# **Devonport Devils Club Report**

The Devils currently have 34 members, the majority have renewed their memberships from 2021.

We still train 3 times a week: Tuesday 0600-0730 Wednesday 1830-1930 Saturday 0800-0930



We have re-designed our club cup this year, watch out for our bright red caps with devil horns in the pool at the upcoming Summer Champs!

Our club AGM is being held this weekend where we expect the majority of our board to stay on and keep volunteering their valuable time.

### Swim for Bryn

The Devils organised a mega-swim endurance relay from 6am to 6pm on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> March. The purpose of the event was to raise funds for research at the Menzies Centre in Tasmania to help find a cure for MND.

In 2020 Dr Brynley Parry was diagnosed with Motor Neurone Disease and faced a challenge that changed his and his family's life, and his career, forever. MND took away some things that he loved, but in 2021 he joined the Devils, who are helping him continue exercising for as long as he can.

It was a fantastic day with fantastic weather. It was a great opportunity for all the Devils to come together and socialise for a worthy cause. Thanks go to Splash for opening pool out of their usual Sunday hours and for donating the hire of 2 lanes. There were 23 businesses who donated rewards for the participating swimmers. As I write this, we have raised \$17,032 from 274 donors! We couldn't have done any of this without our wonderful sponsors, we thank each and every one of you very much.

19 Devils and 4 members of the public helped us swim for the 12 hours and all up 70.85Km was swum. It included many, many laps of Freestyle, but also a good few kilometres of Breaststroke, some Backstroke and even 1.25Km of Butterfly by our resident Butterflier, Wendy.

#### F1000s

We had 28 swimmers participate in E1000 events in 2021 for a total of 2682 points, which was our biggest year ever, both in terms of participants and points gained. A lot of the points were gained through our Indoor Enduro event in Winter.

#### Open Water Swimming

A number of our swimmers have been enjoying the open water season this year, with some great races held around the State. Locally we have done 5km swims in the Mersey River and out at Port Sorell. I know we are organising a contingent to travel to Bicheno for the final swim of the season, Devil of a Swim (not related to our club!)

## World Top 10

The Devils are proud to report that our member, Wendy Winzenberg, finished 7<sup>th</sup> in the world in 2021 for the 200m Fly (long course) in her age group. She is ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> in Australia.

### **Technical Training**

We organised a successful technical training afternoon and Splash Meet in Devonport recently where Ray Brien came and instructed us in some of the rules of swimming and how to time keep properly. This came in handy for our Swim for Bryn.