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MASTERS SWIMMING IN AUSTRALIA

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REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENT



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NATIONAL SWIM and CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS 1982.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Six months of planning and organizing has suddenly finished, its all over, and what a great feeling of satisfaction one has when everything ran like clock-work. I'm sure that all those involved in the organizing of the 8th National Swim and Club Championships feel the same way. I could go on, but would only be repeating what others have said in this report, so I would just like to congratulate everyone involved in the National Swim on a job well done.

In retrospect I asked those officials involved in the various positions if they wouldn't mind handing in a report and or suggestions of improvement, which may help any further National or International Swim meets. Hence this report.

The following people are worthy of mention:

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|----------------|-----------------------|------------|
| Peter Jackson | MEET DIRECTOR | (National) |
| Des McCormick | MARSHAL | (National) |
| Mary Connolly | PUBLIC RELATIONS | (National) |
| Carol Davis | PUBLICITY & ANNOUNCER | (National) |
| Ann Still | REGISTRATION & TRAVEL | (National) |
| Bob Dorrington | FINANCE | (N.S.W.) |
| Garry Stutsel | RECORDER | (N.S.W.) |
| Audrey Stutsel | RECORDER | (N.S.W.) |
| Jean Williams | RECORDER | (N.S.W.) |
| Alf Sparkes | REFEREE | |
| Jack Macklin | STARTER | |

MEMBERS of the following CLUBS

| | |
|---------------------|---------------------------|
| Ettalong | WELCOME BAR-B-Q. FINANCE |
| Coogee/Randwick | WELCOME BAR-B-Q. CATERING |
| Cronulla/Sutherland | ASSISTANT RECORDERS |
| Western Suburbs | TEAS |

TIMEKEEPERS

| | |
|---------------------|---------|
| Western Suburbs | LANE 1 |
| North Sydney | " 2 |
| St. George | " 3 |
| Ettalong | " 4 |
| Blacktown | " 5 |
| Hills | " 6 |
| Manly | " 7 |
| Coogee/Randwick | " 8 |
| Cronulla/Sutherland | RESERVE |

Brian Hird
HON. N.S.W. SECRETARY



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NATIONAL SWIM and AUSTRALIAN CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

MEET DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The 1982 National Swim could best be described as the "Happy Nationals", a feeling predominant throughout the three days of the Meet. The swimmers, officials, the Warringah Complex staff and guests were enthusiastic and complete in their support of the swimming and the conduct of the Meet.

1982 proved to be the largest National held. We had 556 individual swimmers constituting 3,048 individual swims, 259 relay teams from 50 clubs competing. Entries were received from all States except Northern Territory where a club has yet to be formed.

Our youngest swimmer was 25, our eldest 82 and although we were missing two of our oldest and dearest competitors in Vera Fernance and Foster Wilson, every age group was represented and without exception competition was never so fierce and never so much fun.

There is no better swimming centre in Australia than the Warringah Aquatic Complex and our thanks must go to Ross McManus and his staff for the fantastic condition of the pool in spite of the severe power problems at the time.

The welcome B.B.Q. held at the centre, prepared by the Coogee Randwick club, under John McCleer and Tony Frazer was excellent and well patronised by both Interstate and N.S.W. swimmers.

To the club officials who willingly gave their time to time keep, marshall and judge go our thanks, without them the carnival could not have been the success it was.

Our special thanks to Jack Macklin, starter and Alf Sparks, referee and check starter, for their expertise and professionalism. Together with our own officials these gentlemen helped to put our carnival on world standard.

To the ladies and gentlemen in the recording rooms both swimmers and non swimmers, who worked tirelessly for three days and succeeded in giving us results with almost computer like speed, thanks hardly seems enough, yet they have our gratitude and the hope that when we again hold a world class swim Meet, we may call on that professionalism once more.

Most of us agree that with A.U.S.S.I. the user is the payer. However we cannot forget the generous sponsorship of City Mutual Life Assurance, the Department of Sport and Recreation, Speedo Knitting Mills and Gestetner, for without this support A.U.S.S.I. could not project the level of professionalism it does today. It is encouraging to see "Big Business" supporting organisations not for what "they can get out of it" but rather for what "they can put into it".

Peter Jackson
NATIONAL PRESIDENT

July, 1982



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RECORDERS' REPORT

Our recording team, which consisted of a mixture of experienced recorders and willing learners, completed the recording for the National Swim with a minimum of fuss.

As usual the final results were two hours later than we would have liked them to be, inspite of the loan of two high speed GESTETNER copiers. It appears that the answer to getting the results in time for the presentation is to allow more time between the last event and the dinner. The ideal way to do this would be to have the swimming on Thursday, Friday and Saturday and the presentation luncheon on Sunday. This way the results would not only be available at the beginning of the luncheon, but there would also be time to check them before printing.

Prior to the start of the Swim we thought we would be able to produce progressive pointscores, but this proved to be beyond us as there just weren't enough recorders available.

It was my opinion that we had prepared thoroughly before the Swim, as proper preparation is essential to smooth recording, but I was as usual and optimist.

There is no doubt that there is room for improvement and for 1983 I recommend the following moves be made.

1. Clubs must ensure that all timekeepers have had instruction and carnival practise before reporting for duty at major swims.
2. Entry and entry-summary sheets must be redesigned and events must be clearly identified by number to avoid confusing entrants.
3. Instructions concerning marshalling, starting, finishing on electronic touch pads and leaving the pool must be forwarded to all clubs before the Swim so that swimmers can be made aware of their obligations.
4. Standard of writing on entries must be improved so that errors can be avoided in preparing the printed programme of events and competitors. Abbreviations such as B/S which are neither one stroke nor the other should not be used.
Official abbreviations are F/S = freestyle BA = backstroke
BR/S = breaststroke FLY = butterfly and I/M = individual medley.
5. Complaint slips and instructions to check programmes for errors as early as possible (either before swim or on first day) must be given to all club captains.
6. Timekeepers must check the names of competitors in their lanes especially in the 50 metre events, and check against the card they are holding. Any discrepancies must be reported to the Referee immediately.
7. Anomolies were discovered regarding automatic timing vis a vis manual timing and recommendations for rule changes have been forwarded to the National Secretary.



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RECORDERS' REPORT *continued*

8. Time could be saved in preparing individual results if the last individual event on the programme was conducted strictly in age groups from oldest to youngest. The 50m freestyle would seem to lend itself to this exercise more fairly than any other event.

As I said at first the 1982 recording was completed with a minimum of fuss, but by making these changes I am sure that the recorders' job will be made easier to handle and the final result will be more satisfactory.

At this point in time I cannot recommend the use of a computer as they are not yet adaptable as the human brain.

Gary Stutsel
RECORDER

SUGGESTIONS RE RECORDING

Race cards from other States don't have the dots to separate minutes and seconds for recording official time - this was mentioned by Jean Williams, only a small thing but does detract from fast recording.

CLUB TOTALS: Sorting of cards into clubs would be a simple job which could be done by short term helpers (people helping out between swims) also the recording of club points would fall in this same category. Recorders would only have to record first 4 placegetters on the cards and rest could be done by sorters.

Only problem would be where people had a query on times as it was necessary for card to be located, at present easy to find, just look up heat and lane number but don't see any great delay in looking through bunch of club cards, also most queries would be dealt with before reaching sorting table.

PERSONAL POINT SCORES: Suggest recorders only be responsible for identifying and noting the 4 placegetters points to be filled in on sheets by someone else using a distinctive coloured biro. Would then be simple job for any helpers to add quickly at end of carnival. Also suggest deleting place column from sheets to avoid any confusion.

SHORT TERM HELPERS: Short term helpers to be allocated to a single club same as timekeepers lanes at present. Would need single co-ordinator from the club who would be available full time to explain jobs - wouldn't be practical for full-time recorders to stop and explain each time.

This would be additional help to what was supplied by Cronulla/Sutherland at the Nationals, I consider them as fulltime helpers.

Evelyn Street
RECORDER



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N.S.W. TREASURER'S REPORT

The financial side of the National Swim ran fairly smoothly except for the N.S.W. State Cup being run concurrently with the National Swim.

A few suggestions may help to run future National Swims more smoothly.

1. Let all clubs know how payment should be made. (Some clubs sent cheques for individual race entries, relay entries and luncheon payments on separate cheques). These could have been on one cheque with an itemised list attached. Several clubs even sent their members personal cheques which made a lot of work entering these in deposit book, several hundred cheques were received, worst still some clubs from the home State sent other monies such as registration fees with their carnival fees.
2. Open a separate cheque account especially for carnival proceeds.

May I say in conclusion that the profit on this year's National Swim was largely due to sponsorship- cost cutting on printing etc., and a lot of work by National and N.S.W. committees, clubs and individuals.

INCOME:

| | | |
|--------------------------------|----------|---------------------|
| Entry fees | 9,106.00 | |
| Presentation Luncheon | 5,217.00 | |
| Special Fund Raising Raffle | 4,250.00 | |
| Advertising in Programme | 1,000.00 | |
| Pool entry and Programme Sales | 40.00 | |
| Total | | <u>\$ 19,613.00</u> |

EXPENDITURE:

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| Presentation Luncheon (Manly Vale Motel) | 4,720.00 | |
| Fund Raising Raffle Prizes | 2,500.00 | |
| Printing Official Programme | 1,193.80 | |
| " Preliminary Programme | 155.02 | |
| " Pool and Luncheon Passes | 58.00 | |
| " National Forms | 48.00 | |
| Office staff salaries for swim work | 424.70 | |
| Lunches - Officials and Recorders | 227.70 | |
| Accommodation - Officials and Staff | 214.00 | |
| Pool Hire | 1,020.00 | |
| Medals | 539.00 | |
| Photographer | 100.00 | |
| Telephone | 107.98 | |
| Boxes for Medals | 79.33 | |
| Vinyl Patches | 237.82 | |
| Freight (Programmes and Trophies) | 95.56 | |
| Presentation Gifts (Recorders) | 40.00 | |
| Postage and Stationary | 143.72 | |
| Race entry refunds | 23.00 | |
| Total | | <u>\$ 13,727.63</u> |
| PROFIT: (Half to National & N.S.W.) | | 5,885.37 |

Robert Dorrington HON. N.S.W. TREASURER



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MARSHALS' REPORT

To ease the problem of swimmers jumping into lanes it is suggested that all cards from each heat are sent to the timekeepers. The card can then be marked with a time or marked N.S.. The timekeepers can also check the name of the swimmer in the lane. This is especially a good procedure for 50m races.

A microphone is needed for the use of the marshal. The microphone to be used to call swimmers down from the stands. Common sense can stop the misuse of the microphone.

From my point of view this is all that is required to improve the job of marshalling.

FINISHING PADS: I think that in this area more information must be given to the competitors. This could be printed in the programme. Information regarding what the pad is and its size and also why it is so important to touch the pad at the finish and not the top of the pool. A great many of our members are used to reaching up to touch the top of the wall to let the officials know that they have finished. I imagine that the clearing of the swimmers during a relay will still cause trouble. Its a long way from lane 4 to lane 8.

PROGRAMME: From the point of marshalling the programme has now become an asset. From an interest point maybe the competitor's time could be included.

LATE or MISTAKEN ENTRIES: It might be of use if an extra heat was placed as the last heat in each event. This would enable all late or mistaken entries to be put in this heat. Our aim is to make sure that all members get a swim. Troubles can occur through no fault of either the swimmer or the organizing body.

CRECHE: Sounds out of place at a carnival but not at our type of carnival. We do have a fair number of young mothers who find difficulty looking after their monsters, they end up in the diving pool etc. I would like this to be looked at seriously, I think it would be possible and certainly a first for us. If we want the mother we have to put up with the child.

Des McCormick
MARSHAL



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PUBLICITY - ANNOUNCER'S REPORT

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3. Cards badly filled, writing not clear, all details not included - suggest individual be responsible for their own cards. Standardise relay cards.
4. Programme, popular as souvineer, so must be well presented - 82 programme cut square on costs. Suggest Queensland begin approaching sponserers and likely advertisers now. Personal approach best - people wary of telephone approach. Start now - make profit.
5. Remove "Report" from programme - include "Warm ups" from - start - also could include "nominated times".
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7. Announcing Believe an announcer is necessary, but not to announce every race (person and lane). People turn off from drone and then often miss an important announcement. Suggest announcer - welcome swimmers, introduce officials - call an event and heats up to. Occasionally announce a personality swimming - announce all new National Records. During relays announce teams and lanes and perhaps some commentary.

Enquiries and complaints could be directed through the announcers table. Also the day's relay events need to be organised in the morning.
8. Suggest a claims board with Event and heats called to Marshalling clearly written up in sight of everyone.
9. With the size of our Nationals, it is the individual's responsibility to be there for marshalling, and if a swim is missed tough! That goes for individuals and raly teams.
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11. Believe it is a courtesy to meet delegates whenever possible.
12. Someone should be available to take care of any official guests.
13. Great co-operation from the Kiosk made catering for delegates on Thursday and the Official Luncheon on Saturday easy.
14. A club needs to be made responsible for officials teas (morning and afternoon) lunch???



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PUBLICITY - ANNOUNCER'S REPORT continued

15. Suggest beginning a publicity campaign now - Publicity satisfactory - coverage in the Daily Telegraph - although all T.V. and radio stations notified only 2WS gave coverage, however, this was excellent and resulted in a number of enquiries at the office.

Clubs can assist with publicity by all clubs notifying their local paper of team taking part, how they expect to fare, by prompt reporting of results. PHOTOS ARE VERY IMPORTANT. Organise an official photographer.

Carol Davis.

NATIONAL PUBLICITY OFFICER.

STARTER'S REPORT

It was an honour and a privilege to be invited to officiate as the starter at the State and National Swimming carnivals. The co-operation and friendly, cheerful atmosphere generated by all present had to be experienced to be believed. It was a great pleasure and enjoyment to be able to contribute under such circumstances.

Hopefully I will be invited to officiate at some future date.

Attached please find a listing of the various events and the time taken at the National Championships 16, 17 & 18 April 1982; the times quoted are within a few minutes. This may be useful when preparing future programmes. Especially in the longer distances if competitors are more careful in submitting their times it will be to their advantage. In a number of heats (400 metres in particular) the last swimmer had a very lonely last lap or more to swim. I do appreciate that the main interest in competing is not only to try and win but to compete, keep healthy and be an important part of the social atmosphere.

Once again "thank you" for the invitation to officiate at the two very important 1982 carnivals.



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STARTER'S REPORT continued

A.U.S.S.I. NATIONAL SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS.

WARINGAH AQUATIC CENTRE: 16 - 17 - 18 APRIL 1982.

| | | <u>NUMBER</u> <u>OF HEATS</u> | <u>TIME TAKEN</u> | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | <u>START</u> | <u>FINISH</u> |
| <u>FRIDAY 16th April 1982</u> | | | | |
| EVENT | 1. 400m Freestyle | 33 | 8.50am | 1.52pm |
| | 2. 100m Backstroke | 25 | 1.59pm | 3.12pm |
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| | 4. 100m Breastroke | 27 | 3.53pm | 5.23pm |
| DAILY TOTAL | | 97 | 8.50am | 5.23pm (no lunch break) |

SATURDAY 17th April 1982

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| EVENT | 5. 50m Breastroke | 42 | 8.50am | 10.05am |
| | 6. 200m Mixed Medley Relay | 9 | 10.16am | 10.49am |
| | 7. 50m Butterfly | 29 | 11.03am | 11.48am |
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OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY

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| | 9. 100m Freestyle | 49 | 2.03pm | 4.14pm |
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| EVENT | 13. 200m Individual Medley | 23 | 8.50am | 10.37am |
| | 14. 50m Freestyle | 52 | 10.52am | 12.10pm |
| | 15. 200m Freestyle Relay Women | 6 | 12.18pm | 12.38pm |
| | 16. 200m Freestyle Relay Men | 10 | 12.44pm | 1.16pm |
| | | 91 | 8.50am | 1.21pm |

CARNIVAL TOTAL

381

Jack Macklin
STARTER

Gary

A.U.S.S.I. NATIONAL SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS.

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301

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Starter.

MINUTES FROM CARNIVAL COMMITTEE REVIEW - 27TH APRIL, 1982

Held at Greenacre.

Present - Peter Jackson, Brian Hird, Mary Connolly, Bob Dorrington, Carol Davis and Gary Stutsel - Apologies, Des McCormick.

Meeting opened 7.50 - Peter Jackson in the Chair.

Report from Gary Stutsel - Recording

1. Summary sheets must be redesigned.
2. New recording sheets will be needed - copies of these should be forwarded to all branches as soon as possible.
3. Last individual event (preferably the 50m F/s) should be seeded in age/time gradings - older age groups could be then finalised quickly.
4. Relay swims should be oldest to youngest seedings.
5. Suggest swimming - Thur/Fri/Sat - with presentation luncheon on Sunday - leaving Saturday night and Sunday morning for finalising results.
6. Suggest sponsors for Result Sheets (Brian Russell has offered to approach Gestetner).
7. Instruction to swimmers, especially regarding electronic pads needs to be forwarded at an earlier date than in programme.
8. Complain slips required - easier to deal with written slip.
9. Letter to all Branches listing background information on need to upgrade manual times as compared to electronic - see Gary's information, variation .20 of a second.

Report from Mary Connolly

Logo, design, colour and numbers for 1983 Pan Pacific and National Swim to be decided upon and organised 6 months prior to the event. Also medal, plaques and ribbon to be ordered 6 months in advance. For 1983 National Swim, National Executive to organise the above, transport to Brisbane, request Queensland to request persons or club to run souvineer stand.

Report from Des McCormick - see sheet.

Report from Carol Davis

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Carol's Report continued.

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Report from Bob Dorrington

1. Felt 50m swims run too quickly.
2. Not enough attention given to entry instructions re cheques, this made it difficult at the office with checking of monies balanced.
3. Treasurer or Finance Committee should always carry a) deposit book and b) cheque book -
 - a) to answer any enquiries
 - b) to pay the bills or meet any unexpected expenses.
4. Always make sure of an insurance policy to cover a) monies taken on souvineer stand, b) monies taken at Registration table. The policy should cover monies at the pool and in transit. Details from the office.

Minutes from Carnival Committee Review - 27th April, 1982.Report from Brian Hird

1. 50m Races need to be pushed through.
2. Highlight relays - oldest to youngest.
3. Instructions to inform swimmers that manual time may not be the official time, the official time will be the electronic timing.
4. Marshall need not have cards if the programme is seeded in heats - work from programme.
5. Presentations need to be a little more slick and professional.

Report from Peter Jackson

Sponsorship must be worked on now, just before often is far too late, as budgets are set.

Medals were satisfactory.

Presentation luncheon popular, no complaints re food, Band popular, a little loud.

Meeting closed 11.30p.m.

Minutes compiled by Carol Davis.