



WHALES TALES

Saturday 5th March, 2022

Given the weather in Sydney over the past few weeks it appears swimming is becoming a must have skill as we dodge puddles and the constant rain. Just getting into the pool can be a swimming marathon!



Merrylands SwimFest

We did get a bit of a break with the weather for the Merrylands SwimFest, with a cloudy day and only a light shower at times. We had over 200 swimmers attend the SwimFest and received positive feedback about the meet again.

The golden ray of sunshine on the day was the performance of our Merrylands team of swimmers. Our team of 26 swimmers achieved 44 PB's with 4 gold, 11 silver & 14 bronze medals won. A wonderful effort by every swimmer. Congratulations to everyone who swam 🏆🏆🏆. For a detailed report of the achievements see

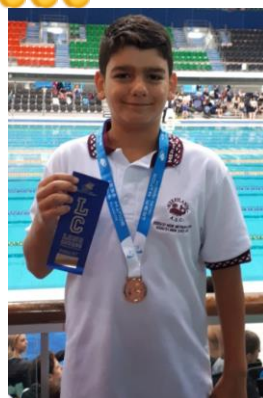
<https://www.merrylandsasc.asn.au/news>

A big thank you to everyone who organised and helped at the SwimFest. We cannot run a meet like this without the help of our dedicated committee, parents, carers and friends.

Thankyou also to our meet sponsors Club Merrylands, Starr Partners, Merrylands Swim Squad and Alpha Security Corp who kindly provided financial assistance.

Metro South West Area Championships

Last weekend we had a team of 15 swimmers represent our club at the MSW Long Course Area Championships. Our swimmers again represented the club in outstanding fashion with PB's, finalists, medals and Metropolitan QT's swum. Congratulations to the team of swimmers & coaches



One of our medallists

Joseph Assi

3rd

11 Years 100m Breaststroke

COVID-19 Safety Protocols

Latest information can be found at

<https://merrylandsasc.asn.au/clubraces/entryconditions.aspx>

March Merrylands Highlights

We have now entered the last month of our club season.

How quick has the season gone 🤔. See the Upcoming Championships & Meet Calendar for the remaining events, but a couple of reminders:

- 3rd & final Whales Challenge today. Can the White team achieve a clean sweep or will the Maroon team end the season with a victory?
- A short 4 week Learn to Swim program will be run during March
- 800m Freestyle Open Championships on 12th March
- 1500m Freestyle Open Championships on 26th March
- Breakfast & last club morning on 26th March

Enjoy the last 4 weeks of club races & look forward to a Saturday sleep in come April 🌧️

Upcoming Championship & Meet Calendar

MEET NAME	MEET DATE	ENTRY CLOSING
NSW State Open Championships	Friday 4 th March Sunday 6 th March	Closed
MASC 800m (Open) Freestyle Championship	Saturday 12 th March	Thursday 10 th March
Speedo Sprint Series - Finals	Saturday 12 th March	Qualify via Heats
NSW Senior Metropolitan Championships	Saturday 19 th March Sunday 20 th March	Tuesday 8 th March
MASC 1500m (Open) Freestyle Championship	Saturday 26 th March	Thursday 24 th March
NSW Junior State Age Championships	Saturday 26 th March Sunday 27 th March	Tuesday 15 th March
MSW 5 – 8 Meet	Saturday 2 nd April	Wednesday 23 rd March
Australian Masters Championships	Wednesday 20 th April Saturday 23 rd April	Friday 8 th April
Australian Masters Open Water Championships	Sunday 24 th April	Friday 8 th April
MSW Area SC Championships	Saturday 28 th May Sunday 29 th May	TBA

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