

Willoughby Swim Club INC



Ocean Swims

On November 18, Luane Rowe was the first female in the Cockatoo Island swim. Congratulations!

Willoughby had a number of swimmers attend the Island Challenge at Coogee last Sunday. Jake Nolan was our first swimmer to cross the line closely followed by Luane Rowe who won the women's open division. Andrew Spagnardi, Justin Brewer. David OBrian and Graeme followed almost directly after. Max Collins, Nathan Elliff, Claire McConnell and Carly Brewer all finished in the top 50—a very impressive showing by Willoughby! Willoughby teams placed 2nd and 3rd—beaten only by a team that contained 2 likely contenders for positions in Australia's Beijing Olympic swim team!

Weekend Swims

This weekend we have swimmers competing in a variety of events. On Saturday is the 3 Point Challenge at Curl Curl. In the afternoon is a 5km swim at Penrith. On Sunday is the Bondi to Bronte where we have at least 3 teams entered and on Sunday evening is the final Northern Suburbs Swim Meet. —Swimmers should sleep well that evening!

WILLOUGHBY SWIMATHON

Friday December 7

This will be a great night. It is the last Club night before Christmas and the BBQ will be free! There are presents for every swimmer and major prizes for the biggest fundraisers.

Our new sponsor, Mr Adrian Solti from **Hometrad-ers Real Estate, Artarmon** will be attending to meet people and distribute the presents to the swimmers.

Thank you to Luane Rowe and her family for donating so many presents for the evening.

All Money raised at the swimathon will support the tours to Tasmania and to National Age Championships.

The attached poster contains the info about the swimathon evening.

Northern Suburbs District Swimming

The 3rd Northern Suburbs Swim Meet is on **December 2nd**, warm up starts at 4.00, racing at 4.30. The time line is on the Willoughby web site. The meet is expected to finish just before 9.00.

Willoughby Swim Club is on duty that day. Rosters have been sent out—if you have any queries or would still like to volunteer please contact Molly Schafer

willoughbyswim@yahoo.com.au

Don't forget to wear your Willoughby swimming cap! Joan Curtis will have caps available for purchase at the meet

Ocean Swimmers

Club Shirt

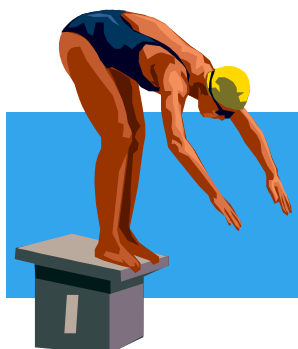
Joan is putting together an order for the ocean water swimmers for a club shirt to be worn at the beach.

They will be white cotton, in either long or short sleeve, with our club logo on the back (in turquoise) and "W" embroidered on the front. Cost at this stage approx \$45.

Orders need to be placed quickly and a size chart will be on the board at the club.

Please email Joan (davidandjoan-curtis@bigpond.com) with your order- the shirts would be a great addition to your club uniform and a great way to protect yourself from the summer sun !!

Off the blocks





New Members

Welcome to new members - the Sim family, the Young family, Louisa Lam and Ben Trickett

Bunnings BBQ

Our next Bunnings BBQ is **December 15** - unfortunately it is also Metropolitanans that day, however as under 12's swim in the afternoon, some parents might be able to assist beforehand.

Any volunteers please contact Regina.

Hobart Trip

Please consider joining our March tour to Hobart as this can provide a great swimming goal for late in the summer season, and last year all swimmers made great progress through this event. The tour is open to all our swimmers aged 12 – 18 who meet the Qualifying Times (see attachment) We intend to fly to Hobart on Friday 7th March in the afternoon and return to Sydney on Monday 10th March sometime late evening.

If you are interested in participating in this trip, please complete the slip attached and return to the Club box at Willoughby Pool by Friday 7th December, together with a non-refundable deposit of \$250.

We anticipate that the cost per swimmer to be no more than \$500.

Club BBQ

A big thankyou to Tomoko Sano, Jo Scott and Tim Collins for helping with the club BBQ on November 16

As all our Friday night BBQ meat is now from Hummerstons, a gourmet butcher, the onions, sausages and steak can be relied upon for quality - we hope you all agree!



Willoughby Committee members 2007/2008

President	Regina Haertsch	(02) 9419 8293
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Committee Members	Peter Nolan	Denise McGruther
	Vivian Dundas	Lesley Collins
	Sharon Cook	Rowan Shaw
	Molly Schafer	

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Next Meeting

To be confirmed

Upcoming Swimming Events

- Northern Suburbs Meet 3, SOPAC
2 December
- Swimming Australia Open Water Championship, SIRC Penrith
8-10 December
- NSW Metropolitan Champs, SOPAC
15 –16 Dec
- NSW State Age LC 10-12 years, SOPAC
12–13 Jan 2008
- NSW State Age LC 13 –18 years, SOPAC
14–18 Jan 2008
- Olympic trials
22-29 March 2008

Upcoming Ocean Swims

- 3 Points Challenge Nth Curl
Curl North Curl Curl, Sydney Northern beaches (North Curl Curl SLSC)
Saturday Dec 1st
- Bondi-Bronte, 2 km, 10 am Bondi Beach - Bronte Beach, (Bronte SLSC).
Sunday Dec 2
- Bilgola Ocean Swim, 1.5 km, 11 am Bilgola, northern Sydney beaches (Bilgola SLSC)
Sunday Dec 9th

Upcoming Tours

- Tasmanian Age Hobart
8-10 March 2008
- Australian Age Brisbane
9-13 April 2008

Entries for NSW State Age

Please have your entries in by December 7 for State Age. Either place them in the entry box at Willoughby or hand them to Gina at the final club night of the year –December 7, the Swimathon.

Qualifying times are attached to this newsletter.

Friday Night Races

Please make sure you have registered for Friday Night Club races before 6.15. Molly and Gina need to have everything in the computer by then so that club races can start on time at 6.30.

Another way of registering is to enter on line by Thursday night. The club race calendar is on our web site and so is the on line registration form.

www.willswim.org.au

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**SWIMATHON FOR 2008 SUMMER SWIMMING
TOURS**

OUR OLYMPIC TRIAL OPEN WATER WARM-UP!!!

FRIDAY 7 DECEMBER 2007

5 - 6pm Senior swimmers;

6 - 7pm Younger swimmers

7pm presents for all swimmers

**FREE BBQ FOR SWIMMERS & PARENTS COOKED BY FATHER
CHRISTMAS GB**

Please return the money you have collected to REGINA HAERTSCH (0413 020 991) by Friday 14 DECEMBER 2007

Special prizes for swimmer and runner-up

who raise most funds

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE 2008 WILLOUGHBY SWIM TEAM