



PAC COACHING NEWS

Carole Margrison carolem@internode.on.net mob. 0408 145 300

Playford Aquatic Club **2017 Australian Championships**

Each swimmer within the club have their own goals whether it is a PB, executing specific skills, State qualifying times, finals, medals and for some, making a qualifying time to compete at Age/Open Nationals and regardless what that goal is, it becomes a tremendous achievement.

Last year at a National level we had a big team. Many of these swimmers have either moved on to USA college system, moved interstate/club and some have branched out into the work force.

Every year swimmers have to re-qualify/qualify and be under standard qualifying times to compete at this level in their age group and this in itself, can be a mammoth task to achieve.

Below is a report on the results to both the Australian Age and Open Championships.

2017 Georgina Hope Foundation **Australian Age Championships**

The 2017 Georgina Hope Australian Age Swimming Championships was held from the 16th April – 23rd April at the Brisbane Aquatic Centre. At these championships there was over 300 clubs and 1700 swimmers entered.

The Playford Aquatic Club had 7 swimmers qualify with a total of 13 swims. We had swimmers from 14 up to 18 years of age and of the 7 swimmers 1 of them had qualified

for the very first time at this level of competition. Our club also had 1 relay team entered throughout the meet.

A full list of all our National Age Swimmers and their achievements can be found below.

- ✚ The 4 x 100 FS relay was represented by Tiffani Graham 1.00.96, Jasmine Kilyen – Coles 1.05.45, Holly Blundell 1.02.48 PB and Jessica Axford 59.57. Great effort to Holly Blundell in achieving a PB in her first swim at a national level. Well done by all swimmers.
- ✚ Holly Blundell swam 100 Backstroke 1.10.30 placing 49th.
- ✚ Emma Pannell swam 400 IM 5.20.83 placing 28th and 200 Butterfly 2.34.40 placing 27th.
- ✚ Jessica Axford swam 50m Freestyle 27.73 placing 36th and 100 Freestyle 59.78 placing 43rd.
- ✚ Jasmine Kilyen-Coles swam 200 Butterfly 2.30.20 placing 19th and 100 Backstroke 1.09.62 placing 46th.
- ✚ Cameron Seyfang swam 200 Butterfly 2.14.35 placing 20th and 100 Butterfly 1.00.25 PB placing 28th.
- ✚ Annabel Luck swam 100 Breaststroke 1.18.88 placing 33rd and 200 Breaststroke 2.51.85 placing 32nd.
- ✚ Tiffani Graham swam 100 Breaststroke 1.15.75 PB placing 21st and 200 Breaststroke 2.44.61 PB placing 18th.

2017 Hancock Prospecting Australian Championships

The 2017 Hancock Prospecting Australian Open Swimming Championships was held from the 9th April – 13th April at the Brisbane Aquatic Centre. At these championships Playford Aquatic Club had Jordan Grimes compete at this meet, with it being his first time at this level of competition and was racing alongside the best swimmers in the country.

 Jordan Grimes swam 50 Breaststroke 31.58 placing 40th.

A final congratulations to all swimmers who competed at 2017 Australian Age/Open Championships. Regardless of their results, simply qualifying to swim at Age/Open Nationals is a tremendous achievement placing those swimmers in the top 99.99% of all age group swimmers in Australia. An outstanding feat that should never be forgotten.

PAC Head Coach
Carole Margrison