



Marlins e-Newsletter

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MELVILLE AUSSI MASTERS SWIMMING CLUB

MARLIN OF THE MONTH FOR MARCH was Jaki Smith with 13 points and a clear lead from husband Martin and daughter Felicity. The Smith family showing the way once again!

COMING EVENTS

- Fri 11th May - Cosmic Bowling (See below)
- 19-20th May - Masters Swimming WA State Swim www.aussiwa.com.au
- Sun 10th June - Mandurah Club Challenge (Entry form at club)
- 23-26th Aug - Mildura Masters Games a.erskine@hotkey.net.au
- Sat 1st Sept - Margaret River swim (Note new date)
- Thurs 16th Aug - Shivering Shags visit to club night – plate of supper please.
- 5-14th Oct - Australasian Masters Games in Adelaide www.AustralasianMasters.com
- Sun 14th Oct - Stadium Snappers Club Challenge (Keep this date free)
- 5-13th April 2008 - Port Pirie State Masters Games www.portpiriemastersgames.com
- 17-25th April 2008 - World Masters Swim in Perth www.2008finamasters.org for more details
- 10-18th Oct 2009 - World Masters Games in Sydney www.2009worldmasters.com

2008 WORLD SWIM - PERTH

Register your interest in competing at www.2008finamasters.org The list of times you need to do to qualify is on the notice board at club so that you know how hard and long you need to train!

NEWS FROM THE COACH – GAIL BOWDEN

This month Dave Reynolds drove to Albany to have a swim in the harbour! He did well (he has a medal to prove it!!!) and he enjoyed the swim.

Sam McLennan is going to the "32nd AUSSI Masters National Swim" in Darwin 4 - 7 May. Sam has been training hard & hopes to do some very good times. Good luck Sam.

The training squad has been concentrating on butterfly during April. We may need to work on it a little bit more!!

Peter Maloney paid us a visit this month. It was a good session as we concentrated on our position in the water. Position in the water is important for smooth streamlined swimming. We were given some difficult sprint times followed by even more difficult times!!!! Peter knows how to make us work!! Thanks Peter.

Qualifying Times for the XII FINA World Masters Championships are available. They are found at "AUSSI Masters Swimming Australia" web site under "Latest News". You have 12 months to improve your times. Time to begin training is NOW.

OUR OWN INTERCLUB SWIM SUNDAY 1st April

Congratulations to our Swim Meet Director, Peter Maloney, for a very well run Swim Meet. To all of our members who so willingly helped out wherever and whenever needed, THANK YOU!

Congratulations to Jaki Smith and her team of workers for another fantastic spread. Amanda Smith was really dedicated – she came straight to our Carnival and swam after completing The Bridges Fun Run. Sincere thanks to all of the member's families and friends who came along and supported us, doing timekeeping and helping out in other ways. It was greatly appreciated. To those newer members who competed for the first time – well done - we hope you enjoyed it. Thanks once more to our visiting officials – without them we cannot hold our Carnival. It was absolutely wonderful to have all of our new trainee officials working on deck between their swims. It made everything run even more smoothly than usual. (And Ossie was able to take it easy for a change – until he got nabbed to do

timekeeping!) Peter Minchin, the Aquatic Centre manager, kindly presented the prizes and drew the raffle prizes for us.

Once again Somerset really pushed us and we only won by a mere 3 points! It just goes to show that EVERYONE'S swim really DOES count! Somerset won the Handicap Trophy.

Andrew won 1st prize in the raffle and Lorna, Rhonda, Basil, Doug, Martin and Geoff also won prizes. In the words of Old Mr Grace "You all did very well!!!" (Apologies to our younger members who probably have no idea what I'm talking about.)

We REALLY need someone, or preferably more than one person, to volunteer to take over Rhonda's job of receiving all of the entries, working on recording on the day and then doing the paper and computer work afterwards. Rhonda has been doing this for a long, long time and she would be delighted to train others ready for next year. We really appreciate those who kindly help her on the day, but it is time for her to have a break before we wear her into the ground!

RESULTS:

Melville	258	Carine	99	Swan Hills	51
Somerset	255	Leeming	70	Rockingham	43
Fremantle	120	Riverton	57		
Mandurah	106	Belmont	56		

COSMIC BOWLING – Friday 11th May (being organised by Lynne Alguire)

Please put your name on the list on the notice board at club.

COST: If we have **up to 24 people** it will **cost \$13.10** incl. shoe hire for 1 game. If we can get **25 or more** to attend it will only **cost \$9.50** each – so let's try to get a good turn up and save ourselves some money at the same time.

BE ACTIVE STATE SWIM 19-20th May

Programs and information, with links to enter, available on line. Entries (Due NOW) to be done only on line this year by individual swimmers. If you don't have access to internet or credit card facilities ask a fellow member to complete your registration/payment.

GRANDAD RAY

Congratulations to Cheryl and Ray Mottram on becoming grandparents to Tyson. Ray brought one of Cheryl's wonderful chocolate cakes to club to celebrate the birth of their grandson.

TRAVELS AROUND THE WORLD

Lynne & Hugh and also Pam & Julie have all been travelling around China, Noela and Gordon are off to Canada and then Broome, Margaret & Harry and also Natalie & Noel are all headed for Germany and Bob and Jan are travelling the world again. (Probably others I don't know about as well) May could be a bit quiet at Club!!!

CLUB HISTORY BOOKS AVAILABLE

We have some of our '20 year History Books' (1978 – 1998) available. It is interesting reading and you would probably be surprised at the members who feature in the book and are still very active in the club. If anyone would like see one, just ask Rhonda, Peter or myself at club. You can own a copy by making a donation to club funds.

THE SICK LIST

As some of you already know, KEITH WILSON has cancer, unfortunately non-operable, however he is fighting hard and expects to beat it. I know we all send our very best of wishes to both Keith and Alison and hope to hear soon that he is feeling much better. JULIE OLLIER has been in hospital, but we hope to see you back on deck soon Julie.

CHEESE AND BICKIES ROSTER

Jaki and Martin Smith	3 rd , 10 th and 17 th May
Jane Loveday & Natalie Kirby	24 th and 31 st May
Teresa & Kevin Phillips	7 th and 14 th June
Doug McLean & Sean O'S	21 st and 28 th June

If unable to do roster on dates shown, please change with another club member and mark the change on the roster on the notice board. Many thanks.

JOKES FROM IVAN

My friend drowned in a bowl of muesli. He was pulled in by a strong current.

A man came round in hospital after a serious accident. "Doctor, Doctor, I can't feel my legs!" The doctor replied "I know you can't. I had to amputate your arms."

I went to a really energetic 'Seafood Disco' last week and pulled a mussel.

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