**Open Water Swimming news**

Great news for MSWA and members that Healthway through their LiveLighter health message has agreed to sponsor MSWA’s open water program for the coming two seasons after HBF declined to continue.  For their contribution Healthway has naming rights to our State OWS event, Masters OWS Series and the 2015/16 OWS Calendar.

MSWA encourages all Masters’ members to choose to swim in the LiveLighter Masters Series events before others conducted by external organisations. MSWA OWS Clubs run great and safe events and are much more fun, especially after the swim, with refreshments and prizes.

Apart from the LiveLighter Masters State OWS at Coogee Beach which will operate exactly as it has in previous years (under MSA OWS Rules & Sanction), the other 7 events in the LiveLighter Masters Open Water Series are conducted under local MSWA OWS rules, which include the following differences to MSA OWS Rules:

1. All 7 events are sanctioned locally by MSWA only (no MSA involvement)
2. All 7 events are insured locally by MSWA with policies in place for both public liability & personal accident
3. All 7 events are open to all Masters members and non-members, with a minimum age of 10 years on the day of the event
4. All 7 events are officiated in accordance with a simplified set of rules known as the **MSWA Local OWS Rules 2015/16**

**PLEASE SUPPORT OUR OWS HOST CLUB EVENTS** in the LiveLighter 2015/16 Masters OWS Series – Maida Vale, Melville, Fremantle, Claremont, Mandurah, Cockburn and Albany.