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Yeronga Park Chlorine Chronicle

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From our Coaches

I feel like we are still swimming in unprecedented times, but overall, we are so lucky to be swimming like always with only a few restrictions in place.

On a junior level I couldn't be any happier with our coaching team and the continued level of professionalism that our club delivers. We have so many young swimmers of varying levels and abilities who are swimming daily, and that is something that I am so proud of. Not all kids are super competitive, but Yeronga Park offers more than that and watching the kids swim and laugh on club nights is always great to see.

On a senior level, keep thinking big and be prepared for anything. Our coaching team is always trying to stimulate and encourage self-motivation, and with a lot of uncertainties still around, remember the real reason why we are all here.

The meet at Redlands was successful considering the tough conditions we faced on the day. I thought all 67 swimmers swam great, and I am sure we built some more resilience competing in such tough conditions. Offensive heat and no warm down pool made it very challenging for our senior session swimmers, but you all swam through it.

Don't forget I want the whole club to nominate for our Yeronga Park Long Course meet on Saturday 20 November. Nominations close this Tuesday 9 November. I am looking forward to celebrating our wonderful club with all our members together supporting our home meet. It also happens to be the last chance to qualify for QLD Champs. Like I said earlier, we are swimming in unprecedented times with limited opportunities to race and perform so please come along and have some fun. All coaches will be on deck bouncing around with excitement for sure.

QLD Championships have evolved over the years with many changes, one of the biggest being the starting age at 12. I am a huge believer in long term development, so I encourage and support these decisions. For our 12-15 year olds the qualifying times are extremely tough. For those that have made these times I congratulate you, but for those that just miss these times, I encourage you to challenge yourself and do something about it if this is something you want to achieve. Swimming is Australia's premier Olympic sport, and all its success is because of what we are doing right here, right now. Don't they say we learn more from what do don't achieve, then what we do. I always say a good attitude is everything and is paramount to fast swimming, and of course hydration and great nutrition also helps as the weather heats up.

Rob



UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov 3

Club Night, Racing @ 6:15pm

Nov 7

Brisbane Relay Champs, Chandler

Nov 17

Club Night, Racing @ 6:15pm

Nov 20

Yeronga Long Course Twilight Prep Meet

Dec 1

Club Night, Ted Cutis Brace Relay & X-Mas Break-up, Racing @ 6:15pm

Dec 11 - 17

Queensland Championships, Chandler

Jan 16

Churchie Sprint Prep Meet

Jan 19

Club Night, Racing @ 6:15pm

Jan 29-31

Australian Open Water Champs, Adelaide

Jan 29

Brisbane Sprint Champs, Chandler

Feb 2

Club Night, Racing @ 6:15pm

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From our President

It's a little hard to believe that we are already into our 3rd Club Night for the season, with that a welcome back to all our members and a big welcome to our new members. Following on from our coaches article in our last newsletter, club nights are a great way to practice your race skills. I would also like to thank Alan Waite and Howard Friend for assisting at our last club night. Along with Ted Curtis these gentlemen continue to volunteer their time at club nights whilst not having anyone actively swimming for the club anymore. This is so that our swimmers can have refereeing at the same levels as BSA and State meets on club nights which is something very few clubs can say that they have.

Congratulations to the 66 swimmers who attended the Redlands meet on a hot and at times windy day recently it was great to see such a big turnout.

We will have our BSA meet coming up on Saturday 20 November which is a great opportunity for our club members to attend. This meet will be a twilight meet with the Junior Session starting early afternoon followed by the Seniors. More information will be sent out shortly regarding sponsorship opportunities and raffle donations for this event. For those who are interested please feel free to come and see Ben O'Dwyer or myself on club night to discuss further if you are interested. The funds raised from these events allows the club to subsidize and fund the purchasing of new equipment, uniforms, and end of season activities as few examples.

Good luck to those who are competing at this weekend's Brisbane Relay Meet. This is a great event, YPSC has 59 teams entered which is the largest number of teams entered out of all the clubs attending. Thanks to Robyn, Bill & Kate for the time and effort putting the teams together and entering them in this meet.

Club Night Nominations:

Can you please ensure you have your club night nominations are submitted by the advised cut-off time which is 9PM on the Sunday night prior to club night. This allows us to upload all nominations and seed swimmers correctly and so that they will have their times uploaded to Meet Mobile.

Our Club Night Calendar can be found on our website under Get Swimming/Club Night Information.

Download 'Team APP' from your APP store and request Yeronga Park Swimming Club. If you are a member your request will be approved very quickly, and you can nominate via the APP also.

You should be receiving an email a couple of days after the last club night advising that the next club night is open for nominations.

A reminder also you can only nominate for one stroke per club night.

Good Swimming!

Adam

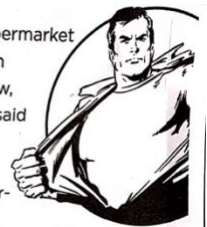
SLOGAN OF THE WEEK

"Swimming is all about
good times"

HUMOUR SPOT

A man shopping in his local supermarket was amazed to see Superman in there buying his groceries. "Wow, Superman, do you shop here?" said the awestruck man.
"I sure do, citizen," replied Superman. "After all, it is a Super-Market."

"Oh right, I get it," said the man. "Does that mean that Batman shops in a 'Bat-Market'?"
"Yep, he goes to that pretty often."
"And Wonder Woman shops in a 'Wonder-Market'?"
"Yeah, there's one on the corner of Fifth and Maple."
"And does Spider-Man shop in a Spider-Market?"
Superman shakes his head. "What? Don't be ridiculous. He shops on the web."



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Ted Curtis Corner

Welcome to The Chlorine Chronicle, No. 390.

As at club night number 2, I am still missing in action, hopefully enjoying good surf at Coolangatta.

I do not have much to report but I would like to mention our great bunch of coaches. It is important to speak to your coaches before and after you swim. If you haven't progressed to speaking with your coach yet, please come and say hello. The team is led by Rob Van Der Zant, Kate, Toby, Sienna, Reed, Chelsea, Josh, Kali, Clay and Jae who are all lovely people.

Enjoy club night!

Ted

CLUB HISTORY

This newsletter I would like to share with you an article from our 25 year club history about the opening of Yeronga Park Swimming Complex and the start of our club.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF THE LIFE OF YERONGA PARK SWIMMING CLUB INC.

Before a Swimming Club can be formed in any District, a swimming pool needs to be readily available. The Southern Districts War Memorial Pool Association had its beginnings in the early Sixties and in 1963 an enthusiastic group of local business people and citizens worked hard towards applying necessary pressure on the Brisbane City Council to build a swimming pool in Yeronga Park. This pool was to meet the demand of the rapidly developing Southern Suburbs.

On SATURDAY, 12th September, 1964 the YERONGA PARK MEMORIAL SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX was officially opened by RT. HON. LORD MAYOR ALDERMAN CLEM JONES. The official party present were:

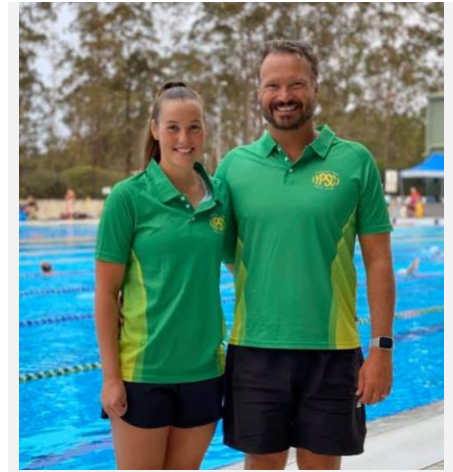
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No big event like this could occur without some drama. On 12th November, 1963, Brisbane City Council Chief Health Officer, Mr. J. D. MABBETT requested Mr. Jas C. Davenport, the Secretary of the Southern District War Memorial Pool Association to meet 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



Club Shirt & Shorts \$35 each

Clothing News

NEW club merchandise is available for purchase. All swimmers are to wear a club swim cap and shirt when competing.

Email Kylie Sheehan via clothing@ypsc.com.au

Club Swim Caps \$10



Club Bucket Hat \$15



Club Baseball Hat \$15





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