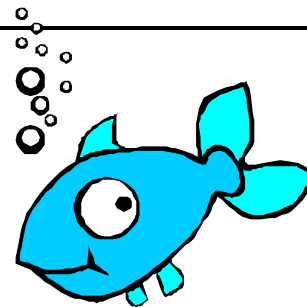


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# SNAPPETS



**Stadium Snappers Masters Swimming Club Inc www.stadiumsnappers.net.au Feb 2013**

## Annual Report from the President

At the end of 2012 the Club had 71 members but due to the ageing of some of our members this may be down in 2013. Recruitment of new members is a major item to work on for the Club in 2013. Subscriptions will remain at same level for 2014. One change was made to a By-Law in 2012 by the Committee of Management.

The club had pleasing results in Club Challenges and Open Water Swims. At the start of the year, at Newman Churchlands, Snappers were placed second. The State Championships were held in Bunbury and we were represented by 8 swimmers with three swimmers, Barry Green, Eleanor Parsons and Pat Sugars winning their age group. Overall, Snappers were placed 7th. We held a successful 1500m invitation in June. Eleanor Parsons and Sue Shilling attended the FINA Masters World Championships in Riccione, Italy and acquitted themselves very well. At Swan Hills Snappers were placed 2nd, at the Golden Groper Relay Carnival 3rd, at our own Club Challenge 1st and at Osborne Park 4th. Over the year several State Records were taken out by our swimmers.

We had 6 swimmers in the Rottneest Channel swim and we were represented by 4 or 5 swimmers at each Open Water Swim. We won the 2011 Aerobic State Shield for the second consecutive year and we are hoping for a good result for our 2012 effort. All swimmers who participated in the 2012 Endurance 1000 competition continued to achieve very good results.

In May we held our annual Swimathon in aid of the Motor Neurone Disease Association and raised \$3600 with the swimmers covering 34km. Our usual social activities were held which included beach breakfast, golf, croquet and bowls. Several Snappers continue to do volunteer work as Swim Meet officials and we also have members who serve on the MSWA Board.

Our 20th Anniversary dinner was held in June and was a great success. Our life member Lynda Joachim attended. Barry Green and his committee did a great job in producing a book which highlighted the achievements of the Club over 20 years. The book was printed with grant money from MSWA.

The Club's financial position is good at present due to several factors. Sometimes during the summer months we have been down to two lanes as there are carnivals being held in two of the pools. We held a very successful sausage sizzle outside Bunnings Homebase and made \$730 profit. Thanks to Jackie Egan for her organisational skills. We also provided labour for 2 triathlon events and were paid \$850 for this.

The cost of lane hire continues to be increased every July, but our cost is a reasonable rate compared to other hirers. I would like to thank Challenge Stadium who continue to give us 2 free lanes for an hour every Wednesday and Friday for our Endurance swims. We hope that with careful management we will be able to keep our subscriptions level for 2014.

In 2012 the management committee of ten people have run the Club to the best of their ability. I would like to thank Julie Crowley, Jackie Egan, and Elizabeth Edmondson for the time they spent on the committee. Thank you also to Pat Sugars, Bill Woodhouse, Kim Klug, Anne Edmondson and Patrick Cooney who have completed their two years in their respective positions.

Eleanor Parsons, Tricia Summerfield, Barry Green, Kim Klug and Gail Parsons have done a great job of coaching, and Stuart Gray, Claremont, has also lent a hand. All of these people have agreed to continue in 2013. We look forward to a good 2013 for the Club and we thank all those members who support the club in the background.

Geraldine Klug, President, January 2013

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## Birthdays: February, March, April

### February

1 Jean Beaton  
4 Dee Stephenson  
20 Joan Sheppard  
21 William Curtis  
25 Audrey Bullough



### March

6 Pamela Walter  
14 Nomai Jago  
21 Anne Edmondson  
21 Sue Shilling  
21 Richard Ingleby  
23 Geoff Barnard  
27 Trudy Vanderwerdt

### April

1 Jeannine Heinrichs  
8 Eleanor Parsons  
14 Kirstie Smith  
18 Geraldine Klug  
22 Margaret Somes  
27 Lynda Joachim  
30 Carmen Harrison

### Diary Entries for February and Beyond

Date	Event	Time	Venue
Sun 17 Feb	Mandurah Ocean	9am start	Henson St Beach
Mon 18 Feb	Committee Mtg	7 pm	Regent Park
Sat 23 Feb	Rottnest Swim	5.45 am	Cottesloe Beach
Sun 24 Feb	Beach Picnic	8 am	City Beach \$10
Sun 10 Mar	Jetty to Jetty	6.45 Rego	Nyyerbup Ccl Munster
Sunn 17 Mar	Triathlon Volunteers	tba	Claremont
Mon 18 Mar	Committee Mtg	7 pm	Regent Pk
Sun 24 Mar	OWS Championships	early	Coogee
Sat 30 Mar	Albany Harbour	early	Albany
Mon 15 Apr	Committee Mtg	7 pm	Regent Pk



### GOGGLE saw

- Stuart Gray generously returning in 2013 to help coach the day swimmers.
- Barry Green nonchalantly towing a water-logged Tele Tubby as part of Stuart's plan to introduce the day swimmers to resistance training.

Reminder of the FINA swimsuit rules:

No zips and no clasps or catches on swimsuits.

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## 2012 Club Endurance Awards

### Day swimmers:

Pamela Walter, Theresa Elliott

### Night swimmers:

'Tricia Summerfield, Eleanor Parsons

### Star Awards

#### 1 Star Award

Freestyle: **Bill Woodhouse, Deirdre Stephenson.** Backstroke: **Pat Sugars**

#### 2 Star Award

Freestyle and Breaststroke: **Kim Klug, Cas Brown**  
Freestyle and Backstroke: **Barry Green, William Curtis, Audrey Bullough.**

#### 3 Star Award

Freestyle, Backstroke and Breaststroke: **Merilyn Burbidge, Elizabeth Edmondson.**

#### 4 Star Award

Freestyle, Backstroke, Breaststroke and Individual Medley:

**Anne Edmondson, Pamela Walter, Theresa Elliott**

#### 5 Star Award

Freestyle, Backstroke, Breaststroke, Butterfly and Individual Medley:

**'Tricia Summerfield, Eleanor Parsons**

Congratulations to all swimmers. Winning a star award involves doing the 1 hour,  $\frac{3}{4}$  hour,  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour and 1500m in each of these strokes. We are proud of you.

Thanks to Pamela and to Lillian for preparing our certificates.

Background: These awards were inaugurated in 2000 to encourage Club members to participate in and benefit from the distance swims, even though they may not be proficient in all strokes.

One Star Award is given to anyone who completes the 14 swims in the Endurance 1000 program (five x 400 m, five x 800 m, and one each of 1500 m, half hour, three quarter hour and one hour) in any one of the three major strokes - freestyle, backstroke or breaststroke.

The increase in the number of stars indicates the number of strokes where all swims have been completed with IM and butterfly being added in 2007. Speed is not a factor and there is no element of competition.



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## **Endurance Swim Awards**

Two awards are given: one for the day swimmers and one for the night swimmers, for participation in Endurance Swims.

Scoring system: 2 points for every 400 m swim and 4 points for every 800 m swim, with a limit of five swims for each distance and type of stroke; 10 points for a 1500 m, half hour, three quarter hour and one hour swim, with a limit of one swim for each distance and type of stroke. Speed is not a factor and the emphasis is on completion, not competition.

Day group - Pamela Walter, Theresa Elliott - 240 points

Night group – 'Tricia Summerfield, Eleanor Parsons - 270 points

## **Achievements**

### ***Life Member***

'Tricia Summerfield has been an active member of Stadium Snappers Masters Swimming Club Inc for 18 years. During this time she has been conscientiously committed to supporting this club through its development phases in the 1990s, as a President, Secretary, and Coach. As a club coach for the past 15 years, 'Tricia is the longest serving accredited coach with the club to date. Over these 18 years when 'Tricia was working full time she contributed extensively to many club activities as a swimmer, swim meet official and in many other administrative and technical duties to maintain an efficient and effective club. In addition, 'Tricia has held Directorships for Development and Coaching on the Board of Masters Swimming Western Australia Inc and been recognised for her services to Masters Swimming in Western Australia.



### ***1 Million Metres***

Well done to Anne Edmondson who now wears a very smart Vorgee shirt.

## **Swim Results**

### ***Inter Club Challenge***

#### **Newman/Churchlands**

Congratulations to all 20 swimmers who came to Newman on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> February. We were awarded the Handicap Trophy and were just 8 points behind the winning team, Claremont. There were some great swims and the strength of our senior swimmers was quite impressive. Thanks to our timer keepers, June and Trudy, and to all MSWA Officials, including our own Pamela and Theresa. Well done everyone.

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## Open Water Swims

### Swim thru Perth

13 January 2013



Name	Time	Group	Place
David Fairclough	1.06:29.38	40-42	3
Eleanor Parsons	1.08:56.49	55-59	1
Andrea Morton	1.15:50.74	50-54	1
Theresa Elliott	1.43:26.15	65-69	2
Merilyn Burbidge	1.52:42.34	70-74	1

### Australia Day Scarborough

26 January 2013

Name	Time	Group	Position
Leon Musca	24.00	40-44	1
Theresa Elliott	40.41	70-74	2

Congratulations to our Open Water Swimmers. The conditions were excellent on both days.

The Swan River Swim Thru Perth was well supported and the river seemed clean despite the many jellyfish. The overcast sky and a stiff cold easterly made the swim up-river quite strenuous but of course the return lap was speedier.

Scarborough had a good turn of nearly 400 swimmers and only a very slight current from the north-east. Both events were most enjoyable, thanks to the efficient and cheerful organizers.

### 2013 Committee Positions

President – Geraldine Klug

Vice President – Tricia Summerfield

Treasurer - Gail Parsons

Secretary – Robyn Wilson

Night Captain - Sue Shilling

Day Captain – Elizabeth Edmondson

PR & Membership – Theresa Elliott

Social – Deirdre Stephenson

General Members – Bill Woodhouse and Anne Edmondson

Thanks to all for accepting these positions.



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## New Member: Welcome to Andrea Morton



In the three short months since arriving in Perth from Texas I have accomplished so many things I didn't even have on my swimming goals list!

When my husband was presented with the opportunity to work on a project in Perth I was excited as Australia was always one of the countries I wanted to visit but the opportunity to live here was fabulous! I embraced it as a chance to experience the people, the culture and the great Australian swim scene! I immediately researched the Masters teams around Perth and the Snappers looked like a great team to join!

Long distance swims have never been a particular goal of mine but I quickly got immersed in the Endurance 1000! (I am all into supporting the team so I jumped right into completing as many swims as I could to get the Snappers some extra points!)

Open Water Swimming was another event not really high on my priority list! After lots of encouragement and convincing from my fellow Snappers, I competed in the 1.6K Fremantle Ports Swim Thru! I managed to stay off the White Pointer's breakfast menu, had only a few minor stings, and a decent time! Then Theresa convinced me that the Swim Thru Perth was a 'lovely 4km river swim' and she was going to do it. So I competed, and even with a strong easterly breeze and about a zillion jellyfish I completed the Swim Thru Perth and to my surprise, won my age group! (Thanks to all the rest of fast 50 somethings in my age group for not showing up!)

For now, I am continuing to work at my goals of swimming at all the championships meets (State, Nationals and the Aussie games). Finally, I would like to thank everyone for being very warm and welcoming and making me instantly feel part of the team. It has made my transition to Perth a wonderful experience.

Membership: Elizabeth reports that we now have almost 60 registered members and we welcome new members and second claim members.

**Thanks** to all our contributors, Geraldine, Pamela, Merilyn, Andrea , Elizabeth and to our photographer Marg Watson.  
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