



# WHALES TALES

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> March, 2021

## SNSW Speedo Sprint Series Finals

Congratulations to Joseph Assi who swam a 1.34 second PB at the Speedo Sprint Series Finals (50m Breaststroke) last weekend at SOPAC. A fantastic result Joseph 🏆

## SNSW 2021 Multi-Class Meet #1

Congratulations to Vanessa Ozols who swam at the Multi-Class meet held last Sunday at SOPAC. Vanessa swam in four events with great results 🏆

## MSW Junior Championships

We have a strong team of 15 swimmers representing our club at the Metro South West Junior Area Championships being held today at SOPAC. They will swim a total of 47 individual events. We are excited that 7 of our swimmers have qualified for the first time for these championships.

### Team Members

Joseph Assi  
Joab Hada  
Nevah Shrestha  
Niushka Shrestha  
Shreya Shrestha  
Unish Shrestha  
Daniel Vivic  
Matthew Vivic

### First Time Qualifiers

Ameena Abdelraheem  
Lucas Alvarez  
Ren Hum  
Avani Pradhan  
Ruby Shrestha  
Chloe Ton  
Leo Zhu

We wish you all success and may the whale be with you 🐳

## Club AGM

The Annual General Meeting of the club will be held on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 in the Club Room at Merrylands Swimming Centre, commencing at 7.30pm.

The Annual Report of the club will be presented, together with the election of Office Bearers and Committee positions. Nominations for positions must be submitted to the Secretary at least 30 days prior to the meeting.

We encourage all members to attend the AGM.

## 1500m Championship – Next Saturday

The 1500m Championships will be held next Saturday morning. **The start time for these championships is 6.30am. If you enter the 1500m championship please ensure you are at the pool prior to the start of these events. The start of the championship events will not be held up waiting for swimmers to arrive.**

We will also need timekeepers for the swimmers, so we ask that everyone arrive ready to assist with these events at 6.30am.

## Whales Challenge #3

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Whales Challenge will also be contested next Saturday. This promises to be an exciting finish to the season's Whales Challenges, as we had a tie in the first and a win to the White team in the 2<sup>nd</sup>. Can the Maroon team come back to tie the season results??

## Season Championship Ribbons

Whilst we have not been able to hold championship presentations during the season we do have championship ribbons available for any swimmers who would like to receive them for their 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> placings in the championship events.

If you would like to receive your championship ribbons please let Margaret know and she will make arrangements for them to be provided to you.

## Annual Presentation

Stay tuned for information regarding the Annual Presentation for this season. We will advise details once confirmed.

## COVID-19 Safety Plan & Protocols

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

## Club Uniforms

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

## Club Championship Results

Congratulations to all swimmers who competed in the Backstroke Championships last week:

### 50m Age Championships:

Girls 7 Years	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Lillian Zhu

Boys 7 Years	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Jay Shrestha
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Ethan Ton

Girls 8 Years	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Ruby Shrestha

Boys 8 Years	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Lucas Alvarez

Girls 9 Years	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Chloe Ton
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Lindsey Matthew

Girls 10 Years	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Lisa Shrestha

Boys 10 Years	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Unish Shrestha
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Daniel Vivic
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Joab Hada

Girls 11 Years	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Avani Pradhan

Boys 11 Years	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Leo Zhu

Girls 12 Years	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Summer Shrestha
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Niushka Shrestha
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Nevah Shrestha

Girls 13 Years	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Shreya Shrestha

Boys 13 Years	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Matthew Vivic

Womens 15 Years	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Laurabelle Casey
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Vanessa Ozols
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Darla Assi

Mens 15 Years	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Michael Vivic

Senior Womens	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Alison Sakurovs
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sophia Vivic

Senior Mens	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Brendan Kirkpatrick
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Michael Evans
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Peter Johnston

Veteran Womens	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Kylee Murray
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Leanne Tovkach

Veteran Mens	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Graham Edwards

### 25m Backstroke:

Combined	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Emma Johnston
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Leah Johnston

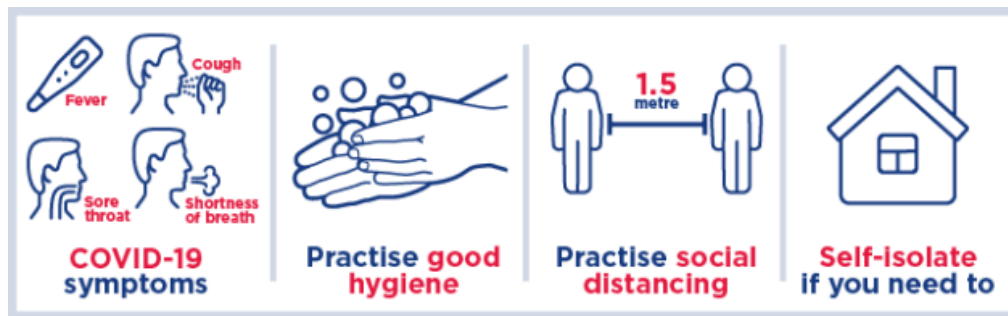
### 200m Open Championships:

Womens	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Alison Sakurovs
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Summer Shrestha
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sophia Vivic

Mens	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Brendan Kirkpatrick
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Matthew Vivic
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Michael Evans

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

MEET NAME	MEET DATE	ENTRY CLOSING
MSW Junior Championships (SOPAC)	Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Closed
SNSW State Open Championships	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> March to Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Closed
MASC 1500metre Freestyle Championship (Open)	Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> March
Whales Challenge	Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> March
MASC 400metre Freestyle Championship (Senior)	Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> March
SNSW State Age Junior Championships	Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> March to Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> March



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