

SUPERFINS NEWS

FEBRUARY 2016



Channel Swim

Only 6 days to go before swimmers hit the water for the biggest event on Rottneſt's calendar, the 26th Annual Channel Swim Crossing. Saturday February 27th is the date for the 19.7km swim, and this year we have one Superfins team entered. Swimmers are:

James Burt (1st crossing), Greg Black (7th crossing), Kat Fortnum (1st crossing), Mark Paull (2nd crossing). Even if this is your 1st crossing or your 7th one, I would like to congratulate each and every one of you for entering, and wish you all good luck on the day. Juſt think once you reach that island you would've earned yourſelf a nice cold beer!!!

A swim like this has a few people 'behind the ſcenes' working to ensure it all runs ſmoothly for the swimmers on the day. Katya Anderson (Team Manager), David Black (Navigator), Richard Burt (Navigator), Deane Godfrey (Skipper), Sean Kehane (Paddler) and Izzie Pontre (Arrival Packages). Thanks alſo to Andrew Goldſwain and Aliſtair Arrow who have trained hard and are reſerves for the swim. Brett Silveſter normally swims in part of a team and has done for the paſt 9 years; however this year, for his 10th crossing, he is tackling a duo with fellow Albion swimmer Deane Barker. Good luck and do your beſt on the day. Good luck alſo to all the other Albion boys doing it as ſolos, or part of a team or duo.

Hope Mark gets the weather perfect!

NOTE: Even though Katya will not coaching due to Rottneſt TRAINING WILL STILL BE ON THIS DAY AS PER NORMAL (SATURDAY 27TH FEBRUARY)!!!!



No Training

Due to Labour Day this year falling on **Monday 7th March**, there will be **NO TRAINING** on this day



Busselton Jetty Swim 2016

On the 12th of February, a group of Superfins and coaches went on our annual Busselton Jetty swim camp. We left the bus station at 7:30am and got into Busselton at 11:30am. We then settled into our hotel rooms and went to lunch at Subway. After lunch we went back to our rooms to relax until registration. After everybody was done with registration a bunch of us decided to go for a swim at the beach. We all had so much fun playing with the ball in the water. After we were finished at the beach we all got ready for an early dinner. We had reservations at the Equinox café/restaurant. The food was yummy and we all had a lovely time chatting away. When dinner was finished we went back to our rooms but a couple of us went down to the bar for a few drinks. Most of the group went to bed early because we had to get up early the next morning. On Sunday we woke up and went down to breakfast. After breakfast we all got ready for the swim. Special mention to the individual swimmers Greg, Brett and Kat F who did a fantastic job finishing the swim in good times as did our duo teams James and Goldie, Alistair and Alex and Izzie and Denton, and our teams of 4 Dylan, Dave, Courtney and Mischa, and Nathan, Jo, Anna and Dianne. Everyone did really well especially in such rough conditions. After the swim we had lunch at the park and then a group of us went down to the beach to watch a band play who were very good. We spent the afternoon relaxing before dinner at Vasse restaurant followed by pool and darts at the pub. It was a fitting way to celebrate our success in the swim. On Monday after breakfast we packed everything up and we went back to the beach. Some of us went for coffee, others played cricket on the beach, and others went for a walk. We had lunch at the beach and then went back to the hotel to pick up our suitcases and walk down to the bus for our journey home. It really was a lovely weekend. Thank you to all the coaches for another successful trip.

Courtney Marano ☺

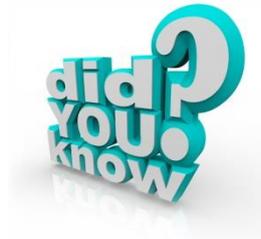


Newman Churchlands Meet

Congratulations to Greg Black, Nathan Curry, Anne-Marie Rich, Mischa Beckett, Andrew Goldswain, Jo Ballantine, Courtney Marano, Phil Smith, Carys Munks, Charlotte Britton, Patrick Ricciardo and Katya Anderson for all participating in the first Masters Meet for 2016. Everyone swam exceptionally well and all should be very proud of their efforts. We also came 5th overall in the points score so well done!

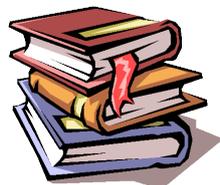
Still on Masters News... At the 2015 Masters Swimming WA AGM our Masters Team was awarded a trophy for coming runners-up (2nd Position) in the Average Points Score.

The Masters Swim Series happens every year which include different meets around Australia. Nathan Curry was awarded a certificate for finishing in the top ten for his age group. Fantastic result for all your hard work Nathan, well done!



Albion Quiz Night

This year the Albion Quiz Night will be on **Saturday 2nd April** at the South Fremantle Football Club Function Rooms, Parry Street, Fremantle. 7pm for 7.30pm start. I encourage as many people to come along, not only will you have a great night, you'd also be helping raising money. All money raised on the night will be donated to Superfins and The Dr Louisa Alessandri Memorial Fund (Supporting students with disabilities). At only \$25 per head come on down and organize your table today! Let Jan Saunders know by the **24th March** if you are going to come along so she can let the Albion boys know how many tables to reserve. saundersbj@inet.net.au 0412 687 720 If I can please ask for donations for either the silent auction or a door prize given to Jan or a Committee Member before the night that would be much appreciated.



History Time!!!!

Since the clubs first inception in 1985 where there were only 5 or 6 swimmers walking through the doors at Inglewood pool, to now 2016 and in our 31st year there are quadruple that amount, with 70 swimmers (spread over both our Stoke Development and Senior Programs) walking through the doors at HBF Stadium. You can see how the club has evolved over time. Part of this great success is a testament to all of our coaches and volunteers who work tirelessly hard not just on pool deck, but most of them also juggle around full time Uni or work. Superfins would not exist either if it wasn't for the hard work and dedication of all the swimmers, and the satisfaction they get when getting a PB or even jumping in the pool after a hot day. I'm sure you agree with me when I say that Superfins has enriched everyone lives out of the pool also with all the friendships we've formed.

Like the Seniors and Stoke Development, the Learn to Swim Program has gone from strength to strength aswell. Back in 2010 when it first started there was only a total of 5 swimmers, today we have 60 swimmers. Congratulations on this fantastic achievement everyone and hope Superfins will continue to get bigger and better!!



End of Year Dinner Dance

Yes it is only February I understand, but so no-one misses out I would like you to write something very important in your diaries NOW!! **Saturday 26th November** at the Royal Perth Golf Club will be our End of Year Awards Dinner Dance....



Committee Meeting

The next meeting will be Wednesday 9th March, 7.15pm.