

**MASTERS  
SWIMMING**

TASMANIA

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# **AUSSI MASTERS SWIMMING TASMANIA**

## **ANNUAL REPORTS**

### **2005**

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday 25 February 2006  
Launceston

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**Annual General Meeting  
Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2005  
Alexander Hotel, Devonport**

**MINUTES**

The meeting commenced: 1.15pm

**Attendance:** Ray Brien President (Chair) Ross Belbin TDP, Hector Beveridge TLC, Bill Brooks Treasurer, Peggy and Les Young THB, Judy Hyndes Registrar, Janet French TTL, Anne Horner Publicity, Pauline Samson Recorder, Jenny Napier TLC, Irene Brooks TOC, Peter Neilson TLC, Margaret Stick Secretary.

**Apologies:** Ketrina Clarke, Mavis Fisher, Bill Stewart.

- 1. To confirm the Previous Minutes of the Annual General Meeting** held on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2004 at the Windmill Hill Swim Centre, Launceston:

*Motion: That the Minutes of the Annual General meeting held on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2004 at Windmill Hill Swim Centre, Launceston be accepted as read and confirmed.*

Moved: Ray Brien;                      Seconded: Pauline Samson;                      *Carried*

- 2. To receive Annual Reports** from the President, Recorder, Coordinator of Coaching, Coordinator of Safety and Heath, Registrar, National Board Delegate, Coordinator of Publicity and each affiliated Club.

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Moved: Ray Brien;                      Seconded: Pauline Samson;                      *Carried*

- 3. To receive and review the Treasurer's Report**, comprising audited financial statements for the preceding financial year and budget of revenue and expenses for the forthcoming year.

*Motion: To receive and review the Treasurer's Report, comprising audited financial statements for the preceding financial year and budget of revenue and expenses for the forthcoming year.*

Moved: Bill Brookes;                      Seconded: Judy Hyndes ;                      *Carried*

Ray took the opportunity to thank Bill for his efficiency, especially with the Nationals coming up and thanks also went to Irene for her help to Bill.

4. **To elect members of the Committee:**  
President: Ray Brien  
Secretary: Margaret Stick  
Treasurer: Bill Brookes  
Coordinator of Coaching and Education: tba  
Coordinator of Safety and Health: Bill Stewart  
Recorder: Pauline Samson

5. **To appoint Officers of the Committee:**  
Registrar: Judy Hyndes  
Coordinator of Publicity: Anne Horner  
Delegate to the National Association's Board of Directors: Pauline Samson.

*Motion: That the Committee appoint the above persons as officers of the Committee.*

Moved: Ray Brien;                      Seconded: Judy Hyndes;                      *Carried*

6. **To set the Club Affiliation fee and Individual Registration fee for the forthcoming financial year.**

*Motion: That the Club Affiliation Fee and the individual registration fee for the forthcoming financial year be set at \$100 and \$10 respectively.*

Moved: Hector Beveridge;      Seconded: Bill Brookes;                      *Carried*

7. **To Appoint the Auditor and Public Officer**

*Motion: To appoint Garrett and Garrett as the Auditor for 2005.*

Moved: Bill Brookes;                      Seconded: Ray Brien;                      *Carried*

*Motion: To appoint Anne Horner as the Public Officer.*

Moved: Ray Brien;                      Seconded: Peter Nielson;                      *Carried*

## 8. **Special Business**

Bill Brooks suggested that 'Confirmation' of entry forms received for Championships and Nationals should become standard practise.

- To be discussed at the National Swim report as a recommendation to National Swim Committee.

***AGM Closed at 1.50pm***

Vote of thanks to Ketrina for all her hard work over the past year.

## Recorder's Report

The year 2005 has been a very busy year as the Branch hosted the National Swim in March/April. This gave me the opportunity to use Meet Manager for the 1<sup>st</sup> time and it proved to be a very efficient program and capable of handling large numbers of swimmers and events. With the AOE interface, results were produced within 2 minutes of the last heat finishing, something we could not have managed with manual data entry. This program has been used for all meets conducted in 2005.

During 2005, there were 2 major meets, the Long Course Summer Championships in Devonport and the Short Course Winter Championships in Hobart with 2 long course meets and 3 masters in the pool meets.

Records - long course individual - 60 female and 35 male  
Records - long course relay - 10; short course relay - 4  
Records - short course individual - 24 female and 18 male

National Records - Nan Lewis (TTL) 200m Fr and 400 Fr long course; Garth Slade (TLC) 800m Fr short course; Tina Smit (THB) 200m Me short course

Results/Records Portal - all times are loaded into the Portal after an event and so can be viewed for meet results, top 10 ranking and individual history. This Portal has proved to be very popular and enables swimmers to check their swims at any time during the year. All records are kept on the Portal and downloaded for each meet. This means that the records and results are stored on a web server and not on a personal computer and always available for viewing.

National Aerobic Trophy - 2 swimmers completed all swims with maximum points - Ris Wilkinson (TTL) and Kay Bailey (TLC).

Place	Club	Male Points	Female Points	Total Points
1	TTL Talays AUSSI Masters	1789	3527	5316
2	TLC Launceston Lemmings	81	177	258
3	THB Hobart Dolphins	104	90	194
4	TAC Tattersall's AUSSI Masters	57	45	102
5	TOC Oceana Orcas	30	45	75

Relays - the winner for 2005 was Launceston AUSSI.

### Swimmers of the Meet

Long Course Janet Bradley (TTL) Garth Slade (TLC)  
Short Course Leanne Adcock (TSB) Allan Nichols (TTL) & Tony Freeman (TAC)

A very successful year for all swimmers.



Pauline Samson  
Branch Recorder



Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March 10:00 am.

3. WU/CO pool A female swimmer age 52, approaching the end of the pool when another swimmer forcibly crossed over her, striking her left forehead and eye, causing immediate disorientation and pain. Assisted from the pool, First aid - Observed sore neck, returned to swim (4) four hours later

4 Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March 12:30 pm. Female Swimmer age 90, Walking down from the top level of the grandstand to

STAIRWAY  
Diving Pool Grandstand.

marshalling area, slipped on the "wet" stainless steel joining piece on each row of seats. She fell backwards, and was fortunately caught by another swimmer averting a fall down the stair-

way. Shaken and bruised, checked, First Aid return to competition. O.K.

N.B. A similar accident occurred during our First National Event at the Aquatic Centre. Management was advised and a recommendation that this potential hazard be covered with a "WET TREAD" safety surface

5 Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April. 9:30 am.

Entry to the Aquatic Centre from Aberdeen Street Park.

Female Swimmer age 81 walking up over the grassed park area leading to

the entrance, slipped on the numerous acorns which covered the ground. Immediate severe pain around and above her right knee which had a recent knee replacement. Ambulance summoned. Rice application to severe swelling. Transported to Hobart Private Hospital. Subsequent surgery - replacement.

6 Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April. 9:40 am.

Female Swimmer age 68 became faint in the 200ms Breaststroke, disorientated, needed assistance from the pool. First Aid, Checked by Paramedic, advised NOT to swim. Scratched from Backstroke event, 3:45 pm, Entered in final event 5:05 pm. against the advice of Meet Director and Safety Officer, re 4x50ms Freestyle Relay. A multiple supervision with Lifeguards and Safety Officers was established, and she swam with no effect.

Factors which may have contributed to her malaise were that three days before competition she had a multiple influenza vaccination and also had missed breakfast on the competition day.

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Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April: Female swimmer age-51. Became suddenly  
11.00am → faint during her race. Finished but  
Competition Pool required assistance to exit the pool.

Pulse - faint, irregular - Ambulance called -  
transported to Hobart Private Hospital, Professor  
Cardiac Medicine on Duty: ECG. Potassium levels low,  
Swimmer retained for observation.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Prior to all competitions competitors

(1) must consider the effect(s) of medications  
and vaccinations, consult their doctor and a  
health check.

Warm up  
cool down  
pool (2) A major disturbing incident occurred when one  
swimmer ignored the signs and directions of Safety  
Supervisors by swimming fast and vigorously in the designated  
slow lane. Initially refusing to exit the lane when requested  
exiting and demanding to continue. Ultimately combined  
action by the Meet Director, Referee, and Safety Officer, prevailed.  
Considering the numerous occasions when  
swimmers had to be reminded to strictly observe Safety,  
i.e. the designated lane signs, e.g. DIVING ONLY IN THE STARTING LANE  
and all other lanes should be by feet first only with due care, it  
may be prudent to consider an extension of Rule 7.1.:

\* RISK MANAGEMENT. NATIONAL SAFETY POLICY: i.e. "During a  
swim meet where the actions of a competitor are a clear  
breach of the safety of other swimmers, the Referee shall  
have the right to refuse the offender permission to swim."

A special tribute and thank-you is also due to the  
stirling team of (5) fifteen AUSSI MASTERS swimmers who helped to provide  
a continuous and exacting Safety Supervision of the Competition Pool  
prior to the first event each day and the Warm Up, Cool Down Pool

Ref. \* NATIONAL SAFETY POLICY AMENDED APRIL 2005

until the close of each day events.

They were, Irene Brooks, Joy Bradley, Margaret Clougher,  
Margaret Dixon, Tracey Dobbie, Mary McCulloch,  
Jenny Napier, Christine Palmer, Mandy Oates,  
Lyn Charlton-Young, Hector Beveridge, Ray Brient,  
Bill Brooks, John Pugh, and Les Young.

Also another special thank you is for the  
Help and support of the Tattersalls Aquatic Centre  
Lifeguards in providing their expertise in First Aid and  
manning the First Aid Station:

They were: - Tracy Boocatt, Hannah Haarnah,  
Daniel, and Michael Kear and Drew Millar.

Finally the excellent immediate professional care  
and assistance of the Tasmanian Ambulance Service  
crews who attended our major priority incidents

*Bill Stewart*

Coordinator, Safety and Health

16. February 2006

## **BRANCH REGISTRAR 2005**

Membership closed at the end of December 2005 with 309 members of which 91 were new registrations. The comparison for the previous 3 years, 281 members with 50 new registrations in 2004, 301 members with 78 new registrations in 2003 and 305 members with 55 new registrations in 2002.

The breakdown of clubs and members are:

<b>AUSSI Club</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Launceston</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>90</b>
<b>Talays</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>52</b>
<b>Devonport</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>41</b>
<b>Tattersall's</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>37</b>
<b>Hobart</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>32</b>
<b>Burnie</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Oceans</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Sandy Bay</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>16</b>

Judy Hyndes  
BRANCH REGISTRAR

**AUSSI MASTERS SWIMMING IN AUSTRALIA  
(TASMANIA)**

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25 February 2006**

**PUBLICITY REPORT**

**Newsletters**

Two editions of the Platypus Press were distributed electronically in May 2005 and December 2005.

**2005 National Swim**

The publicity activities for the 2005 National Swim were organised by the Meet Director – Ray Brien, and included articles in the Mercury and television and radio interviews. A daily newsletter was also produced during the swim.

On the basis that any publicity is good publicity, we also received good coverage at the Tasmanian Sport & Recreation Industry Awards for Excellence in August 2005. AUSSI Masters Swimming Tasmania was a finalist in two categories – Marketing & Communication and Event of the Year.

The awards are to recognize the achievements of the organisations, administrators, volunteers, coaches and officials who are the backbone of Tasmania's sport and recreation sector.

The Marketing and Communication Award recognises the importance of marketing and communications in promoting programs, activities and key messages within the sport and recreation sector and to the wider community.

The Event of the Year Award recognises best practice in the marketing and management of a sport and recreation event.

There were four finalists in each category and although we didn't win, we all had a great night and were presented with certificates.

Anne Horner  
Publicity Officer  
February 2006

# **BURNIE AUSSI MASTERS SWIMMING CLUB REPORT to BRANCH AGM - FEBRUARY 2006**

## **AUSSI MASTERS COMPETITION**

The largest ever contingent of Burnie competitors entered the Summer Long Course Championships in Devonport in February 2005. Ten members entered the competition with Christine Brown and Joan Coleman receiving medals in their respective age groups. Many of the group had never competed in AUSSI Masters swimming events before and issues such as diving from the blocks, touching with both hands (in breaststroke) and waiting till the whistle blew before getting out of the pool proved to be a challenge. Relays were entered with enthusiasm and the club were unlucky to be marginally beaten by Devonport for one of the club awards at the end of the meet.

Chris Davey also entered 4 other competitions during the year, including the National Masters competition in Hobart in March.. He performed creditably at each meet and was placed first in his age group in the 800 metre freestyle event at the November long distance event.

## **OTHER COMPETITION**

A number of club members are involved in competition outside Aussie Masters Swimming. Jan Guest, Phil Crombie and Franck Beaurain performed well in a number of triathlons in 2005 & 2006 and Chris Davey remains a force to be reckoned with in Tasmanian surf lifesaving taking out 4 gold medals in the SLST State Masters Championships, winning his age group in The Devonport Ocean Swim series as well as the final Carlton Park 1km ocean swim.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

Burnie AUSSI Masters membership numbers have been relatively stable with 20 members registered for 2005. The Club has adopted a more diligent approach to membership administration in 2006 with most membership renewals now received.

## **SUMMER TRAINING**

Sunday morning training remains the favourite training time in Summer, with the after swim coffee at Banjos proving to be popular. Other training

times remain flexible as some members train before work, some after work and others put in extra time at the weekends.

## **WINTER TRAINING**

The combined Burnie / Devonport winter training at the Ulverstone indoor pool had a regular attendance of about 6-8 members.

Other members choose to use the winter months working out at the gym or training at the Burnie indoor pool at Healthglo.

As we have done in previous years, the Burnie Club again subsidised Devonport's pool costs at the end of the winter training period.

## **CHANGE OF SECRETARY**

In October 2005, Chris Davey offered to be the club's newsletter editor – an offer which was gratefully accepted. He subsequently took over the secretarial role. Our thanks go to outgoing secretary, Phil Crombie, for his time in this role for the past 3 years.

## **SURVEY**

At the beginning of 2005/2006 season a request was received to change the starting time for Sunday morning swims. A member survey was conducted and it was decided to keep Sunday swims to the 9am starting time.

## **CHRISTMAS FUNCTION**

The final training day for 2005 was held on Christmas Eve, with a "fun" carnival atmosphere being the feature. Events such as ball relays, boogie board relays, the "Late for School" race and exercises in the diving pool gave members a slightly different view of training. The session was followed by a morning tea at Prue and John Lake's house, and we thank them for the use of their home for this function.

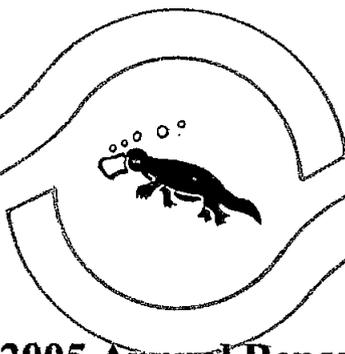
## **INVENTORY**

An inventory of club equipment was undertaken by property manager Prue Lake in October, and as a result several more pairs of flippers were purchased and so was a new storage bin and straps.

## **2006**

The Burnie AUSSI Masters Club moves into 2006 with a vibrant and energetic group of swimmers regularly exercising and competing. I look forward to the new year and continued fitness and fun with this group.

Joan Coleman  
President



## 2005 Annual Report

President :

Secretary :

### Devonport Devils

2005 was a steady year for the Devonport Devils. Our Winter spent at the Ulverstone pool provided much need funds to our bank account. These funds, while smaller than in past years, will hold the club in good stead throughout the Summer months when we expend \$600 on lane hire fees at the Devonport pool. Burnie AUSSI again frequented the Ulverstone pool during the Winter and a healthy bond has developed between the two clubs. (Though they still remain our arch enemies!) Coaching was provided by the more experienced swimmers throughout the Winter.

We are currently swimming at the Devonport pool and leave there in early April to return to Ulverstone. As usual we are offering members a choice of five training sessions (per week ) during the Summer months.

We lose our club "feel" over the Summer as members can swim at times that suit themselves, whether it is in Devonport, Latrobe or Burnie. During the Winter members only have three weekly options so more of a club atmosphere is generated.

Our 2005 membership was in the low 40s – we have averaged this number over a period of years – losing 8 to 10 members annually but picking up the equivalent in new members.

Socially, we had half a dozen Friday night drinks sessions at an Ulverstone pub (after our Friday night training during the Winter) and a Christmas brunch was held at a members home on the Sunday before Christmas. The Brunch was held in place of a formal Christmas Dinner.

Currently we have a small band of swimmers training for this year's Summer Champs in Launceston where we are hoping to retain the New Norfolk Trophy. We are also looking forward to hosting the 2007 Summer Championships.

Ross Belbin  
Secretary – Devonport Devils.




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THE DEVONPORT DEVILS

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## Hobart Aussi Masters Swimming Club

### Annual Report – 2005

2005 was the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Hobart Dolphins.

We celebrated by holding a dinner in October for past and present members and friends; more than forty people enjoyed a great meal at the Shoreline and catching up with each other. We also took the opportunity to recognize our three founding members Peter Fisher, Doug Job and Justine Bamford.

Other highlights of the year included two members, Justine Bamford and Lesley Gould, competing in the World Masters in Canada. Justine did extremely well and picked up silver and bronze medals.

A dozen members also competed in the National swim at the Hobart Aquatic Centre, where the competition inspired some members to personal bests, while others were a bit overwhelmed and achieved some 'personal worsts'! Les Young, Peter Bourjau, Tina Smit and Justine Bamford all received medals.

Hobart was also responsible for providing safety officers for the warm-up pool during the Nationals, and Bill Stewart did a great job of co-ordinating people to get this done. Despite the fact that some people objected to being told how they could and couldn't enter the pool, or what stroke they were supposed to be in a particular lane, safety-wise the event was relatively incident free.

Hobart members and associates also as usual did our part in time-keeping duties over the week of competition.

Socially the club was a bit quiet this year; apart from the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary dinner, we enjoyed a very entertaining day kayaking and barbequing down at Jan Chew's house in Clifton. Member Ron Kelly paddled over from a surf-lifesaving event at Cremorne just in time to rescue Tina Smit, who had strayed out a bit to far in the kayak! We also enjoy regular after-training coffees at Salamanca, which are a great incentive to get out of bed to train on a weekend.

In 2006 we look forward to continuing training at Clarence, Collegiate and Friends pools, and hope to rebuild an effective committee after a year of difficulties in that regard. We also look forward to a rejuvenation of social activities and participation in competitions and aerobics swims. Personally I will be looking forward to adding a new little Dolphin to the ranks of our club!

Lyn Charlton-Young

President Hobart Dolphins

Lyn Charlton-Young

Hobart AUSSI Masters

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# LAUNCESTON AUSSI MASTERS SWIMMING CLUB

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## The Lemmings

### Report to Branch AGM, 25<sup>th</sup> February 2006

Launceston AUSSI Masters Swimming club enjoyed perhaps the most successful year in its history. Highlights have been

- Attaining a record membership level of 90. The strength of numbers means we can plan and experiment with confidence.
- Unprecedented participation in the 2005 National Swim in Hobart highlighted by 55 Launceston entries and a third placing on the Champion Club competition table. Amongst the many achievements are 18 gold, 18 silver and 24 bronze medals, some excellent relay swims and numerous social moments.
- Successful defence of our Tasmanian Branch Summer, Winter and Relay short distance interclub championships. The clubs dominance of these events over recent years takes some of the gloss off the achievement for some members. My position is you cannot win them without a high participation level and whilst we maintain the environment that encourages participation we are achieving the core aim of AUSSI.
- Good levels of participation in the Branch long distance championships.
- Continued monthly conduct of the club's time trial competition – a unique event that saw us awarded the Zoggs Good Idea Award.
- Participation in the national Aerobic Trophy award highlighted by Kay Bailey's maximum 390 point score.
- Finishing the year in the same sound financial position we started, with a record amount of approximately \$33,000 going through the books. We actually operated with a loss of \$217, and have accumulated funds of \$10,678.
- Shared purchase with AUSSI Tasmania of inflatable buoys and the conduct of some open water swims. Judging by the response we have every opportunity to develop a strong open water program.
- Bimonthly publication of an informative and quality newsletter. The efforts and enthusiasm of editor Rod Oliver has turned Streamline into a 'news pictorial' that has added to everyone's appreciation of the club. Rod has also been successful at getting publicity for the club and masters swimming in the Examiner, something that we have struggled to achieve in the past.
- A full and varied social calendar, highlights being the nationals dinner, post nationals party, winter dinner dance and Christmas cocktails. My thanks to Lynn Jarvis and the social committee.

## Launceston AUSSI Masters Swimming Club

- Saturday morning breakfasts. These are, to my mind, a core reason why the club is so successful. It gives members the opportunity to mingle socially on a regular basis and provides an opportunity to get to know new members.
- A high level of involvement in the management of AUSSI Tasmania. We provide the President and Secretary (Ray Brien and Marg Stick) and take a high profile in most endeavours. This was particularly so in the Hobart National Swim for which Ray was chairman of committees and Meet Director. The success of the event, and a measure of Rays endeavour and achievement, was highlighted by acceptance of the national swim as a finalist in two categories at the Tasmanian Sport and Recreation Department awards.
- Increased participation in postal competitions. We can thank Kay Bailey for promoting and managing these events for the club.
- Participation again in the Relay for Life charity event, raising approximately one thousand dollars for cancer research. Also a donation and member support for Sally Fletcher's charity ride around Tasmania.
- Support for members in diverse activities including the Lorne Pier to Pub swim and the Round the Bay in a Day bike ride.

All of that and not a mention of the club's pre-eminent activity and the one for which most of us are club members - training sessions – swimming for fitness and fun We were able to provide five sessions a week in winter (four at Maritime College and one at Windmill Hill) and four over the summer at Windmill Hill.

Office bearers for 2006 were elected at the AGM on February 13<sup>th</sup>. They are

President	Hector Beveridge	Coach	John Pugh
Vice President	Malcolm Cowan	Recorder	Jenny Napier
Secretary	Kerrie Dean	Publicity	Rod Oliver
Treasurer	Sarah Merridew	Safety	Kate Wearne
Club captains	Tim Chilcott	Social	Mandy Millar (convenor)
	Mandy Millar	Committee	Chris Moore
			Ray Brien

Trophies for 2005 awarded at the AGM were

Most Improved Male 2005	Rob Moreton
Most Improved Female 2005	Sarah Merridew
Aerobic Trophy Points Winner 2005	1 Kay Bailey 2 John Pugh 3 Di McHenry
Time Trial Points Winner 2005	1 Debbie Zuj 2 John Pugh 3 Jenny Napier
Club Service	Rod Oliver

We look forward to another year of fitness and fun in 2006.

Hector Beveridge  
President

Encouraging adults, regardless of age or ability, to swim regularly in order to promote fitness and improve their general health.

## **SANDY BAY MASTERS**

During 2005 Sandy Bay Masters continued training at the YMCA Clarence Aquatic Centre under the guidance of coach Margaret Neal.

Membership remained on par with previous years although we lost two long-standing members in late 2005. Geoff O'Hara moved to Northern Queensland and Polly Moran, who is also looking at heading north, ceased training due to work commitments. Jim Wilkinson also ceased training due to a shoulder injury. We welcomed Leeanne Adcock, a former State backstroke champion, who returned to the pool after a 35-year absence. It was also pleasing to see the return of Glenise Gale after a 16-month break and Fiona Redgrove after a break of several years.

John Brice, who turned 86 during the year, continued to be an inspiration to our members. John who still trains four sessions a week, three of them early mornings, travelled to Europe for a family wedding in the middle of the year. Despite ill health towards the end of 2005 he missed very few training sessions.

Members successful at meets during the year included Leeanne Adcock, Fiona Redgrove, Jan Archer, John Brice and Danny Neal.



# TALAYS AUSSI MASTERS SWIMMING CLUB INC.

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## ANNUAL REPORT – 2005

2005 has been another year of exciting swims and enjoyable social activities. The highlight being the AUSSI National Swim meet held at the Aquatic centre in March. This was a huge success and congratulations to everyone who put in so much time and effort into running such a smooth and efficient swim meet.

This year we have had a change in coaching staff as Helene is off to Launceston as a paramedic and Harry Kink will be our new coach next year.

As always our aerobic swims are one of our priorities with Pauline and Judy putting in many hours of time keeping.

The Long Course Summer Championships held in Devonport was enjoyed by all the club members who attended and I am sure it brought back many fond memories of trips to Devonport in past years. With the summer championships for 2006 due on the 26th February training is in full swing and many of us will be decked out in new smart bathers.

Once again there was a good roll up for the Winter Short Course championships at the Aquatic Centre in August, congratulations goes to the Launceston club for their success at winning the club trophy. The luncheon at the end of the swim meet held at the domain centre, was delicious thanks to all the effort put into it by Josie Tillema and her son Nick.

The club has financially had a successful year and as a result it has given us the opportunity to share in the cost of new lane ropes for the Collegiate pool as well as subsidising some of our social events.

Our annual awards night was held at the Derwent City Bowls club and with a good turn up a great night was had by all.

Unfortunately our annual fun day at the Glenorchy pool was cancelled due to inclement weather.

In the middle of the year we had an "Ausmas" dinner at the Derwent city bowls club which went well

Our Christmas get together this year was a luncheon held in conjunction with the members of the bowls club with a game of bowls beforehand, those who participated had lots of fun.

We finally finished up the season with a morning tea at a coffee shop in Sandy Bay after our last club swim for the year.

JANET FRENCH  
CLUB DELEGATE