

From the Clubs

QBN – Brisbane Northside was delighted to have won the large club trophy at the QRB swim meet in October and that was the cherry on the cake after numerous individual placings.

Club members attended a number of swim meets in the latter half of this year, including Maryborough and the PPMG.

Tracy Clarkson competed in Montreal at the World Championships. The photo shows Tracy with Jane Asher, who holds most of the world records in the 85 + age group and who according to Tracy doesn't swim much slower than she does. Tracy is wearing one silver and 4 top ten medals.

She also managed, by sheer coincidence, to meet Jon and Kathy Rysdon, former members of QBN, who are now back in their home country of USA.

Some of the QBN members at their own meet in August.



Tracy with Jane Asher on the left and Bev Stubbings (above right) with her Swim Australia Teacher of Competitive Swimming certificates.

Bev's application of the skills in the training sessions has been met with tremendous approval.

QAL- Aqualicious. The third Aqualicious Twilight Meet was held on November 29, after a two year hiatus. The pool renovations were complete and despite the storm a couple of days prior, the venue looked great! Over 80 competitors came along to swim on the night with a dozen clubs represented.

The meet was a great combination of competitive swimming with an inclusive and fun spirit. Our feature event, the Ian Davis Memorial Relay, was well subscribed with the Redlands Bayside team winning the event coming within 0.1seconds of their nominated time!

An extra addition this year was a novelty event involving four swimmers trying to hold a glow stick whilst swimming a 4 x50m relay. Extra points were given for artistic impression and unique style! Noosa Masters won the Average Points Trophy this year – well done to all those high achievers! As always, thanks go out to the amazing officials that helped the meet run so smoothly. We would also like to thank all those who supported our meet and look forward to seeing you all there next year on Saturday 28 November!

From the QAL Meet:



QTT – Twin Towns members held a very successful Christmas party this year. The theme was the Twenties, which added to the success of the event attended by two thirds of the current members, visitors and new members.

The year was capped off by a busy, but successful one for the club members. As in past years, they are already planning the swim meet attendances for 2015.

The gratitude of MSQ was expressed in a letter to the club acknowledging the tremendous support given by a number of the QTT members at the Pan Pacific Masters Games. Without their support and that of other clubs, the PPMG would not be as successful as it is.

QNA – Noosa enjoyed tremendous success at the PPMG in November this year. They left the Gold Coast with 71 medals.

Clinton Stanley smashed the PPMG 400 Fly (35 – 39) record by 20 minutes. Noosa’s popular senior swimmer, Joyce Faunce, 93, started the second day with a gold medal win in the 50m Freestyle. She had the honour of being the oldest female competitor at the Games, while her male counterparts boasted 2 swimmers in the over 90 years’ category: George Coronos (96) and John-William Steen (91).

Bob Morse scored a trifecta with gold medal wins in the 50, 100 and 200 backstroke events. Helen Malar and Dyanna Benny shared gold with Bob, while Jan Croft, Julia Dunstall, Dyanna and Stephanie Jones collected silver medals and Brian Hoeppe, Julia, Dyanna and Mark Powell won bronze medals. It was truly a great effort by the Noosa team.

Clinton Stanley (below with Jan Croft) was awarded his 10 year membership this year and the club celebrated Vice President, Bruce Warren’s birthday.

Noosa won the national Endurance 1000 trophy in 2013 and they are hoping to repeat this win for 2014.

