

AUSSI
MASTERS SWIMMING IN AUSTRALIA



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ANNUAL REPORT
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THE EXECUTIVE Left to right: Ivan, Dick, Glenys, Derrell and Chris

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

1987 could be remembered as the year in which we had two 'Nationals'. We had our regular National get-together in Perth in April and then Tassie AUSSI were host for the swimming event at the First Australia Masters Games in November.

It was similar in 1986 with Adelaide and Alice Springs but because Devonport was conducted by AUSSI the meet had the familiar presentation function and as the National Council met in conjunction with the Swim, it had all the atmosphere of the Nationals.

In 1988 there will be no 'Nationals' as we know it. However, a much larger National Swim will be conducted in March/April in about ten centres throughout Australia with the results being compiled by N.S.W. Branch. The other major event in 1988 of course, is the World Swim in Brisbane which is why we postponed our National Meet.

However other events are emerging each year enticing our swimmers to travel, which erodes the dollars and time available that our members would normally set aside to attend our National Swim. In 1988 there will be the Central Australian Masters Games, the New Zealand International and the World Corporate Games in San Francisco. The following year will see the 2nd Australian Masters Games in Adelaide, the 2nd World Masters Games in Denmark, and a Pan Pacific Meet in the U.S.A.

There is no doubt that additional Masters Swimming activities will detract from our Nationals, but it is not all gloom. The two multiple sport festivals held so far have been a lot of enjoyment for our members who took part, have prompted the formation of a Branch in the Northern Territory, given AUSSI Tasmania the opportunity to show that they too can run a major event and it has increased the membership significantly in that Branch. The organisers of such festivals have much better access to grant monies than we do, therefore there is a lot more prominence given to masters sport than we can give it. What is of concern, however, is that 'instant experts' are emerging and they do not



Ivan Wingate – President

understand our PURPOSE - that is "To encourage adults, regardless of age or ability, to swim regularly in order to promote fitness and improve their general health." Already, we are being told that we should have medals for each event and that we will have to bring in maximum time limits to reduce the number of entries etc. It is for these reasons that we must be ever watchful to maintain control of Masters Swimming in Australia to protect what we have built up in over a decade.

We could also be seen as a lucrative target market and entrepreneurs could profit handsomely by concentrating only on segments of our activities. Remember, there is a whole lot more to AUSSI than the glamour of competition.

I would like to congratulate both W.A. and Tassie for their conduct of the two major events in 1987. The Perth Nationals ran with the precision we have come to expect of that Branch, and was marred only slightly by some who couldn't abide by the umpire's decision. The swim in Devonport had quite a different culture, there being a number of non AUSSI's, and the average age was higher, and of course there being fewer competitors helped the friendly atmosphere. The organisers should also

be complimented on the little extras which collectively meant a lot.

Administratively the year went quite smoothly apart from a few crises associated with planning for the World Swim. Graeme and his hard working World Swim Committee deserve all the praise we can give them, particularly when faced with the setbacks which came their way from time to time. The most recent being finance.

To date the committee is still entirely run by volunteers. It was planned that a paid administrator would be in place some time ago, but because we have been unable to attract a major sponsor, and at the time of writing, not a cent of Government money has been forthcoming, the many hours of work required are done because of a belief in the concept.

Elsewhere in these pages you will read about the severe decline in our sponsorship income, and about the dismal financial support we have received from Governments when compared with that granted for other events of similar standing to our World Swim. This lack of funding must surely be directly related to the perception others have of us. In simple terms, it means that we have far too little image in the area of public relations, and I don't just mean publicity. Public relations is an area for which we are all responsible. Good PR at grass roots level helps make us commercially attractive to sponsors and socially attractive to Governments, at each of the three tier levels. For example, what is your club's status within your community? Is it known to your local government authority?

We must constantly identify our public and I list for you a few in the order of importance as I see it:

the non-swimming spouse
the people at the pool where you swim
your local community organisations
local government
local newspapers and so on . . . to give you an idea of what I have in mind.

Publicity is part of Public Relations and we have room for improvement in this area too. We are most grateful to Dawn Fraser as since she has joined AUSSI the media and TV cameras have come along too. Dawn being the champion she is, has used every opportunity she has had

to promote our Purpose. Thank you Dawn.

We will be doing a lot more in 1988 to lift our 'profile' but please understand that our real public relations growth must come from each individual member.

Our finances for 1988 could take on an entirely different appearance as our sponsorship arrangements with Australian Airlines has expired and Capita Finance have advised that their very generous support will be discontinued. We trust that we have given fair return to those organisations and thank them sincerely for assisting in our achievements. I thank also, those members who have supported the airline and those who have transacted their personal business with Capita.

1987 was a big year, 1988 will most certainly be bigger.

IVAN H. WINGATE
PRESIDENT

NATIONAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

December, 1987

The longer I am involved with AUSSI Masters Swimming in Australia the more I realise just what we have established and just how proud we should be of our achievements.

Our Association has a very fine PURPOSE and a set of objectives which have become the 'bench mark' of mature age sport, both within this country and overseas.

Although at inception we loosely modelled ourselves on U.S. Masters Swimming, we have evolved to encompass all adult swimming, taking in the areas of teaching adults, coaching, and fitness education as well as competition, so that all levels of swimming competence as well as age, are catered for. Last year our Association's model was noted with interest by delegates from 60 countries at the Asian, Pacific and Oceania Sports Congress. Also our concept of Aerobic swimming has found its way to New Zealand, the United States and Canada (perhaps we should have patented it?)

I feel Australians should stand tall within the masters swimming circles of the world. We were to the forefront in the establishment of Masters Swimming International, and their agreement with FINA, and an Australian, Mr. Gary Stutsel, is the chairman of the first FINA Masters Committee.

So when we are visited by the European masters swimming countries who have been established nearly as long as our country which recently had a birthday, and when we meet the great numbers of American and Japanese swimmers etc. stand tall and proud, because in our short history in Australia we have nothing to be ashamed of and everything to be proud of, and we will show the rest of the world in our show case - The World Swim - in October 1988.

My biggest single disappointment for the year continues to be our lack of access to Federal grant monies for funding an Executive Director and National Coaching Director, indeed our



GLENYS McDONALD
NATIONAL SECRETARY.

lack of access for any fund for sport development in general.

We are an autonomous National Sports Association with international affiliation. We are the recognised body in Australia for masters swimming and yet some State Governments and our Federal Government have been of the opinion that we should channel our activities through amateur swimming.

This year we have been very grateful for the promised assistance of the Federal Government for a grant of \$60,000 towards the costs of running the World Masters Swimming Championships. However, it was disappointing to us that the World Veteran Athletic Championships and the Australian Masters Games each received a vastly superior sum. We look forward to showing our Government that their money has been invested wisely.

To date our fine World Swim Committee has been working on a completely voluntary basis, and only they will know the number of hours per week that they have given this task.

We know it adds up to a staggering amount because of the results they have achieved to date and how they have accomplished this on the \$17,000 float National AUSSI funded I do not know. The age of miracles, apparently is not over.

REGISTERED MASTERS SWIMMERS IN AUSTRALIA

	1985	1986	1987
N.S.W.	990	1299	1220
W.A.	1197	1178	1253
QLD.	683	713	1003
S.A.	681	852	740
VIC.	485	501	616
ACT.	92	90	82
TAS.	81	115	142
N.T.	—	—	63

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At the December National Council meeting in Tasmania I expressed concern on how we could continue to provide our National Secretariat and National Coaching commitments without access to Federal Government grants and within our current sponsorship climate. A special task force has been established and their report to our April '88 Annual Council will be eagerly awaited.

SPONSORSHIP

AUSSI has always maintained a keen interest in giving sponsors value for their investment, and has worked hard to achieve this. This year, because of a change in their corporate image, we were unfortunate to lose our major sponsor **CAPITA FINANCIAL GROUP**. Their assistance to us has been invaluable over the years with the printing of swim cards, brochures and booklets and their generous \$10,000 support of our National Swim and Annual Council.

AUSTRALIAN AIRLINES have generously supported us for the past three years with assistance for our Council travel. We hope that the end of our three year contract is not the end of our association with them. Our delegates flew Australian Airlines to our two Council meetings in 1987 in Perth and Devonport, and over 880 swimmers made their way to Perth to attend the National Championships, however documentation of membership travel is difficult as, as adults we are responsible for payment of our own fares to our competitions.

Our Public Relations Office will highlight our other major sponsors -

SPEEDO
and
UNISYS

and I know the World Swim committee would like me to mention

JETSET TOURS (QLD) and

AUSTRALIAN SPORTS COMMISSION

Currently the National Executive have taken steps to address the crucial sponsorship question which is a fact of life for many sports today, a report will be available for the next annual Council.

ACHIEVEMENTS FOR 1987

COMPETITION

- National Club Championships—Perth, April
- Swimming section, Aust. Masters Games Tasmania — November
- Speedo Postal Relay
- National Aerobic Trophy
- Quality World record performances by a number of swimmers.

COACHING

- Completion and acceptance of the Level 1 Masters Swimming Accreditation
- Conduct of the 'Masterstroke' Seminar in Queensland
- Bridging Course for Level 1 General recipients who wish Level 1 Masters accreditation
- Adoption of further award patch incentives

EDUCATION

- Adoption of "Guidelines for Referees" booklet
- Draft of AUSSI Club Guide
- Coaching video production
- Establishment of the Northern Territory Branch

RESEARCH AND REVIEW

- Survey of 20-24 year age group membership
- Computerisation compatibility at 3 levels on target
- Aerobic Trophy review
- Task force re National secretariat
- Review of National newsletter
- Review and finalisation of Insurance for members

PRINTING

- Production of the Top Ten Times listing
- Production of World and National Long and Short Course records
- Production of Aerobic Trophy results

I would like to thank all the AUSSI's who contributed to our achievements particularly our Branch committees, our hard working recorders and our special sub committees — the World Swim, Technical and Computer.

Our review of one portion of our membership reaffirmed our belief that the mature

aged athlete, be he/she 20 years or 80 years, appears to want the following criteria to continue to pursue sporting excellence, and as a direct result, improve their general health.

They wish:—

- the right to sport for life
- achievable goals
- fitness education
- participation without embarrassment
- participation without pressure,

and above all, they want it to be FUN.

I feel in 1987 we catered for those needs, and we catered well.

GLENYS McDONALD
NATIONAL SECRETARY

NATIONAL TREASURER'S REPORT 1987

It is with pleasure I report to you on the financial status of AUSSI at the end of 1987.

Up until my appointment AUSSI was very well served by Beryl Stenhouse who with sound financial management and many hours of hard work turned a deficit into the current position. Thank you Beryl.

This year has been one of learning for me not only as treasurer but also in contributing towards the monthly executive hook-up meetings. I hope that in my second year I will become a more competent member of the executive.

I would like to single out several areas requiring thought by all AUSSI members:—

1. NATIONAL COUNCIL

The cost of these conferences increased and represents in 1987, 27% of our income. Our very generous sponsorship from Australian Airlines has now ended and 1988 brings new challenges to renegotiate our airlines contracts. To those members who support Australian Airlines, thank you. Perhaps now is the time for us to look critically at our conferences to ensure we are getting value for our dollar and that the delegates from the branches communicate the decisions back to the "grass roots level".

2. INSURANCE

The safety of our members is of paramount importance and provision of adequate insurance cover bearing in mind the cost to each member has been negotiated with Q.B.E. Insurance Limited.

We now have policies which cost approximately \$2.30 per member and this costing is built into the membership fee.

A public liability policy with limit of indemnity of \$2 million, group personal accident with a principal sum of \$30,000 and cover for equipment and goods for sale are our current policies.



3. SPONSORSHIP

Capita has been a very good sponsor to AUSSI not only on a national level, but also on a branch level for a number of years. In general their support has ceased for management reasons and our national swims and club championships which showed healthy surpluses due in part to Capita's sponsorship will need to re-evaluate their costings. The share of profit to the nationals' coffers has helped to balance our budget.

Now is the time for us to explore other sponsorship avenues.

The year ahead of us holds many challenges, no greater than the World Swim in Brisbane during 1988. Every member of AUSSI should be justifiably proud that we have been chosen to conduct this swim and should make a personal commitment to support this event.

In conclusion, I would like to thank the following people who have supported me during my first year as treasurer:—

Ivan, Glenys, Dick and Derrell, fellow members of the National Executive and Mr. John Symonds our Auditor and adviser and my wife Wendy, who has had to put up with me.

CHRIS POTTER
HON. NATIONAL TREASURER

Aussi Masters Swimming in Australia (Inc.)
INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 1987

MEMBER REGISTRATIONS	\$	\$
Western Australia	1,2210	
New South Wales	1,1574	
Queensland	9,833	
South Australia	7,219	
Victoria	5,992	
Tasmania	1,414	
Aust. Capital Territory	811	
Northern Territory	<u>608</u>	49,661.00
STATE BRANCH AFFILIATIONS		700.00
AUSSI GEAR SALES		
Bags, Award Patches etc.		3,200.20
SWIMS		
National Swim Profit (½ share)	7,755.17	
Postal Relay	540.00	
National Swim Medals Recoup	998.20	
National Swim Certificates Recoup	<u>154.80</u>	9,448.17
SPONSORSHIPS AND GRANTS		
Capita	2,000.00	
Advertising	70.00	
Department of Finance (M.S.I.)	<u>1,000.00</u>	3,070.00
INTEREST		
Commonwealth Bank	38.09	
Westpac	7.17	
Capita Cash Management Trust	<u>2,951.24</u>	2,996.50
CONFERENCES		
Refunds, Delegates, Executive		1,841.25
MISCELLANEOUS		
MSI Top Ten Records	195.00	
Membership Cards Recoup	218.20	
World Swim '88 Postal Ballot Recoup	303.05	
Constitution Books	50.00	
Bank Charges etc. Recoup	49.57	
Computer Registrations Recoup	<u>51.04</u>	866.86
TOTAL INCOME		<u>\$ 71,783.98</u>

Aussi Masters Swimming in Australia (Inc.)
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1987

MEMBERS FUNDS

Balance 1st January, 1987	38,699.59
Net Surplus for the Year	15,512.09
	<u>\$ 54,211.68</u>

Represented by:

CURRENT ASSETS

Imprest Secretary	500.00
Cash on Hand	300.00
Cash at Bank — Commonwealth	1,704.92
Cash on Deposit — City Mutual	29,257.71
— Commonwealth	4,000.00
Sundry Debtors Repayments	1,364.66
Prepayment World Swim '88	16,504.00
Stock on Hand (as at 31.12.86)	5,875.96
	<u>59,507.25</u>

LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES

Sundry Creditors	9,055.94
	<u>9,055.94</u>

ADD: FIXED ASSETS

Trophy Cases	234.00
Trophies (Insured Value)	800.00

OFFICE FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT 5,360.37

Less: Depreciation

	2,634.00	2,726.37
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TOTAL: FIXED ASSETS

	3,760.37
	<u>\$ 54,211.68</u>

LESS EXPENDITURE		
TYPIST WAGES		1,257.90
HONORARIUMS		
Secretary	1,500.00	
Treasurer	<u>500.00</u>	2,000.00
SWIMS		
NATIONAL MEDALS		998.20
OFFICE SUPPLIES AND EXPENSES		1,387.07
PRINTING		
Newsletters	1,786.60	
Annual Reports	936.00	
Membership Cards	331.00	
1 Million Metre Card	<u>684.00</u>	3,737.60
PHONES AND EQUIPMENT		
Office and National		3,764.05
POSTAGE AND FREIGHT		
Includes Newsletters		2,569.75
INSURANCES		
City Mutual General		4,723.72
COMPUTER SERVICES		1,317.44
AUSSI GEAR		
Bags, Award Patches, etc.		2,364.76
BANK AND GOVERNMENT CHARGES		130.64
AFFILIATIONS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS		
MSI	100.00	
Sport Report	11.00	
C.A.S.	150.00	
International Swimmer	<u>21.00</u>	282.00
CONFERENCES		
Annual, Mid-Year, Cas.		21,622.18
NATIONAL TOP TEN		3,248.95
AEROBIC POINTS SCORE		972.47
COACHING VIDEO		1,772.00
SUB-COMMITTEES		
Technical and National Fitness		342.00
SPONSORSHIP AND GRANTS		
MSI		1,285.00
MISCELLANEOUS		
MSI Postal Ballot World Swim '88	320.00	
MSI Top Ten	198.96	
Marketing Manual	153.90	
Registration Refunds	54.00	
Photos	60.00	
Gifts	35.00	
Returned Cheque	75.00	
Entertainment	47.00	
Coaching Accreditation	150.00	
Other	<u>63.30</u>	1,157.16
DEPRECIATION		<u>1,339.00</u>
		<u>\$ 56,271.89</u>
Surplus To Members Funds		<u>\$ 15,512.09</u>

**AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
AUSSI MASTERS SWIMMING IN AUSTRALIA (Inc.)**

I have audited the books and records of the Association for the year ended 31st December, 1987 and I am of the opinion that the attached Income and Expenditure Account and Balance Sheet have been prepared so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Association as at 31st December, 1987 and of the profit of the Association for the year ended on that date.

In forming that opinion, I have taken into consideration the specific exception that because all necessary documentation is not available, and because the goods are not available in one place for a stocktaking, no accurate value could be placed on the item "Stock in Hand". In lieu of any other value being available, and to preserve the continuity of the records, the stock value as at 31/12/86 has been maintained in the Balance sheet as at 31/12/87.

In auditing the Accounts, it has been noted that the following significant changes have occurred during the year.

1. Prepayment account World Swim 1988 has been increased by \$11504 to \$16504.
2. An Imprest amount of \$500 has been made available to the Secretary.
3. A prepayment of \$1500 re National Swim has been refunded to the Association.
4. An increase in Cash Deposits from \$21306.47 to \$33257.71, consisting of \$9000 capital and \$2951.24 Interest.
5. An addition of \$249.95 to Office Equipment for telephones.
6. A writing-off of \$713 for office furniture in NSW no longer regarded as the property of the Association.

J. H. SYMONDS, A.C.I.S.

Honorary Auditor
31 Sharpie Crescent,
Grange
S. Australia.

NATIONAL DIRECTOR OF FITNESS AND COACHING ANNUAL REPORT

There is now very little to complete for the finalization of the AUSSI component to go into the ASI level 1. In fact, perhaps a straight 6 hours would tidy it up once and for all. I would dearly have loved to have completed it before retiring from this position. However, there are only 24 hours in a day and 2 more pressing needs require my time, a new business, and being president of Victorian AUSSI. I therefore leave the completion of the Component to far more competent people than I.

I now lead onto what may be interpreted as controversial, or sour grapes. What it is meant to be are my own personal thoughts on the position of National director of Fitness and Coaching, and the betterment of AUSSI which apart from my family are the most important group of people in my life.

I am concerned with the apathy of AUSSI members in general and their attitude towards the N.D. of F & C.

We have, in my opinion, an extremely efficient executive committee, hard working to the extreme, with everything they do an absolute necessity and appreciated by everybody. The exception, I feel, is in the N.D. of F & C. area, which is a peculiarity. I have held this position now for 2 years and initially I was full of fire and brimstone to get us all out there moving. However, as time went on I became disappointed and felt it was beyond me to hold the position because I could not get a reaction from members. Maybe if we had a regular National Newsletter going out in that period I might have been able to gauge a reaction, but through unfortunate circumstances a newsletter wasn't to be. Therefore, I had to resort to a direct mail approach which was twice a 100% failure and so I realised I was not dynamic enough to command the respect of our members to get a reaction.



DICK CAMPION

Within my 2 year period as N.D. of F & C. I have never been contacted by phone or mail with regard a query to our sport except by members of the executive and the national recorder. I organised a coaches meeting for Perth and wrote to all those who attended asking for a reply, I wrote to all state secretaries asking all interested parties to contact me by mail. Again I failed to get a reply.

I then started to try and analyse what this all meant. By all accounts there was an extremely good weekend workshop for AUSSI in Queensland run by our good friend Peter Raeburn. I was committed to the Master Games in Devonport. Kay Cox reported back at the completion of the workshop, everyone was calling for an AUSSI coaches association. This was what my letters had been about without any response. If as everybody wanted an AUSSI coaches association how is it to be formed if they won't contact the National Director of Fitness and Coaching? At the time of writing this report, apart from Kay's report to Glenys and Anita Kilmier's report to Vic. state, I have no knowledge of what went on at the workshop nor did the organisers of the workshop deem it necessary for me or the executive of AUSSI to receive a run down of the activities.

I believe there is still a need for a N.D. of F & C., in fact I would like to see an assistant, not necessarily in the same state to speed up and also ease the work load. I would like more emphasis placed on the fact the N.D. of F & C is a coaches coach

and the information they put out is best interpreted by state or club coaches before implementation. I also see with coaches courses about to start our N.D. of F & C. (and assistant) is going to be very busy and therefore their time will be limited in the extreme. In the initial period I believe not much more should be required of them than to nurse these courses through the states and collate the results accordingly.

I strongly recommend a regular contact be made by state fitness directors to the National Director and perhaps quarterly or half yearly reports be sent in on their

activities within their state. From these reports the National Director can gauge what's happening out there, whether there is advice needed or an idea that has come to light needs to be spread amongst the rest of AUSSI.

In my absence, I thank you all sincerely for giving me the wonderful opportunity to have been the National Director of Fitness and Coaching.

I wish you all what I wish myself for the future "fitness and fun through swimming".

Yours sincerely,
DICK CAMPION



Power Points Men's 1987 National Speedo
Sprint Champions with Rob Paweys — Speedo

1988 ANNUAL REPORT BY THE PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER

This report is submitted in accordance with the constitution and by-laws of AUSSI Masters Swimming in Australia (Inc.).

During the December 87 General Council Meeting the delegates were advised that not one member, not one club, not one branch, had answered a request for help, and that only 30% of the clubs and approx. 50% of the Branches had responded to a questionnaire, regarding a National newsletter. The delegates then decided that a newsletter containing;

- a. Information provided by the Executives,
- b. Information provided by the Branches, and
- c. Information/articles provided by AUSSI members,

should be published.

A request/recommendation that a Branch accept responsibility for the proof reading and distribution of the newsletter, was unsuccessful.

A letter, dated 7th December, 1987, addressed to Executives and Branches, asked that details of the newsletter, and a 22nd January, 1988 deadline, be passed to the Clubs A.S.A.P. Four days after the deadline I have received comments from, one branch, one member of the executive and two technical papers. With only 5000 members, a newsletter, or any other activity, needs the support of all branches, all clubs and all AUSSI members. SO WHAT ABOUT IT!

One organization which should have the total support of all the members is SPEEDO. SPEEDO have continued their support of the National Postal Relay, (winners should have received their bags and caps); they have maintained their support of the National Swim, (even though it's a postal event); they retain their commitment to the National



SPEEDO Relay, and they are one of the largest sponsors of the '88 swim. SPEEDO have met their commitments, let us see that the members of AUSSI meet theirs.

Another firm which has continued to support AUSSI is UNISYS. They have supplied the manpower and equipment to present up-to-date results during many of our swim championships. They supported the Perth National swim and the Tassie Master Games, they are involved in the National Postal swim and they are now providing software, equipment and training to ensure a smooth and efficient '88 world swim program. MAY THE POWER of 2 BE WITH THEM.

Closer to home we have the '88 swim committee. A small band of dedicated workers who have, at the last minute, accepted the challenge and responsibility of running the "2nd FINA/MSI World Masters Swimming Championships". They need members to help run the swim. Check that your club has indicated its support and that your name is on the list of volunteers.

AUSSI is your organization, help it, and you help yourself.

DERRILL PICTON

WORLD MASTERS SWIM COMMITTEE REPORT — DECEMBER 1987

Since April '87 much has taken place regarding the Organisation of October, '88.

We will be honest and say that we have not been without our problems —

1. Time
2. People
3. Money

I would like to clarify the latter in that our major problem here has been lack of sponsorship.

Our small but dedicated team are on schedule regarding all aspects of planning for the Swim Meet and beginning now, much of all this planning will become action.

We would like to confirm that we will be adding to the program, a Masters Diving event to be held in conjunction with an Exhibition of Masters Water Polo.

The FINA Masters meeting held, May 1987 at Stanford Uni., CAL. voted to include both these events in the Brazilian Championships 1990 and requested the feasibility of their inclusion for October '88. Because of our early venue planning we have been able to include both these events at no extra expense and in fact will add to our income.

You will see from our Official Program that entry forms are included for these competitions.

The Australian Diving Association and the Qld. Water Polo Association will officiate at the competitions, with the Swim Committee controlling Competitor Registrations only.

SPONSORSHIP/FINANCE

Without a doubt this has proved to be our greatest problem.

Australian Sport in general and more specifically Australian Swimming has done nothing to endear itself to commercial sponsors.

We are suffering greatly from this problem. The hours and money that members of this committee have applied to this subject have been uncountable with very



little success.

We have had a commitment from Federal, State and Local Governments plus major support from Jetset Tours (Qld.) Unisys and Speedo.

Without Jetset Tours our progress to date would be minimal, not only their expertise, but their preparedness to carry costs, has enabled the committee to attain our present state of organisation.

Our inability to obtain a Principal Sponsor is disappointing, but we can assure you that no stone has been left unturned.

At present we are endeavouring to obtain a commercial sponsor from overseas.

Because of the above, we have found it necessary to restructure our budget.

In principle, we have supplemented our lack of income by substituting sponsorship with commissions and pruned our expenditure to the maximum.

VENUE AND SWIM MEET

1. VENUE

Plans are well underway with the Brisbane City Council to ensure that Chandler is at its sparkling best for the Championships and our Sub-committee has all in hand.

2. SWIM MEET

The Swim Meet will be conducted under conditions laid down by FINA for this event.

The Diving will be conducted on October 13, 14 and 15th within the Chandler Complex adjacent to the main pool and will also be held under FINA rules.

The Water Polo Exhibition will be played at the new Valley Complex, recently redeveloped as the water polo centre for Brisbane's 1992 Olympic bid.

Maps, showing the layout of the Complex and its situation within the Brisbane Environs are detailed in the Official Program.

WORLD MASTERS SWIM '88

PUBLICITY PROGRAM

1. BROCHURES AND POSTERS

By now all Australian clubs will have received a brochure and a poster on the World Masters Swim '88. More copies will be forwarded to Secretaries closer to the event.

2. NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

The November Newsletter advised all clubs and intending swimmers of the swimming and diving programs. It also provided an update of progress on the Swim. It was our third newsletter to date. From now until the Swim newsletters will be appearing monthly.

3. PROGRAM

The program book itself, with full details of registration procedures and FINA/MSI rules will be released in December.

4. "START OF TRAINING" LAUNCH

A promotional launch of the event will be held - probably in early February. The venue will be the Chandler Sports Complex. Dawn Fraser has been invited to be honorary patron of the event and on her approval will play a part in the launch activities. Brisbane's Lord Mayor, Sallyanne Atkinson, has also agreed to take part. The aim of the launch is to introduce ourselves and our sponsors officially to the public and the local media.

Queensland AUSSI clubs will be invited to partake in the launch which will mark the official "start of training" for the event. We envisage activities will include short speeches by the Chairman and our sponsors and a presentation of a World Masters Swim '88 t-shirt to the Lord Mayor by our official patron. The Lord Mayor will then signal "the start of training" at the pool by firing a starting gun for AUSSI Masters swimmers on the blocks.

The launch will be concluded with light refreshments. A media release will be dis-

tributed following the launch to those outlets who were unable to attend. The release will also be sent by mail to AUSSI club representatives (see below) for distribution to local media.

5. CLUB NEWSLETTERS

Newsletters will continue to be produced and sent to clubs within Australia and overseas. The distribution list has been expanded to include local media outlets. Anyone who knows of a club not on our mailing list please contact the Publicity Officer.

The November newsletter asked clubs to appoint an official World Masters Swim '88 representative. This person may well turn out to be the Secretary of the club but since the Secretary's duties are usually the heaviest, it would be more appropriate to appoint a separate person. We request that such a person be appointed to involve the clubs more closely with organisation of the Swim. He/she will be responsible for promoting the Swim at the local club level (via newspaper radio or t.v.). Copies of all media releases distributed on the Swim will be forwarded to the club to be rewritten and adapted for use by local media outlets using statistics, photographs and information relevant to the individual club and State. Personal contact with editors is the best form of distribution for these releases.

Using a little imagination, every club should be able to gain at least one news-feature story covering the event. This publicity will have the dual purpose of promoting the Swim and the ideals of AUSSI Masters swimming as well. Until the media in each State get to know AUSSI a little better, media releases distributed by the organising committee will have little impact in cities outside of Brisbane. This is your Swim — we need your help to promote it.

6. FEATURE STORIES

Media lists within Australia and overseas have been prepared. Special interest magazines will be individually contacted about possible features over the next 12 months. A preliminary contact letter will be distributed before Christmas.

7. MEDIA RELEASES

News releases will be distributed as progress is achieved e.g. Federal funding granted, State Government funding granted, sponsors announced, progress on special events (see below), announce-

ment of water polo event, announcement of diving event, etc. Media releases will be mailed with enclosed brochures and posters for added impact. We will endeavour to distribute at least one release per month up until the week of the Swim. During the Swim releases will be more frequent and the media will be invited for special conferences (if records are broken, etc.).

8. SPECIAL EVENT No. 1 — EX-OLYMPIAN SWIM

Included in the November newsletter was an invitation to all Ex-Olympians to join us for a special event during the opening activities of the Swim — either an exhibition swim or parade of past swimming greats. The event is likely to attract the most interest from the media.

We stressed in the newsletter that the World Masters Swim '88 is for all Master swimmers — not just the past Olympian heroes or the super Masters athletes of today. Every AUSSI swimmer is a winner just by taking part. This idea must be reinforced as often as possible by State and club executive members. Any notion of elitism must be stamped out!

9. SPECIAL EVENT No. 2 — FASHION PARADE

In association with Speedo Australia, a fashion parade of Australian swimwear is being organised as part of the closing

activities of the Swim. Costs will be covered by Speedo.

10. PRESS KITS

Press kits will be used for media attending our functions and the event itself. These will use our stickers to identify the Swim. Alternatively, one of our sponsors may wish to use the company's press kits (under negotiation).

11. PHOTOGRAPHY

Some good quality black and white prints and colour transparencies of AUSSI members, the facilities for the Swim, etc. will be produced to be distributed with feature articles, news stories, etc. Costs will be covered by our minor sponsor, Kodak.

12. BROADCAST TAPE

A broadcast tape for community news promotion will be produced. The costs of this may be negotiable with Unisys who are very interested in the idea.

We hope this report gives you some idea of the work planned for the next 12 months to promote the swim.

Chairman: Graham McDougal
Secretary: Rhonda Searle



1986 Top Aerobic Scorers.

NATION RECORDER'S REPORT 1987

I begin this report with two apologies, the first for the lateness of the Top Ten and the second to those members awaiting confirmation of breaking a National Record and their certificates.

With the Top Ten, I received the last of the cards during the final week of November. This meant I couldn't start until after the mid-year conference (1st week in December), then came Christmas, which all added up to being 3 to 4 weeks behind and no chance of catching up.

Unfortunately, during this time, I received heaps of record applications. I chose to concentrate on the Top Ten, so once again my apologies to those members who have had to wait.

The 1987 Top Ten is the largest yet. The increase in the number of pages this year is, in my opinion, due mainly to having ten times in almost all events, even the older age groups, where as in previous years we would only get 3 or 4, a tremendous achievement.

For the statistically minded, the following number of records were broken, or established during the past year:

- 347 long course individual
- 184 short course individual
- 18 long course relays
- 13 short course relays

To all of the Branch Recorders and the patient members, my sincere thanks.

PETER GILLETT
NATIONAL RECORDER



PETER GILLETT
NATIONAL RECORDER.



David Cummins, W.A. Branch President
presenting National Heart Foundation trophy
to W.A. Swimmer Mike Noble.

NATIONAL AEROBIC RECORDER ANNUAL REPORT

This year again saw six Branches participate in the National Aerobic Trophy. Although total numbers were down on last year, (see table below), the total points scored increased markedly.

	1986	1987
N.S.W.	278	267
A.C.T.	28	30
VIC	127	105
TAS.	16	37
W.A.	471	460
QLD.	205	194
TOTAL	1125	1093
TOTAL POINTS	21.296	25.161
POINTS/ SWIMMER	18.93	23.02

The **CHAMPION CLUBS** were

1. **CLAREMONT W.A.** 2,192 points
2. **TOWNSVILLE QLD.** 1,640 points
3. **SYNDAL VIC.** 1,614 points

The **TASSIE AWARD** went to

1. **SYNDAL VIC. with 54 members**
averaging 29.89 points.
2. **MACKAY QLD. with 37 members**
averaging 25.41 points.
3. **HUNTER N.S.W. with 43 members**
averaging 25.05 points.

This year it was necessary to print a "TOP 30" pointscorers as the grand total of 20 fit swimmers achieved their major goal of maximum points (127). to even make the top 30 you had to achieve 116 points or above!! The competition is becoming much fiercer with each succeeding year. It certainly highlights the popularity of the concept.

Northern Territory clubs began their aerobic swims for 1987/88 before Christmas and I throw down the gauntlet to the S.A. Branch and clubs to make 1988 the year when all eight Branches of AUSSI are represented in the Aerobic Trophy results. Come on S.A. give it a go!!

The review of the National Aerobic Trophy is underway and will be presented to the Annual Council in April, 1988. As a result, the 1987/88 year will be the final year in the present format.



Judy Ford
National Aerobic Recorder

NEW SOUTH WALES: ANNUAL BRANCH REPORT 1987

President: Brian Hird
Secretary: Ken Ford

I am again privileged to report on the major activities held within the N.S.W. region during the season under review.

It was a most successful season administratively and especially competitively. N.S.W. swimmers by their actions upheld the best tenets of Master Swimming in breaking and creating State, National and World records with many attaining the pinnacle of appearing, in force, in the World Top Ten ratings both long and short course.

Administratively, the main feature was to comply with the edicts of the N.S.W. Corporate Affairs Commission which appear to be more stringently enforced than other States and to satisfy many members' misgivings at the alteration to the club structure and meetings.

The Executive strove to satisfy both areas and, it is felt, succeeded.

It was found that a Management committee of six members worked smoothly and efficiently.

The rules provided for all members to express their opinions and call for meetings outside those allocated.

Competitively, it was a full and successful season. Many made the trek to Perth for the Nationals and were rewarded with a highly successful carnival in fine surroundings and excellent weather. All aspects of these Nationals were a credit to the organisers. Though lack in numbers, N.S.W. made up in their quality of competition.

The N.S.W. State Cup was again a competitive highlight. Attendance increased to a number of 430 from 28 clubs and was swum in ideal conditions.

The N.S.W. Short Course Championships which attracted 200 competitors to a country centre were highly successful. Records fell over the two days to an unbelievable extent. During the course of the meet, 62 National and 17 World records were broken.



The State was well represented and successful in National and International Postal events.

The number of clubs registered as at 31st December was 34 with a total of 1221 members. We confidently look forward to a big increase during the 1988 season. The Executive will address this matter seriously. Our affiliation with the Amateur Swimming Association should materially assist us to form clubs in country areas which abound with swimmers and pools.

A Newsletter is produced by our Publicity Officer which is informative and well received by the members.

N.S.W. members participated in increased numbers in the Aerobic Pointscore Trophy and were rewarded with an excellent record of their achievements as they did in the National Top Ten.

The N.S.W. Pelican Pointscore Trophy ensures carnival participation of which our calendar of carnival events is so full that we have run out of months.

It seems that the future will require co-joining of clubs for carnivals, distance events and other novelty and worthwhile events.

To conclude, N.S.W. congratulates the National Executive on a successful year with a special mention of the excellent liaison existing between this, and no doubt other States, with the National Secretary.

KEN FORD

N.S.W. HON. SECRETARY

1987 ANNUAL REPORT — A.C.T. BRANCH CORPORATED

In what seems much less than a year since my last report, I am happy to present the following as a summary of the ACT Branch's activities during 1987.

1. CLUBS/MEMBERSHIP

The club count in ACT remains at two with there certainly being potential for a third but a lack of personnel being a constraint on its establishment.

Membership is as follows:

Belconnen Wests — 59

(35 females, 24 males)

Tuggeranong — 24

(9 females, 15 males)

While these figures are not encouraging, the Branch committee remains committed to strengthening AUSSI within the ACT.

2. ADMINISTRATION

ACT Branch was once again successful in obtaining a Sports Development Grant which we had no difficulty acquitting. I attended a very interesting and informative meeting with a Government representative of the body involved in grants in sport in ACT, and was able to put forward what I perceive as special difficulties met by Masters Swimming in ACT. As only a small proportion of sports which receive grants attended, there was plenty of opportunity to sing the praises and benefits of AUSSI Masters Swimming.

We continue to be a member of ACT Sports House, the sporting "centre" of ACT, as well as combining with Amateur Swimming to present a 15 minute, fortnightly, segment on a local FM Sports radio station. We believe our profile is slowly moving from the bottom rung of the ladder in ACT.

TOSHIBA continue to sponsor the production of our monthly newsletter, TIDAL, and the ACT Division of the National Heart Foundation also remains closely linked. Branch committee meetings are now held in the centrally located board room of the Foundation — a very comfortable venue indeed.

ACT was ably represented at both



National Council Meetings by committee members. These meetings as always, were of mutual benefit to ACT and National AUSSI.

During 1987, the Branch continued to maintain a financially viable position.

3. COACHING

A small grant was also received for coaching during 1987 which partly offset expenses incurred in running "coaching of the coaches" sessions, stroke correction sessions and video sessions for members. The branch committee firmly believe that good coaching (especially by way of stroke correction) is what is most wanted and needed by members and therefore the branch is prepared to meet costs associated with this.

At ACT's invitation, Des McCormick (former National Fitness and Coaching Director) continued to instruct the club coaches in a very enthusiastic and informative manner. Some members also benefitted by a few poolside stroke correction clinics conducted by Des during the year.

Club coaches now look forward to achieving accreditation as AUSSI coaches. They have certainly had excellent preliminary instruction for it.

The Branch Coaching and Fitness Director attended a number of Coaching Seminars conducted by ACT Sports House and while all were not presented well enough to be broadly applicable, Les is still waxing lyrical about a presentation by Bill Sweetenham (head swimming coach at the AIS). Bill Sweetenham is a dynamo apparently, and his enthusiasm and presentation all but overwhelmed the

room. Bill is also taking a small interest in Masters Swimming. He is regularly sending to us, copies of articles on Masters Swimming.

ACT Branch hopes to strengthen these ties during 1988, particularly with the World Swim almost upon us.

4. SWIM MEETS/EVENTS

4.1 ACT Branch Swim Meet

This was held in February and attracted 138 entrants, 96 from N.S.W. clubs. The meet program was a little different from previous years in that there were three 200m events. This was well received and is sure to be a regular feature.

Medals were awarded to age group placegetters and the inaugural Capita Perpetual Trophy for Swimmer of the Meet was won by well known N.S.W. and National identity, Peter Jackson.

4.2 Inaugural A.C.T. Long Distance Swim Meet

This was held in August and with just under 60 swimmers attending on the day, there was a true AUSSI spirit of co-operation in getting jobs done.

The events swum were 400m, 800m and 1500m in any stroke possible, and there were some 40 National Records either established or broken, 15 of them to A.C.T. members. A magnificent effort by all and an event now securely set in the A.C.T. AUSSI calendar.

4.3 AUSSI Nationals

Five members of the Belconnen Wests club made the long trip to Perth to participate in this event. All returned delighted with their efforts and proud to be part of an organisation that can stage such a high standard meet.

4.4 Other AUSSI Events

A.C.T. members, particularly those of Belconnen Wests (home of National Aerobic Recorder by the way), continue to be keen to participate in the National Aerobic Trophy, with Tanya Colyer achieving maximum points for 1987.

A.C.T. also appreciated being able to participate in the Carine AUSSI Masters Swim 3000, the Coogee-Randwick ½ hour Postal Swim and the Speedo Postal Relays.

There were also 2 A.C.T. interclub challenges during 1987 (both won by Tuggeranong), Belconnen Wests were part of a postal challenge with 2 N.S.W. clubs and Tuggeranong AUSSI initiated a

postal challenge in December with Alice Springs AUSSI. Quite a busy year!

4.5 National Heart Foundation Events

On Australia Day 1987, AUSSI assisted in the running of the Lake Swim, swum in Lake Burley Griffin over a course somewhat less than the advertised 1500m. 92 swimmers set out together, with 31 of them going around the circuit a second time to cover approximately 2,500m in all.

In July, 4 AUSSI members co-ordinated 4 teams to participate in the 30 hour "Swim for Heart" relay event. A record \$40,000 was raised overall for the Heart Foundation — a wonderful effort by all.

5. SOCIAL EVENTS

The highlight of the social calendar for 1987 was a traditional French Christmas Dinner held in June, with a follow up French dinner held as an end of year get together for the Branch and club committees. With clubs expressing a preference to organise their own social activities in 1988, the Branch will no longer be involved with this.

In closing, on behalf of the A.C.T. Branch, I wish all AUSSI members a successful and happy 1988.

**ANGELIKA ERPIC
BRANCH SECRETARY**

VICTORIA BRANCH 1987 REPORT

I have much pleasure in presenting the 10th Annual Report of AUSSI Masters Swimming Victorian Branch Inc., for the year ended 31 December, 1987.

We were pleased this year to welcome newly formed clubs Rosebud, Ringwood and Sunshine, and the State Branch wishes them every success as part of AUSSI. This brings the club total to 20. With the influx of members from new clubs, the registrar reports that membership topped the 600 mark this year.

AUSSI Victoria will grow even bigger next year with the commencement of our new clubs, improved coaching and fitness ideals and more variety of swims — long and short.

The State Swim was once again held at the State Swim Centre over two days and, for the first time, 1st place medallions were awarded to winners of each event in each age group, male and female with ribbons to 2nd and 3rd.

AUSSI Victoria was formed in July 1977 and the 10th Anniversary and Presentation night marked the celebrations of this event. Life membership plaques were presented to myself and Danny Smith and I feel very humble in accepting this honour.

This year the State committee saw fit to roster the running of the yearly State swims. The carnival management committee became the club running and organising the meet and Doncaster club did an excellent job in conducting the Pentathlon. They will also organise the 1988 State swim with Frankston taking over the 1988 Pentathlon. This enables more swimmers to realise the work load of running a swim meet.

Inter-club swims have increased and proved very popular. Winner and runner-up pennants were presented at the presentation dinner.

At the National swim presentation dinner in Perth this year, Powerpoints won the Visitors trophy and Syndal were runners up in the Aerobic trophy and won the "Tassie" award. Beryl Anderson was named female swimmer of the meet.



Secretary: BARBARA WILSON

The World swim to be held in Brisbane during October 1988, will see many Victorian swimmers competing and striving for personal best times. Alice Springs is also hosting the Central Australian Games in October.

Thank you must go to club secretaries, State Committee and members for their support. Special thanks must go to the State President for his extra contributions.

BARBARA WILSON
STATE SECRETARY

TASMANIA BRANCH ANNUAL REPORT 1987

I am delighted to present this report upon the activities of AUSSI TASMANIA for 1987. It has been without doubt the busiest and most exciting year in our development. Our major event was the swim meet held as part of the First Australian Masters Games at the end of November. Many months of planning culminated in an event which has received praise from all quarters. We in Tasmania are proud of the efforts made on our behalf by the swim meet committee. Over 250 entries were received from Australia and New Zealand. The excellent assistance provided by the T.A.S.A., AND HEC BEVERIDGE as Meet Director, paved the way for a smooth running, efficient programme held over two days at the Devonport Olympic Pool. Trish Beveridge as Pool Manager had the pool set up beautifully. The first open water swim at Lake Eugena attracted many swimmers in both the 5km. and 10km. events. The advice and guidance of those experienced in these events was much appreciated.

The AUSSI Mid Year Council meeting was held in Devonport following the Swim Meet. AUSSI TASMANIA is indebted to those who supported the change to procedure to enable the meeting to be held in our state at this most important time in our development. To have support from the executive and members of Council was a huge boost to our confidence.

MEMBERSHIP

CLUB	1986	1987
Launceston	39	41
Devonport	56	67
Hobart	22	34
TOTAL	117	142

There has been an increase in all club numbers, and while not large the increase is apparent in levels of participation at Branch events. We feel there is an increasing general awareness of Masters Swimming in Tasmania which should be reflected in numbers in 1988.

Our newest club, Hobart Masters, is moving along steadily and with much enthusiasm. It is most encouraging to see an



JENNY PAGE
BRANCH SECRETARY

always larger group in their green gear at every Swim Meet. Nan Lewis is their guiding light and chief stirrer. Devonport Devils, having the advantage of the major swim in their area, has attracted many new members. They overwhelm the rest of us by strength of number and participation. Launceston AUSSI has had a better year in 1987 with a committee determined to improve club image and building upon club activities. An inaugural Australia Day lake swim was held at Trevallyn Lake with a pleasing number of entries. It is intended to hold this event annually.

THE SUMMER AND WINTER SWIM MEETS were held in Devonport and Launceston respectively in 1987. The points in both events went to Devonport. Launceston reluctantly handed over the Winter Swim pennant that had been held by the club since its inception.

THE BRANCH A.G.M. saw the Branch executives returned to office with Trish Beveridge taking on the Public Relations job rather than Fitness Director. It is unfortunate that we have not been able to find a Branch Fitness Director but we are hopeful that the position will be filled at the 1988 A.G.M.

At the time of the A.G.M. a Special General Meeting resolution to incorporate was carried out with the result that the branch is now AUSSI Masters Swimming in Australia (TAS.) Inc.

In her capacity of Publicity Officer, Trish has produced a newsletter for the Branch, while although irregular at this stage, is eagerly received by members. Due to an increased workload as secretary of the Masters Games Swim Meet committee Trish has had very little time to produce the newsletter. She did however write a regular column for "The Tasmanian Swimmer", a new magazine which we hope will become a success for its editor/publisher.

THE FUTURE

The Summer Swim in Hobart in 1988 will be a first and exciting time for Hobart Masters, especially as it includes the Postal National Swim.

The Aerobic Trophy will be promoted further in an effort to increase points scored by Tasmanian members.

Our major aim will once again be the promotion of AUSSI within Tasmania and beyond.

JENNY PAGE
BRANCH SECRETARY



AUSSI-MASTERS SWIMMING IN AUSTRALIA SOUTH AUSTRALIAN BRANCH INCORPORATED

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN BRANCH REPORT

President: PETER GILLET
Secretary: FLORENCE WALKER

1987 REPORT

The 1987 report from South Australia will be brief — no monumental decisions made or controversial changes introduced. We just got on with the day to day business of running the Branch.

Registrations did not exceed those of the previous year, in fact about 50 members less than in 1986. The only reason I can think of is 1986 being the year of the Nationals encouraged new members. Numbers for 1987 were: Female 353, Male 388, Total 741 registrations.

A new club affiliated, Port Lincoln Masters and they had a 100% attendance at the State Cup — great to see.

1987 also saw the demise of Largs Vikings, mainly due to lack of coaching. Most of the members from Largs have joined in with Western Districts, whom, I'm sure, welcome them. They will help to boost their points score.

We did try to break new ground, with the sponsorship of Bridgestone (Jack Baker Tyres), and Radio Station 5 DN, by upgrading the annual AUSSI Long Swim to include 3 separate events, a 7000m scratch Super Swim, a 1800m handicap swim and Zedar 1000m scratch open fun swim. The day was good but the events, unfortunately, did not attract the number of entries they, and the sponsors, deserved.

Coaching was prominent in May when Lynda Lehmann conducted a very successful seminar which attracted a lot of interest. Thanks go to the number of speakers who attended to help make it a most effective and informative session.



Secretary: FLORENCE WALKER

AUSSI coaches gained a lot from that day.

The State Cup competition was held over two consecutive weekends, as is becoming the normal practise, and the winners of the points scored being — surprise, surprise, Adelaide Masters with 2564 points and the runners up, Western Districts with 2260 points.

Interclub competitions were well attended and climaxed at the Presentation Dinner and Social at Stonyfell Winery in November. The theme for the dinner was fancy dress/black and white, and everyone, without exception, entered into the spirit of the night. The Social Committee, under the direction of Rod Roberts, excelled themselves and deserve a special word of thanks. The floor show lived up to all expectations. The whole night will be hard to beat. We entertained our Patron, Mr. Tom Casey and Mrs. Casey, who very bravely agreed to judge the fancy dress parade — it was a hard task but most nobly done!

Medals were presented to 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each age group and sex with the winning club being, who else, Adelaide Masters.

Nationally several swimmers were successful in Perth.

Gold Medal —

Mark Smedley 25/29

Silver Medals —

Lynda Lehmann 25/29

Margaret MacKinnon 60/64

Jon Davies 55/59

Bronze Medals —

Julie Keast 35/39

Harold Cilento 70/74

Congratulations to these swimmers.

As said, a brief report, which does not really do justice to the hard work which so many members have put into the running of the Branch but on the whole, the year was successful which can be seen in the harmony which exists amongst AUSSI members in South Australia.

FLORENCE WALKER
BRANCH SECRETARY



President Ivan Wingate with Female Swimmer
of the Meet, Beryl Anderson. 1987 Nationals —
Perth.



AUSSI MASTERS SWIMMING W.A. BRANCH (Inc.)



President: D. CUMMINS



Administrator: G. McDONALD

W.A. BRANCH ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

1987 was a positive and rewarding year for AUSSI W.A., with many highlights and an increase in membership by 46 members, and an increase in clubs from 21 to 26.

We are still a little tardy in filling all the Branch Executive positions, but the Executive, as a team worked brilliantly in coping with our huge workload in 1987.

WHAT WE ACHIEVED:

NATIONAL SWIM

Obviously our largest success for the year was the 1987 AUSSI Masters National Swimming Championships presented by the Capita Financial Group.

An enormous amount of work is required before a swim meet of 844 swimmers contesting 7 events over 4 days can go off like clock work. We did our organisation proud, not only with the smooth running of the event but by the standards we set in get-

ting our officials trained and educated prior to the event. A special vote of thanks must go to the Beatty Park Aquatic Centre staff for their invaluable assistance.

Accompanying the Championships were a number of coaching seminars and social functions which were all well attended. We were embarrassed by the number of swimmers who wished to attend the National Presentation Dinner and Observation City was stretched to cater for 604 hungry swimmers ready to let their hair down and kick up their heels.

NATIONAL COUNCIL

AUSSI W.A. sends two delegates to attend the twice yearly National Council meetings, but in 1987 it was our turn to organise the National A.G.M. Sponsorship from Capita and favourable negotiations with Observation City enabled this two day conference to be conducted in wonderful surroundings at Observation City. Our hospitality to the delegates continued trends set by other States.

GROWTH EQUITIES STATE WINTER CHAMPIONSHIPS

Continuing in our competitive vein, two Saturdays in September saw the conduct

of our 3rd Winter Championships over the longer distances. Most memorable was the club camaraderie; Dick Hartley and Shelley Taylor's world records; and Lor-rain Sharpe's 1500m butterfly which was done with such ease.

INTERCLUB FORMAT

W.A. continued with a series of four inter-club swim months where three clubs hosted carnivals. However attendance has been down over the past two years and the Executive directed the Administrator to consider this issue. A new format for W.A. interclub carnivals was passed at our December Council for a 12 month trial period and I feel the new format will add incentives and provide further swimming goals for our members.

STATE TROPHIES

Because of our commitments in hosting the 1987 National Swim, our 1986/87 State Trophies were announced at the June Council of Clubs meeting and presented to the appropriate clubs by the Executive.

Congratulations to Claremont AUSSI for a 'year of excellence'.

1987 State & National Swim Champions

1986 State & National Aerobic Trophy Champions

Congratulations to Esperance AUSSI for winning the Country Aerobic Trophy, and Congratulations to Belmont AUSSI for winning the McDonald Administration Shield.

1. ACCOMMODATION

We began the year in our office accommodation at Beatty Park Aquatic Centre, however due to the temporary nature of this arrangement, I began negotiations into office space at the new indoor complex at Mt. Claremont. Negotiations were most successful and advantageous to AUSSI and our new office is most attractive and well set up.

2. SUPERDROME

The Superdrome complex is an exciting addition to the sports facilities of W.A. and having such an indoor competition pool will solve our weather problems of the past. We were happy to be involved in the opening week of sport activities, and my special thanks go to West Coast Masters who assisted me by hosting an interclub carnival and Perth City AUSSI who conducted

an AUSSI club demonstration day. The new complex is well worth a visit and members are looking forward to the conduct of our State Swim next March.

The Branch office operated each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9.30 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. but was closed during the 4 weeks of the Administrator's annual leave. Most clubs took advantage of office access to pick up forms, books, videos etc. and deliver items.

3. ADMINISTRATION SEMINAR

Three club administration seminars were held during the year at Tom Price, Paraburdoo and a November metropolitan seminar. These seminars, like our coaching seminars are part of our member services and an informative way to improve the quality of our service to members.

4. PROMOTION

AUSSI W.A. continued to maintain a high profile within Western Australia and a planned promotion to pool managers at a metropolitan conference resulted in many enquiries, particularly from country areas.

5. WORKING BEES

Working bees were conducted to assist our State Recorder in her huge Top Ten and Aerobic Recording tasks.

6. DEVELOPMENT PLAN

1987 saw an enquiry into the allocation of sports grants in this State, and AUSSI contributed a paper to this enquiry, because access to grants are vital to our existence.

1987 also required each State Sports Association to forward their 3 year development plans to the Department for Sport and Recreation. A lot of work went into our plan and its direction should take us from strength to strength.

7. SWIM THRUS

AUSSI's involvement in open water swimming has continued this year with the co-ordination of a State Swim Thru calendar for all associations running these events; the inaugural Sorrento Super Swim in January 1986 where over \$1,500 was donated to Spastic Welfare; and the planned conduct of the 8km. Marathon Swim from City Beach to Trigg Island in February

1988. My special thanks to LifeSport Superdome for sponsoring this event; the Surf Lifesaving Association W.A. State Centre for the offer to provide all water safety and the Sports Medicine Federation of W.A. for assistance with seminars and preparation for the event.

These swim thru events remain popular with our members and our expertise in this area is increasing. We now have a video of the conduct of the 10km. marathon swim conducted during the 1st Australian Masters Games and look forward to assisting Australian Swimming in the conduct of the marathon swim associated with the 1991 World Swimming Championships.

P.S. Watch out for the Port Gregory Swim Thru on next year's calendar.

In conclusion I would like to thank AUSSI members for the privilege of working with them these past 10½ years. It has been an enriching experience and I have learnt a lot during that time, particularly in the past 2½ years as Administrator. I wish my successor well and I know AUSSI will go from strength to strength.

I would like to especially thank the members of the Executive for their 'special' friendship and Don Williams for being so ready with his talented art work.

My special thanks to the Department for Sport and Recreation for their grants for the year towards salary and seminars, total nearly \$10,000.

GLENYS McDONALD
Administrator



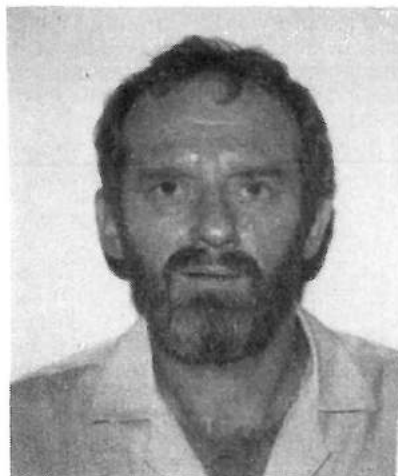
MASTERS SWIMMING IN AUSTRALIA

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Queensland Branch



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QUEENSLAND BRANCH ANNUAL REPORT

With the advent of World Masters Swim '88, the new Queensland Branch Executive has been conducting the affairs since April, 1987 from Townsville. This has allowed the full resources of the Brisbane AUSSI swimmers to help with the organization of the World Masters Swim.

Under the direction of Chris Bell, President, Queensland now has 25 clubs with over 1,000 members. A Starter Kit has been made available to interested groups of swimmers in the State, and it is expected that four more clubs will join the remarkable growth of AUSSI swimmers in the Sunshine State.

The 1987 State Titles were hosted by Brisbane Southside Masters at the Chandler Pool. 22 clubs were represented by 339 swimmers. 11 National records and 80 State records were broken at the swim meet. Brisbane Southside Masters won the aggregate points. It was a successful and well organized two day event.

Since March, the Executive has instigated a number of achievements. Notable among these are the issuing of newly designed certificates for State Records, the co-ordination of a Calendar of Carnivals for the State, the development of a Starter Kit for new clubs, the effective use of the North and South Queensland Coaching directors in helping swimmers, and the publishing of State Newsletter.

The finances of the Branch have been in good shape this year which has led to the maintaining of the low Branch membership fees

The Branch has big plans for the future: '88 Bicentennial National Swim Postal Event and State titles to be conducted by the Sunshine Coastal AUSSI at Caloundra and Townsville, the instigation of Coaching Accreditation Courses in the State Newsletter, the search for a major sponsor, the incorporation of the Qld. Branch, and of course our full support for the World Masters Swimming Championships.

The hard working efforts of the Executive members this year has led to the strength of our achievements. I would like to thank the Branch Executive members and the clubs who have made contributions to our success this past year.

NORTHERN TERRITORY BRANCH NEWS

Three clubs are now established at Alice Springs, Katherine and Nhulumbuy. The Branch has confirmed interest from many other centres and has secured a Grants-in-Aid of \$1,614 towards staging the Northern Territories first AUSSI Masters Swimming Championships and the inaugural Branch Annual General meeting.



Photo shows the cheque being handed over to AUSSI Katherine Treasurer, Denise Neilsen at the Katherine Town Pool, by the Member for Katherine Michael Reid MLA.

Well done and welcome Northern Territory.

TROPHY WINNERS — PRESENTATIONS AT DINNER

NATIONAL AEROBIC TROPHY	CLAREMONT		
FOUNDERS TROPHY	CLAREMONT		2673
A.C.T. RUNNERS UP TROPHY	OSBORNE PARK		2135
VISITORS TROPHY	POWER POINTS		1710
NATIONAL HEART TROPHY	OSBORNE PARK	MIKE NOBLE	

Relay Age Group Trophies — Collective points scored in age groups

80 + CLUB	OSBORNE PARK	POINTS 114	
120 + CLUB	CLAREMONT	POINTS 118	
160 + CLUB	CLAREMONT	POINTS 106	
200 + CLUB	CLAREMONT	POINTS 114	
240 + CLUB	NORTH LODGE	POINTS 92	
280 + CLUB	INGLEWOOD	POINTS 94	

Individual Medal Winners — GOLD — FEMALE

AGE GROUP	CLUB	NAME	POINTS
20-24	MAIDA VALE ARMIDALE	LOUISE STANLEY JACQUI RYAN	63 63
25-29	OSBORNE PARK	SHELLEY TAYLOR	64
30-34	NORTH SYDNEY	LORI WATSON	65
35-39	OSBORNE PARK	LYN MCKENZIE	70
40-44	ROCKHAMPTON	JAN MacLEOD	68
45-49	COFFS HARBOUR	PAM FLETCHER	68
50-54	POWER POINTS	MARJ McQUADE	67
55-59	MANLY	ELIZABETH WALLIS	68
60-64	DONCASTER	MARGARET CUNNINGHAM	70
65-69	CLAREMONT	JUDITH DRAKE-BROCKMAN	70
70-74	NORTH LODGE	BERYL ANDERSON	70
75-79	OSBORNE PARK	MYRTLE WRIGHT	70
80 +	—	—	—

Individual Medal Winners — GOLD — MALE

AGE GROUP	CLUB	NAME	POINTS
20-24	ETTALONG	PAUL LEMMON	68
25-29	TEA TREE GULLY	MARK SMEDLEY	70
30-34	CLAREMONT	SIMON MARTIN	67
35-39	PARKES	GARRY PHIPPS	70
40-44	MAIDA VALE	GWYN WILLIAMS	65
45-49	POWER POINTS	JOHN OLSEN	63
50-54	CORRYONG	GRAHAM MIDDLETON	67
55-59	ETTALONG	JIM LEMON	69
60-64	ETTALONG	KEVIN VICKERY	69
65-69	NORTH LODGE	ROBERT McCABE	68
70-74	CLAREMONT	DOUG JEFFREY	70
75-79	ETTALONG	FRANK GRIFFITHS	70
80 +	SUMMERLAND	HENRY FOWLER	60

Individual Medal Winners — SILVER — FEMALE

AGE GROUP	CLUB	NAME	POINTS
20-24	—	—	—
25-29	ADELAIDE MASTERS	LYNDA LEHMANN	61
30-34	CLAREMONT	ZOE BOYER	64
35-39	CLAREMONT	BETTY ANDERSON	61
40-44	WARRINGAH	JAN WATSON	65
45-49	WEST COAST MASTERS	CORAL GREENE	61
50-54	NORTH LODGE	BARBARA WILSON	63
55-59	OSBORNE PARK	BRYCE JONES	65
60-64	ADELAIDE MASTERS	MARGARET MacKINNON	64
65-69	BELCONNEN	EILEEN PRICE	63
70-74	POWER POINTS	FRANCES VORRATH	66
75-79	INGLEWOOD	BETTY JONES	61
80 +	—	—	—

Individual Medal Winners — SILVER — MALE

AGE GROUP	CLUB	NAME	POINTS
20-24	POWER POINTS	ROBERT NELSON	57
25-29	POWER POINTS	IAN KNIGHT	62
30-34	CARINE	KEVIN SHEEHAN	63
35-39	WARRINGAH	LAURIE SMITH	51
40-44	WARRINGAH OSBORNE PARK	PETER JOY JOHN FUSSELL	59 59
45-49	CARINE	DIMITRIE CAMINSCHI	60
50-54	WARRINGAH	JOHN McDIARMID	65
55-59	MARION	JONATHAN DAVIES	65
60-64	CARINE	RICHARD HARTLEY	66
65-69	CLAREMONT	BRUCE GASTON	66
70-74	INGLEWOOD	GOFF WILLIAMS	66
75-79	CLAREMONT	DICK JEFFREY	66
80 +	MELVILLE	GEORGE EDWARDS	56

Individual Medal Winners — BRONZE — FEMALE

AGE GROUP	CLUB	NAME	POINTS
20-24	CLAREMONT	CAROL McCARTHY	61
25-29	CLAREMONT	ALLISON HOLLINGWORTH	58
30-34	POWER POINTS	ANITA KILLMIER	58
35-39	TEA TREE GULLY	JULIE KEAST	60
40-44	CLAREMONT	LESLEY MEANEY	59
45-49	NORTH LODGE	MARGARET SMITH	58
50-54	BADAGINNIE	NADINE WHITEHALL	58
55-59	NORTH LODGE	CORRIE DEERROOT	55
60-64	CRONULLA/SUTHERLAND	BARBARA ROSE	61
65-69	MAIDA VALE	ANITA EIFLER	57
70-74	WARRINGAH	PHYLLIS HALL	60
75-79	SUNSHINE COAST	RENE HEDGES	55
80 +	—	—	—

Individual Medal Winners — BRONZE — MALE

AGE GROUP	CLUB	NAME	POINTS
20-24	POWER POINTS	ARNE SOLTERBECK	53
25-29	WARRINGAH	STUART MEARS	58
30-34	BLACKWATER	MICHAEL DALTON	57
35-39	BRISBANE WESTSIDE	JOHN WHATLEY	50
40-44	—	—	—
45-49	TOWNSVILLE	CHRIS BELL	54
50-54	NORTH LODGE	DANNY SMITH	60
55-59	MELVILLE	GORDON MEDCALF	62
60-64	NORTH LODGE	TED DONOVAN	64
65-69	NORTH LODGE	SID KRASEY	61
70-74	MARION	HAROLD CILENTO	60
75-79	WARRINGAH	GEORGE McGILVRAY	54
80 +	—	—	—

SWIMMERS OF THE MEET

AGE GROUP	NAME	CLUB	POINTS
FEMALE			
70-74	BERYL ANDERSON	NORTH LODGE	70 POINTS 3 National 2 World Records
MALE			
70-74	DOUG JEFFREY	CLAREMONT	70 POINTS 7 National 1 World Record