



2018 – 2019 INFORMATION PACK

CLUB NIGHTS

Running CLUB NIGHT is an integral part of our club community. This is where our juniors learn to compete and excel themselves, it is an opportunity for our seniors to refine their race techniques and create leadership skills. As parents it is a chance to support your young athletes and foster relationships within the TeamMSA family.

Club Night commences at **6.00pm** on elected **Wednesday** nights (approx every fortnight - see MSA Club Night Calendar for dates) swimmers are to arrive and assemble in the gym area **by 5.45pm** to get the racing underway on schedule. Don't forget to bring your cap and goggles, a spare towel comes in handy on cooler nights.

In line with Swimming North Queensland (SNQ) club nights will now be **ONLINE NOMINATIONS ONLY**. These **nominations close 24hrs before** club night, Tuesdays at 6pm. We understand this is a new procedure the biggest benefit is your swimmer will be able to use their club night times to nominate for *some* carnivals. As always if you have any questions on how to nominate or what to nominate for please ask a committee member, we are always happy to help.

Parent volunteers are ALWAYS needed during club night, those with experience are always happy to show new members the ropes. To hold races at club night we require 6 timekeepers, a marshal, a runner and a starter, without parent help the event cannot run. Don't forget to get your Blue Card.

BLUE CARDS

For the safety of our members it is required any parent/guardian/family member who wishes to be involved at any point within the season **must** have a **current Blue Card**. You can assist the club by providing a copy of your blue card to the secretary. Volunteer Blue Cards do not incur a fee, you can find the application forms attached with the information pack, a committee member will need to sign off the application before it can be submitted. A committee member will need to sign the application on behalf of the club. For more information please visit <https://qld.swimming.org.au/page.php?id=88>

GENERAL CLUB MEETINGS

GENERAL CLUB MEETINGS are held the **1st Tuesday of the month** at the pool. All MSA parent/guardian members are welcomed and encouraged. Reminders are sent out (email/fb/team app) to confirm date and notify time.

SWIM MEET NOMINATION

SNQ have announced all 2018/19 carnivals in our region will be online nominations. All nominations are to be **approved by coaches before** they are submitted. RSVP through Team App if you plan on attending a meet, this list will then be passed to our coaches who will respond with which events they would like your swimmer to enter in. It will then be your responsibility to login to 'MyLane' through Swimming QLD (SQ) website and complete your nomination. Once your nomination has been submitted any withdrawals requiring refund due to extenuating circumstances etc will need to be dealt with through SQ directly.



MEMBERSHIP FEES INFORMATION

Membership Fees include your affiliation with Swimming Australia (SAL), Swimming Queensland (SQ), North Queensland Swimming (NQSA), Mackay Swimming Academy (MSA), as well as insurance during Club Nights, travelling to/from and attendance at swim meets. The club portion of the fees contributes to club night expenses (pool hire etc) and associated costs for running a competitive affiliated swimming club, this fee also contributes to coaches' travel expenses to attend swim meets. Please see table below for breakdown of fees, your eldest child is listed as Swimmer 1 and will descend through siblings as Swimmer 2 Swimmer 3 etc in whichever age bracket is applicable.

NEW MEMBERS – 2018/2019 SEASON

Jump on to the Swimming Queensland website and select 'JOIN NOW' generally located on the right hand side of the page, or follow the link

<https://connect.swimming.org.au/sal-wrap-public/workflows/MEMBER.JOIN?subdomain=QLD>

select your region – North Queensland SA and your club – Mackay Swimming Academy then follow the prompts to register as a **Parent/Guardian first** then add subsequent parents/guardians and children (eldest child 1st).

RENEWING MEMBERS – 2018/2019 SEASON

Please note that membership registration for the previous season expires 20th September 2017. Login to 'My Lane' through the Swimming QLD website to complete your renewal. Please be aware if you leave the process without completing it the MyLane system does not handle it well and you will more than likely need to have your account reset by our Registrar.

MSA FEES – 2018/2019 SEASON

Competitive 9+	CLUB FEES	SQ, SAL, NQ FEES	TOTAL FEES
SWIMMER 1	\$100	\$78.50	\$178.50
SWIMMER 2	\$90	\$78.50	\$168.50
SWIMMER 3	\$80	\$57.50	\$137.50
SWIMMER 4+	\$70	\$36.50	\$106.50
Competitive 8+			
SWIMMER 1	\$50	\$39.25	\$89.25
SWIMMER 2	\$40	\$39.25	\$79.25
SWIMMER 3	\$30	\$28.75	\$58.75
SWIMMER 4	\$20	\$18.25	\$38.25
7&U Jnr Dolphin			
SWIMMER 1	\$20	\$0	\$20



UNIFORMS

There are no specific uniforms required to participate in club nights, appropriate swimwear, goggles and a cap for those with hair past their ears.

To compete in a registered meet, swimmers are required to race in an MSA swimming cap, these can be purchased through the club. We have club shirts and jackets available for purchase also. Although it is not compulsory to purchase a club uniform there are a few selected meets throughout the season that hold a March Past, our own Great Barrier Reef carnival is one of those, swimmers must be in the club shirt and purple shorts to participate in a March Pass.

State and National level swimmers are to be presented with an MSA Representative Team shirt on attendance of their first QLD or AUS championships. For further details please see our uniforms policy in the Team APP

TECHNOLOGY

Great resources we have at our fingertips: **'Team App'** is a fantastic tool and is a one stop shop for all club information. It allows you to view the club calendar, meet flyers, club documents and other information all in one place. We will also be able to use the app to send out alerts when needed, please see the attached leaflet with a full explanation of how to get on the app and in Team MSA. In addition to this we will continue to use email, Facebook, Instagram and the MSA community board at Pat Wright Swim School to share information throughout the season. **'Meet Mobile'** is a great app that a lot of swim meets now use to publish event results.

CODE OF CONDUCT

At Mackay Swimming Academy we support and adhere to Swimming Australia's Safe Sport Framework and Codes of Conduct. When registering through Swimming Queensland and becoming a Member of Mackay Swimming Academy you (Guardians and Athletes alike) are agreeing to uphold these standards, to help ensure we are providing a safe and positive environment for all involved. You can find all of Swimming Australia's codes of conduct in the link below. This link can also be found in the Team APP

<https://www.swimming.org.au/Home/Swimmer-HQ/A-Sport-For-Everyone/Safe-sport/Resources.aspx>

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