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The South Shore Swimming Club
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Well done to all our South Shore swimmers who have been dominating the pool at all the local school swimming carnivals, such great reward for your hard work.

A huge congratulations to our 6 team members, Jarrett, Tom, Jaimee, Adam, Lucy, & Taleisha for completing the Rottneest Channel Swim, we were all glued to our TV's watching as each of you crossed the line and we celebrated every time. We are very proud of you all.

March & April mark the end of the summer season 2023, best of luck to our juniors for their last meet this Saturday at the League Watson Champs. Please know that Swimming WA will release the teams Friday 17 March and at this time you will also be able to enter your swimmer into the End of Season State Championships.

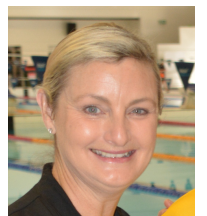
Save the date for South Shore's Club Championships on Sunday 2 April from 1pm. To qualify for the club champ age title, you must have already swum 3 club nights in this summer season, however we encourage all swimmers to enter to make it a fun afternoon of swimming. At the end of the meet we will provide pizza and drinks for all to celebrate, so please plan to stay and enjoy some social time with your South Shore friends, during this time we will also present the National Squad with their team kits. It's a huge achievement to make it to nationals so please join us to celebrate the South Shore Team and wish them well for the upcoming nationals in April, we will be all finished by 5.30pm.

Winter Club Nights & Target Meets, we are currently firming in the winter schedule, so please keep an eye on our comms for these to be released.

On the note of celebration, the South Shore Summer Presentation Night is one not to be missed. Please mark your diaries for Saturday 13 May from 4pm, this year's presentation will be held at the new Shirley Strickland Pavilion and will be another night of great fun for our swimmers and our wonderful community.

I would like to say "Thank You" to our wonderful coaching team. Craig, Peta, Jarrett, Cass & Jess. We are blessed to have some of the best experienced and emerging coaches in Western Australia so please next time you pass your child's coach, give them a quick "Thanks" and know that your child's swimming development is being well looked after.

Samantha Hickman
President, South Shore Swimming Club



IMPORTANT DATES

We're definitely reaching the pointy end of the season and your dedication and hard will be rewarded. Thank you to everyone who has been so diligent and responsive in signing up for meets as quickly as possible. Please ensure you take advantage of our official club night that also doubles as our club championships at the beginning of April and get your entries in as soon as we notify you via our socials that the meet is open. If you are unsure which events to sign up for, please discuss with your Coach who will help you plan for the best possible success. Have fun, swim fast!

Date	Type	Event	Registration
Saturday 11th March 2023	Juniors	League Watson Championships	My Swim Results
Sunday 19th March 2023	Target Meet	National Prep Meet 2	My Swim Results
Saturday 25th March 2023	OWS	Round 10: The Marina - Mindarie	OWS

Uniform Shop Open Dates & Hours

Sunday 2nd April 2023

12.30 - 2.30pm

ONLINE ORDERS FOR HOODIES & PUFFERS

Online orders are now open for SSSC winter wears. Order your personalised hoodie and/or puffer jacket now and you'll have it in time before the cooler mornings and changeable autumn/winter weather takes hold. These items are good quality, long lasting and they wash well. Hoodies are \$55 and can be ordered [here](#) with orders closing 31 March 2023. Puffer Jackets are \$90 and can be ordered [here](#) with orders closing 30 April 2023.



CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

Our Club Championships are an internal South Shore Swimming Club competition where our swimmers compete for summer season trophies and awards. This is a high energy and fun afternoon which will be held at LeisureFit Booragoon on Sunday 2 April 2023 from 1pm. As part of our community celebrations, we will also be holding a Pizza Picnic for all swimmers, with a special presentation for our Pool and OWS National Qualifiers at the end of the events. Please secure the date in your diary now and register for your events in MSR.

Competition in the Club Championships is categorised into male and female for each age group from 8 to 18+ years. To be in with the best chance of winning, swimmers are encouraged to compete in all four form strokes, as points are awarded for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th place in each race. Points accumulate over the four form strokes to achieve an overall champion and a runner up.

Everyone is encouraged to compete and gain official times, but to be eligible for trophies, you must be a South Shore Member and have competed in a minimum of 3 previous Club Nights during the 2022/23 Summer Season.

Distance Covered Based on Age	Freestyle	Backstroke	Breaststroke	Butterfly
11 years & Under	50m	50m	50m	50m
12 years	100m	100m	100m	50m
13 years and Over	100m	100m	100m	100m

CHANGES TO SWA EVENT ENTRY FEES REFUND POLICY

As part of their response to the unusual circumstances surrounding the demand for sanctioned pool meets throughout the 2022/23 season and the subsequent high number of cancellations and refund requests close to the entry closing date of the meet, SWA have revised their policy regarding the refund of event entry fees. Swimming WA have advised that these changes in policy align pool meets with the rest of the SWA refund policies used in Open Water and are standard practice across sporting events.

Please be aware that the SWA Refund Policy now applies from the date of entry into pool meets and not the date that the meet closes. Members are no longer eligible for a full refund up until the meet closes. Swimming WA will only provide a refund for entry fees in either pool or open water swimming competitions in the following situations:

1. Illness or injury prevents an athlete from competing, or
2. A technical error has been proven to have occurred on the meet entry system, resulting in a negative financial effect on the user.

EVENT ENTRY FEES REFUND PROCEDURE

To request a refund because of illness or injury, please contact the following at Swimming WA:

- For open water swim events contact ows@wa.swimming.org.au
- For Swimming WA pool meet events, contact waswim@wa.swimming.org.au

Your request for a refund should provide the following:

1. A medical certificate, clearly covering the days in which the member intended to swim
2. The name of the meet entered
3. The event the swimmer withdrew from
4. The swimmer's name and contact details

The refund of entry fees will primarily be refunded to the credit card which was used for the initial transaction.

In the event a member experiences a technical error while performing an online meet entry transaction which results in member fees debited from them more than once, the member can claim reimbursement/reversal of the duplicate transaction from Swimming WA. Proof of fees being debited more than once must be provided to claim reimbursement (eg. Copy of credit card or bank statement with all fields redacted with the exception of the transaction)

A medical certificate covering the days in which the member was intending to swim is required to claim a refund for Part 1. above. If a medical certificate cannot be provided, Swimming WA reserves the right to reject the refund request.

THE 45TH ANNUAL MOORE RIVER CAMP RECAP



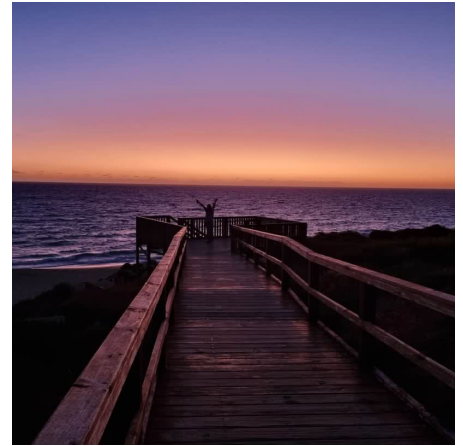
The March long weekend saw a host of South Shore families descend upon Moore River for our highly anticipated annual camp. Once again, Monique and Jaimee Bell treated everyone to a camping experience unlike any other, where they provided a weekend experience for the whole family and even the most novice of campers felt at ease.

Families travelled up to Moore River at their leisure on the Friday afternoon and settled in for a fabulous weekend with perfect weather. During the mornings, the happy campers spent time swimming, going for a walk, or having some fun on the paddle boards. On Saturday afternoon the group ventured out to the dunes for some hilarious sand boarding fun and Sunday afternoon saw everyone return to a camp favourite, the secret "rope swing" spot, where lots of creative jumps were had. Nights were spent playing cards, playing spotlight, going to the lookout to watch the sunset and star gaze. Some singing was heard as well as lots of laughter.



Anika Wall shared a few photographs with us once she had returned home and remarked that there were only a "few Moore River photos. I was having too much fun and didn't take many!" We couldn't be happier that all of our families enjoyed their time so much and of the few photos we did receive, we can see that it was indeed an excellent weekend, well spent.

Our thanks and gratitude to Monique and Jaimee Bell are endless. The time, effort and dedication that they put into this annual camp is a small part of what makes them such an incredible team and lifetime members of South Shore Swimming Club. Their contributions to the history and ongoing celebration of our club are immeasurable and so often behind the scenes. We are eternally grateful to them both and appreciate everything that they have done and continue to do for South Shore.



LEISUREFIT BOORAGOON POOL CLOSURE UPDATE

Over the course of the next month, you will see an increase in communications regarding the proposed pool closure at LeisureFit Booragoon. As valued members of South Shore Swimming Club, we are committed to providing you with the most up to date and concise information at all times.

The City of Melville are in the process of issuing a notice for tender to contractors. We have been informed that tender responses are required back by the end of April 2023. The tender evaluations will then confirm the full scope of works to be delivered, with project duration as well as start and finish dates. Please be assured that the South Shore Committee in conjunction with LeisureFit Booragoon and the City of Melville are working to ensure that minimal disruption is passed onto our squads and swimmers and that there will be more than adequate time allowed to confirm relocation requirements for the duration of the works.

A detailed explanation of the scope of works, which will include additions to improve the air quality within the 50m pool area, at both floor and ceiling level, will be shared with all families through a combined communication from LeisureFit Booragoon and South Shore Swimming Club.

We look forward to a new and improved training facility in the long term and thank you for your patience, understanding and loyalty to South Shore as we navigate the changes ahead.