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"Teamwork:

Simply stated:
it is less me
and more we."

Author Unknown

"Teamwork ... is the ability
to work together toward a
common vision. It is the fuel
that allows common people to
attain uncommon results."

Andrew Carnegie

**Together
Everyone
Achieves
More**

Author Unknown

These quotes summarise my thoughts regarding everyone's efforts at the Speedo and Area Champs. The success of our meets was not due to one person. It is a reflection of:

-our committee who spent many hours behind the scenes ensuring everything was ready whilst I was overseas.

-Inverell Swimming Club coordinating the pool, food and refreshments for TOs and Timekeepers,

- Mick and Mel Hoynes, pool management ensured the pool, grounds and facilities were outstanding.

- Club members who volunteered to assist as TOs and club members who worked as timekeepers.

- the kids who cooperated, displayed manners, respect and sportsmanship

The number of people who volunteered was humbling and we were so grateful for your assistance. As a team we made Speedo and Area Champs work and run smoothly.

As a team we can achieve so much. We are excited about what we can achieve from here.

2016 Speedo Sprints Finals Squad

Congratulations to all swimmers who competed at Speedo Sprint Heats. We would love to take all of you to the finals, but unfortunately there are set places. With you competing though you have provided competition for everyone, perhaps set a new PB and hopefully had a fantastic day.

To the 84 swimmers who have qualified for the Finals, congratulations. Speedo Finals are a fantastic experience. Due to the large size of our squad, we will have additional coaches available. Mr Graham Johnstone will be looking after the 11, 12 and 13 year olds. Mrs Pat McAdam (Werris Creek Coach) will be looking after the 8, 9 and 0 year olds and Mr Simon Andren (Boggabri) will be assisting Graham and Mr Chris Burke (Manilla) will be assisting Pat.

The managers will be organizing all information for you and contacting those parents/swimmers interested in the team dinner.

I also need to acknowledge the work done by Tammy, Jaimie, Emma and James (Moree), Maryanne (Tamworth) and Chelley (Kooty) who coordinated the paperwork for Speedo on the weekend. They had a huge job to do in a very short time.

Our Newest Referee.



We are so excited for Jeremy Deasey (Kootingal Moonbi) who passed his Level 1 Referee Accreditation at the recent NSW Country Regional Championships. Jeremy then followed up and assisted Chris Hayes (Deniliquin) for our Speedo Sprint Heats and Area Championships.

Jeremy has working on this accreditation for a significant amount of time and our Area has benefitted from his dedication to our sport of swimming enormously. We wish you all the very best in your future appointments Jeremy.

NSW Junior Shark

Mikaela Short from Tamworth City recently, was given the exciting news she has been selected for the NSW Junior Shark Squad. This selection was based on Mikaela's swimming at the recent NSW State Age Championships. We are extremely proud and happy for Mikaela and we are looking forward to hearing of her experiences. We hope this inspires more of our swimmers to aim high.



Technical Officials

At the Speedo and Area Championships so many people volunteered to assist to allow us to provide a smooth, quick running carnival. These people included: Chris Hayes (Deniliquin), Pat Troy (Sydney), Susanne Kable, Shane Kable, Nigel Jones, Dennis Boschma, Brian Coombs, Jenny Meyers, Jodi Fauchon, Jody Mijic, Mick Migheli, Julie Jones, Erin Carter, Michael Murphy, Grant Boal, Michael Counsell, Tammie Clark, Tammy Elbourne, Cheley Johnstone, Rozina Mison, Narelle Burke, Jeremy Deasey, Andrew Kerr, Simone Seagrott, Chris Walsh and there may be people who assisted but didn't sign on. There were also, the 120 timekeepers on Sat and 110 timekeepers on Sunday. You all made the weekend happen. Thank you.

Development

Mick and Anne are currently working with Pam to compile eligibility lists for each squad and we are also waiting for the completion of Country Championships. After the lists are compiled, they will go to the Selections committee, and then to the Area committee for final approval. We are aiming to have the lists ready by the end of March. Please keep checking the website as the lists will be posted here and then people will be emailed.

The 13 and over squad can be found on the website. The dates for each of the squads can also be found. On signing acceptance of the squad, you will be agreeing to attend at least 2/3 training days, Area SC championships and the nominated meet. The dates have been set since November, please check the website for the relevant squads and keep the weekends free.

We will also be advertising for coaches and managers for each squad in the near future. Coaches and managers will need to supply their working with children number and a copy of their ASCTA accreditation (coaches).

Winners of the TO and Timekeeping Draws were:

Saturday TO: Michael Counsell (Inverell)
Saturday Timekeeper: Jeannie Harris (Denman)
Sunday TO: Chelley Johnstone (Kooty)
Sunday Timekeeper: Jody Mijic (Inverell)

Big Shout out to our Junior Assistants

Did you know Gianna Migheli (14yrs Inverell), Thomas Kable (15 yrs T City), Dylan Gordon (15yrs Narrabri) and David Cook (15 yrs Arm Alligators) have been working away as check starters and Marshalls at recent Area Carnivals? They have done an outstanding job and their parents and clubs should be proud of their contribution and their display of maturity and leadership.

Constitution

The committee has been busy drafting a new constitution that brings us into line with the Incorporated Associations Act (2009). It has been emailed to clubs for reviewing. There will be more information coming regarding the new constitution and the deadlines associated with the voting and processes involved in the adoption of it.

Did you like the Speedo program being electronic? Please take our survey: the ten questions will give us feedback for next year's Speedo and Area Champs. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/5WJNHMS>

Training and Development Opportunities

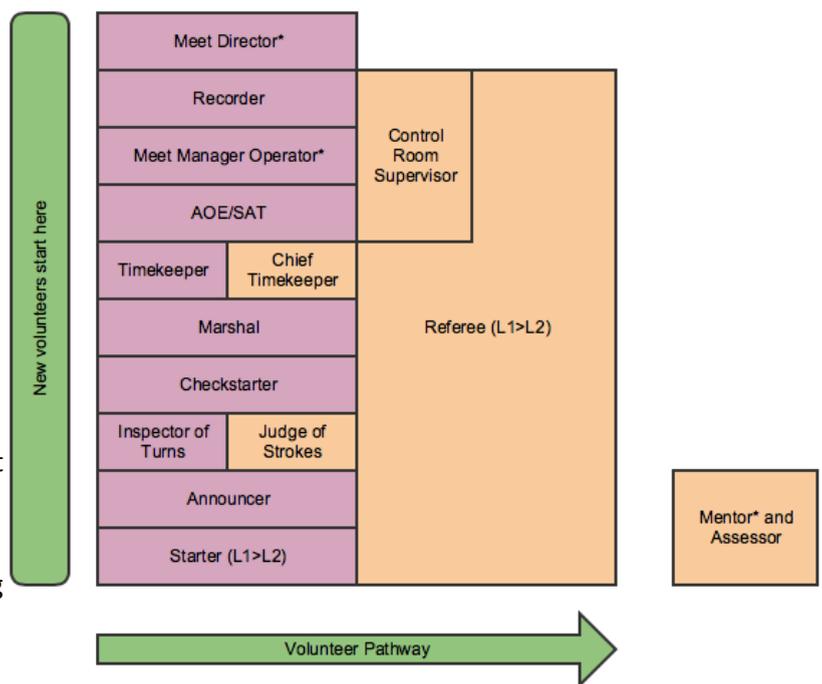
Did you know Swimming NSW has launched online training modules? If you go to the following website : <https://nswtraining.swimming.org.au/> you can find information and the various courses available. At the moment, timekeeping is the only online course, however, over time each position coloured purple are expected to be presented in this format. After completing the online training, you are required to print out that certificate, bring along to a carnival and complete the practical assessment. If you are wondering what your accreditations are, log onto ClubLANE and click on the tab that says accreditation, this is where it will list what you are qualified in.

After seeing the success of Speedo Sprints and Area Champs, I'm confident you can acknowledge the difference having a handful of people pool deck, to having numerous people pool deck. This can happen as we work together to provide a quality meet for our swimmers.

Due to so few referees in our region, we have asked that clubs look at training members to work as marshals, inspector of turns and judge of strokes. This not only will return to your club so much expertise, but, it will ensure we can provide quality meets for our kids.

Having more than one person trained in these positions means if someone has a commitment we can cover that position and job sharing can occur. Everyone wins. We would love it if clubs could please look at this and start making plans for this to occur.

Anne is meeting with John Williams (STC) during Country Championships to discuss technical officials and how we can work at providing more opportunities for our members.



Swimmers for Sale

Girls size Youth 12 Blue Seventy Nero Fit Light Blue swim suit. Paid \$290 for them, asking \$250. They are a very small make. Suggest they would fit an 8 year old or a small 9 year old. Still have tags on the swimsuit .

Contact Belinda Woolnough 0428473788