory</i>	<i>Anything Red Hot Chilli Peppers</i>
<i>Favourite Song</i>	<i>Seinfeld</i>
<i>Favourite Movie/TV Show</i>	<i>Fitter and Machinist</i>
<i>Career after school</i>	<i>Spending time around</i>
<i>I like Merrylands Swimming Club because</i>	<i>you guys puts a smile on my face, my zen</i>

Club Championship Results

Congratulations to all swimmers who competed in the Freestyle Championships last week.

50m Age Championships:

Boys 7 Years	
1 st	Jay Shrestha
2 nd	Ethan Ton

Girls 8 Years	
1 st	Ruby Shrestha
2 nd	Gabriella Assi

Boys 8 Years	
1 st	Lucas Alvarez

Girls 9 Years	
1 st	Chloe Ton
2 nd	Lindsey Matthew

Girls 10 Years	
1 st	Lisa Shrestha

Boys 10 Years	
1 st	Daniel Vivic
2 nd	Joab Hada
3 rd	Unish Shrestha

Girls 11 Years	
1 st	Avani Pradhan
2 nd	Katrina Matthew

Boys 11 Years	
1 st	Ren Jie Hum

Girls 12 Years	
1 st	Summer Shrestha
2 nd	Niushka Shrestha
3 rd	Chevelle Fehir

Girls 13 Years	
1 st	Shreya Shrestha

Boys 13 Years	
1 st	Matthew Vivic

Boys 14 Years	
1 st	Elie Menhem

Womens 15 Years	
1 st	Breeanah Khoury
2 nd	Laurabelle Casey
3 rd	Darla Assi

Mens 15 Years	
1 st	Michael Vivic

Senior Womens	
1 st	Alison Sakurovs
2 nd	Katie Hope

Senior Mens	
1 st	Brendan Kirkpatrick
2 nd	Peter Johnston
3 rd	Carlos Vergara

Veteran Womens	
1 st	Melissa Cohen
2 nd	Leanne Tovkach
3 rd	Patricia Johnston

Veteran Mens	
1 st	Ian Wilson
2 nd	Ian Johnston

25m Freestyle:

Combined	
1 st	Sally Lee

200m Open Championships:

Womens	
1 st	Alison Sakurovs
2 nd	Summer Shrestha
3 rd	Breeanah Khoury

Mens	
1 st	Brendan Kirkpatrick
2 nd	Matthew Vivic
3 rd	Carlos Vergara

Upcoming Events - *** includes season program changes***

MEET NAME	MEET DATE	ENTRY CLOSING
MASC 400metre Freestyle Championship (Open)	Saturday 20 th February	Closed
Merrylands SwimFest	Saturday 20 th February	Closed
MASC 400metre Freestyle Championship (Junior)	Saturday 27 th February	Thursday 25 th February
SNSW Metropolitan Championships (Senior)	Saturday 27 th February to Sunday 28 th February	Closed
MASC 50metre Backstroke Championship MASC 25metre Backstroke Championship MASC 200metre Backstroke Championship (Open)	Saturday 6 th March	Thursday 4 th March
Speedo Sprint Finals (SOPAC)	Saturday 6 th March	Entry via Heats
MSW Junior Championships (SOPAC)	Saturday 13 th March	Friday 5 th March
SNSW State Open Championships	Thursday 18 th March to Sunday 21 st March	Wednesday 3 rd March
MASC 1500metre Freestyle Championship (Open)	Saturday 20 th March	Thursday 18 th March
Whales Challenge	Saturday 20 th March	Thursday 18 th March
MASC 400metre Freestyle Championship (Senior)	Saturday 27 th March	Thursday 25 th March
SNSW State Age Junior Championships	Saturday 27 th March to Sunday 28 th March	Tuesday 16 th March



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<https://www.merrylandsasc.asn.au>

Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/MerrylandsSwimmingClub>

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Whales Tales online



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