



WHALES TALES

Saturday 11th December, 2021

Swim Meets

We have seen the commencement of external swim meets and already some great times have been achieved by our swimmers.

Congratulations to Joseph Assi, Joab Hada, Summer Shrestha & Unish Shrestha on their swims at the Swimming NSW LC Qualifying Meet held at SOPAC last weekend 🍀

This weekend Vanessa Ozols is competing at the Swimming NSW Multi-Class Championships. Have great swims Vanessa and may the whale be with you 🐳

The Swimming NSW Junior Metropolitan Championships are being held next weekend (18th & 19th December) at SOPAC. We have a team of three swimmers competing. We wish Joseph Assi, Unish Shrestha & Chloe Ton the best of luck in their events and may the whale be with each of you too 🐳

Club Championship Record

Last Saturday Matthew Vicic swam a new club record time in the 14 Year Boys 100m Butterfly Championship. Matthew swam a personal best time of 1:11.58 and this broke the previous record held by Brett Turner (1:20.40 set in the 1977/78 season) by almost 9 seconds. Congratulations Matthew, keep up the fast flying 😊



Christmas Activities

Well who would believe that we are nearly half way through the club season. Next Saturday (18th December) is our last swim before a two week break for Christmas and New Year. We will be holding a number of activities next Saturday morning:

- Squad Christmas party
- Novelty races and events
- Breakfast with the Stars
- Christmas Hamper draw

The club is again funding the Christmas raffle hamper prizes and these will be drawn following club races. So make sure you are at club races next Saturday morning otherwise you will miss out on all the fun 🎄



Club races will resume on Saturday 8th January, 2022.

Squad Training Break

The last training session for 2021 will be held on Thursday, 23rd December. Training will resume on Tuesday, 4th January, 2022,

If you will be away during December or January please complete the form to indicate your last day of training and your first day back. The form can be found at <https://merrylandsasc.asn.au/news/>

COVID-19 Safety Protocols

A reminder that all attendees (swimmers, spectators, volunteers) must sign-in, and out, when they attend the swimming centre, using the Service NSW app, and show proof of vaccination to council staff when asked.

Information & Conditions for Attendees also found at <https://merrylandsasc.asn.au/clubraces/entryconditions.aspx>

Championship Results – 4th December 2021

100m Backstroke

Age Group	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Boys 7 years	William Johnston		
Boys 8 years	Jay Shrestha	Ethan Ton	
Girls 10 years	Chloe Ton		
Girls 11 years	Lisa Shrestha		
Boys 11 years	Daniel Vivic	Unish Shrestha	Joab Hada
Girls 12 years	Avani Pradhan		
Girls 13 years	Summer Shrestha	Nevah Shrestha	Niushka Shrestha
Girls 14 years	Shreya Shrestha		
Boys 14 years	Matthew Vivic		
Womens 15 years	Keira Somerchand		
Womens 16 years	Laura-Belle Casey	Darla Assi	Vanessa Ozols
Mens 16 years	Michael Vivic		
Womens 17 years & Over	Alison Sakurovs	Katie Hope	
Mens 17 years & Over	Peter Johnston		
Womens 35 years & over	Leanne Tovkach		
Mens 35 years & over	Ian Wilson	Ian Johnston	
Womens Open	Alison Sakurovs	Summer Shrestha	Katie Hope
Mens Open	Matthew Vivic	Ian Wilson	Peter Johnston

100m Butterfly

Age Group	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Girls 11 years	Lisa Shrestha		
Boys 11 years	Unish Shrestha	Joab Hada	Daniel Vivic
Girls 13 years	Summer Shrestha	Niushka Shrestha	Nevah Shrestha
Girls 14 years	Shreya Shrestha		
Boys 14 years	Matthew Vivic*		
Womens 16 years	Laura-Belle Casey	Darla Assi	Vanessa Ozols
Mens 16 years	Michael Vivic		
Womens 17 years & Over	Alison Sakurovs		
Mens 17 years & Over	Peter Johnston		
Mens 35 years & over	Ian Wilson		
Womens Open	Alison Sakurovs	Summer Shrestha	Niushka Shrestha
Mens Open	Matthew Vivic	Peter Johnston	Ian Wilson

*New Record

Upcoming Meet Calendar

MEET NAME	MEET DATE	ENTRY CLOSING
MASC 400m Individual Medley Championship (Open)	Saturday 11 th December	Closed
NSW Multi-Class Championships	Saturday 11 th December	Closed
NSW Junior Metropolitan Championships	Saturday 18 th December Sunday 19 th December	Closed
NSW Open Water Championships	Monday 20 th December Tuesday 21 st December	Tuesday 14 th December
MSW Area Open Water	Sunday 9 th January	Wednesday 5 th January
NSW Senior State Championships	Thursday 20 th January Tuesday 25 th January	Tuesday 11 th January
Speedo Sprint Series - Heats	Sunday 13 th February	Thursday 3 rd February
MASC SwimFest	Saturday 19 th February	TBA
MSW Area LC Championships	Saturday 26 th February Sunday 27 th February	TBA
NSW State Open Championships	Friday 4 th March Sunday 6 th March	TBA
Speedo Sprint Series - Finals	Saturday 12 th March	Qualify via Heats
NSW Senior Metropolitan Championships	Saturday 19 th March Sunday 20 th March	TBA
NSW Junior State Age Championships	Saturday 26 th March Sunday 27 th March	TBA
MSW 5 – 8 Meet	Saturday 2 nd April	TBA

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