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End of Season Championships Finale and Prizegiving Edition

From the Editor



It is, once again, the end of another season; time to focus on the last competitive event of the calendar - the long course Championships. This is traditionally a great occasion for club camaraderie, perhaps friendly rivalry, but always the best of the carnival atmosphere. It involves the club march past where all clubs don their club regalia - at the least their club uniforms, banners or whatever - or more often a theme; there is a prize for the best presented club so the incentive is there, and this sometimes involves some secrecy until the final unveiling on the day. This year we had a great team of creatives to come up with another eye-catching costume idea, which also caught the eye of the judges too...

Our club keeps going from strength to strength, with a backbone of dedicated parents who want to give their kids the best possible chance to achieve in their chosen sport, but equally as important a club with a great ethic for fairness, inclusivity and tolerance - a positive social atmosphere to nurture their kids into maturity. It's the club atmosphere that aims to cultivate harmonious relationships and bonding; they may all begin as strangers but soon learn the skills of "gelling as a team."

Regards - **Martyn Foote**
(Publicity Coordinator)

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Amber and Alex leading the club 'March Past'



Our Stingrays costumes in the Champs March Past

Club News

Season ends on a (chocolate) high

Our final scheduled Club Night of the 2016-17 Season fell on the last day of March - 31st. Although Easter was still two weeks away, because of the intervening school holidays we held our Easter Egg Raffle anyway - since the kids need their chocolate! A range of various egg-based goodies was arranged on the table - with three special additional easter-themed cakes as provided by our cake baker-extraordinaire Sarah Grainer. Our Southside Aquatics visitors were not left out of the indulgence!

After the chocolate was hurriedly sequestered, it was time for a last swim programme, with the young Dolphins taking to the outdoor square pool for a change, for their noodle, kick-board, unassisted race and novelty piggy-back race. Older ones had their usual 25m and 50m alternating races.

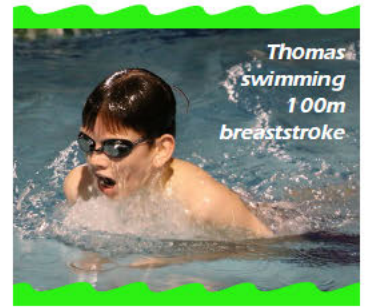


Kai eyeing up her choice of chocolate

Easter treats consisted of an assortment of bought confectionery, and three spectacular Easter-themed cakes made and donated by the talented cake baker Sarah Grainer. An example of one of them shown here.



Kids' names were drawn at random from a container so that they could come up and choose their treat.



Thomas swimming 100m breaststroke



Jane-Lee gives Bonnie her piggy-back race



The older 'helping' girls get a bit distracted into posing



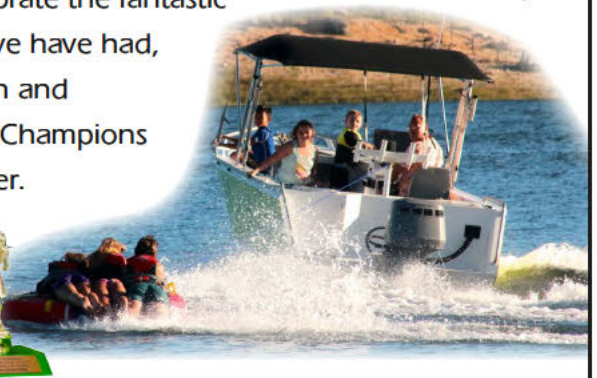
Chelsea and Finn preparing for their noodle race

The second Stingrays SC Family Getaway!

Presentation of trophies & Final Series Awards
Election of the new Committee for the 2017-18 season
Annual Club Photo

This is a fantastic opportunity for all families to get together in a social atmosphere and celebrate the fantastic & successful season we have had, along with having fun and bonding our team of Champions together even stronger.

May Day weekend - 29th April - 1st May
Barrabadeen Camp



FNQ Championships

FNQ Championships LC Carnival

This is the culminating 'Grand Final' in the swimming season for long course, as organised by FNQ Regional Swimming Association and involves clubs in performing various roles to assist the smooth running of the meet. Held over two days over the weekend at the recently renovated Tobruk Memorial Pool with its premier facilities.

Saturday consisted of two sessions, the first involving the long distance races, followed by a break during which was staged the traditional 'March Past' of all the clubs in their Club 'regalia' - this often entails some quite imaginative dresswear or costumes; this year our club came up with a new variation on the stingray theme thanks to the creative inspiration of Edelweis and her helpers. This proved a success and won us the Renee Duncombe Memorial Trophy for best-dressed team - not for the first time in our history either! The second session lasted the remainder of the day, with age-related freestyle relays halfway through.

Sunday was a single session of mixed events, with medley relay races towards the end. Stingrays nominated 12 relay teams overall - the most from one club and equal to TAS. Our club had 32 participants, second only to Central Cairns who had 35. Stingrays had the most race entries however, with 221. Club duties involved check-starters, with special assistance from Alice Foote on the timing system, and technical officials Simon Hallett and John King.

Aside from individual medals and the Renee Duncombe Trophy, we also won the Team Spirit Award - see following pages...

New award, the 'FNQ Complete Swimmer Award'

FNQ REGIONAL LONG COURSE CHAMPIONSHIPS

DATE: 4-5 MARCH

VENUE: TOBRUK MEMORIAL POOL

32 PARTICIPANTS: Adam Foote; Adam Woodward; Albert An; Alexandra Greatorex; Amber Waters; Ben Waters; Connor Lloyd; Daniel Foote; Edward Diola; Edward Orchard; Ella Diola; Emilee Salecich; Emogen Bergey; Ezlan Bergey-Bray; Flynn Riordan; Grace Grainer; Jane-Lee Pregl; Kali Houlihan; Keely Salecich; Kelsey Orchard; Liam Thieme; Madison Thieme; Natalie Beck; Nathan Foote; Neve Houlihan; Owen Hallett; Patrick Martin; Ryan Woodward; Sam Tress; Thomas Greatorex; Triton Smith; Zara Hallett



Adam Woodward with Nathan Foote behind doing breaststroke in the 200m IM



Madison Thieme swimming butterfly in the Girls 200m IM



ZARA HALLETT
8YR OLD GIRLS
4x50M EVENTS

THOMAS GREATOREX
10YR OLD BOYS
4x50M EVENTS

ALBERT AN
10YR OLD BOYS
4x50M EVENTS



EMILEE SALECICH
11YR OLD GIRLS
4x100M EVENTS

PATRICK MARTIN
11YR OLD BOYS
4x100M EVENTS

DANIEL FOOTE
11YR OLD BOYS
4x100M EVENTS

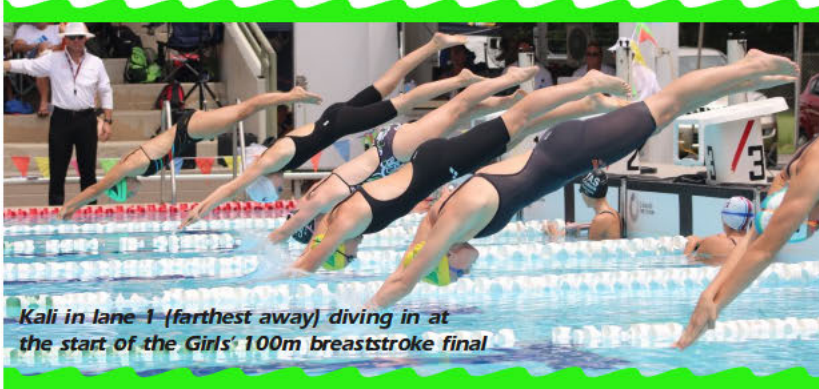
EDWARD DIOLA
11YR OLD BOYS
4x100M EVENTS

The FNQ Complete Swimmer Award was newly introduced this year, and is to recognise all the younger swimmers who fulfill certain requirements during the Championships; these being, for 8-10 year-olds to swim 50m races in all four strokes, and for 11 year-olds to swim

100m races in all four strokes.

Each age group was presented chronologically, and from Stingrays we had Zara in 8-y-o, Tom and Albert in 10-y-o, and Emilee, Patrick, Daniel and Edward in the 11-y-o who swam 100m in each stroke - and other races besides.

FNQ Championships



Kali in lane 1 (farthest away) diving in at the start of the Girls' 100m breaststroke final

A few relay races were staged throughout the meet, and Stingrays submitted teams as follows, together with their finishing positions:

Boys 12 & Under 200m Freestyle Relay

- 1. Albert An
- 2. Thomas Greatorex
- 3. Patrick Martin
- 4. Edward Diola

2nd

Boys 13 & Over 200m Freestyle Relay - A team

- 'A' Team
- 1. Adam Woodward
 - 2. Benjamin Waters
 - 3. Adam Foote
 - 4. Sam Tress

2nd

Boys 13 & Over 200m Freestyle Relay - B team

- 'B' Team
- 1. Triton Smith
 - 2. Edward Orchard
 - 3. Ryan Woodward
 - 4. Nathan Foote

6th

Girls 12 & Under 200m Freestyle Relay

- 1. Kelsey Orchard
- 2. Alexandra Greatorex
- 3. Natalie Beck
- 4. Emilee Salecich

7th

Girls 13 & Over 200m Freestyle Relay - A team

- 'A' Team
- 1. Ella Diola
 - 2. Keely Salecich
 - 3. Madison Thieme
 - 4. Kali Houlihan

2nd

Girls 13 & Over 200m Freestyle Relay - B team

- 'B' Team
- 1. Neve Houlihan
 - 2. Grace Grainer
 - 3. Jane-Lee Pregl
 - 4. Amber Waters

8th

Boys 12 & Under 200m Medley Relay

- 1. Thomas Greatorex (back)
- 2. Ezlan B-B (breast)
- 3. Edward Diola (fly)
- 4. Angus Richardson (free)

2nd

Boys 13 & Over 200m Medley Relay - A team

- 'A' Team
- 1. Benjamin Waters (back)
 - 2. Adam Foote (breast)
 - 3. Sam Tress (fly)
 - 4. Adam Woodward (free)

2nd

Boys 13 & Over 200m Medley Relay - B team

- 'B' Team
- 1. Ryan Woodward (back)
 - 2. Nathan Foote (breast)
 - 3. Edward Orchard (fly)
 - 4. Triton Smith (free)

5th

Girls 12 & Under 200m Medley Relay

- 1. Alex Greatorex (back)
- 2. Natalie Beck (breast)
- 3. Emilee Salecich (fly)
- 4. Kelsey Orchard (free)

6th

Girls 13 & Over 200m Medley Relay - A team

- 'A' Team
- 1. Amber Waters (back)
 - 2. Jane-Lee Pregl (breast)
 - 3. Ella Diola (fly)
 - 4. Kali Houlihan (free)

3rd

Girls 13 & Over 200m Medley Relay - B team

- 'B' Team
- 1. Keely Salecich (back)
 - 2. Grace Grainer (breast)
 - 3. Madison Thieme (fly)
 - 4. Neve Houlihan (free)

8th

Athletes' Performances on the day:

	Combined time imp. (s)	No. of Events	
	Overall Performance	IMP	NO IMP
Albert An		6	1
Ezlan Bergey-Bray		1	3
Edward Diola		5	5
Adam Foote		5	4
Daniel Foote		6	1
Nathan Foote		6	5
Thomas Greatorex		4	3
Owen Hallett		3	3
Connor Lloyd		4	-
Patrick Martin		12	-
Edward Orchard		3	3
Flynn Riordan		6	-
Triton Smith		7	3
Liam Thieme		6	1
Samuel Tress		7	2
Benjamin Waters		10	2
Adam Woodward		4	2
Ryan Woodward		3	8
Natalie Beck		3	2
Emogen Bergey		1	3
Ella Diola		8	3
Grace Grainer		6	4
Alexandra Greatorex		3	2
Zara Hallett		-	4
Kali Houlihan		3	5
Neve Houlihan		3	3
Kelsey Orchard		2	5
Jane-Lee Pregl		2	6
Emilee Salecich		6	1
Keely Salecich		8	3
Madison Thieme		9	1
Amber Waters		2	7

The red-green bar represents comparative improvement (or penalty) calculated as an overall total of each swimmer's events; towards the green side is time improvement (and hence p.b) while the red side is time added on. Green numerals represent the number of events resulting in a p.b. - personal best time, while red numerals are those events which did not achieve p.b.'s.

FNQ Finals Podium Winners

EVENT: 200M IND. MEDLEY
CATEGORY: BOYS 13 YEAR OLDS
SWIMMER: RYAN WOODWARD
POSITION: SECOND PLACE
TIME SWUM: 2:35.58s



	swimmer	club
1 st	William Layton	Marlin Coast
2 nd	Ryan Woodward	Stingrays
3 rd	Toby Taylor	TAS

EVENT: 200M IND. MEDLEY
CATEGORY: BOYS 15 YEAR OLDS
SWIMMER: SAMUEL TRESS
POSITION: FIRST PLACE
TIME SWUM: 2:19.12s



	swimmer	club
1 st	Samuel Tress	Stingrays
2 nd	Brayden Cramp	Saints
3 rd	Lloyd Lucey	Saints

EVENT: 400M IND. MEDLEY
CATEGORY: BOYS 12 & OVER
SWIMMER: BENJAMIN WATERS
POSITION: THIRD PLACE
TIME SWUM: 5:14.91s



	swimmer	club
1 st	Oliver Anu	Saints
2 nd	Ryan Clark	Marlin Coast
3 rd	Benjamin Waters	Stingrays

EVENT: 1500M FREESTYLE
CATEGORY: BOYS 12 & OVER
SWIMMER: BENJAMIN WATERS
POSITION: THIRD PLACE
TIME SWUM: 18:38.45s



	swimmer	club
1 st	Marcus West	Marlin Coast
2 nd	Lucas Kresevic	Saints
3 rd	Benjamin Waters	Stingrays

EVENT: 50M BREASTSTROKE
CATEGORY: GIRLS 12 & OVER
SWIMMER: ELLA DIOLA
POSITION: SECOND PLACE
TIME SWUM: 39.03s



	swimmer	club
1 st	Danika Prizmic	Mareeba
2 nd	Ella Diola	Stingrays
3 rd	Jasmine Olds	Marlin Coast

EVENT: 50M FREESTYLE
CATEGORY: GIRLS 12 & OVER
SWIMMER: ELLA DIOLA
POSITION: SECOND PLACE
TIME SWUM: 28.62s



	swimmer	club
1 st	Enna Thorpe	Marlin Coast
2 nd	Ella Diola	Stingrays
3 rd	Hannah Synott	TAS

EVENT: 200M IND. MEDLEY
CATEGORY: GIRLS 16 & OVER
SWIMMER: AMBER WATERS
POSITION: THIRD PLACE
TIME SWUM: 2:47.96s



	swimmer	club
1 st	Harriet Grant	TAS
2 nd	Cassidy Bromley	Centrals
3 rd	Amber Waters	Stingrays

EVENT: 800M FREESTYLE
CATEGORY: GIRLS 12 & OVER
SWIMMER: NEVE HOULIHAN
POSITION: THIRD PLACE
TIME SWUM: 10:59.39s



	swimmer	club
1 st	Ella Goddard	TAS
2 nd	Charlotte Fifield	Saints
3 rd	Neve Houlihan	Stingrays

FNQ Finals Podium Winners

EVENT: 100M BREASTSTROKE
CATEGORY: BOYS 13 YEAR OLDS
SWIMMER: RYAN WOODWARD
POSITION: THIRD PLACE
TIME SWUM: 1:28.18s



	swimmer	club
1 st	Toby Taylor	TAS
2 nd	Gnu Kim	Edge Hill
3 rd	Ryan Woodward	Stingrays

EVENT: 100M BREASTSTROKE
CATEGORY: BOYS 15 YEAR OLDS
SWIMMER: SAMUEL TRESS
POSITION: SECOND PLACE
TIME SWUM: 1:17.37s



	swimmer	club
1 st	Bryce Jones	Malanda
2 nd	Samuel Tress	Stingrays
3 rd	Brayden Cramp	Saints

EVENT: 100M BREASTSTROKE
CATEGORY: BOYS 14 YEAR OLDS
SWIMMER: NATHAN FOOTE
POSITION: THIRD PLACE
TIME SWUM: 1:21.96s



	swimmer	club
1 st	Flynn Martin	TAS
2 nd	Oliver Anu	Saints
3 rd	Nathan Foote	Stingrays

EVENT: 100M BACKSTROKE
CATEGORY: BOYS 13 YEAR OLDS
SWIMMER: RYAN WOODWARD
POSITION: FIRST PLACE
TIME SWUM: 1:10.34s



	swimmer	club
1 st	Ryan Woodward	Stingrays
2 nd	William Layton	Marlin Coast
3 rd	Toby Taylor	TAS

EVENT: 50M BUTTERFLY
CATEGORY: BOYS 12 & OVER
SWIMMER: ADAM WOODWARD
POSITION: FIRST PLACE
TIME SWUM: 27.75s



	swimmer	club
1 st	Adam Woodward	Stingrays
2 nd	Simon Moore	Mossman
3 rd	Daniel Pryke	Mareeba

EVENT: 100M BUTTERFLY
CATEGORY: BOYS 13 YEAR OLDS
SWIMMER: RYAN WOODWARD
POSITION: SECOND PLACE
TIME SWUM: 1:13.25s



	swimmer	club
1 st	William Layton	Marlin Coast
2 nd	Ryan Woodward	Stingrays
3 rd	Gnu Kim	Edge Hill

EVENT: 100M BUTTERFLY
CATEGORY: BOYS 15 YEAR OLDS
SWIMMER: SAMUEL TRESS
POSITION: FIRST PLACE
TIME SWUM: 59.79s



	swimmer	club
1 st	Samuel Tress	Stingrays
2 nd	Brayden Cramp	Saints
3 rd	Lloyd Lucey	Saints

EVENT: 100M BACKSTROKE
CATEGORY: BOYS 15 YEAR OLDS
SWIMMER: SAMUEL TRESS
POSITION: THIRD PLACE
TIME SWUM: 1:04.31s



	swimmer	club
1 st	Brayden Cramp	Saints
2 nd	Lloyd Lucey	Saints
3 rd	Samuel Tress	Stingrays

FNQ Finals Podium Winners

EVENT: 50M FREESTYLE
CATEGORY: BOYS 12 & OVER
SWIMMER: SAMUEL TRESS
POSITION: FIRST PLACE
TIME SWUM: 25.61s



	swimmer	club
1 st	Samuel Tress	Stingrays
2 nd	Adam Woodward	Stingrays
3 rd	Harrison Bumett	Atherton

EVENT: 100M FREESTYLE
CATEGORY: BOYS 15 YEAR OLDS
SWIMMER: SAMUEL TRESS
POSITION: FIRST PLACE
TIME SWUM: 54.83s



	swimmer	club
1 st	Samuel Tress	Stingrays
2 nd	Brayden Cramp	Saints
3 rd	Lloyd Lucey	Saints

EVENT: 200M FREESTYLE
CATEGORY: BOYS 11 & OVER
SWIMMER: SAMUEL TRESS
POSITION: FIRST PLACE
TIME SWUM: 2:02.84s



	swimmer	club
1 st	Samuel Tress	Stingrays
2 nd	Lucas Kresevic	Saints
3 rd	Michael Theakston	Mareeba

EVENT: 400M FREESTYLE
CATEGORY: BOYS 11 & OVER
SWIMMER: BENJAMIN WATERS
POSITION: FIRST PLACE
TIME SWUM: 4:31.44s



	swimmer	club
1 st	Benjamin Waters	Stingrays
2 nd	Marcus West	Marlin Coast
3 rd	Hayden Telford	TAS

EVENT: 50M FREESTYLE
CATEGORY: BOYS 12 & OVER
SWIMMER: ADAM WOODWARD
POSITION: SECOND PLACE
TIME SWUM: 25.79s

Other Awards on the day, and at Duel in the Pool

Renee Duncombe Memorial Trophy

Awarded to the FNQ club judged the "Best Presented" club in the march past.



Winner	Cairns Stingrays
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Received by seniors Amber Waters and Adam Foote

The Team Spirit Award

Presented to the club judged to have given their team the greatest support over the weekend.

Winner	Cairns Stingrays
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FNQ Long Course Relay Shield



Aggregate winner of the relay races.

First	Saints Swimming
Second	Cairns Stingrays
Third	TAS Swimming

'Duel in the Pool'



Red Devils

Captains
Kali Houlihan
Joseph Njaramba



Minions

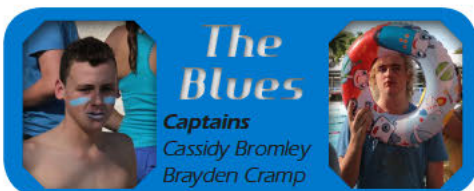
Captains
Adam Foote
Harriet Grant



Green Machine

Captains
Ryan Clark
Zara Chauvin-Hartmann

This event forms the roundup to the competitive carnival season, staged by FNQ Regional Swimming Association, as a fun day for all the clubs with some fun racing and social collaboration divided into four teams, as well as the presentation of the end-of-season trophies. The winning team was determined at the end of the day.



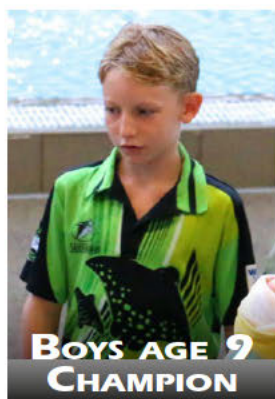
The Blues

Captains
Cassidy Bromley
Brayden Cramp



And the winners were... the Green Team!
Captained by Ryan Clark and Zara Chauvin-Hartmann, it included Stingrays Nathan Foote and Zara Hallett.

Age Champions & Awards



BOYS AGE 9 CHAMPION

WINNER
EZLAN BERGEY-BRAY



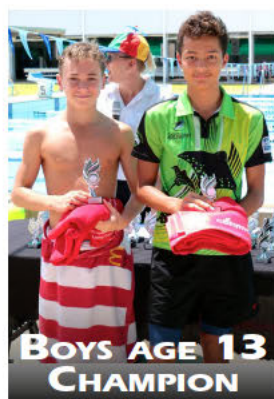
BOYS AGE 10 CHAMPION

WINNER
ALBERT AN



GIRLS AGE 11 CHAMPION

WINNER
EMILEE SALECICH



BOYS AGE 13 CHAMPION

RUNNER-UP
RYAN WOODWARD



BOYS AGE 15 CHAMPION

WINNER
SAMUEL TRESS

SAM TRESS

WINNER OF THE EDDIE LEON MEMORIAL TROPHY, 2017

FOR THE BEST MALE OR FEMALE IN THE 100M BUTTERFLY EVENT



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