



Annual Report

2025

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Masters Swimming Tasmania

President's Annual Report

2025

I am proud to present this – my fourth Annual Report - on another busy and successful year for Masters Swimming Tasmania (MST). Our State Committee has once again worked diligently to consolidate and expand a wide range of activities.

GOVERNANCE

The State Management Committee was made up of:

- **Executive Members:** Megan Stronach (President), Pauline Samson (Secretary/Recorder), Gabrielle Osborne (Treasurer/Public Officer), Jodie Bennett (Coordinator of Coaching and Education – resigned September), Ian Shuey (Coordinator of Safety and Health).
- **Appointed Officers:** Diane Gregory (Registrar), Mendelt Tillema (Webmaster), Megan Stronach (MSA Leadership Group), Ray Brien (Technical Coordinator).
- **Club Delegates:** Stephen Richards, Auro Almeida (THB), Tony Forman (TAC), Lou Hill (TTL), James Belstead (THV), Adrienne McMahon (TLC), Sue Langham (TDP), Christine Brown (TBU).

Our strategic direction was guided by our Strategic Plan which depicts our organisation's key objectives, and above all, the values that underpin our decision making.

My thanks to those who attended State Committee meetings and contributions throughout the year.

National Committees

MSA is supported by the dedication and commitment of four (4) National Committees. Service on each of the Committees is voluntary.

MST appointments:

- National Diversity & Inclusion Committee: Fiona Redgrove (stood down September)
- National Coaching Committee: Megan Stronach
- National Technical Committee: Pauline Samson (stood down September)

MSA greatly appreciates each of these Committee Members, both past and new appointments, who volunteer their time and expertise in the operation and development of the organisation.

Pauline Samson continues as National Recorder, and Megan Stronach as Coach Educator for Tasmania, and Tasmanian rep. on the MSA Leadership Group.

SWIM MEETS

In 2025 MST continued to conduct our now regular 5 pool-based meets and our open water event.

MST Oceans Treble 2024/5



Masters Swimming Tasmania is proud to recognize and support our members who participate in the popular Tasmanian Ocean Swim Series conducted by Surf Life Saving Tasmania. This year, swimmers earned individual and club points towards the Oceans Treble event by participating in any three of the five nominated ocean swims: Bellerive, Bridport, Kingston Beach, Devonport, and Port Sorell.

Age group individual awards were won by:

- Tony Forman, Jodie Bennett, and Rebecca Laletin (TAC)
- Amanda Duggan (THB)
- Andrew Brocklesby (TTS)

Congratulations to the winning club: Hobart Aquatic Masters.

Hobart Aquatic Masters President Ian Shuey receives the Oceans Treble Club Trophy from MST President Megan Stronach.

MST Summer Championships 2025

The Championships ran smoothly and were an enjoyable weekend. We had 72 swimmers in total registered for the meet which also included 2 swimmers who joined us from Power Points in Melbourne. The timekeeping ran smoothly with volunteer timekeepers coming forward without much prompting. Our thanks go to the various organisers and officials who contributed to this effort, especially to Swimming Tasmania officials Glenise and Susan, Recorder Pauline Samson, Meet Director Phil Tyrell and Meet Referee Ray Brien. Thanks also to the Hobart Dolphins Club who organised the very enjoyable presentation luncheon – this year at the Hobart Tennis Centre.

Overall Results	
Hobart Dolphins Club	Championship Trophy (highest aggregate points)
Huon Valley Club	New Norfolk Trophy (highest average points)
Gabrielle Osborne (TAC)	Female Swimmers of the Meet
Brent Walker (TAC)	Male Swimmers of the Meet
Tasmanian Individual Records	
Wendy Winzenberg (TDP)	50m & 200m Freestyle, 50m, 100m & 200m Butterfly
Gabrielle Osborne (TAC)	100m Breaststroke
Amanda Duggan (THB)	100m, 200m & 400m Freestyle, 100m Breaststroke, 200m IM
Tamara Warland (TLC)	50m Butterfly
Brent Walker (TAC)	50m Freestyle
Janet Bradley (TTL)	200m Freestyle
Jim Groom (TTL)	50m Freestyle, 100m Backstroke
Andrew Brocklesby (TTS)	50m Freestyle, 50m & 100m Butterfly

Tasmanian Relay Records

Hobart Aquatic Club	Men's 4x50m Freestyle (280+)
Hobart Dolphins Club	Women's 4x50m Freestyle (240+)



MST SCLD Championships 2025



The MST 30th Short Course Long Distance Championships were held on Saturday, 31 May 2025 at the Launceston Aquatic Centre attracting 25 swimmers. There were 12 entries for the 1500m event, 10 for the 800m event and 19 for the two 400m events.

This year no AOE was used, and we relied on having 2 timekeepers on each lane with stop watches. The meet ran smoothly, and volunteers were always available for the timing. Thank you to all who helped make this a fun session. Our special thanks to the Meet Directors Ray Brien and Adrienne McMahon and to Ray Brien who also took on the role of Chief Referee.

Special congratulations to Amanda Duggan on her two National records in the 800 and 1500 Freestyle. In addition, the following State records were broken:

Name	Club	Age Group	Event
Amanda Duggan	THB	65-69	200, 400, 800 & 1500 Freestyle
Wendy Winzenberg	TVA	75-79	100, 200, 400, 800 & 1500 Freestyle, 100 Butterfly
Jose Tillema	TTL	80-84	400 Backstroke
Phil Venables	THB	60-64	400 Backstroke
Bill Woodworth	TLC	60-64	1500 Breaststroke
Lou Hill	TTL	65-69	800 IM
Maciej Slugocki	TTS	70-74	1500 Freestyle

MST Winter Championships 2025

The championships were enjoyable and ran smoothly over the weekend. 95 swimmers registered for the meet – including 7 from interstate. Our thanks to:

- Sarah Merridew – Meet Director
- Ray Brien – Meet Referee and his team of Technical Officials
- Pauline Samson – Recorder
- Launceston Lemmings Club for hosting the Presentation Lunch
- Many other volunteers including Timekeepers

Overall Results:

- The Winter Championships Club Trophy was won by the Launceston Lemmings Club
- The Hobart Dolphins Club won the Relay Trophy (Summer and Winter Championships combined).

Swimmers of the Meet:

- Amanda Duggan (Hobart Dolphins Club)
- Brent Walker (Hobart Aquatic Club)

Records:

- Jennifer Thompson (NSW) set National and NSW records in the 40-44 25m & 50m Backstroke
- Jennifer also set NSW records in the 40-44 25m Butterfly & 100 IM.
- Sarah James set Victorian records in the 50 & 200m Breaststroke.

Tasmanian Short Course Records:

Name	Club	Age Group	Event
Kirilee Shephard	THV	25-29	25m Butterfly, 25m Freestyle
Tamara Warland	TLC	40-44	25m & 100m Butterfly, 100m Freestyle
Janet Pugh	TLC	55-59	25m Backstroke, 25m Butterfly
Amanda Duggan	THB	65-69	25m & 50m Breaststroke, 25m Butterfly, 50m, 100m, 200m & 400m Freestyle, 100m IM

Wendy Winzenburg	TVA	75-79	50m, 100m & 200m Butterfly, 50m, 100m, 200m & 400m Freestyle
Jim Trihey	TAC	25-29	50m Freestyle
Jame Belstead	THV	25-29	50m Breaststroke
Mendelt Tillema	TTL	75-79	25m & 50m Butterfly
Tony Forman	TAC	80-84	50m Freestyle
Hobart Aquatic Masters	TAC	160-199	Men 4 x 50m Freestyle



MST LCLD Championships 2025

30 swimmers registered for the meet held at DKHAC on Saturday 1 November– including Cheree Dodkins from Barbarians. Our thanks go to:

- Steve Richards – Meet Director
- Ray Brien – Meet Referee
- Pauline Samson - Recorder
- Neville Snook - Starters.
- The many other volunteers and TOs, including Timekeepers

In order to rein in significant costs, AOE was not used. This required 2 timekeepers per lane. It was gratifying to see that volunteers were always available without prompting. To keep things rolling in a time efficient manner, rolling starts were occasionally used. This was a new experience for several swimmers.

Tasmanian Records:

Name	Club	Age Group	Event
Wendy Winzenburg	TVA	75-79	400m, 800m & 1500m Freestyle
James Belstead	THV	25-29	400m Backstroke, 400m Breaststroke
Phil Venables	THB	60-64	800m Backstroke
Glenn Bryan	TLC	65-69	400m Breaststroke



MST Oatlands Friendly Christmas Meet 2025

MST hosted the 4th Christmas Friendly meet at the Oatlands Aquatic Centre, with 44 swimmers taking part. For many, it was their first time swimming in a meet, giving them the opportunity to practice their skills without the pressures of a championship event.

What an afternoon of festive fun!

Poolside Bingo was a crowd favourite, with swimmers taking on new strokes, showing off some epic dives, and even sharing a few cracking Christmas jokes - just to score a bingo!

Relay glory went to the mighty Hobart Dolphins, who stormed home in the handicapped relay to snatch victory from Talays by just microseconds. A masterclass in handicapping!

Costume champions once again were the fabulous Huon Valley crew, while Lou Hill (Talays) nailed his 50m Backstroke time to take out the "closest to nominated time" prize.

A huge thank you to everyone who helped organise the day — and to all the swimmers who joined in with such fantastic festive spirit.



Tasmanian Swimmers at Masters Games

Tasmanian swimmers were well represented at other major Masters events in 2025, including the Great Barrier Reef Masters Games in Cairns (May) and the Australian Masters Games in Canberra (October).



Special congratulations go to Gabrielle Osborne, who set a National Record in the 25m Breaststroke at the Australian Masters Games, surpassing her own mark from 2024.

In addition, the following State records were broken at these events:

Name	Club	Age Group	Event
Gabrielle Osborne	TAC	55-59	25 & 50 Freestyle, 25 Backstroke, 25 Breaststroke
Wendy Winzenberg	TVA	75-79	25, 50 & 100 Freestyle, 200 Backstroke, 25, 50 & 200 Butterfly

Dual Sanctioned Events



Linnea Mack

Our partnership with Swimming Tasmania offers our members the opportunity to participate in ST Qualifying Trials in both Hobart and Launceston. This arrangement has proven to be a win-win, and we continue to receive positive feedback on the performances of Masters swimmers. Having Masters swimmers compete at these events plays a crucial role in raising the profile of our organization, appealing to a broader audience, and showcasing what we stand for.

Congratulations to Linnea Mack (TVA) who set National records in the 50 Free (26.23, 26.13) and the 100 Free (57.10) at these events. In addition, some noteworthy state records have been recorded at these events:

Name	Club	Age Group	Event
Linnea Mack	TVA	30-34	50m & 100m Freestyle, 50m Butterfly
Penny Lucas	TAC	60-64	50m Freestyle, 50m & 100m Backstroke
Gabrielle Osborne	TAC	55-59	50m Breaststroke

Tasmanian Swimmers at the Melbourne Nationals

Huge congrats to **Team Tasmania** on their *incredible* performances at the **Masters Swimming Australia National Championships** in Melbourne in April! We saw:

- Medals of every colour.
- State records *smashed*.
- One of our most successful teams *ever* on the national stage!

We couldn't be prouder of this amazing group!



Congratulations to the following swimmers for breaking Tasmanian records at the National Championships:

Name	Club	Age Group	Event
Tony Forman	TAC	80-84	800 & 400 Freestyle
Anne Henderson	TAC	55-59	200 Butterfly
Brent Walker	TAC	50-54	800 & 200 Freestyle
Amanda Duggan	THB	65-69	800, 100 & 400 Freestyle, 200 IM
Jayde Richardson	THB	30-34	200 & 100 Breaststroke
Phil Venables	THB	60-64	100 & 50 Freestyle; 200 & 100 Backstroke
Auro Almeida	THB	65-69	50 Freestyle
James Belstead	THV	25-29	200 & 100 Breaststroke, 400 IM
Jim Groom	TTL	70-74	100 & 50 Backstroke
Tasmanian Relay Records			
Matthew Carr, Tony Forman, Philip Tyrell, Brent Walker	TAC	240-279	4 x 50 Freestyle
Fiona Ziegeler, Sue Muir, Beth Mulligan, Megan Stronach	THB	280-319	4 x 100m Freestyle
Phil Venables, Katherine Daft, Jayde Richardson, Auro Almeida	THB	200-239	4 x 100m Medley
Megan Stronach, Linda Walsham, Jayde Richardson, Fiona Ziegeler	THB	200-239	4 x 100m Medley

We are also proud to acknowledge the outstanding efforts of two of our members at the Championships. Special thanks and congratulations go to Pauline Samson and Katherine Daft for their invaluable roles as Technical Officials during the event.

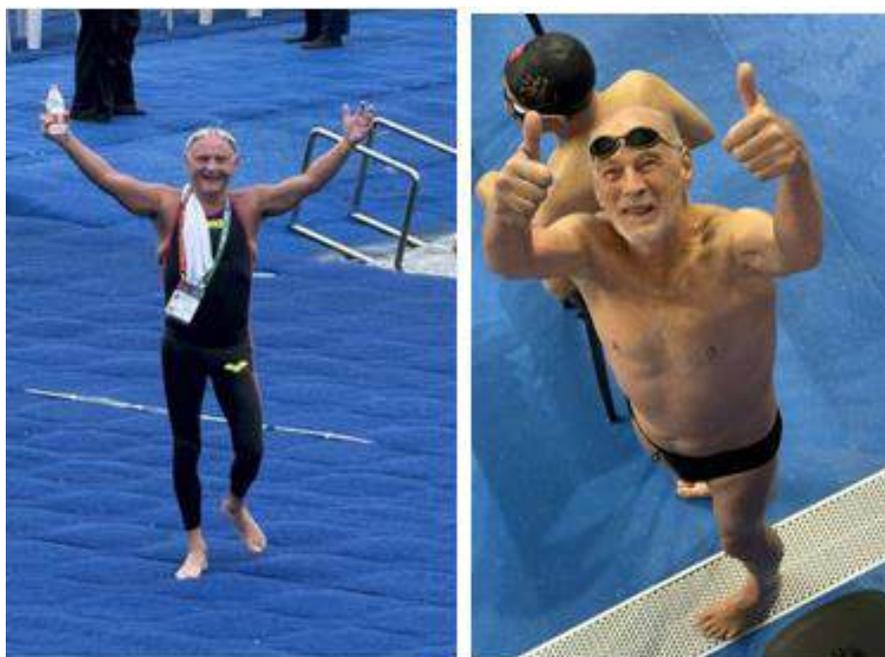


Special thanks and congratulations go to Pauline Samson and Katherine Daft for their invaluable roles as Technical Officials during the event.

Pauline served as Chief Recorder, ensuring that results and data were managed with precision and professionalism. Meanwhile, Katherine took on the busy role of Chief Timekeeper, keeping everything running smoothly on deck—and even found time to compete in the pool herself!

Tasmanian Swimmers on the World Stage

Exciting news came from with podium finishes at the 21st World Aquatic Masters Championships for Maciej Slugocki (TTS) and Tony Forman (TAC). Maciej won gold in the 3klm Open Water event (Men's 70-74) with Tony bringing home a swag of medals from the men's 80-84 pool events: 800m Freestyle (gold), 400, 200 and 100m Freestyle (silver).



Maciej and Tony - World Champions!

Other strong swims in the open water were recorded by Anne Henderson who powered to an impressive **5th place finish**, while Jayde Richardson finished with a strong **9th place**, both securing coveted Top Ten rankings in their respective categories.



In the pool, teammates from Hobart Aquatic Club and Hobart Dolphins also made waves:

- **Philip Tyrell** (70–74) delivered multiple top 10 finishes and clocked PBs in the 200 and 400 freestyle.
- **Gabrielle Osborne** (55–59) impressed with top 10 placings in the 50 butterfly, 50 breaststroke and 50 freestyle.
- **Anne Henderson** (55–59) showed grit in endurance events, finishing 5th in the 800 Free, 4th in the 200 Butterfly, 5th in the 400 IM and 7th in the 400 Free.
- **Penny Lucas** (60–64) had a strong championship performance with a PB and 6th place in the 50 freestyle, and more PBs in the 50 and 100 back.
- **Leisl Wylie** and **Elisa McMillan** (THB) both swam consistently across the week, racking up PBs and representing Tasmania with pride.
- **Jim Groom** (TTL, 70-74), representing Manly, also excelled, winning bronze in the 200 backstroke.

Vorgee1000 Program 2025

The Vorgee Endurance 1000 program was launched as a national event over 20 years ago as the Aerobics program. The program is designed to encourage people to compete in distances from 400 metres to 60 minutes duration in a variety of strokes. In Tasmania the State Vorgee Endurance 1000 Award goes to the club averaging the highest number of points per registered member.

Big congratulations to the Launceston Lemmings Club for their outstanding achievement in 2025. They've clinched the Vorgee Endurance 1000 Club Championship. In addition to the State Award the club placed second nationally for overall points gained.



Celebrations for Launceston Lemmings.

COACH TRAINING

MST now has 16 Accredited Club Coaches with all clubs except Burnie having at least one coach amongst their ranks. We also have 13 Program Leaders, some of whom are currently upgrading to ACC qualifications, along with a further two trainees.

Coach Development sessions



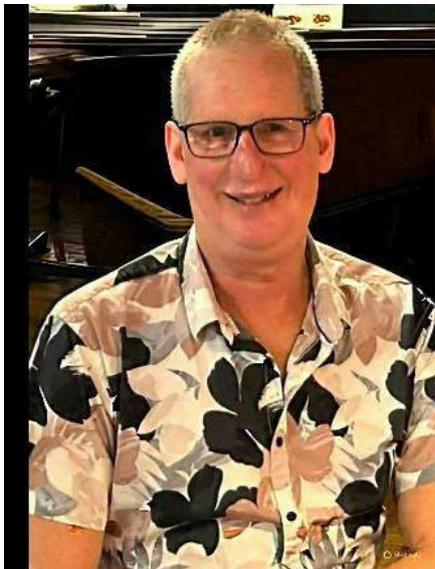
Two wonderful coach professional development sessions were conducted by MST over the weekend of 1 & 2 November: *Beyond the Basics – Building Technique for Mastering Success*. The sessions truly lived up to their name.

Engaging, insightful, and packed with practical coaching gems, the sessions were led by Amanda Teh - Head Coach of Surge Aquatic - who inspired our coaches to take Masters swimming to the next level. Amanda's presentations were enthusiastic, fun, and informative, based on experience and a deep knowledge of her craft.



MST coaching group with guest presenter Amanda Teh.

REMEMBERING ALLAN NICHOLS



MST was saddened at the loss of our member and dear friend Allan Nichols. Allan passed away on Tuesday 27 August in the presence of husband Pete. We all cherish precious memories of this special man.

Swimming was a great passion of Allan's and he leaves behind many life-long friendships from within the Tasmanian swim community. Some in our organisation have enjoyed a friendship with Allan from the very earliest swimming days back in the 1960s, and many more came to know and love Al through his love for our sport.

Allan swam with several masters clubs: Sandy Bay, Talays, Hobart Aquatic and most recently the Hobart Dolphins. He stamped his presence on the Tasmanian Masters record books, currently still holding 29 individual Tasmanian records. The oldest of these, which was set way back in

2001, is surprisingly, not for his outstanding breaststroke, but for a 400m butterfly in the 45-49 year-old age group. He was an incredibly determined swimmer and a remarkable breaststroker as testified by his many top ten national rankings ranging from the 50m to 800m events. In 2008, 2015 and 2017, whilst competing at the National Masters Swimming Championships, Allan won a swag of medals - many of those in his pet breaststroke events. He also won 3 gold and 4 silver medals in the 2009 Oceania Masters Games. An amazing feat. The other records which Allan still holds are in freestyle, individual medley as well as breaststroke. In addition to the numerous individual records, Allan was a member of 5 relay teams which currently hold Tasmanian records.

Allan's passing left us all deeply saddened. He has left precious memories which will be cherished and records that will stand the test of time. Allan leaves behind a legacy—one built not just on achievements in the pool but on the lives he touched, the values he lived by, and the example he set for all of us.

So, to Allan, we don't just say goodbye—we say thank you. Thank you, Allan, for the laughs, the lessons, the hard sessions, the cheeky remarks, and the unwavering belief that we could always do more—be more. Allan stirred the pot in the best way possible, and we're all better for it.

Our sincere condolences to Pete, Allan's daughter Kristy, and cherished grandson Kurt.

MSA 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Masters Swimming Australia turned 50 years in 2025, and MST members joined in celebrating all things masters swimming in Australia during the year.

Commemorative 50th Year Vorgee Swim Cap

The free 50th Anniversary gold cap, made possible through MSA's partnership with national sponsor Vorgee, was one of the most visible and popular initiatives of the anniversary year. Once distributed to members, the caps were enthusiastically embraced and rapidly became a recognisable feature on pool decks nationwide, helping to raise the profile of the 50th celebrations while giving members a lasting keepsake.



Hobart Dolphins members display their commemorative caps at a recent training session.

50 x 50M x 50 WEEKS

Another part of the anniversary activities was the 50 x 50m x 50 Weeks MSA Members Challenge 2025. This was a unique 50th Year Anniversary swimming challenge during the year i.e. to complete at least one base set of 50 x 50m in a single session as recorded once a week for at least 50 weeks.

Four (4) Tiers of target and achievement were recognised. Congratulations go to:

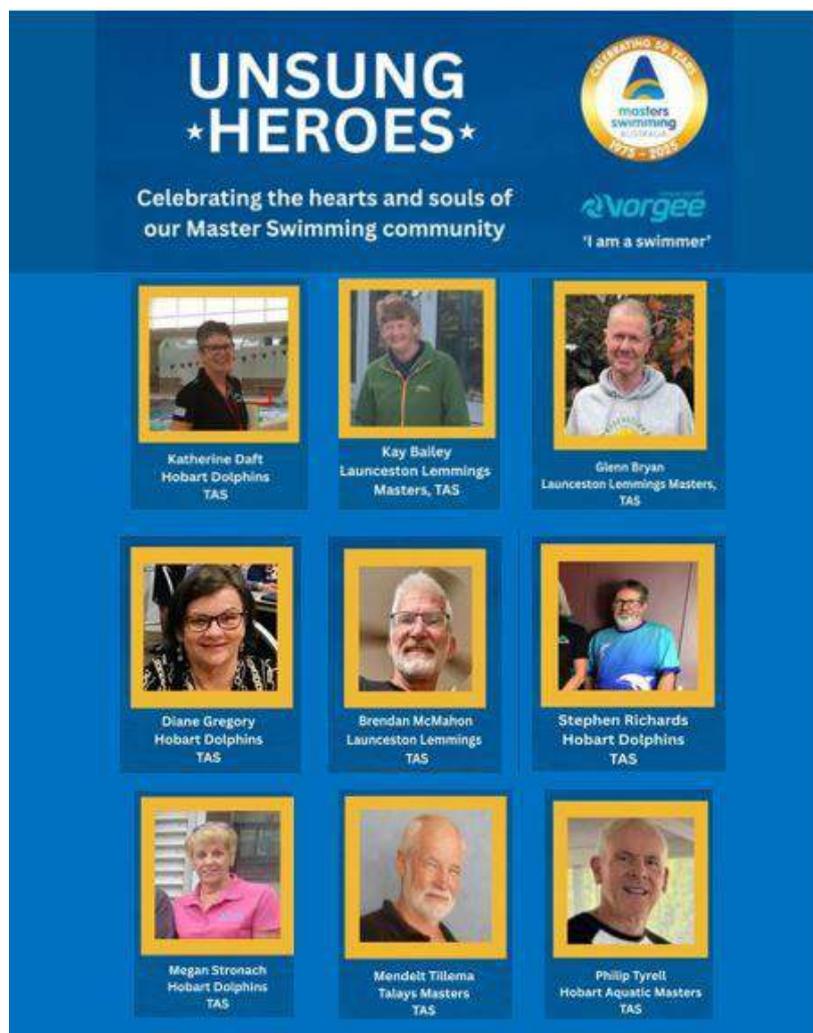
- **Platinum – 50+ weeks completed:** achieved by Lucy Cochrane, Myra Robertson, Nina Edwards, Wendy Winzenberg (TDP), Amanda Duggan, Auro Almeida, Beth Mulligan, Elisa McMillan, Fiona Ziegeler, Jennifer Ford, Katherine Daft, Leisl Wylie, Linda Walsham, Megan Stronach, Pia Peterson (THB), Heidi van der Reest, James Belstead (THV), Glenn Bryan (TLC), Louis Hill (TTL), Donna Rickwood, Kelly Harley, Rebecca Laletin (TAC).
- **Gold – 45-49 weeks completed:** achieved by David McIvor, Peta Ajkunic (TDP), Anne Gillian, Steve Richards (THB), Victoria Wilson (THV).
- **Silver – 40-44 weeks completed:** achieved by Gregory Bellwood (TDP), Kay Bailey (TLC), Melanie Webb, Penny Lucas (TAC).
- **Bronze – 35-39 weeks completed:** achieved by Michelle Sampson, Siska Hocking (THB).

Unsung Heroes

Hearty congratulations to nine MST members, recognised as MSA “Unsung Heroes”. The MSA Board created this award during the 50th anniversary year to honour those remarkable individuals who have given exceptional volunteer service to our sport, their clubs and their communities over many years. States and Territories, clubs and members were invited to nominate people who embody the true spirit of “I am a Swimmer” and the volunteerism that underpins our great sport and movement.

Our ‘Unsung Heroes’ in 2025 were:

- Glenn Bryan, Kay Bailey, Brendon McMahon (TLC).
- Katherine Daft, Dianne Gregory, Stephen Richards, Megan Stronach (THB).
- Mendelt Tillema (TTL).
- Philip Tyrell (TAC).



The dedication shown by these “Unsung Heroes” and all volunteers across Australia has enriched Masters Swimming in countless ways and fostered an enduring sense of community. MST is deeply grateful for everything our Tasmanian “Unsung Heroes” have contributed. This is a true grassroots MSA Community Award – created to honour the individuals whose commitment, generosity and passion have helped Masters Swimming grow and thrive over the past 50 years.

OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH MSA

MST continues our important relationship with MSA through attendance at national Leadership Meetings and communication with GM, National Office, and National committees. Through collaboration at the Leadership Meeting on 13 September 2025, MSA has refined its organisational priorities. The revised Top 5 focus areas are:

Strengthen the MSA Story & Value Proposition: Clearer communication of who MSA is, its new motto *Swimming for Life*, and its 50-year history. Emphasis on highlighting that membership is for all adults, not just competitive swimmers.

Redevelop the MSA Website: Modernise design, content and functionality, with coordinated input and cost-sharing across States.

Improve State Access to Swim Central Data: Continue working with Swimming Australia to enhance data access and analytics through tools such as Power BI, while maintaining privacy standards.

Strengthen Alignment with Swimming Australia & State Bodies: Develop a more strategic, coordinated relationship at national and state levels—supporting initiatives such as one-club models and consistent pathways.

Collaborate on a Long-term National Facilities Strategy: Work jointly with Swimming Australia on a multi-year plan for sustainable pool and lane access, backed by research and advocacy, including possible partnerships (e.g., Royal Life Saving).

These priorities reflect feedback from States and build on ongoing work in communications, governance improvements, partnership development, and member services.

MASTERS SWIMMING TASMANIA: LOOKING BACK AND LOOKING FORWARD

Four years ago, we developed a Strategic Plan to guide our actions and priorities. I am pleased to report that the majority of initiatives identified at that time have been successfully achieved. Key accomplishments include:

- **Coach Development:** This remains a significant strength, with 16 accredited coaches and 13 program leaders now active across the state and a regular program of professional development. Coaches are essential to the effective operation of all clubs, and this growth places us in a strong position.
- **Improved Communication:** Our communication networks have expanded considerably through enhancements to our website, increased use of social media, and the introduction of an innovative NEWS section.
- **Expanded Events Calendar:** We now host five regular swim meets each year, complemented by a successful open water series.
- **Strengthened Partnerships:** We have developed productive relationships with key organisations, including Swimming Tasmania and Surf Life Saving Tasmania.

The Strategic Plan was reviewed regularly, and as priorities were achieved, new ones emerged. While much has been accomplished, there is still important work ahead. The following areas now require focused attention and may serve as a valuable starting point for the incoming State Committee:

- Establish clear pathways for Technical Official training — a critical priority.
- Develop incentives for clubs to promote training opportunities at swim meets.
- Identify and mentor potential State Management Committee nominees early.
- Produce posters and flyers for pool venues featuring local club contact details.

- Implement strategies to increase membership, particularly among younger swimmers.
- Expand promotion of our organisation to the broader community.
- Introduce annual awards recognising excellence in coaching, officiating, volunteering, and swimming.

In addition, it is timely to undertake a comprehensive review of our current event formats. Our meets have been delivered in much the same way for many years, and there is significant value in exploring opportunities to update and modernise them. A refreshed approach may enhance the experience for swimmers, volunteers and officials, support stronger engagement, and contribute to both member retention and recruitment.

Looking ahead, we move into the coming year with a full calendar, including five scheduled swim meets and numerous opportunities for our members to participate at state, national and international levels. This program is complemented by 15 meets dual-sanctioned by MST and ST and locked in through to mid-August. It promises to be an active and rewarding year.

However, several challenges continue to demand our attention. Membership growth remains a pressing priority, with numbers declining over the past four years. Despite the rising popularity of swimming—particularly open water—this interest has not translated into increased Masters membership. Many people swim for fitness, wellbeing and social connection, all of which align closely with what Masters offers. Our task is to better communicate this value and encourage these swimmers to see themselves as part of a Masters club community. Indeed, communication remains an area for improvement. While our digital channels are active, it is not always clear that our messages are reaching members effectively. This issue challenge has also been recognised as a challenge at national level.

Volunteer capacity also remains a concern. We continue to rely heavily on a small group of dedicated individuals, increasing the risk of burnout and limiting opportunities for new perspectives and ideas. Recruitment into committee roles has been particularly challenging, and without a clear succession pathway our long-term sustainability is compromised.

Finally, and with some urgency, we must expand our pool of Technical Officials, both in number and in capability. Recent meets have been affected by shortages, placing increased pressure on volunteers, impacting event delivery, and, in some cases, challenging the integrity of competition. Strengthening the depth and capacity of our Technical Officials will be essential as we move forward.

In conclusion

This is my final report as President, as I will be stepping down from the role. It has been a privilege to serve for four busy years, and I extend my sincere thanks to everyone who has supported me and contributed to the organisation's ongoing success. I wish the incoming President—whoever that may be—the very best as they take on this important leadership role.

Despite our challenges, our community continues to demonstrate enthusiasm, resilience and a strong sense of connection. I look forward to seeing Masters Swimming Tasmania grow and thrive in the years ahead.

Dr. Megan Stronach

President
Masters Swimming Tasmania

Not-For-Profit - Association Report

Masters Swimming Tasmania Inc

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For the year ended 31 December 2025

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Committee's Report

Masters Swimming Tasmania Inc
For the year ended 31 December 2025

Committee's Report

Your committee members submit the financial report of Masters Swimming Tasmania Inc for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

Committee Members

The names of committee members throughout the year and at the date of this report are:

Position	Committee Member	Address
President National board Delegate	Megan Stronach	
Secretary Recorder	Pauline Samson	
Treasurer	Gabrielle Osborne	
Coordinator of Coaching and Education	Jodie Bennet	
Coordinator of Safety and Health	Ian Shuey	
Registrar	Diane Gregory	
Communications	Mendelt Tillema	

Statement of Comprehensive Income

Masters Swimming Tasmania Inc
For the year ended 31 December 2025

2025

Income

Branch and Events Operating Income

Affiliation Fees	1,481
Coaching Workshop Fees	420
Country Events Income	360
LCLD Income	498
Membership Fee 2025	4,130
Merchandise Income	45
SCLD Income	566
Summer Championship Income	5,192
Winter Championships Income	6,967
Total Branch and Events Operating Income	19,659

Other Income

Other Income	1,000
Interest Income - Fixed Deposit	2,954
Total Other Income	3,954

Total Income **23,613**

Gross Surplus **23,613**

Expenditure

Advertising	391
Affiliation MSA & Swim Tas	995
Audit Fees	550
Branch and Club Workshops	488
Club development grants Legacy Funds	500
Coach training and recognition Legacy Funds	499
Country Event Expenses	309
Filing Fees	75
Information Technology Subscriptions	335
Insurance	88
LCLD Expenses	1,620
Life Memberships	61
Medals & Trophies	659

2025

Meeting Expenses	44
Merchandise	484
National Meetings & Workshops	442
Office Expenses	568
Post and Stationery	113
SCLD Expenses	981
Subscriptions (Xero)	390
Summer Championship expenses	2,995
Winter Championships Expenses	4,652
Total Expenditure	17,239
Current Year Surplus/ (Deficit) Before Income Tax Adjustments	6,374
Current Year Surplus/(Deficit) Before Income Tax	6,374
Net Current Year Surplus After Income Tax	6,374

Statement of Financial Position

Masters Swimming Tasmania Inc

As at 31 December 2025

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31 DEC 2025

Assets

Current Assets

Bank Accounts

Debit Account		880
Operations Account		29,657
Term Deposit		72,460
Total Bank Accounts		102,997

Accounts Receivable

Accounts Receivable	2	(167)
Total Accounts Receivable		(167)

Inventory	3	1,262
Inventory - Matador Stopwatches		614
Total Current Assets		104,706

Total Assets		104,706
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Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Unearned Revenue		1,335
Total Current Liabilities		1,335

Total Liabilities		1,335
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Net Assets		103,371
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Equity

Retained Earnings		103,371
Total Equity		103,371

Notes to the Financial Statements

Masters Swimming Tasmania Inc For the year ended 31 December 2025

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

In the opinion of the Committee of Management, the Association is not a reporting entity since there are unlikely to exist users of the financial statements who are not able to command the preparation of reports tailored so as to satisfy specifically all of their information needs. These special purpose financial statements have been prepared to meet the reporting requirements of the Act.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historic costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where stated specifically, current valuations of non-current assets.

Income Tax

The Association is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1977

Accounts Receivable and Other Debtors

Accounts receivable and other debtors include amounts due from members as well as amounts receivable from donors. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

Revenue and Other Income

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable after taking into account any trade discounts and volume rebates allowed. For this purpose, deferred consideration is not discounted to present values when recognising revenue.

Interest revenue is recognised when received or receivable.

Other income is recognised on an accruals basis when the Association is entitled to it

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2. Trade and Other Receivables

Current

Accounts Receivables - Overpayment

Accounts Receivable	(167)
Total Accounts Receivables - Overpayment	(167)
Total Current trade and other Receivables	(167)
Total Trade and Other Receivables	(167)

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3. Inventories

Stopwatches	614
Medals	1,262
Total Inventories	1,876

4. Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets

In the opinion of the committee, the association did not have any contingencies as 31 December 2025.

5. Commitments

In the opinion of the committee, the association did not have any contingencies as 31 December 2025.

6. Statutory Information

The registered office and principal place of the association is:

Master Swimming Tasmania Inc

PO Box 5229

Launceston TAS 7250

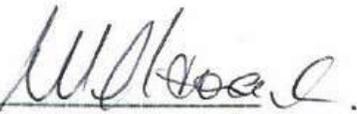
Statement by Members of the Committee

Masters Swimming Tasmania Inc
For the year ended 31 December 2025

In the opinion of the committee the financial report as set out on pages 4 to 9

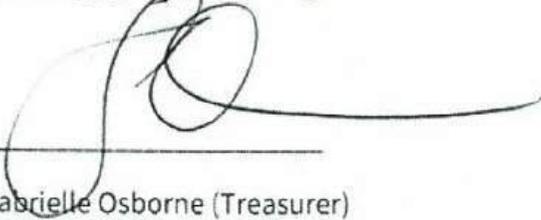
1. Present fairly the financial position of Masters Swimming Tasmania Inc as at 31 December 2025 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements;
2. Satisfy the requirements of the Association Incorporation Act (Tasmania) 1964 to prepare accounts; and
3. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Master swimming Tasmania Inc will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the committee and is signed for and on behalf of the committee by :



Megan Stronach (President)

Dated: 21/3/2026



Gabrielle Osborne (Treasurer)

Dated: 21/3/26

Auditor's Report

Masters Swimming Tasmania Inc
For the year ended 31 December 2025

Independent Auditors Report to the members of the Association

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Masters Swimming Tasmania Inc (the association), which comprises the committee's report, the Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2025, the Statement of Comprehensive income for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the certification by members of the committee on the annual statements giving a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the association.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects (or gives a true and fair view –refer to the applicable state/territory Act), the financial position of Masters Swimming Tasmania Inc as at 31 December 2025 and (of) its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements.

Basis of Accounting and Restriction on Distribution

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australia Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the Association in accordance with the ethics requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia.

Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The committee of Masters Swimming Tasmania Inc is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the financial reporting requirements of the applicable legislation. The committee's responsibility also includes such internal control as the committee determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statement, the committee is responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the committee either intends to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We have conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but it does not guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken based on the financial report.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the association's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report, in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the association's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Auditor: Xiaowen Hou

Dated: 24 / 02 / 2026

Membership Report at 30 November 2025*

	2024	2025 Members			Percentage Renewed	Numbers Include	
		Total Members	Male	Female		6 Month Membership	2nd Claim
Hobart Aquatic	48	41	18	23	85.42%	5	1
Burnie	12	12	5	7	100.00%		
Devonport	36	26	10	16	72.22%	3	
Hobart Dolphins	58	57	17	40	98.28%	7	1
Huon Valley	13	18	6	12	138.46%	1	
Launceston	94	94	45	49	100.00%	4	
Talays	23	21	9	12	91.30%		
Tomatoes	3	4	4		133.33%		
Van Diemens	7	7	5	2	100.00%		
	294	280	119	161	95.24%	20	2

* Does not include new members who joined in December 2025 by purchasing a 2026 membership.

Communications Report for 2025

The Website

The website has been updated regularly. News items are published as they occur. These can be accessed by clicking “**NEWS**” in the top menu of the Home page.

The photo gallery has also been kept up to date

Upcoming items of interest including upcoming events and a report on the latest swim meet are usually shown on the Home page.

The one structural change that has been made is how Events are displayed on the Home page. With **Events**, a side menu has been included to allow one to look at other event categories.

We need contributions please:- Suggestions on content and photos to be included on the website will always be appreciated.. All clubs are encouraged to continue to send in photos and news items of interest.

Social Media

I have relied on Megan to provide posts for our social media accounts.

The branch needs someone other than myself to provide this form of communication.

Media Releases

There was a small news item during the Winter Championships, otherwise there have been no media releases.

Mendelt Tillema,
Coordinator of Publicity and Publications

Recorder 2025

Meets:

State Championships: Summer Long Course and Winter Short Course

Long Distance: Short Course and Long Distance

Dual Sanctioned Meets with Swimming Tasmania: 14

Time Trials: Huon Valley Medal Meet, Christmas Friendly at Oatlands

National Championships Melbourne: 24 swimmers

Australian Masters Games Canberra: 10 swimmers

World Masters Championships Singapore: 9 swimmers

Individual Swims for 2025

TAC	TBU	TDP	THB	THV	TLC	TTL	TTS	TVA	Total
482	7	60	768	437	1344	564	76	151	3889

Relay Swims 2025

TAC	TBU	TDP	THB	THV	TLC	TTL	TTS	TVA	Total
19	0	2	32	14	21	2	0	0	90

Individual LCM Records	58	W 32	M 26	Total from 1979	
Individual SCM Records	63	W 54	M 9	W 1707, M 1292	
Relay LCM Records:	6	W 3	M 2	X 1	W 95, M 77, X 92
Relay SCM Records:	1	W 0	M 1	X 0	W 108, M 98, X 118
National Individual Records:	7	Gabrielle Osborne (1), Amanda Duggan (2) Linnea Mack (4)		W LCM 49, W SCM 95 M LCM 13, M SCM 103	

e1000	Points	Average	F-Pts	M-Pts
Launceston Lemmings	15818	168.28	8548	7250
Talays Masters	8072	403.60	5015	3057
Hobart Dolphins	3142	58.19	2064	1078
Hobart Aquatic	526	13.15	243	283
Huon Valley Masters	189	10.50	91	98
Tomatoes Swim	130	32.50		130
Van Diemens	125	17.86	60	65
Devonport Devils	8	0.31	5	3

Pauline Samson OAM
MST State Recorder

Technical Coordinator's Report for 2025

As I am standing down after some 8 years in the role of Technical Coordinator role and 25 years on the State committee, this I hope will be my final report. I will be available to continue as a referee.

2025 did not pan out as envisaged – health issues, unexpected difficulties and commitments did not allow for any formal training of officials to take place. However, two members completed their pool side experience to achieve JOS and IOT qualifications.

My thanks to the regular attendees: Pauline Samson, Jose and Mendelt Tillema, Nev and Lorrie Snook, Bil Woodworth, Tony Forman, Victoria Wilson, Alex and Jodie Branch, Richard and Ruth Langman, Catherine Daft, Steve Richards and Auro Almeida.

There are continuing issues communicating with the National Office regarding recording of initial Official's Qualifications and Officials' requalification. This is ongoing and needs resolution as it takes considerable time and effort to get things sorted.

Ray Brien

Technical Coordinator.

Burnie Masters Swimming Club President's 2025 Report



At the AGM held on Sunday, 16 March 2025, I was elected as President, Mitch Martin retained the position of Secretary and Kate Furmage retained the position of Treasurer, as voted by financial members who attended the meeting.

Throughout the year club members were able to train on Sunday mornings at the Burnie Aquatic Centre utilising the 25m indoor pool in the winter months and 50m outdoor pool during the summer season. The Club appreciates the use of lanes provided by the Management of the Aquatic Centre on club training Sundays.

The mid-year club event was held in Tullah on the 21 and 22 June 2025.

Some members arrived early on the Friday afternoon, but didn't venture too far from the Lakeside Lodge, where there was a roaring fire going in the main bar area. Members had a lovely meal together that night. On Saturday, a bush walk up Mt Farrell, led by Kevin was on the menu and then onto Lake Herbert. A wonderful day was had by all and the views from the top of Mt Farrell were spectacular.

Members that did the walk were Barbara, Christine, Carmen, partner Warren, Marcie, hubby Graham, Kevin and partner Juliette. Once getting back to the Lodge, a number of walkers decided to take a solace dip in Lake Rosebery. It was very cold in the water.

After having a nice long and hot shower, members including a couple more Keith and Wendy joined in the club trivia game, prior to us all again enjoying the food and drinks on offer at the Lodge's restaurant.

Graham and Marcie conducted another quiz session after dinner (boys v girls) Girls won.

A special thanks needs to go to Barbara who organised the weekend. Special thanks to Graham and Marcie for researching and conducting the trivia and quiz games and supplying the prizes. Everyone had a very nice time and it's great that members and partners can socialise together away from the pool.



Club members at the top of Mt Farrell, Tullah

Mitch Martin co-ordinated the annual Christmas fun event on Sunday, 14 December 2025 with members and family members participating. Many laughs were had. Thanks to Barbara for allowing members to gather at her residence for the Christmas morning tea.

In conclusion, I would like to thank the Committee for their tireless work during 2025. Also, thanks to those members who assisted with training programs throughout the year.

I wish the Club and its members all the best for 2026 and to keep swimming for friendship, fun and fitness.

Christine Brown

President Burnie Masters Swimming Club





President's Report – Devonport Devils

As we reflect on the past year, I am proud of the steady and sustainable progress we have made as a club.

Financial & Fundraising

Financially, our focus continues to be sustainability. With the recent adjustment to membership fees and proactive management of lane hire costs, we were pleased to record a small profit of a few hundred dollars. A sincere thank you to everyone who supported our two consistent Bunnings sausage sizzles, which once again proved to be reliable and important fundraisers. We were also grateful for the opportunity to volunteer at the Devonport Triathlon, which resulted in a generous donation to the club. These efforts collectively ensure we can continue to operate sustainably and keep breaking even as our primary financial goal.

Membership

Membership numbers declined slightly this year; however, this was largely due to relocation and injuries rather than dissatisfaction. Importantly, we maintained a strong core of regular swimmers and have recently welcomed a few new members. It is encouraging to see consistency within the club and to know that members remain because they enjoy being part of the Devils community.

MST Event Participation

While we do not currently have a large Masters Swimming Tasmania (MST) competition team, we continue to represent the Devils at MST events to show our support. This year, we saw significant interest in ocean and open water swimming, which was exciting and energising for the club. We hope to grow this area further and place our little club proudly on the map in the coming year.

Expo

Although the Expo did not result in new memberships this time, it provided a valuable opportunity to reconnect with past members and maintain our visibility within the community. We remain proud to put ourselves out there.

MST 50x50x50 Challenge

The MST 50x50x50 challenge was a real highlight of the year. It kept many of us motivated and connected, with several members reaching impressive milestones. These achievements will be acknowledged alongside our club trophies.



2026

Looking ahead, 2026 marks our unofficial 10-year anniversary. With financial sustainability no longer feeling like a pressure point, we can shift our focus toward inclusivity and belonging. Our vision for the coming year is simple: **Swim It Your Way**. We recognise how busy life can be and want to create space for all members—whether swimming competitively, socially, in the pool, or in the ocean—to participate in a way that suits them. We are aiming for a low-stress, high-belonging 2026.

Committee

There will be some changes in how committee roles are structured; however, I am proud to say that all current committee members are remaining, and we warmly welcome one additional member to the team. This continuity speaks volumes about the commitment and passion within our leadership group.

Thank you

Finally, I would like to sincerely thank our committee and all members for their support over the past two challenging years. Despite the hurdles, we are not just surviving—we are thriving. That is something we can all be proud of.

Thank you for being part of the Devonport Devils Swim Club.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nina Edwards".

Nina Edwards

President





Hobart Aquatic Masters

Email: hobartaquaticmasters@gmail.com

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2025 (covering the period 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025).

Hobart Aquatic Masters continues to operate effectively in conjunction with Masters Swimming Tasmania (MST) and Masters Swimming Australia (MSA).

Membership is still strong with an average membership during 2025 of around 41 financial members. The average age is still high and there is a recognised need to attract younger people to the Club to ensure a broader range of ages, new ideas and succession planning.

The Club participated in both competitive pool and ocean swimming events in Hobart and other parts of the State, Interstate and overseas.

A strong coaching program is available to assist in the development of our members, with 3 accredited coaches (Jodie Bennett, Tony Forman and Bec Laletin) generously making themselves available to members during the period. Casey Rose joined the ranks of our accredited coaches late in the year, just before Jodie departed for the Big Island. It is hoped that further members will pursue accreditation in the near future.

Membership has decreased over the years which appears to be a trend with many sporting clubs and associations. One of the challenges will be to grow and diversify our membership base and ensure retention of members.

Competition-wise, the Club participated strongly in the Oceans Treble open water swims competition, with eight members participating. Jodie Bennett, Bec Laletin and Tony Forman won age-group awards and we also won the MST Club Trophy.

At the MST Summer Championships in Hobart in March 2025, club members were winners in 12 individual events and one relay. Age-group winners in individual events were Gab Osborne, Jenny Lain, Penny Lucas, Jodie Bennett, Casey Rose, Barbara Etter, Brent Walker, Ian Shuey, Matt Carr, Graham Pritchard and Tony Forman. Club members, Gab and Brent, were awarded Female and Male Swimmer of the Meet respectively. State records were also achieved by Gab (100m breast) and Brent (50m free).

For the Winter Championships in Launceston in August 2025, we had winners in 19 individual events and 10 team winners in 6 relays. Age-group winners in the individual events were Delaney Torlop, Donna Rickwood, Casey Rose, Jodie Bennett, Barbara Etter, Jo Burke, Yuki Hasegawa, Jim Trihey, Brad McTye, Matt Carr, Phil Tyrell, Tony Forman, Brent Walker and Ian Shuey. Brent was again awarded Male Swimmer of the Meet. Jim Trihey and Tony Forman both broke State records in the 50m free.

At the MST Short Course Long Distance meet, Jodie Bennett Brent Walker, Phil Tyrell and Yuki Hasegawa were all winners in their age-groups, with Jodie, Phil and Yuki winning two races each. At the Long Course Long Distance meet, Jodie Bennett, Donna Rickwood, Kelly Harley, Yuki Hasegawa, Steve Aird and Tony Forman were all age-group winners, with Yuki winning two events.

Club members also competed in the social Oatlands Meet in November 2025 and were suitably dressed for relays in colourful Christmas attire.

At the National Championships in Melbourne, we had a small contingent of five members. Remarkably, in 14 events we achieved nine 1st places, three 2nd, four 3rd, three 4th, one 5th, two 6th and one 9th place. Our four men also won their 4 x 50 freestyle relay.

The World Championships were held in Singapore in July/August 2025, with a large Australian contingent. We had a good representation from Hobart Aquatic Masters with Anne Henderson, Gab Osborne, Penny Lucas, Phil Tyrell and Tony Forman. Club members contested 16 events with one 1st placing, three 2nd, one 4th, two 5th, six 6th, two 7th, one 8th, one 9th, two 13th and one 14th place. This was a pretty good performance especially in the very large fields in which our “youngsters” competed (that is, the 55-59 age-group).

Despite the participation in competitive events, the focus of the Club is one of fitness, fun and friendship, a previous motto of MSA. It is hoped to encourage and develop recreational swimmers who would like to become members of Masters Swimming.

The work of all members, and the Executive and Committee of MST and MSA is appreciated in enabling Club members to fulfil their swimming goals and nurture their social networks.

The Club is financially stable and operating well as evidenced by the Treasurer’s report for 2025. A report to the Tasmanian Consumer Building and Occupational Services (CBOS) was submitted online as required by law during the period under review.

There will be moves to increase the size of the Committee in 2026 to improve administration and enhance the Club’s public face on social media, as well as organise more social events to meet the social and networking needs of members. There will also be more regular on-deck coaching, mentoring and feedback for members.

I thank the new Committee members, elected/appointed in the period, Tony Forman and Barbara Etter, for their assistance during the year. Thanks to our wonderful coaches and those that hosted or organised social events, including our mid-year social drinks and our

well attended Christmas event (complete with a pig on the spit) (at Twelve30 in Cambridge) in early December.

The camaraderie and friendships really do add to the enjoyment of swimming.

Donna Rickwood
President



Four of our 5-swimmer team at the World Championships in Singapore



TAC members showing their lovely legs and the Oatlands Christmas Friendly



Hobart Dolphins Club Report 2025

Membership

The club finished the year with 57 members, one less than the previous year. Our annual membership fee remained at \$120 per year but we continue with a discounted rate for those over 80 years old. A new Dry membership of \$20 was introduced to attract those with a connection to the club but who do not want to train or compete. On a sombre note, we lost one of our valued members, Allan Nichols, who sadly passed away in September.



Activities

2025 has once again been a very successful year for the club and we are particularly proud of the level of engagement of members in the various activities.

Highlights for 2025 include:

- 28 Club members competed in State Championships, with the club winning the Summer Championship and the Relay Trophy.
- We also had 11 members compete in the National Championships and three heading across to Singapore for the World Masters Championships. Other meets attended included the Great Barrier Reef Masters Games and the Australian Masters Games, as well as the Oatlands Christmas Event, Tas Swimming co-sanctioned events and the Bunbury postal swim.
- Club members broke 2 National Records, 28 State individual records, 4 State relay records and over 70 club records during the year.
- Out of the pool the club was well represented in the Ocean Swim Series, the Bicheno Devil of a Swim and the Trans Derwent Swim. We conducted our Open Water Winter Challenge again this year, this time focussing on the location of swims. We were amazed to see that our swimmers had clocked up kilometres in 3 different continents, as well as 4 different States/Territories of Australia and multiple sites around Tasmania.
- Although we have no specific club endurance session, 2 members gained maximum points in the Vorgee Endurance 1000 program swimmers and 26 members contributed to the total club point score.
- 15 swimmers completed the MSA 50x50 challenge,
- In July we hosted Dietitian Hannah Richmond, who delivered a talk on Sports Nutrition to some 27 members and guests.
- In October, six of our coaches attended a Branch subsidised Coaching Workshop delivered by Tas Swimming Coach Amanda Teh (also a member of our club).
- The club hosted the Transition to Masters Program, funded through a Grant obtained by MSA. 8 swimmers participated in the program, with 5 going on to take advantage of the



club membership which came with the program and 3 continuing on with full club memberships.

- Four members were recognised as unsung heroes by Masters Swimming Australia.
- An active social program has continued throughout the year with activities from a very successful Trivia Night, a fabulous 40th Birthday cocktail party, our annual Christmas party/presentation function and our annual pilgrimage to eggs and bacon bay for a post-Christmas Swim. We also have a monthly post training breakfast, post training coffees sessions and periodic breakfast BBQs.
- An active WhatsApp group, a Facebook page and an informative and entertaining monthly newsletter have helped to keep kept members engaged.

Perpetual Trophy Winners

Club person of the Year:	Judi Adams
Coach's Award:	Annie Gillian
Swimmer of the Year:	Amanda Duggan
Endurance Swimmer:	Megan Stronach



Training

Our biggest training session continues to be held on a Saturday, although the Sunday session has garnered a healthy number of committed swimmers. We continue with a non-formal mid-week session but with limited success so far. We now have 4 club members who are fully qualified Masters Coaches and eight Program Leaders. All our sessions are supervised with coaches delivering well developed and engaging programs. In addition, a weekly open water swim session is held at Bellerive Beach (uncoached).

Financial

Despite increased lane hire fees the club posted a cash surplus of \$2,199 during 2025. This is due largely to the revenue obtained from the T2M program and a very successful Trivia Night. The club retains a healthy bank balance of \$11,828.

2025 Committee

Committee members have as usual worked extremely hard this year to deliver a great range of programs to members, thanks to their efforts we remain a strong and active club and I am extremely grateful for the contribution they all make to the continued success of the club. After thirteen years as Club President, I have decided to pass on that honour to someone else this year. It has been a privilege to be the President of such a fabulous club and to watch it go from strength to strength. The job has been made so much easier by the fabulous committee that we have, many of whom have been with me on the committee for almost the entire time of my Presidency.

Di Gregory, President



HOBART DOLPHINS MASTERS SWIMMING CLUB

Committee 2025

President	Diane Gregory
Vice President	Annaliese Cousins
Secretary	Katherine Daft
Treasurer	Pia Peterson
Recorder	Leisl Wylie
Coaching Director	Steve Richards
Newsletter Editor	Fiona Redgrove
Safety Officer	Beth Mulligan
Social Co-ordinator	Judi Adams
General Committee Members	Auro Almeida Megan Stronach
Club Delegate to Branch	Beth Mulligan Steve Richards Auro Almeida
Life Members	Katherine Daft Peter Tucker Mavis Fisher (dec.) Les Young (dec.) Ron Bloomfield (dec.) Peter Fisher (dec.)





Annual Report of Huon Valley Masters Aquatic Club

January to December 2025

This year has been one of more growth with our little club, we have grown in different ways

One notable way is with parents of our juniors wanting to try swimming, loving it and joining our club.

Not only are we a One Club, but we can boast being multi-generational. We have 3 generations of one family swimming with us.

Parents of HVA swimmers==6

Grandparents of Junior HVA swimmers==1(also parent of 2 masters swimmers)

2025 members=21

14 women and 7 men

Memberships are up 61.5% (13 members) some returning from previous seasons, some new to masters and some club transfers.

We have had good retention of members when we moved to Port Huon for the winter season.

Our age demographic covers a good few age groups

- 18-29=6
- 30-39=1
- 40-49=8
- 50-59=2
- 60-69=3

Members general location is Huon Valley, with 5 members in Kettering area.

We have had some great attendance in competitions as follows.

HVA Medal Meet (25Jan @ Huonville) =11

Summer Champs (1-2 March in Hobart) we had a record attendance with 11 members and won the New Norfolk Sheild again.

Nationals (8-12 April Melbourne) =2 members attended Sharon Smith and James Belstead

Winter Champs (23-24 Aug Launceston) =10 members attended, which was also a record attendance, 36 club records.

Australian Masters Games (24-25th October, Canberra) =This was the most members we had at a national event from our club, with 5 members, our girls relay teams won 2 x Golds for two relays.

LC Long Distance Championships (1 Nov, Hobart) 1 member attended.

Christmas Friendly (29 Nov, Oatlands) Always such a fun and highly anticipated event. We had 8 members attend which is also the most we have had to this event. We won for 4th year running “Best Dressed Club”. Many PB’s and excellent club spirit.

STAS Qualifying Trials: regular attendance by James Belstead.

Through this year club members have achieved 9 individual State Records.

Our current Executive Committee consists of

Sharon Smith=Club President

Nathan Smith=Vice President

Secretary=Sandy Taylor

Registrar and Media=Victoria Wilson

Treasurer=Adrian Ley

Our club is going from strength to strength, looking forward to more and better in the year ahead.

Sharon Smith

Club President.

LAUNCESTON MASTERS SWIMMING CLUB



AGM REPORT, 2025

- President
- Treasurer (summary)
 - Recorder
- Club captains

PRESIDENTS REPORT 2025

2025 proved to be a very successful year for Launceston Masters Swimming Club where we had a stable membership of 95 participating in Club training and activities.

The Launceston Masters Swimming Club hosted two competitions MST Winter Championships and the Short Course Long Distance Championships. Both these events only happen with good organisation and people volunteering time and effort – thanks to all those who stepped up to ensure they were successful. Thanks to our own Sarah Merridew for taking on the Winter Champs Meet Director role. A small but enthusiastic number travelled south for the MST Summer Championships, the MST Long Course Long Distance and the Oatlands Time Trial – all swimmers performed well and took time to help with timing and officiating.

We once again won the **MST Club Trophy for the winter championships** which was very satisfying and proof that participation and enthusiasm always contribute to success!

Our E1000 was a triumph in 2025. We finished **2nd Nationally** which is a phenomenal result and acknowledgement of our recorders, Glen and Neville along with the other volunteer timers (Loriee, Kay, Alwynne, Di et al) for their hard work and constant availability this year. Of course, the many Lemmings who participated deserve huge praise and heartfelt thanks also and through our esteemed recorder's encouragement and flexibility, 87 of our 95 members took part. It is truly amazing and something we should be fiercely proud of!

Our committee have been working hard during the year to ensure the continuing success of our club. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the committee (Ray, Sarah, Brendan, Di, Errol, George, Danny and Rob) for this.

The Committee have drafted a more streamlined club constitution which reflects current incorporation practices.

Our financial position remains solvent (see report summary) and we thank Brendan and Sarah for their ongoing commitment to our club's fiscal health.

We welcomed the continuance of Cube Aqua sponsorship - we appreciate the contribution that Bruce and Kirsten Dolle provide to our club and to them and their wonderful staff for hosting us each Saturday morning for our club breakfast. Sponsors mean less fundraising for our club- we will endeavour to add to this list in 2026.

Our web site is our primary communication channel, and all details from membership to training sessions and latest information are included in this portal. We believe that a strong web site is not only helpful for our members but also for the wider community – we have continuing enquiries from the public through the site – **but we need more Lemmings to engage!** So, let's make a commitment to bookmark it and use it in 2026! Special thanks to Brendan McMahon who works hard to keep it up to date.

Our coaching team has increased in 2025 with Errol, Claudia, Rob and soon to be Heather completing their Masters Coaching qualifications. We thank you all for

taking the time, putting in the effort and volunteering for the good of our club. Gratitude is also extended to John and Adam with Glenn and Ray becoming program leaders. We are spoilt for choice!

It is wonderful to reflect on the Launceston Masters Swimming Club and feel and express gratitude for our members who volunteer – we can't do it without you all. It is a privilege to lead this proactive, inclusive and inspiring group of people.

Adrienne McMahon

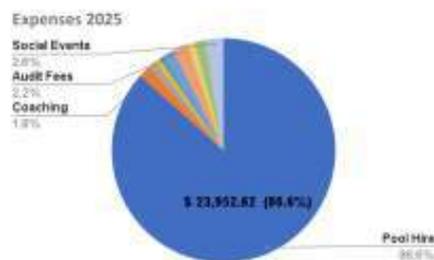
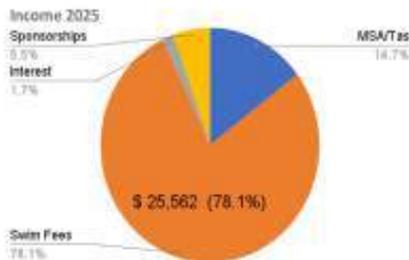
President

An example of the
wonderful hospitality,
inclusivity and
friendliness of The
Lemmings.



TREASURER'S REPORT (SUMMARY- complete document will be available after auditor's review)

Summary - Launceston Masters Swimming Inc. Financial Accounts 2025



The club ended 2025 with a net surplus of \$5,061.

Income

Total income ~ \$32,724

Notes:

Total includes an anonymous donation of \$600.00, and sponsorship by Cube Aqua of \$1200.00

No longer sponsored by Airmaster

Expenses

Total expenses ~\$27,663

Notes:

Thanks to the hard work of our volunteer Masters accredited coaches, we have reduced

Coaching expenses from \$7000 in 2023 to \$500.00 in 2025.

Pool lane hire expenses are significant. We have been able to absorb recent increases without increasing swim fees.

Please contact the Treasurer if you require access to the formal Independently Reviewed 2025 Financial Accounts.





Talays Masters Swimming Club

2025 Annual Report

Membership

In 2025, the club had **20 active members and 1 dry member**, bringing total membership to **21**, a decrease of one from the previous year.

The **E1000 Program** remained the primary focus of the club throughout 2025.

E1000 Program Achievements

- **Top Scoring Club (Trophy)**
Talays finished **10th** with **8072 points**.
- **Average Points per Member (Award)**
Talays finished **4th** with an average of **403.33 points per member**.

This award reflects the strong level of individual member contributions. All members should be proud and congratulated for their efforts.

Talays also won the **Tasmanian Aerobic Club Trophy**, presented at the conclusion of the Summer Championships.

E1000 Members' Achievements

- **Two members completed all 62 swims with maximum points (1005):**
 - Annette Philpot
 - Lou Hill
 - **Three members achieved 750+ points (750+ Club):**
 - Stacy Kirkby
 - Ruth Langman
 - Mendelt Tillema
 - **Members completing all swims in one or more strokes:**
 - David Briggs (2 strokes)
 - Mick Chalmers (1 stroke)
 - Jocy Anderson (1 stroke)
 - Anne Horner (1 stroke)
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Swim Meets

Club members participated in State and National meets with excellent results.

2025 MST Summer Championships

- Jim Groom – Gold and two State Records
- Jocy Anderson – Gold

- Janet Bradley – Silver and one State Record
- Lou Hill – Bronze

2025 MST SC Winter Championships

Congratulations to Team Talays on excellent results across all age groups. Our relay teams competed strongly, achieving second placings in each of their events.

- Annie Michell – Silver
- Jose Tillema – Silver
- Mendelt Tillema – Gold
- Ruth Langman – Gold
- Lou Hill – Gold

MST LCLD (Hobart)

Three members made the most of having a lane to themselves, produced excellent swims:

- Ruth Langman
- Mendelt Tillema
- Lou Hill

MST SCLD (Launceston)

Two members made the trip north and both achieved excellent swims, setting State Records:

- Jose Tillema
- Lou Hill

Records

A total of **8 State Records** were set by our members in their respective age groups:

- Jim Groom – (LC) 50m Backstroke, 100m Backstroke, 50m Freestyle
- Lou Hill – (SC) 800m IM
- Mendelt Tillema – (SC) 25m Butterfly, 50m Butterfly
- Jose Tillema – (SC) 400m Backstroke
- Janet Bradley – (LC) 200m Freestyle

2025 Oceans Treble

David Briggs proudly flew the Talays flag, finishing **second overall**. Congratulations on a terrific achievement.

Social

Unfortunately, coffee mornings were few and far between in 2025, something we hope to rectify in 2026.

The Morning Tea Presentation and Christmas Breakup were held at Seagrass and were enjoyed by all who attended.

Awards

Unsung Heroes – Mendelt Tillema

Life Membership – awarded to Mendelt Tillema



Club Goals for 2026

- Maintain focus on the E1000 Program
- Maintain or improve the club's performance in the E1000 competition

Key Factors for Success

- Consistent point contributions from members
- Planning and communication with timing personnel
- Utilising various venues to access both short course and long course facilities

Our Members

- Continue recognising individual achievements
- Foster a positive and supportive social environment
- Encourage increased participation at State swimming meets

Thank you to all our members for their commitment, contribution, and club spirit throughout 2025.

Lou Hill
President

TOMATOES SWIM CLUB INC ANNUAL REPORT



Training was maintained for four mornings per week at Clarence Pool from late January 2025, until the 19 December 2025.

Ocean swimming, on Thursday morning during daylight saving and also Saturday mornings.

Coach Joe Doran, provided coaching two mornings per week, Tuesday and Wednesdays and assists with writing swim programs.

Membership: 4 affiliated members with MST

Tomato Swim Club Committee

President

Sheila Barrett

Vice President/Events Coordinator

Rob Peart

Treasurer

Louise D'Amico

Secretary

Richard Boulton

Swim Programs

Duncan McKenzie, Joe Doran, Doug Hughson, Rob Peart

Harvest Awards Night, 8 August, 2025

Tomato of the Year: Doug Hughson

(presented by Sheila Barrett)



Coach's award: Meisha Austin, with Shelia Barrett and Joe Doran



Swimmer's Christmas party 5 December 2025. Combination of 'The Heard' and 'Tomatoes'

MS Mega Swim: Tomatoes participated in the MS Mega Swim raising around \$10,000. Organised by Matt Williams, our legend Tomatoes obtained numerous awards on the day.



Tasmanian Ocean Swim Series

A number of members participated in the statewide Ocean Swim series.

Anthony Chapman and Chris Arnold



Masters Swim Meets

Anthony Chapman and Richard Boulton participated in MST Short Course Championships in Launceston

Maciej Slugocki won gold in the 3km swim at the World Masters Championships, Singapore.

Maciej also claimed 3 silver medals at the MSA National Championships in Melbourne.



Anthony Chapman at the SC Championships, August 2025, Launceston