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The official newsletter of
THORNIE SWIMMING CLUB
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COMING MEETS

Where	When	Entries due
2008 Swimming WA LC Qualifying Meet	September 13 th & 14 th	TONIGHT
Peel Aquatic Spring SC Sprint Carnival	September 20 th	TONIGHT
Mandurah Junior Short Course	September 28 th	September 2nd
Fremantle Port Long Course Swim Meet	October 4 th	September 16th
2008 Thornlie Spring Carnival	October 5th	September 16th

Please see **Fiona Kingdon** or **Sue Pindar** for enquiries and submitting upcoming events, on or before entries due date.

Committee Meeting

Our next committee meeting will be this **Wednesday September 10th**. We have been kindly allowed to use the Crèche at Gosnells Leisure World. The meeting will start at 7pm and **WILL FINISH** at 8.50pm! to enable staff to pack away the chairs. Everyone welcome.



Peel Aquatic Spring SC Carnival

This is the next Carnival that we would like to attend as a Club on September 20th. If you are new to swimming and a bit intimidated with these big Carnivals then come along and experience it as a group with all your friends!

This is a fun event which is a great exposure to competition swimming. We would love to have a successful meet like Albany

Any queries, please speak to Fiona or Sue

Thornlie Sprint Carnival.

Our carnival is approaching very quickly at the beginning of October. We have a big day to organise and ask for help by parents

We would love for all our competitive members to enter and need parents to help provide a plate of food for the officials. We will be coming around to find out what you can provide.

If you have or know any businesses that can donate raffle prizes or cash donations, please speak to Jenny or Donna.

Over the next couple of weeks, we will be coming around asking parents to nominate a job they may be able to help with on the day. We will also need members to provide a plate of salad or a dessert for the meet to help feed the wonderful officials that have made themselves available to our club for this day.



Meet Our Clubs New Patron

We would like to introduce to the club Chris Tallentire, our new club patron.

Chris is the Labour candidate for the Gosnells electorate. Previously he was the director of the Conservation Council

Chris believes that local sporting clubs, especially those focused on young people, are essential to our Australian way of life. Be it for physical well being, development of social skills, including a sense of fair play, or the nurturing of a healthy competitive spirit, Chris sees clubs like ours as a valuable community asset.

Chris has worked with a large number of community groups and organisations across the state: being the public face and spokesperson on a wide range of conservation issues. Chris relishes presenting community needs to government. Chris lives in Thornlie and hopes to regain some of swimming abilities.

Chris will be attending our swim meet this Tuesday to introduce himself.



Fundraising

Want to win \$50

Guess a number on the board for \$1 and see if it is the Magic last 2 numbers of the note.

What a great investment.

It will not be drawn until all the numbers have sold to ensure there is a winner

Just a reminder to those who took a box of chocolates to sell, that we require the money to be returned.

We will look at selling chocolates again as they are something everyone loves to eat and they are cheaper to buy via fundraising than in the shops.

Personal Best Times

Congratulations to the following people for getting 3 PB's on club night last week.

Alexandrya Thompson (2nd week in a row)

Lauren Sams – Hayes

Rachael Kingdom

Keep up the good work!!



Introduce a Buddy to Swimming

Have you got lots of friends who like to swim? If so, then introduce them to Thornlie Swimming club to have a go and see if they like it.

If they decide to join the club, then the person who introduced them will receive a \$20 gift voucher from Rebel Sports as a thank you

Outside Swim Meet Entries

SWA now require that all entries to outside meets are processed electronically. This means that swimmers are only able to use times which appear on SWA Website (ie. achieved at outside meets or on Club Nights where we have 3 timekeepers per lane). We are also no longer able to use converted times - this means if you are attending a short course meet, only times achieved at a short course meet can be used.

No Payment This Week

Michelle our treasurer is away this week, so we can not accept any payments. If you need to enter a swimming competition, then give your entries to Jenny Sebbens.

SWA News

If you would like to receive the weekly "SWA e-news" to have a regular update on what is going on in swimming around WA, you can visit their website at www.wa.swimming.org.au and have a browse around.

Time Keepers Needed URGENTLY

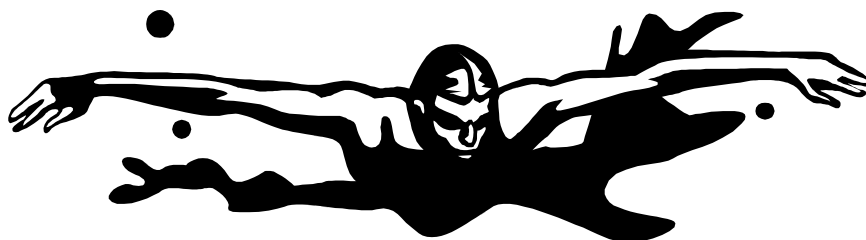
We are getting desperate for a 3rd time keeper for each of our lanes on club night. Without a 3rd time keeper, our kid's times are not recognised by Swimming WA and can't be used for entry times. Our chief timekeeper has been able to give a 3rd time for some lanes, but we shouldn't rely on this as they need to be available to take over a lane when some one's stop watch doesn't work. Please could we get more parents to put their hands up to help. If time keepers don't have a swimmer in their lane, could they try and record a time for a lane that is short of time keeper. THANKS



Letter Editor

Hi there,

We are Donna & Kevin (Sean Maggs parents), the editors for the weekly newsletter. If you have any news for the newsletter, that you chat to us on club night or drop us an email at dmaggs@mysoul.com.au.



Warm up

We would like to remind everyone that the half hour before racing begins at 7pm, is for warm up only. It is really important to get those muscles ready otherwise injuries may occur!! Also for safety reasons kids should not be playing in the leisure part of the pool. Please could all parents keep a close eye on their kids during this time Thank you.

Safety/Marshalling Area

Please remember that all swimmers **MUST STAY IN THE MARSHALLING AREA** during our time trials – apart from the safety issue it will also ensure you don't miss out on your races. Also could swimmers please try to **keep the noise down when their friends are on the blocks** otherwise they might not hear the Starter!!! During warm up (6.30pm – 7pm) swimmers must stay in our allocated lanes and NOT PLAY in the leisure pool. Parents, you are responsible for your children during Club night so please could you encourage the swimmers to stay in our allocated area. Thank you from all the Committee

DATES TO REMEMBER

10 th September	Committee Meeting
13 th & 14 th September	Peel Aquatic Spring SC Sprint Carnival
20 th September	Peel Aquatic Spring SC Sprint