# SURREY PARK SWIMMING NEWS



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# JUNIOR OLYMPICS

It was great to see so many swimmers from our community joining us at Aqualink Box Hill for our Junior Olympic Carnival.

With close to 100 swimmers attending it was fantastic to see our Learn to swim and competitive squad swimmers come together, having a go and have fun doing it. Swimmers were given the opportunity to race for 25m in all 4 strokes, 50m in freestyle and have some fun with novelty relays.





"You can't put a limit on anything. The more you dream, the further you get"

- Michael Phelps



# JUNIOR OLYMPICS

Members can access photos via our website

Carnivals run in a family orientated, fun environment are a great way of introducing young swimmers to the sport of swimming. The carnival was run as a part of Swimming Australia's initiative to develop the grassroots level of the sport, whilst leveraging the hype of the Olympics to encourage young aspiring swimmers of the future.

At Surrey Park Swimming we encourage participation; with a pathway starting from beginners learning to swim to swimmers competing at the highest levels of national and international competition. If competing is not for you, you can swim for fitness under the direction of our experienced coaches.

Swimming is a sport for life and an important part of the Australian culture.

#### Thanks to:

- \* Paralympian Chris Mullins for attending and bringing his Beijing Paralympic gold medal. We all loved having you there, hearing your stories and getting to touch your gold medal.
- \* To all our Age High Performance swimmers that helped on the night and our volunteer parents.









#### **SURREY PARK SWIMMING CALENDAR**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						27th August Club B/fast, Photos, State SC Team Presentation
28 <sup>TH</sup> August	29th August LTS Re- enrolment period and Feedback Week	30th August LTS Re- enrolment period and Feedback Week	31st August LTS Re- enrolment period and Feedback Week	1st September LTS Re- enrolment period and Feedback Week	2 <sup>nd</sup> September Vic Age SC Championships (13-18y/old)  LTS Re- enrolment Period and Feedback Week	3rd September Vic Age SC Championships (13-18y/old)  LTS Re- enrolment period and Feedback Week
4th September Vic Age SC Championships (13-18y/old)  LTS Re- enrolment period and Feedback Week	5th September LTS Re- enrolment period	6 <sup>th</sup> September LTS Re- enrolment period	<b>7<sup>th</sup> September</b> LTS Re- enrolment period	8 <sup>th</sup> September LTS Re- enrolment period	9th September LTS Re- enrolment period	10th September Vic SC Competition  LTS Re- enrolment period
11th September Vic SC Competition  LTS Re- enrolment period	12 <sup>th</sup> September	13 <sup>th</sup> September	14 <sup>th</sup> September All competitive squad invoices due	15 <sup>th</sup> September	16 <sup>th</sup> September	17th September Vic Open & 12/U SC Championships
18 <sup>th</sup> September Vic Open & 12/U SC Championships LTS end of term 3 lessons	19th September LTS Holiday Program Week 1 LTS Bookings Open to Public	20 <sup>th</sup> September LTS Holiday Program Week 1	21st September LTS Holiday Program Week 1	22 <sup>nd</sup> September LTS Holiday Program Week 1	23 <sup>rd</sup> September LTS Holiday Program Week 1	24 <sup>th</sup> September
25 <sup>th</sup> September	26 <sup>th</sup> September LTS Holiday Program Week 2	27th September LTS Holiday Program Week 2	28 <sup>th</sup> September LTS Holiday Program Week 2	29th September LTS Holiday Program Week 2	30 <sup>th</sup> September Public Holiday	1st October AFL Grand Final
2 <sup>nd</sup> October	3rd October LTS Term 4 lessons commence	4 <sup>th</sup> October	5 <sup>th</sup> October	6 <sup>th</sup> October	7 <sup>th</sup> October	<b>8<sup>th</sup> October</b> Metro East 7-10 Selection Trials

LTS Learn to Swim Competitive Squads Public Holidays

For the latest news, updates and training schedules, please view our website: www.surreypark.org.au

#### LEARN TO SWIM AND DIVE

# REMINDERS

#### RE-ENROLMENT STARTS ON MONDAY 29TH AUGUST

Re-enrolment for Term 4 Learn to swim and dive and swim school squads is running from Monday the 29<sup>th</sup> of August until Sunday the 11<sup>th</sup> of September. This is the time to pay for your term 4 swimming lessons to secure the current spot you have this term.

All bookings NOT secured by Sunday the 11<sup>th</sup> of September will forfeit their current place for term 4.

If you wish to change lessons times, this can be done during re-enrolment time (please remember to secure this new lesson with payment), or can be done in the final week of term before we open up lessons to the public.

Parent feedback week starts next week!

Please ensure you speak to your

teacher between the 29<sup>th</sup> August until the 4<sup>th</sup> of September to receive some feedback on how your child is progressing. If you are away next week, don't worry, your teacher or the lead instructor can fill you in this week or the following week.

#### SUMMER IS COMING...

# The September School holiday intensive program is now open for bookings

We want your child to feel safe and confident around water and have found a school holiday intensive program is a great way to help consolidate, teach or advance your child's skills.

Some of the benefits of your child participating in our program:

- Introduces your child to a learn to swim program for the first time
- It kick starts their term having just moved up a level
- It helps your child master that skill they have had trouble with
   Note: we offer breaststroke only classes as we recognise this can be a tricky skill to learn.
- Great exercise during the holidays and you can stay and play at the centre

Week One: 19th - 23rd September - Cost: \$97

Week Two: 26th to 29th September - Cost: \$84

For more information or to make a booking drop into our reception or call us on 9898 8876

#### **COACHES**

# CORNER

## MATT AND THE CHINESE NATIONAL TEAM'S OLYMPICS

With the Rio Olympics completed its time to reflect back on how our Surrey Park trained swimmers faired, in what for many of them, was their first Olympic Games experience.

Once every 4 years this crazy circus comes to town, and in this case the town was Rio. Amidst all the hype and build up for these games, there was always the lurking phantom, of hosting a game's in one of the world's most beautiful yet dangerous cities.

Controversy seemed to be everywhere, from the arrival of teams into the village, where numerous complaints emerged about substandard and unfinished facilities, to the ongoing issues of traffic and transport.

Success was going to be rewarded to those who would not be distracted by external factors. That's exactly what we saw over the 8 days of the Swimming events.

Our Chinese swimmers performed admirably and with only a few exceptions, came away with Personal Best times, National and Asian records, semi- finals and finals. A special mention to the few swimmers being rewarded with trips to the Podium for that coveted Olympic Medal.

#### To read more about Coach Matt and the Chinese swimmers perspective, please follow this link:

https://au.teamunify.com/News.jsp? tabid =2 0599&team=vcspsc





#### MLC SHORT COURSE MEET

Well done to all swimmers who competed at the MLC short course meet on Sunday. There were some impressive swims from our senior athletes before they start their volume reduction coming into state championships next month.

Well done as well to our junior contingent with some big p.b's for most swimmers! Some notable performances included; Matthew Burns, 6 second drop in the 200 free and an amazing 19 second drop in 400 free Alex Hillman, first time breaking the minute barrier for 100 free in 59.35 Nic Chang, 8 second drop in the 100 breast and a massive 14 second drop in 200 breast Kahlia Marsh lifetime best in 200 fly.

- Coach Tom

# Rewarding our Families at Surrey Park Swimming Olympic Quiz Winner

Throughout the Olympics we ran a quiz asking swimmers to answer 5 short questions about the Olympics. We really wanted to reward our loyal families who enrolled with us in term 3 and thought this would be a fun way of doing it.

Close to 100 entries were submitted and we are pleased to announce the winner of a free term of learn to swim lessons is the Hickson family. Thank you to everyone that entered.

Facebook only promotions will occur regularly in the future. Please like us on Facebook to keep up to date with what is happening at Surrey Park Swimming.

Please click this link to view our Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/SurreyParkSwimming/?ref=bookmarks



# THE STEPHEN PEACE AWARD



In 2007, Surrey Park Swimming Club created a perpetual trophy in memory of Stephen Peace, a valued member of the Club who passed away in 2006. Stephen supported the Club for a number of years as a parent and a proactive committee member. He gave his time willingly and left a lasting impression on all those who he met.

At the Surrey Park Short Course Meet each year, the Stephen Peace Award is presented to the fastest swimmer in the Male Open 200m Butterfly.

The recipient of the 2016 Stephen Peace Award was Hamish McDougall from Surrey Park. Stephen's wife Vikki and sons James and Thomas attended the meet to present the award. A photo of James, Thomas, Hamish and Vikki with the trophy is pictured above.

#### SWIMMING VICTORIA AWARDS NIGHT

The achievements of Surrey Park members were acknowledged at Swimming Victoria's Awards Night held on 18<sup>th</sup> May.

For season 2015/2016 Surrey Park came 7<sup>th</sup> in the top 10 Clubs. This was based on points accumulated by Surrey Park swimmers at all the Victorian Championship meets (Short Course, Long Course, Sprint and Open Water) plus the Victorian Long Course Distance Meet. The Club was presented with a banner in acknowledgement of this.

Surrey Park Swimming's director of coaching, Matt Brown, received a Victorian Age Group Special Coaching Achievement Award for his first "Victorian" National medal winner. Surrey Park Swimming's president, Heather O'Connor, was awarded the Bill Slade trophy for Technical Official of the Year, and also received an award for 20 years of service to Swimming Victoria.



Aqualink Box Hill operations co-ordinator Kieran Brumby and operations manager Ben Bakker with five-year-old twins Louis and Jack.

Picture: STUART WALMSLEY

# Diving into top success

#### Paddy Naughtin

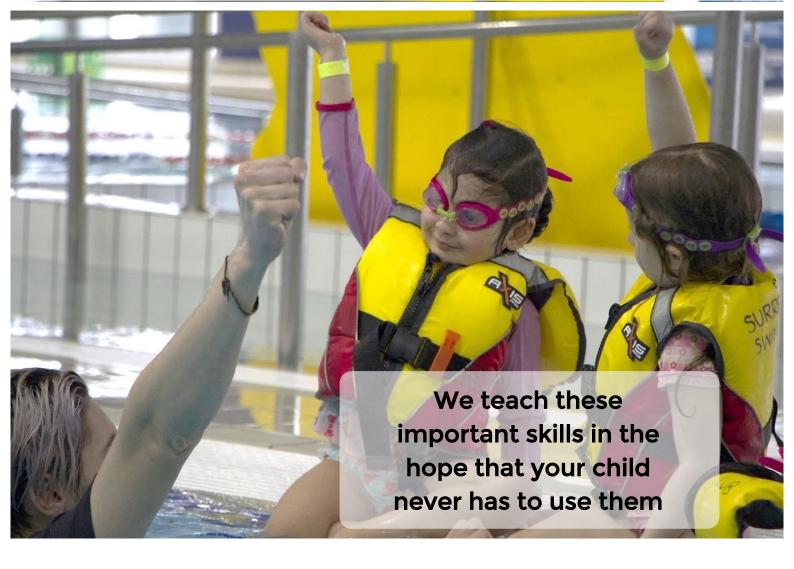
AQUALINK Box Hill has been accredited with Life Saving Victoria's prized Platinum Pool award, becoming just the 16th Victorian swimming centre to hold the accreditation.

To achieve the award Aqualink Box Hill had to of assessments to ensure it met all of criteria for the accreditation, including "mystery guest" visits and strict adherence to the Watch Around Water program for children.

The Platinum Pool Program was introduced by LSV to highlight aquatic facilities that have achieved the highest standards in the provision of aquatic safety and risk management.

Whitehorse Mayor Philip Daw said the award was great for local swimmers.

"Platinum Pool status is awarded to aquatic facilities that provide outstanding levels of safety," Cr Daw said. "This marks a major success for Aqualink Box Hill and its staff."



### **WATER SAFETY WEEK**

Water Safety Week was held in week 5 this term and we are pleased at the number of children that participated in the program. We feel this is a really important component of our learn to swim program.

We want to not just teach your child to swim but how to survive and rescue around water. Our classes during the week touched on areas such as; what to do when you get in trouble, learning how to survive in a life jacket and how to stick together in a group and what sea creatures do you see but not touch.

#### "FREE WATER SAFETY LESSONS FOR 3-5 YEAR OLDS IN WEEK 2 OF THE SEPTEMBER HOLIDAYS AT SURREY PARK SWIMMING"

This year, in line with the "kids alive" campaign we are again running free water safety swimming lessons in week 2 of the September school holidays. Week 2 runs from Monday the 26th to Thursday the 29th of September and you can book in for any of these days to do a one off lesson, or book in for a couple of lessons to receive more water safety knowledge. Please bring along an old pair of clothes to wear in the pool to your lesson. To register please contact reception or follow this link:

http://www.learntoswimweek.com.au/swim-schools/surreypark-swimming/?post\_code=3128&distance=5

# FUNDRAISING FOR OUR COMMUNITY

## AUSTRALIAN SPORTS FOUNDATION

Surrey Park Swimming has partnered with the ASF to help raise funds for key programs. The ASF partner with grassroots and community organisations to help raise funds for vital projects. Partnering with the ASF means that donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible, which is a real benefit to our donors and makes fundraising easier.

We have two programs available now for tax deductable donations:

#### SURREY PARK SWIMMING GENERAL FUNDRAISING:

https://asf.org.au/organisation/surrey-parkswimming-club-inc/

#### SURREY PARK SWIMMING CAPS PROGRAM:

https://asf.org.au/project/community-accessprogram-for-swimmers--caps-/



# Our annual Cadbury Fundraising Drive has commenced!

All money raised goes towards our Swimmer Support Program that helps our members with the cost of swimming.

Individual chocolates are available for purchase at our Reception throughout the drive.

Thank you in advance to all members that collected their boxes and are helping with this fundraiser. We ask that all money is returned to our reception desk within 4 weeks of receiving your box.

COMMUNITY
ACCESS
PROGRAM
FOR
SWIMMING

From term 3 2016 we are now donating 10 cents from every swim lesson purchased to assist our CAPS program. This program was designed to allow access to swimming lessons for all individuals.

We have been able to offer three additional subsidised lessons to students with a disability who are unable to join group lessons. We have been able to provide a full term of lessons to 18 newly arrived migrants in term 3 in partnership with AMES Australia due to our generous sponsors.



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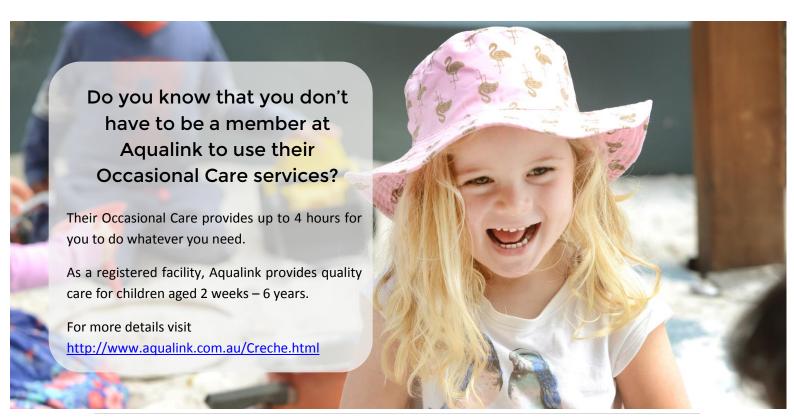


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#### OTHER SERVICES ON OFFER AT AQUALINK



## **OUR SPONSORS**

#### BENDIGO BANK SPONSORSHIP

#### Surrey Hills Community Bank® Branch of Bendigo Bank

The Surrey Hills Community Bank® Branch of Bendigo Bank has been a sponsor of the Club for a number of years now.

The Bendigo Bank have contributed greatly to the talent support fund which in turn directly supports our swimmers on trips, etc. In addition to their usual support, we ask you to consider the offer below, for exclusive Surrey Park member home loan packages.

- Establishment fees waived on all new home loans for both purchases and refinances (A saving of up to \$745)
- 0.80% discount off the standard variable rate on loans greater than \$250,000
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Alternatively you can call to book on +61 3 9645 8357, and mention Surrey Park Swimming to receive our rates.

Please enquire about Surrey Park Swimming Club Corporate Rates. Valid until: 31st December 2016

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