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Your **Swim** Community



**Term 1
2016
Newsletter**

**Yarraville Swim
Centre & Yarraville
Swimming Club**

HAPPY NEW YEAR!
Time to build upon
the successes of last
year

IMPORTANT DATES

LABOUR DAY (Monday
14 March): YSC will be open &
all classes will run as usual.

EASTER BREAK: YSC will be
closed on Good Friday (25
March) & reopen on Saturday
2 April, with lessons running
as normal.

No squads at VU on public holidays

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YSC Awards Night



The Yarraville Swimming Club celebrated our annual awards night with a twilight dinner at the Yarraville Bowls Club, with nearly 100 members and their families turning out to celebrate the achievements of our swimmers, surf life savers and water polo players.

The night was also a homecoming for some celebrated former YSC swimmers who have gone on to become state and national medallists, and we also had three world champions in attendance. Amid the award presentations and sizzling parmas, we even found time for an Irish jig led by Elizabeth and Darcy Lynch.

Congratulations to all trophy winners and a big thanks to our presenters. The lesson from the night was train hard, swim fast and book your table early for this year's dinner!

Surfing and marine biology are back!

Marine biology with Jack Breedon is back again on Saturday afternoons. Students have been having a great time examining dry land exhibits and exploring rock pools. We'll be running a second marine biology course, so stay tuned!

Surfing has started on Sunday afternoons. All our surfers caught some waves in one way or another on their first day (from lying down, kneeling to standing).

It's not too late to join in! Forms available at Reception.

MUMS & DADS: Grown-up swim group is 8 pm Tuesdays & Thursdays

Life Saving Victoria Junior Pool Championships

Eleven YSC swimmers were part of the 18-strong Williamstown nippers team that recently competed in the **LSV Junior Pool Championships**. Teams competed in a variety of relay and individual events which required skills with flippers, underwater swimming, boards and towing, as well as swimming (and that doesn't cover everything!) A fantastic team effort by Williamstown, with many outstanding performances, saw the team come away as State Junior Champions!

Congratulations to YSC swimmers **Maddie Burton, Harry Charlesworth, Lloyd Deunk, Ollie Devine, Eva and Alessandra Donnelly, Cooper Logan, Lucinda and Natasha Rourke, and Kyle and Sinead Sullivan** for being part of the winning team!

YSC is a longstanding member of the Royal Life Saving Society and is proud to be contributing to the future of this important aspect of water safety. It's fun and very competitive: many of Australia's best swimmers also do competitive life saving.

YSC swimmers shine at national and state competitions

Amelie Le Grand represented Victoria at the **Pacific School Games** in Adelaide last November, and qualified fourth fastest for the girls' breaststroke by swimming a blistering personal best time in the heats. Amelie's swim in the final was a great effort for a first-time national finalist and she finished in 7th place.

YSC continued its success at the recent **Metro 7-10 Competition** at MSAC. **Daniel Panknin** was the standout of the day, winning silver medals in the 7-year-old boys freestyle, backstroke and breaststroke events after a clean sweep of all four strokes at the district trials. **Harry Charlesworth** was on the winning Metro West relay team in the 9-year-old boys freestyle relay. All YSC swimmers achieved PBs on the day. A fantastic effort!

The Victorian State Sprint Championships turned out to be a golden event for **Amelie Le Grand**, who won the girls 11-year-old 50 m breaststroke. Well done Am!



Amelie in action at the Pacific School Games

RISING STAR



Congratulations to **OSCAR MARKS** who is YSC's Most Improved Swimmer. Oscar dropped an amazing 30 seconds off his 100 metre medley time during 2015!

Victorian Open Water Champs

A small group of YSC swimmers enjoyed perfect conditions at the Williamstown Open Water Challenge just before Christmas. Races ranged from 750 m to 10 kms. YSC placegetters in the 750 km event were: **Ollie Devine (2nd), Amelie Le Grand (2nd) and Harry Charlesworth (3rd)**. And in the 2.5 km event: **Lloyd Deunk (2nd)**.

Swimwear, caps, goggles,
wetsuits, rash vests and
toasties
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