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EDITORIAL

The Editor sends his apologies for the delay in preparing this edition. Suffice it to say that he is in the throes of the moving house merry-go-round, having sold his beachside home before his new riverside home was completed, so in the meantime he (and spouse, cats and dog) are living at their phoneless and computer free holiday shack (beside another beach!)



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Congratulations to PAULINE SAMSON TTL and HECTOR BEVERIDGE TLC who were awarded the Australian Sports Medal for services to AUSSI National. They were nominated by AUSSI National and were presented with their medals and certificates (signed by the Prime Minister and Governor-General) at their respective Club Christmas parties. (Former TLC Tasmanian TRISH PORTER is also a National AUSSI recipient.)

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Two more medals to Tasmanian AUSSI Masters:

Congratulations also to BILL STEWART THB (Branch Safety Officer) and JUDY HYNDES TTL (Branch Registrar) who will be presented with their medals at a function hosted by the Minister for Sport and Recreation at the Hotel Grand Chancellor on 14th December. Bill and Judy were nominated by the Tasmanian Branch for service to their Clubs and Branch, and in Bill's case, for his work as Convenor of the National Safety Committee 1995-1999.



And for those of you who are asking, the Branch Secretary advises that:

The Australian Sports Medal was established by the Commonwealth Government as a commemorative medal to be issued during the Year 2000 to celebrate Australia's sporting achievements. The purpose of the medal is to recognise persons who have made a contribution to Australian sport as a current or former participant or through the provision of support services to sport. We are sure that you will agree that all four recipients have made a valuable contribution to AUSSI Masters Swimming at State and National level.

The Medals have been allocated in a number of ways, through National sporting bodies, through State governments and through Federal politicians. AUSSI National nominated a number of members for their past and/or present contributions to AUSSI at a national level.

Unfortunately the State issue was not publicised widely (or at all) among Tasmanian sporting bodies so that the Branch only found out about it indirectly last June after applications closed with the Office of Sport and Recreation. Because they had not received many nominations we were allowed to lodge late nominations with two days notice. Regrettably there was not time to circulate the information to Clubs.

We have been waiting for over five months to hear whether our nominees were successful, and, as they did not know of their nomination, we have had to be very quiet about it! Apparently the process included being checked by OSR committees, approval by the State Minister and then undergoing character checks at a national level before the Governor-General and Prime Minister gave the final OK.

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OLYMPICS and other things

No doubt you saw our AUSSI torch bearers, either in the flesh, or in the paper. What an unforgettable moment for them.

In the thick of things was **Christine Singline** of TSB who went to the Olympics as a volunteer nursing sister. She said she had a wonderful time, and was rostered at a number of different venues, including the swimming and handball giving medical attention to both competitors and the public. Apparently there is a Civic reception for the Olympic Volunteers in Hobart on 9th December. Chris says there is no way she can swim that morning as she has to spend the time "prettying" herself for the function! Can she be excused for her lack of dedication to swimming?

Also, some reflected glory for Alan and Lorna Carlton THB for the wonderful achievements of their daughter, **Melissa**, who swam to medal glory in the Paralympics.

Did you see in the paper that **Ernie Webster** blitzed the field at the recent National Diving Championships at THAC.

16th Short Course Winter Championships held in Launceston 12th and 13th August, 2000.

Total Club Points

Place	Points	%	No. Swimmers	Club
1	2181	46.20	41	TLC Launceston AUSSI
2	848	17.96	16	TAC Tattersall's AUSSI
3	636	13.47	11	THB Hobart AUSSI
4	609	12.90	12	TTL Talays AUSSI
5	255	5.40	5	TOC Oceana AUSSI
6	142	3.01	4	TSB Sandy Bay AUSSI
7	50	1.06	1	TBU Burnie AUSSI
8	49	1.04	1	ACN Canberra North AUSSI

Individual Stroke Champions.

Women

20-24 Monika Kruesman TLC Breaststroke
25-29
Melissa Armstrong TAC Breaststroke
Christine Palmer TTL Backstroke
30-34
Sara Humphrey TLC Breaststroke
Rachelle Isakov TAC Butterfly
Kym Whittle TLC Freestyle
35-39
Penny Davis TOC Freestyle
Louise Duncan TAC Breaststroke
Kerry Millwood TLC Ind Medley
40-44
Julia Allston TAC Freestyle
Ketrina Clarke TLC Butterfly
Pamela Stancombe TLC Backstroke
45-49
Rosemary Coote TLC Freestyle
Alwynne McMahon TLC Breaststroke
Anne Horner TSB Ind Medley
50-54
Ruth Timperon TLC Freestyle
Wendy Winzenbery TLC Butterfly
55-59
Jocy Anderson TTL Breaststroke
Janet French TTL Butterfly
Jennifer Napier TLC Backstroke
Christine Singline TSB Ind Medley
60-64 Barbara Ross THB Freestyle
65-59 Wilma Attrill THB Breaststroke

Men

30-34
Doug Fraser TLC Butterfly
Simon Olden TLC Ind Medley
35-39
Bill Rowley TTL Freestyle
Bill Woodworth TLC Breaststroke
40-44
Iain Barr TAC Backstroke
Andrew Clarke TLC Breaststroke
Peter Muller TTL Freestyle
Michael Doran TLC Ind Medley
45-49
Allan Nichols TSB Breaststroke
Maciej Slugocki TTL Freestyle
Paul Stancombe TLC Butterfly
50-54
Ray Brien TLC Ind Medley
Peter McKenzie TLC Breaststroke
Philip Ogden TLC Backstroke
55-59 Rodney Horsfield TLC Backstroke
60-64
John Jordan THB Breaststroke
Brian Makins TLC Freestyle
70-74
Peter Bourjau THB Breaststroke
Doug McPhie TBU Freestyle
Les Young THB Ind Medley

65-69 Mary McCulloch TOC Backstroke
70-74 Margaret Clougher THB Freestyle
75-79 Tina Smit THB Butterfly

Highlights from the Meet Director's Report - Winter Championships

- The bulk of entries were from TLC, TTL, TAC and THB but it was pleasing to have the small and enthusiastic groups from TSB and TOC and solitary competitors from TBU and Canberra.
- Consensus was that five events were suitable; the Freestyle events drew the largest participation but it was pleasing to see the number of competitors starting and finishing the 400 IM.
- The 10 min recovery/warm up break in the middle was appreciated by swimmers and officials.
- Random "participation" prizes were well received.
- A well run and enjoyable meet depends in large part on the officials. I must acknowledge: Mrs Elsa Wallace Referee; Roger Wallace Judge; Ken Jordon Chief Time keeper; Mike Jetson Starter; Pauline Samson Computer/Results; Shane McHenry Announcer (extraordinaire); all timekeepers; Dr Andrew Clarke and Sally Fletcher Health and Safety Officers; Kym Whittle Social Events; and the TLC organising committee.
- The Pasta Meal at the Mowbray Bowls Club was well attended. Results were announced and medals presented in a situation of friendliness and good cheer which was an appropriate close for a very good weekend of sport and camaraderie.

Ray Brien TLC

INTERCLUB TIME TRIAL RESULTS

In keeping with the spirit of the Olympics, or just because we felt like doing it, there have been two long distance interclub meets in the south recently. The full results are also available on the website, thanks to our Recorder, plus details of the records set or broken.

The first meet was hosted by Sandy Bay and Hobart Masters who took the opportunity to hold an 800m LC meet . Twenty eight swimmers from 4 clubs competed and quite a number of records were set or broken, as well as personal bests being swum. As well as the warm up before the meet, lane 8 was left empty during the meet so that swimmers could swim down after their event. This proved to be very successful. Thanks also to all the family members and non swimming AUSSI members who assisted with time keeping.

Results of the 800m Long Course swim meet held on 23rd September, 2000 at the Clarence Memorial Pool.

Event 1: 800m Freestyle

Women 35-39 years

1 10 15:48.46 Lyn YOUNG 35 THB

Women 40-44 years

1 10 17:15.63 Cheryl HISLOP 43 TTL

Women 45-49 years

1 10 14:52.97 Pia WOODHAMS 45 THB

2 9 16:40.57 Katrina HENRY 45 TTL

3 8 17:31.23 Sue VINCENT 46 THB

Women 50-54 years

1 10 14:50.62 Janet BRADLEY 50 TSB

Women 55-59 years

*1 10 16:23.60 Jill WRIGHT 55 THB

2 9 21:06.61 Jocyn ANDERSON 59 TTL

3 8 22:20.30 Helen SMITH 56 THB

Women 65-69 years

1 10 22:39.27 Wilma ATTRILL 67 THB

Women 70-74 years

*1 10 22:29.27 Marg CLOUGHER 71 THB

Men 45-49 years

*1 10 10:16.62 Maciej SLUGOCKI 48 TTL

2 9 12:32.59 Allan NICHOLS 47 TSB

3 8 13:28.32 David NOLAN 49 TTL

4 7 14:35.23 Peter TUCKER 45 THB

5 6 16:39.59 Jeff OHARA 47 TSB

Men 50-54 years

1 10 15:11.71 Graham HORNER 50 TSB

Men 55-59 years

1 10 15:58.00 John SMITH 57 THB

Men 70-74 years

1 10 17:20.80 Peter BOURJAU 73 THB

2 9 18:35.65 Bill STEWART 70 THB

3 8 19:24.71 Les YOUNG 74 THB

Event 2: 800m Backstroke

Women 45-49 years

*1 10 15:07.31 Anne HORNER 48 TSB

Women 60-64 years

*1 10 21:16.51 Edna MURPHY 60 THB

Men 40-44 years

*1 10 16:00.06 Tim IKIN 41 TAC

Men 55-59 years

*1 10 22:51.16 Richard LANGMAN 58 TTL

Men 70-74 years

*1 10 19:37.66 Gerry WAUGH 71 TTL

Event 3: 800m Breaststroke

Women 55-59 years

*1 10 17:59.02 Ruth LANGMAN 55 TTL

Event 4: 800m Individual Medley

Women 55-59 years

*1 10 17:20.87 Janet FRENCH 57 TTL

This was followed in October by the Short Course Long Distance meet hosted by Tattersalls. Congratulations to Garth Slade for his two National times in the 1500 Back and 800 IM (40-44). For the record, on his way through to 1500, he also swam a best ever 800 time for backstroke, but, (here is a lesson to be remembered by all,) he tumbled at the 800 mark, so it could not be counted as a record. (Back stroke must be finished "on the back".)

Results of the short course, long distance swim meet 14th October 2000 at the Tattersall's Hobart Aquatic Centre.**Event 1 1500m Freestyle**

Christine Palmer TTI 23m56.12

Diane Perndt 25m49.21

Craig Cosson TAC 23m36.84

Garth Slade TTL 21m24.14 (Ba) **

Harald Gatenby TAC 22m39.65

Tina Smit THB 22m49.19

Dale Long 10.00.62

Bill Rowley TTL 10m51.80

Garth Slade TTL 11m29.76 (Me) **

Peter Walker TAC 11m37.45

Rupert Wimmer TAC 13m32.17 (Br)

John Pemberton TAC 12m34.46 (Ba) *

David Nolan TTL 12m47.15

Harald Gatenby TAC 14m09.24 (Me)

Rob Hamilton TTL 17m54.90

Tony Freeman TAC 14m49.83 (Br)

Les Young THB 18m56.13

Bruce Craig TAC 11m26.01 (trolley)

Penny Ackroyd TAC 15m52.11 (trolley)

Stephen Walker TAC 11m39.93 (trolley)

Event 2 800m Freestyle

Nadine Brereton TAC 11m18.14

Jennifer Ford TTL 12m50.38

Christine Palmer TTL 14m56.62 (Ba) *

Maria Gigney 14m23.62

Helen Gardiner TTL 12m58.90

Diane Perndt 13m57.29

Donna Brown TTL 16m41.53

Wilma Attrill THB 21m30.10

❄️ ❄️ STRANGE HAPPENINGS AT AUSSI CHRISTMAS PARTIES. ❄️ ❄️

❄️ Did you hear about the sewing competition at a southern Xmas frolic whereby a surgeon and a noted needlewoman were suitably gowned and equipped with needles and forceps and given the task of sewing buttons onto poached eggs! We are unclear as to who won as a "foul" was called and it got a bit violent at the finish.

❄ Another interesting competition required that female members had to “pick” their partner’s nose! Apparently it was not a literal pick, but rather they had to choose the correct nose from a selection which were poking through holes in a screen, and kiss it. What really rocked the spectators was that one nose was chosen and kissed by at least two women.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL

2001

3 - 11 Feb New Zealand Masters Games Wanganui, NZ
4 - 8 April 26th AUSSI National Swim MELBOURNE, VIC
5 - 14 October 8th Australian Masters Games NEWCASTLE & HUNTER, NSW

2002

2-10 Feb New Zealand Masters Games (5,6,7 Feb - swim)
16-18 March 27th AUSSI National Swim, (Short Course) SYDNEY, NSW,
22 Mar - 3 April 9th FINA World Masters Swimming Championships CH’CHURCH, NZ
5-13 October 5th World Masters Games, MELBOURNE, VIC.
2 - 9 November VI World Gay Games, SYDNEY NSW

DATE LIST (Branch)

2000:

400 m Interclub meet Sat. 9 December Clarence Pool 8 am - 10 am.
Results next edition

2001:

Branch Meeting 21 January @ Ross
Annual General Meeting 3 March 2001
Long Course Summer Championships Tattersalls Hobart Aquatic Centre 3 - 4 March

And a reminder that Club Affiliations and
member registrations are due 1 January 2001.



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