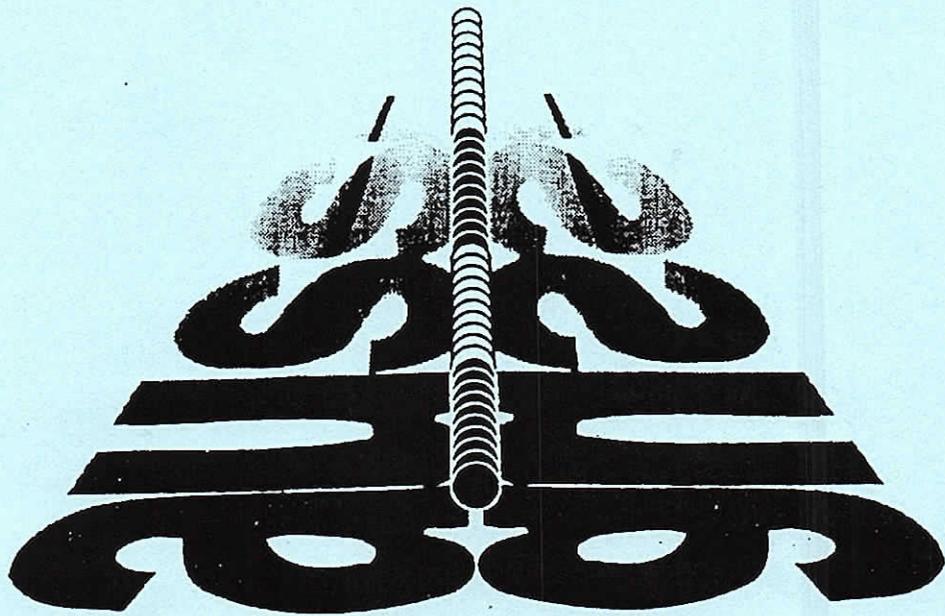


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AUSSI MASTERS SWIMMING

ANNUAL REPORT

1992



AUSSI TASMANIA

MASTERS SWIMMING IN AUSTRALIA (TAS.) INC

OFFICE BEARERS 1992

Executive Committee

President
Secretary

John Pugh

Hector Beveridge

Pam Grey - Resigned mid term

Fiona Redgrove - Acting Minute Secretary

Trish Beveridge - " Correspondence "

Treasurer

Recorder

Fitness and Coaching

Director

Publicity Officer

Caroline Walker

Pauline Samson

Trish Beveridge

Ron Bloomfield

Appointed Officers

National Delegate

Registrar

Safety

Policy Co-ordinator

Historian

Trish Beveridge

Fiona Redgrove

Bill Stewart

Peter Goss

Swim Meet Directors

Summer Championships

Winter Championships

Relay Championships

Peter Collins -

John Pugh -

Pauline Samson -

New Norfolk

Launceston

Talays

PRESIDENTS REPORT

It is with mixed emotions that I present this, my last report as President of AUSSI Tasmania.

Mixed emotions for that reason, I have now completed my last year as President and there are so many different things I want to say.

There is, of course, no statutory reason why I should leave the position but, there are many personal ones, foremost amongst which is my belief it is time someone else took charge of the organisation and imprinted their direction on it's future.

Mixed emotions because I'm unsure whether I should take this time to reminisce about the past or contemplate the future. After all, a lot has happened during my ten years with AUSSI. Anyone who saw our first Branch Championship would not have believed we could have hosted the first Australian Master Games a few years later or a National Championship soon thereafter.

Secure in todays environment it is difficult to comprehend the trouble we had starting a club in Hobart, the difficulty we had getting all clubs to participate actively on Branch Committee, my pride at getting 100 swimmers at a swim meet for the first time, my contentment at annually noting a membership growth of 20-25%, my satisfaction after a well attended and productive Branch meeting, the inspiration I got from others endeavours on behalf of AUSSI Tasmania.

Mixed emotions because despite the obvious progress we have made in recent years for the first time membership did not grow last year, despite my objective of developing new clubs none have emerged since New Norfolk in 1990, despite a recognition of the need to train our own officials no accreditation scheme is yet in place, despite a firm belief in the purpose of AUSSI more and more time and effort is expended on the rules of competition swimming, despite identifying with AUSSI's autonomy being aware of an insidious push to bring Masters Swimming in line with the FINA and ASI organisational structure and rules.

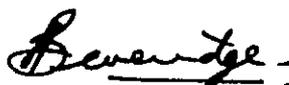
Mixed feelings because I identify these as objectives to be striven for or policies to be fought for and upon standing down I will not be there pushing the organisation in the direction I believe it should go.

But then, I have probably done enough of that and, as I said earlier, it is time others now took charge of AUSSI Tasmania and developed it along the lines they deem prudent.

I would sincerely like to thank all those who have participated in any way at Branch level during my several years as President. I can confidently report to you all that the committee we have had for the past two years has been excellent to work with, enthusiastic in its application, innovative, sometimes disparately strong willed, other times happily of uniform mind but always positive and productive. As they in turn present their reports to you today you will understand what I mean.

In closing I would like to thank you all for your friendship and support over the years and express my best wishes to the incoming committee.

See you in the pool.



HECTOR BEVERIDGE
PRESIDENT
6.3.1993.

TREASURERS REPORT

FOR YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER, 1992.

1992 was my first year as Treasurer for the Board of Aussi Tasmania.

During the year a computerised accounting system for the accounts of Aussi Tasmania was implemented together with an Asset Register and other appropriate accounting records.

I have recommended that the Committee introduce budgets and a strategic plan. These will compliment each other to set a path for the Branch to follow in the next few years as membership grows, new Clubs commence, and as funds will become increasingly difficult to administer effectively.

The Branch has investment monies which should be spent wisely to promote Aussi Masters Swimming in Tasmania and not to be drained on running expenses of the Branch.

Finally, I hope the Aussi Masters Tasmania Branch continues to grow as it is a good organisation which attracts all types of people for fun and fitness.

A special thanks to the President, (Hector Beveridge) for his support throughout the year.



Caroline Walker,
TREASURER.

FITNESS AND COACHING REPORT.

It is with pleasure that I report on the activities of the Branch coaching programme for the past year. This was a position unfilled at the previous Annual General Meeting but one which became obvious to me in great need for input into the National programme. It was as a result of my attending the Australian Coaches Association Conference in Adelaide that I accepted a nomination to be the Branches representative at the National Coaching Workshop.

This workshop was most productive and highlighted problems of running courses and the administration of the updating or re-crediting coaches. Planning for a Level 2 and 3 as well as a Level 0 were eagerly outlined and will I imagine receive more attention with the retention of our more than capable National Coaching Director, Anita Killmier. The Australian Coaches Association Conference recognised the Masters movement and offered a Masters stream for a day of the conference, which was well attended.

As a result of that workshop all directors of coaching from each Branch were requested to compile a series of examination questions to complete a reservoir of papers. Unfortunately the response from the directors was not as forthcoming as was hoped and this plan is still reaching fruition. I am pleased to say however that Tasmania did respond to the request and met our obligations here.

The long awaited and well planned Level 1M Coaching Course which was ably constructed by Bill Stewart and Ron Bloomfield under the auspices of AustSwim was set for execution in Hobart in June. A lack of commitment from members caused the course to be abandoned and in its place I ran a stroke technique clinic and water session in Hobart at the Department of Sport and Recreation Tasmania offices and the Collegiate pool. Members were seeking information but few wished to become AUSSI coaches.

I realised a need to encompass on a Branch scale another seminar and in November in Devonport in conjunction with the Devonport Devils 10th Anniversary Dinner and Inter-Club relay meet, Mr. Buddy Portier from the Institute of Sport Victoria provided us with a weekend of ideas, information and active stroke drills that would encourage us all to develop our programs to incorporate his information.

"Mastering Swimming" the publication that has been so well received by members as being an easy to read and understand private coach, has sold well with only six copies in my possession for sale. Although it does not take the place of a coaching course it does provide a wealth of information and planning for the self-coached swimmer.

The production of the "Little Book of Drills" and the "Tailoring a program" by Ron Bloomfield to compliment the video of the workshop done by Anita Killmier in 1992 is an indication of the way information can be disseminated. Please don't let them sit in your AUSSI Secretary's drawer. Get them out and spread them around. The National Coaches newsletter is another great publication which I would urge every AUSSI member to subscribe to to keep abreast of new methods and ideas.

BRANCH RECORDER'S REPORT - Pauline Samson.

Another year has passed and would you believe I'm still as enthusiastic as ever about recording for AUSSI Tasmania. Once a comfortable method of recording is established the task seems easy, although I continue to experiment with recording lists and forms. The use of the computer is a necessity when keeping times and issuing results.

I noticed when compiling entries for Top 5 (Tas) and the National Top 10, that although our membership has not increased dramatically, the number of events and types of swims members are completing have increased throughout the age groups. This must mean that our members are gaining more confidence in their strokes and the distances they are able to complete. The challenges are there and with the right encouragement our members can achieve a great deal.

In a recent report to the Branch, I mentioned that Top 5 (Tas) used to be just a few pages, and now it extends to approx. 38 pages. I'm certainly not complaining, but really pleased with everyone's efforts as I'm in the best position to see all the swims and times of all our members and able to compare with previous years.

The number of Inter-Club swims seems to have increased and the records broken or established have also increased. It is always a pleasure to review the records and even better to have National Records within our Branch - 3 after the Winter Short Course Championships in 1992.

The number of our members who were recognised in the National Top 10 in 1991/92 was very high, (700 entries submitted with 463 being successful) and although we don't have the quantity of members, we must obviously have quality.

I am looking forward to another successful year in swimming and looking forward to more great swims and lots of records keeping me busy.



Pauline Samson
Branch Recorder 1991/92
AUSSI Tasmania Branch.

PUBLICITY AND PROMOTIONS REPORT

This has been my first year in the office of Publicity and Promotions, and during this time, there have been six issues of Platypus Press.

A newsletter such as the Platypus Press cannot be produced without the help and assistance of the various contributors who have made my task simpler and easier than it would otherwise have been. To these people, I say thankyou.

I have been encouraged by the comments which have come back regarding the format and content of Platypus Press - both good and bad. There is a lot of interest around the state in our newsletter. If you think it is not being read, just miss somebody's name out of the list of best swimmers, and you will get it from all sides!

The last issue of Platypus Press cost less than half of what the previous editions did. I have found a place to get them printed at 18 cents per copy (compared with 40 cents before!). Southern clubs may like to use the same place for their in house newsletters.

To defray the cost of issuing our newsletter, we need sponsors or advertisers. If anyone can help with this, it would be much appreciated.

Ron Bloomfield
Publicity and Promotions

AUSSI MASTERS SWIMMING IN AUSTRALIA (TAS) INC.

PUBLIC OFFICERS REPORT

I, Patrica Beveridge, being the Public Officer of the Aussi Masters Swimming in Australia (Tasmania) Incorporated so solemnly and sincerely declare that the accompanying statements of assets and liabilities and receipts and payments as at 31 December, 1992 exhibit a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the organisation as at that date and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the information therein is correct.

Patricia J Beveridge

P. Beveridge,
PUBLIC OFFICER.

Signed by me at Devonport on 17

February
January, 1993.

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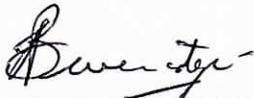
AUSSI MASTERS SWIMMING IN AUSTRALIA (TAS) INC.

REPORT TO MEMBERS

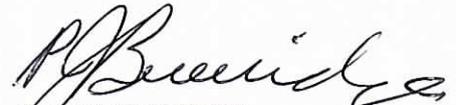
We hereby certify that the accompanying statement of receipts and payments and statements of assets and liabilities of the Aussie Masters Swimming in Australia (Tasmania) Incorporated for the year ended 31 December, 1992 shows the true financial position of the organisation for that period.

Dated at Hamilton this 18 day of January, 1993.

SIGNED:


H. BEVERIDGE
PRESIDENT


C.M. WALKER
TREASURER


T. BEVERIDGE
ACTING SECRETARY



AUSSI TASMANIA INCORPORATED

REVENUE STATEMENT

FOR YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER, 1992.

REVENUE	\$	\$
Registrations		6,840.50
Club Affiliations		60.00
Swim Meet Profits		1,547.00
Sponsorship		900.00
Sundry - Aerobic Badges		85.00
- Top 5 Books		30.00
- Booklets		30.00
Mastering Swimming Manuals		535.00
Interest Received - Trust Bank		29.02
- Macquarie Bank		691.51

		10,748.03

less: EXPENDITURE

Registrations	4,972.50	
Postage, Printing & Stationery	2,065.31	
Travelling	515.00	
Trophies (Stop Watch & Engraving)	81.00	
Insurances	190.00	
Subscriptions	12.00	
Swim Meets	560.19	
Sponsorship (N.D.A.S.A.)	50.00	
Meeting Costs	371.90	
Bank Fees & Charges	38.09	
Affiliation Fees (National AUSSI)	150.00	
Equipment (Lapcounters)	336.00	
Admin. Fees (Corp. Aff., Video Hire)	176.80	
Purchase of Coaching Manual	824.67	
Service Photocopier	111.85	
Printing of Seminar Books	210.00	
Power Charges Reimbursement	100.00	
Telephone Reimbursements	137.28	

		10,902.59

NET DEFICIT:		\$ 154.56
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AUSSI TASMANIA INCORPORATED

BALANCE SHEET

FOR YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER, 1992.

ACCUMULATED INCOME

Balance B/fwd 1 January, 1992	13,712.01
<u>less: deficit</u>	<u>154.56</u>

	\$ 13,557.45
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REPRESENTED BY:

Petty Cash - Secretary	100.00	
- Publicity Officer	50.00	
	-----	150.00
Balance Trust Bank Cheque A/c		1,634.03
Balance Macquarie Bank Investment		11,773.42

		\$ 13,557.45
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AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined the financial records and accounts of Aussie Masters Swimming in Australia (Tas) Incorporated in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards for the period 1st January 1992 to 31st December 1992.

In my opinion:

- a) I have been given all information and explanations required by me.
- b) As shown in the financial statements, current assets exceeded its current liabilities by \$13,557.45. In my opinion this factor, along with other matters contained within the Financial Statements, suggests that the Association is in a position to continue as a going concern and be able to meet any of its financial commitments. The Financial Statements include all necessary adjustments relating to the recoverability and classification of recorded assets amounts or the amounts and classification of liabilities that are required to prove that the Association is able to continue as a going concern.

The financial statements are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the financial position of Association, according to the information at my disposal and the explanations given to me and as shown by the books of the Association; and

- c) The rules relating to the administration of the Association have been observed.



19th February, 1993

P.S. Ryan J.P
MAIWO, AFAIM, MNIA
Reg. Com. Education Dept. Auditor
Reg. Assoc. Incorp Act 1964 Auditor

Ref:Swim-Rep.Doc



AUSSI MASTERS SWIMMING IN AUSTRALIA (TAS) INC.

OFFICE BEARERS AND APPOINTED OFFICERS

Hector Beveridge	President	21 Wiena Cres. Devonport	Town <i>Surveyor.</i> Planner
Trish Beveridge	Acting Secretary, Director of Fitness & Coaching & National Board Member	21 Wiena Cres. Devonport	Pool Manager
Caroline Walker	Treasurer	Cumberland St. Hamilton	Accountant/ Home duties
Pauline Samson	Recorder	P.O. Box 242 Rosny Park	Teacher
Ron Bloomfield	Publicity Officer	P.O. Box 395 Rosny Park	Teacher
Fiona Redgrove	Registrar	P.O. Bx 471 New Norfolk	Teacher
Bill Stewart	Safety Policy Co-ordinator	16 Belhaven Av. Taroona	Retired

We certify that this a true and correct listing of the Office Bearers and Appointed Officers of the Aussi Tasmania Masters Swimming in Australia (Tasmania) Incorporated for the year ended 31 December, 1992.

Signed,


T. BEVERIDGE
ACTING SECRETARY


T. BEVERIDGE
PUBLIC OFFICER


P.S. RYAN
AUDITOR





AUSI

MASTERS SWIMMING IN AUSTRALIA (INC.)

MEMBER TO NATIONAL BOARD.

It is with sadness that I hand over this position to my successor Pauline Samson. Sadness because I have developed great friendships among the other Board members and this will mean that I will not see as much of them or follow their duties as closely.

Not sad, because I believe Pauline is an enthusiastic and hard working replacement who is eager to learn as much as possible and not afraid to speak her mind in a polite but strong manner.

Not sad, because I will have more free time to spend on my family business and my own swimming.

Not sad, because it will be the end to domestic disputes on what AUSI should do, has done and will be doing.

Not sad, because although expenses are reimbursed I always seem to lose the slips or miss detailing the phone calls, etc.

Not sad, because finally I can clean out the two bottom drawers of my filing cabinet and use them for the many useless things I have lying around the house that should be filed away.

Not sad, because now all my holidays will not be planned around the mid year council meetings or a National Swim.

So, in closing, I guess I am not with sadness in handing over this position apart from the fact that yes, I do care where AUSI is heading. For ten years I have been involved in the development of Tasmania and their involvement on the Board and it will be difficult not to be involved.....and this job has definitely kept me off the streets.

Good luck Pauline.

Trish Beveridge.

National Director of
Programmes.

REGISTRAR'S REPORT - FIONA REDGROVE:

The past year has seen all clubs, at least at some stage, following the uniform procedure for registering their members, a procedure implemented at the beginning of 1992 to ease the load of the State Registrar. The changing of Club Office Bearers brought with it the need to re-establish the procedure in some instances, and gentle reminding is still necessary on occasions (no change is ever easy), but on the whole the load has not been too onerous.

The Season 1991/92 concluded with membership numbers as follows;

HOBART	84
DEVONPORT	70
LAUNCESTON	67
TALAYS	67
NEW NORFOLK	31
TOTAL	<u>319</u>

- overall 4 down on the 90/91 season membership.

While this reduction of numbers does not seem very many, it is the first year the growth rate for AUSSI Tasmania of 10% per annum has not been achieved. If we consider that 79 new members were welcomed into new membership over this time, it becomes apparent that over 25% of previous members (83) choose not to re-register from the previous year. While natural attrition accounts for many drop-outs (and this trend seems to be continuing this season also) other States are addressing the question of why a significant number of AUSSI members choose not to re-register.

Perhaps it is appropriate to recall some thoughts from Beryl Stenhouse, Secretary of the New South Wales Branch from July '92 who asked;

"Are you making it clear that AUSSI is not synonymous with competition and elite swimmers? AUSSI is for everyone who enjoys swimming and the social side of AUSSI and the opportunity to become fitter are very important to most of our members.

Is your club making good use of AUSSI's resources such as videos, coaching newsletters and courses etc? Does your club have an interesting programme on club nights, or are you bogged down in a boring routine.

Does the social side of your club help to make members enjoy being part of your club?"

OR - Do we all needed to be reminded of Hector's belief that it is the number of clubs that need to increase? New Norfolk, the youngest Club, is now four years old. Will 1993 see the emergence of the 6th Tasmanian Club?

SAFETY POLICY OFFICER ANNUAL REPORT 1992-93

In general, clubs have implemented the State Safety Policy and have conducted safety sessions to develop an awareness and skills in emergency procedures, lifesaving and cardio-pulmonary resuscitation.

Safety Questionnaire

The response was satisfactory, four clubs provided returns and or feedback indicating that:

- Members believe safety sessions should be conducted on a regular basis, preferably prior to training sessions and or meetings.
- That safety officers maintain confidentially the medical profile of members and be informed of any change in the medical condition/circumstances of a member.
- That the annual "Safety in Activity" and "Health Problems Sections" on the membership application be updated whenever appropriate.

As a result our State Policy has been amended and broadened.

Accident Report Form

A number of incidents and accidents at pool sessions and championship events have highlighted the wisdom of having an effective safety policy to ensure that, at every event, the appropriate procedures are in place to safeguard the welfare of participants.

With significant assistance from the Devonport Club and Ron Bloomfield, Hobart Club, a comprehensive report form has been developed which will enable the incidence of accidents to be effectively documented and monitored.

National Safety Committee

In September we accepted the invitation to be represented on the National Safety Committee and the following draft functions and policies are being proposed to the National Board:

- Policy on Swimming and Epilepsy
- Medical Data Collection
- At Risk Notification
- Alcohol Statement

TASMANIAN BRANCH
HISTORIAN'S REPORT - PETER GOSS

Having accepted the position of Historian for the Branch in 1992, the task is proving an interesting challenge.

Thoughts on how to collect and record historical information were not very clear, so it has taken some time to set up a model. This model has now been drafted for trial.

The collection of information of value to the branch is the next step. I am at present working through minute books from 1988 to present day.

Older records have been discovered with one of the former secretaries of the branch. These are yet to be collected and recorded, but I am hopeful this branch will have an accurate record.

Having spoken to the National Historian, it seems that most branches have holes in their records so if you have any information that you believe is worth keeping for posterity, please either sent to me care the Branch Secretary or contact me on Work 003 371288 or Home 003 444343.

PETER GOSS



AUSSI Masters Swimming in Australia

Launceston Club Inc.

P. O. Box 1507
Launceston 7250

LAUNCESTON AUSSI REPORT

Launceston Aussi has enjoyed another year of considerable achievements with the successful staging of the Winter Short Course Championships at Moubray and the continual improvement of numerous individuals, being two of our major highlights.

Strong performances at the Summer Championships at New Norfolk Relay Meet at Devonport and postal events prove we have the talent in our Club if not the numbers.

John Pugh's enjoyable and varied training sessions, three times a week, is the most significant factor in the success of Launceston Aussi. His programmes are expertly devised and consistent with our National Branch's coaching techniques. We could not have a more knowledgeable coach and are very fortunate to have his services free of charge.

Our social activities were well patronised. These included various barbecues, Uni Review, film night and Christmas function. We plan even more social gatherings for this year.

Our financial position is still strong despite increased pool charges. By being frugal with Club funds the Committee has kept subscriptions and admittance fees low.

We introduced our new style tracksuits at the Summer Championships with many favourable comments.

Our Annual General Meeting was held this month with the election of the following office bearers:

PRESIDENT	Robert Woodworth
VICE PRESIDENT	Philip Ogden
SECRETARY	Ceri Weeks
TREASURER	Brian Davis
COACH	John Pugh
RECORDER	Alwynne McMahon
CLUB CAPTAIN	Di McHenry
SOCIAL CONVEYNOR	Gerry Bonner
PUBLICITY OFFICER	Ray Brien

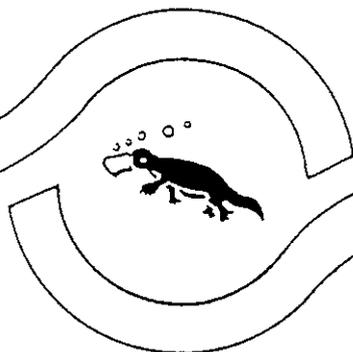
Launceston Aussi remains a very harmonious Club where friendship and good humour exists. We are an excellent example of a Masters Swimming Club where the goal is for fitness and fun.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'R. Woodworth'.

R. Woodworth,
PRESIDENT.

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DEVONPORT



Masters Swimming for Fitness and Fun

The last 12 months has seen great change, innovation and critical reflection of and within the Devonport Devils.

COACHING

A perennial criticism of the Club had been the lack of continuous structured coaching. As a result, during the winter season 1992 the Devils obtained the services of a number of swimming coaches to provide correction clinics to its swimmers. Those clinics were well attended and appreciated by all.

As a consequence of the collective results of the individual members competing at the winter championships having dramatically improved on their previous performances; the Club actively sought, and obtained, the services of Devonport Amateur Swimming Club's coach Rex Hill to provide long term structured swimming programs.

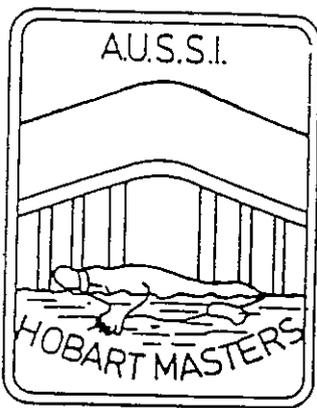
Rex Hill's participation with the Club has continued to the present. The benefit has included a resurgent interest in the competitive aspect of Aussie. This has created a new camaraderie between the members.

COMPETITION

Spurred on by the benefits of the coaching the Devils are eager to regain the place as a leading Club. A strong field has been entered in the coming summer championships with many members attempting both personal best and top five (5) results.

Aerobic swims are to become regular events.

There will be at least three (3) members going to the championships in Darwin.



HOBART AUSSI MASTERS SWIMMING CLUB INCORPORATED

Address all correspondence to
The Secretary
PO Box 395 ROSNY PARK 7018
Phone (002) 43 6746

4th February 1993

REPORT TO THE TASMANIAN BRANCH 1992-93

Although the membership of the Hobart AUSSI Masters swimming club has fallen slightly during the year, we have enjoyed another very successful and active swimming season.

Members participated in a large number of events, including the National Championships in Melbourne, the National Aerobics Competition, and Postal Mini-marathon events organized by the Oceania Masters, Carine Masters and Coogee Randwick Swimming Clubs.

In the home state, members competed as usual in the Winter Championships, and the club won the Summer Championships for the fifth successive year.

As well, we swam in interclub swim meets organized by Talays and New Norfolk, and we organized an interclub swim meet at the Port Huon Swimming Pool.

A very successful open water swim was conducted at Kettering, in which 43 swimmers competed over a 2.5 km course.

Thanks must go to our coach, Kathy Hawkes, who gave unstintingly of her time to help our members improve their strokes and general fitness, so that they could be in top condition for the competitive side of our clubs activities.

Members of Hobart Masters also participated in Life saving and CPR courses organized by the St John Ambulance and Royal Life Saving Societies, both of which we thank for their services to our swimmers.

Of particular note in our club is the efforts of some of our members who raised over \$600, which was paid to SPLASH - an organization which teaches swimming to handicapped people, and to RAFT, which has a program to provide swimming tuition for young people suffering with Rheumatism and Arthritis.

Several social events also made the year a memorable one - including cinema evenings and a bingo night.

Ron Bloomfield
Club Secretary.



TALAYS AUSSI MASTERS SWIMMING CLUB INC.

P.O. Box 530, Sandy Bay, Tas., 7005.

Report to the Tasmanian Branch 1992 - 93

Talays Aussi Masters Swimming Club (inc) continues to be a very enjoyable and successful club.

Membership is 62 - run by a hard working committee of 13.

Club meets are held Wednesday evenings and Saturday mornings at Collegiate Pool and Sunday mornings at Glenorchy Pool.

Participation has been excellent during the year in all organised Aussi events.

Talays hosted the Postal Relays in November with great success.

Aerobic swims are very popular with many of our members participating.

Life Saving was completed by nine of our members. Resucitation and Life Saving will continue through 1993 - 94.

Talays has a coach at last. Mal Innes will start coaching in February '93, members are looking forward to this.

Social events this year included an Easter dinner with raffle, an Easter Bonnet competition, Quiz night, Christmas dinner and achievement awards.

We look forward to another successful year in 1993 - 94.

Dorothy Armstrong
Club Delegate

New Norfolk AUSSI Masters Swimming Club Inc.

P.O. Box 272 New Norfolk Tasmania 7140

The committee of 1991 made the momentous decision to host the 1992 State Summer Swim. This decision proved to be, without doubt the making of our club. A strong, united team worked long and hard, all determined that the Meet would be a resounding success and all members of the club having something to contribute to the running of the event. We feel with some pride that we did in fact produce a fine Meet. The weather was kind, the venue was excellent and 142 swimmers competed, setting a host of new State records, and many, many personal best performances. Greg Brooks' new computer programme, developed solely for recording the event worked without a hitch and has since been loudly acclaimed. The overall club trophy was won by Hobart, and a new trophy, the New Norfolk Trophy was also won by that club. This new trophy, donated to mark the occasion of our first State meet is awarded to the club with the highest number of points per number of registered members at the time of the Meet.

The summer season finished with a hilarious Murder Mystery at Megan Stronach's home, but instead of going into hibernation as in the past, a core of members swam throughout the winter at the Collegiate pool - thanks to Talays for allowing us to share their pool space.

Another busy member during winter was Craig Hazi, who undertook the responsibility of the club's Incorporation. Anyone who's been there, done that will recognise the effort involved, and the necessary attention to detail, and we are lucky to have someone like Craig with talents in this area. Incorporation was achieved on October 12th 1992 with a minimum of fuss, and Craig remains our Public Officer charged with keeping us all on the straight and narrow!

Four swimmers travelled to Launceston for the Winter Championships, and while few in quantity they were high in quality - our Mean Machine broke the state record for the 4 x 50m Mens Medley relay 120+.

Film evenings were held during the year to raise a little extra cash, and fund raising like this enables our club to keep our annual subscriptions the lowest in the state. Peter Collins, Naree Crane, Diane Hazi and Maureen Curran deserve a vote of thanks for their efforts in this area.

The 1992/93 season opened with the news that the Royal Derwent Hospital pool - for years lying idle in disuse - would be back on line. This is a 25m pool with excellent facilities, and will prove to be a boon to our swimmers when our main pool is unavailable, or closed at the end of the season. We are fortunate, however, to have maintained excellent relations with our local pool manager, Mr. Jon Brough - himself a "Whale", and his co-operation with our club is greatly appreciated by all. As well, we have friendly ties with the New Norfolk Amateur Swimming Club, whose members help us on many occasions, providing officials, equipment and the like. Many thanks there, too.

Membership this year has reached 40 - no longer the smallest club, in fact, at time of writing this report we are number 3 in size. Not bad for a club in only its fourth year of existence. In addition, we maintained a high profile on the State committee, with Caroline Walker as Treasurer, and Fiona Redgrove as Registrar.

Mrs. Kath Thorne, a highly experienced coach accepted the position of Director of Fitness and Coaching late last summer season and has stayed with us. The high numbers of swimmers training regularly at all levels is due entirely to Kath's ability to inspire and motivate us all to greater efforts. Good on you, Dragon Woman!!!!

At our A.G.M. new office bearers elected were Fiona Redgrove, President; Keith Drew and Caroline Walker, Joint Secretaries; Diane Hazi, Treasurer and State Delegate; Craig Hazi, Public Officer; Naree Crane, Safety Officer; Peter Collins Social Director and Club Captains Doug Fulton and Anne Salt.