



Marlins e-Newsletter

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MELVILLE AUSSI MASTERS SWIMMING CLUB

MARLIN OF THE MONTH FOR JUNE was one of our newer members, Evelina Paraschivoiu, with 16 points, followed closely by Karl Ross with 15 points Jaki & Felicity Smith & Carlene Davidson all on 12points. Congratulations Evelina. Keep up the good work.

COMING EVENTS

- 21st-25th Sept - Fremantle Masters Games – www.fremantlemastersgames.com.au
- 5-14th Oct - Australasian Masters Games in Adelaide www.AustralasianMasters.com
- Sun 28th Oct - Belmont Iron Oldies Fun Swim for swimmers 55 yrs & older
- Sun 25th Nov - Osborne Park Club Challenge (Keep this date free!)
- Sat 29th March 2008- Dale Alcock State OWS to be held at **COOGEE**
- 5-13th April 2008 - Port Pirie State Masters Games www.portpiriemastersgames.com
- Easter 2008 - Nationals to be held in Melbourne
- 17–25th April 2008 - World Masters Swim in Perth www.2008finamasters.org for more details
- Sat 1st Nov 2008 - Heart Swim
- 2009 - Nationals to be held in Queensland
- 10-18th Oct 2009 - World Masters Games in Sydney www.2009worldmasters.com

SOCIAL OUTING – RHEIN-DONAU CLUB – Sat 4th Aug (from Jaki)

We were warmly received by the members of the RDC who volunteer their time to run the dance. They were very grateful for our support and invited us back for their Oktoberfest. Everyone had an enjoyable evening which was a good introduction to tasting the delicious German Food & Beer. Most of us battled with the size of our meals particularly those who ordered the Pork Shanks and the Schnitzels. The Pea soup was also delicious. Martin can recommend all the German beers starting from the left hand side of the bar to the right. Many of us let our hair down on the dance floor. Ivan's new nickname is "bunny" because he has the same dancing skills as the Duracell rabbit. Unfortunately we did not get the band we were expecting and the band we had was a little low key but they still provided us with good entertainment. It was great to catch up with Rita and Dick who attended the function. They are off on 15 day trek in Thailand so we wish them all the best and safe travelling.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ANNE

Anne Hitchen is not only a pretty face – she's pretty good at golf as well. Congratulations on getting a HOLE IN ONE Anne!!!!
Anne is also recovering from an operation at the moment – take things easy for a while Anne – NO GOLF!

THANKS TO PETER MALONEY

Rhonda saw even less of Peter for a week whilst he 'remade' the club's starter in his shed. (No, not Ossie – the one with a light and battery.) The light is brighter and it is much safer for Ossie to use – no chance of an electric shock now!. Many thanks Peter – a multi talented gentleman.

THANKS TO CLARISSA

We thanked Clarissa, the charming Year 10 student who has been helping us with timekeeping etc, for all of her help over the last few months. She has completed over 20 hrs of community service with us.

SICK OF COLD SHOWERS AT THE POOL?

The committee have gone about as far as they can go, with trying to solve the problem of having cold showers at the pool. It is a problem with the storage capacity and high level of usage in a short time

span. The pool management are aware of the problem but committee suggests that EVERY time EACH of you find that the showers are cold, PLEASE make the pool attendants aware of the problem straight away – it's worth a try!

FROM MASTERS SWIMMING WA BOARD MINUTES 2007/08 Fees

Jack Busch President confirmed National component has increased from \$30.25 to \$33 for 12-month fee and recommended \$1 increase for State annual fee. Reasons need to be shared with members. Meeting discussed recommendation with comments provided:

- need to keep pace to meet increase in operational costs
- it's a relatively small increase
- fees are very reasonable compared with many other sports
- expect to have more new members next year due to 2008 FINA World Masters

CHEESE AND BICKIES ROSTER

Please bring: 1 kg cheese, cut ready for serving; 3 packets of appropriate biscuits; 1 x 600 ml full cream milk and 1 x 600 ml low fat milk. (Cheese & biscuits are not required on Hearty Meal nights.)

Please check: Milo, tea, coffee and serviette supplies and restock if necessary.

The **urn** needs to be turned on before 7.30 pm – Setting 3-4.

Clean up is part of the roster including taking the tea towels home for washing and returning the following week.

Key is to be handed to the next roster person/s at the completion of clean up and lock up at the end of your roster.

Keep all the **sales dockets/tax invoices** to claim money back from the Treasurer (Natalie).

Period to:	Dec 27
Maree and Jane	6 & 13 September
Noela and Gordon	20 & 27 September
Doug and Andrew	4 & 11 October
Nancy and Kelly	18 & 25 October
Beth, Natalie and Alan	1, 18 & 15 November
Larissa and Evelina	22 & 29 November
Carlene and Anne	6 & 13 December
Lynne and Cath	20 & 27 December

A JOKE FROM MARTIN

One day, a man came home and was greeted by his wife dressed in a very sexy nightie. "Tie me up," she purred, "and you can do anything you want." So he tied her up and went golfing.

AND ONE FROM ME TO GET EVEN!

A SPANISH Teacher explained to her class that in Spanish, unlike English, nouns are designated as either masculine or feminine. "House" for instance, is feminine: "la casa." "Pencil" is masculine: "el lapiz." A student asked, "What gender is 'computer'?"

Instead of giving the answer, the teacher split the class into two groups, male and female, and asked them to decide for themselves whether "computer" should be a masculine or a feminine noun.

Each group was asked to give four reasons for its recommendation.

The men's group decided that "computer" should definitely be of the feminine gender ("la computadora"), because:

1. No one but their creator understands their internal logic;
2. The native language they use to communicate with other computers is incomprehensible to everyone else;
3. Even the smallest mistakes are stored in long term memory for possible later retrieval; and
4. As soon as you make a commitment to one, you find yourself spending half your pay cheque on accessories for it.

The women's group, however, concluded that computers should be Masculine ("el computador"), because:

1. In order to do anything with them, you have to turn them on;
2. They have a lot of data but still can't think for themselves;

3. They are supposed to help you solve problems, but half the time they ARE the problem; and
4. As soon as you commit to one, you realize that if you had waited a little longer, you could have gotten a better model.

THE WOMEN WON!!!

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