



The year so far

We were very lucky in Tasmania to be able to hold our LC Summer Championships in March before pools were closed.

With the easing of restrictions and opening of pools once again, most clubs have been able to restart some form of regular swimming program again. Various clubs and swimmers were able to undertake alternative activities such as ocean swimming. The MST website had links to some dry training suggestions. The Branch was able to hold the SC Winter Championships with some modifications in Launceston on 22 and 23 August.

The LC Long Distance Championships are proposed to be run in Hobart at the Aquatic Centre on 17 October. Consideration is being given to running the SC Long Distance Championships on 12 December in Launceston. (Previously cancelled due to Covid restrictions)

Other states have not fared as well and the National Championships planned for Sydney in April were originally delayed and then cancelled altogether. Other national initiatives had to fall by the wayside such as the e1000 awards and the National Swim Series.

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2020 Winter Short Course Championships

This event was held at the Launceston Aquatic Centre on 22 and 23 August. The meet was well attended with 80 swimmers from 6 clubs. Some highlights were:-

The Club Trophy: Launceston Lemmings

The Relay Trophy: Hobart Aquatic

Swimmer of the Meet: Amanda Duggan TVA,
and Brent Walker TAC

Individual Branch Records: Lucy Cochrane TDP (3), Gabrielle Osborne TAC (2), Kathryn Osborn THB (1), Amanda Duggan TVA (8), Connie Frydrch TLC (4), Alwynne McMahon TLC (2), Wendy Winzenberg TDP (7), Lachlan Steele TAC (2), Brent Walker TAC (2), Damian Bennett TLC (7), Stephen Case TLC (1), Glenn Bryan TLC (1), Tony Forman TAC (2).

Relay Branch Records: TAC Men 280-319 4x25 Fr, TAC Women 200-239 4x25 Med, THB Women 240-279 4x25 Med, 4x50 Med, 4x50 Fr, TDP Mixed 160-199, 4x50 & 4x100 Fr, TLC Mixed 200-239 4x100 Med, Mixed TAC 240-279 4x50 Fr, 4x100 Fr, 4x50 Med and 4x100 Medley.



The big splash – who is going to get wet?



More MST Championships 2020

- Long Course Long Distance - Hobart 17 October
- Short Course Long Distance - Launceston 12 December



The 2022 National Championships Hobart

Hobart has been accepted as the location. The co-conveners are Phil Tyrell and Pauline Samson and a managing committee has been formed. MSA is considering a proposal to delay this to 2023 to give Sydney the opportunity to reschedule the event which was cancelled in 2020.

Editions of Platypus Press

Due to the hiatus in swimming activities this is only the 2nd edition in 2020.

This edition has been produced by Talays Masters Swimming Club.

Request for Photos

Any photos taken at masters swim meets or other masters gatherings would be most welcome and can be shared on the MST Facebook page or on the Photo Gallery of the website. Please send the photos to mastersswimmingtasmania@gmail.com and these could be posted on your behalf.



Successful Hobart Dolphins Relay Team