



MST 2019 Annual Report

MST membership has been quite stable over recent years and as of November 2019, was at 301, 8 more than the same time in 2018. There was little change within Clubs, although Huon Valley Aquatic increased from 8 to 15 members over that time.

Our regular four Branch Championships were held in March, June, August and November. There were 152 individual Branch records broken and one National record. There was an increase in relay records, 29 throughout the year, as a result of introducing 4 x 100m relays at the summer long-course and winter short-course championships. A significant change was the venue for the long-distance, long-course meet from Clarence to DKHAC, enabling AOE to be used for all meets. A highlight was the production of new medals with a Tasmanian theme, for use in later 2019 events and for future years. Time trials were also conducted at Huonville.

To encourage participation in the Endurance 1000 programme, a 30-minute challenge was conducted in February. By the end of that month there was 95,450 m swum, which increased to 160,150 m by the end of the year, involving 76 swimmers in 110 events. This event will be conducted again in 2020.

Four Tasmanian swimmers competed in the World Masters Championships in Gwangju, bringing home seven medals.

Two MST members participated in the MSA Training Camp in Thanyapura, Thailand and we expect to have members participating again in 2020.

MST has been awarded sponsorship of the 2022 National Championships and preparations are proceeding according to the MSA schedule.

Some changes to Branch office-bearers resulted in the current positions at the end of 2019 being:

- Bill Woodworth, President
- Tony Forman, Secretary
- Ray Brien, Treasurer
- Pauline Samson, Recorder
- Philip Tyrell, Director of Coaching
- Megan Well, Safety Officer

Bill Woodworth, President
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