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Yeronga Park Chlorine Chronicle

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Our first club night for the season went off with a bang!

I don't think we have seen numbers of over 140 swimmers at a YP club night this century!

Congratulations to our committee members, parent helpers and volunteers for ensuring that the night was kept to a running time of under 90 minutes. Amazing effort give the huge numbers. I hope the smooth running of our first club night encourages parents to continue bringing your kids along and that we continue to maintain a great turn out for the remainder of the season.

I cannot stress enough how important club night is for our junior swimmers. It is an imperative part of their swimming journey.

Good luck to our 44 swimmers competing at the Centenary Meet this coming Saturday. Michael and Reed will be in attendance at this meet.

Congratulations to Ebony Blackstone who has just returned home from Japan competing in the 1km and 5km open water events.

Good luck to our 8 swimmers who are heading to the Australian Short Course Championships in Melbourne this week. Be sure to keep an eye on our social media sites for all results and coaching updates.

Rob



Upcoming Events

October 24-26

Australian Short Course Championships
Melbourne

October 26

Rackley Centenary LC Prep Meet

November 2

Shelly Douyere Novice Meet 12 Years &
Under - 2pm start

All 4:30pm squad swimmers to time keep
& assist on the day

November 6

Club Night, 6:15pm start

November 17

Brisbane Relay Champs Chandler Keep
Date FREE – All to swim

November 20

Club Night, 6:15pm start

November 24

Albany Creek LC Prep Meet

December 4

Club Night, Ted Curtis Brace Relay &
Christmas Breakup, 6:15pm start

December 14-20

Queensland Championships

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Ted Curtis Corner

Good evening everyone!

Our first club night was very big with approximately 140 swimmers. I would say it was the largest club night that I can remember. We had a few technical hiccups that held up the start but as you saw, once we started, we were finished in 1.5 hours. That was with 4 strokes on offer and from now on there is only 3 strokes each club night.

May I please share with you some information regarding our first club night. We had one Australian Representative swimming, Chelsea Gubecka, and three former Australian Representatives that are now parents and have children swimming in our club. Super Coach Rob Van Der Zant, club sponsor and great dad Andrew Mewing and Tarni White (now Southwell) who swam for Australia through the Chandler Club and now she will be a Yeronga Park mum.

We are a very lucky club.

I am writing this a bit early as I am going on holidays to the Coast for three weeks. This week from Sunday 13/10 until Thursday 17/10 there is the Global Games for \$14 Swimmers. We have two Australian representatives in Paige Leonhardt and Katrina Coffey and we wish them well. Also, I am officiating at this meet which is a great honour.

Please remember, if there is a problem or a question please ask one of the Committee Members or if I am there, please ask me.

One thing I like doing is giving praise and this week I would like to thank the following parents / carers / friends who assisted with time keeping on our first club night:

- Adrian Cherney
- David Portas
- Ann Webb
- Lorien Beazley
- Tony Chiverall
- Sue Wells
- Allison Stanton
- Tim Stanton

Thank you very much, we do appreciate it and you.

Have a great club night.

Regards

Ted



RSL Volunteers Needed!

Thank you to those swimmers & families who have volunteered already this year!

Please support our fundraising activities by volunteering one hour of your time to sell raffle tickets at the Yeronga RSL from **6pm-7pm** on Saturday evenings.

Saturday nights to be filled are:

October 26: **Volunteers Needed**
November 2: **Volunteers Needed**
November 9: **Volunteers Needed**
November 16: **Volunteers Needed**
November 23: **Volunteers Needed**
November 30: **Volunteers Needed**
December 7: **Volunteers Needed**
January 25: **Volunteers Needed**
February 1: **Volunteers Needed**
February 15: **Volunteers Needed**
February 22: **Volunteers Needed**
February 29: **Volunteers Needed**

It is very simple and we can pair you with another family who has sold tickets before.

If you are under 18 years of age then you must attend with a parent or other swimmer who is over 18 years old.

Reminder

All swimmers who are competing at Open Water & Pool Nationals must complete 2 x Raffle nights in order to receive subsidized uniforms.

Swimmers who do not complete two raffle nights will be charged the full amount for your uniforms.

Contact James Basham via email to advise which night you can assist.

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SLOGAN OF THE WEEK

First say to yourself, what you would be, then do what you have to do



Club History

Last newsletter, I included the start of the Yeronga Park pool. This newsletter is a continuation of the first but it includes the first club night.

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No big event like this could occur without some drama. On 12th November, 1963, Brisbane City Council Chief Health Officer, Mr. J. D. MABBETT requested Mr. Jas C. Davenport, the Secretary of the Southern District War Memorial Pool Association to meet him re the formation of a Swimming Club to be attached to the Pool. Early February, 1964 Mr. Davenport wrote, with a degree of urgency, that the Brisbane City Council accept and recognise Yeronga Park Amateur Swimming Club which would have on its Executive many of the original Pool Association members, some well-known names in the Swimming World and at the same time he applied for the Club night to be WEDNESDAY. March 25th, 1964 the big news arrived in PRINT. The Council had accepted the application.

The degree of urgency was caused by a very strong bid from the City Pastime Swimming Club to the Brisbane City Council to attain Club rights to the Pool because they felt the Southern Districts Pool Association were not capable of conducting a Swimming Club. A short time later an amalgamation offer to Yeronga Park Amateur Swimming Club was made by City Pastime Club so they could move from DAVIES Park to Yeronga Park. The offer was refused and as time proved, the Davies Park Baths were closed and City Pastime Club moved to a new location in the western corner of Musgrave Park. Such were the circumstances surrounding the Birth of Yeronga Park Amateur Swimming Club in March 1964.

The Pool Care-taker in the beginning was Mr. L. VAUGHAN who co-operated favourably with the "LEARN TO SWIM" classes held on Saturdays 8.30 to 9.30 a.m. These classes commenced on October 17th, 1964.

The Club's first President and ardent supporter was Mr. J. VICKARY who conducted a grocery store at No.1 Eric Crescent at the junction with Aubigny Street, Annerley. Mr. Charles O'BRIEN was the original Secretary of the new Club, whilst Mrs. M. UNDERWOOD was the Honorary Treasurer. During the first season it was recorded that the Wednesday night's swims were carried out in an efficient manner considering that relatively few officials had had much previous experience. Some four hundred and twenty-two (422) members were registered by the end of the first Season. Mr. R. Tickle became secretary with Mr. Arthur Kerlin assuming the role of CHAIRMAN following Mr. Vickary's resignation which occurred because of pressure of business in the Grocery trade. As a point of interest Mr. Arthur KERLIN passed away in March of this year, 1989

Clothing News

We have club shirts & caps available for purchase.

We encourage all our swimmers to wear a YP cap and shirt when competing.

See Robyn Nolan on club nights or email her via clothing@ypsc.com.au

Current T-Shirts \$25
Caps \$10

HUMOUR SPOT

On a late evening tour of a castle a young woman confessed to the guide that she was afraid of encountering a ghost. "Madam", he said "in all my years here, I have never seen a ghost". Relieved, the woman asked him how long he had been there. "Three hundred years," he solemnly replied.

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