

President's Welcome Letter

Season 2023 - 2024

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The Club's Mailing Address is:

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NOTE: - Information contained in this President's Welcome Letter is correct, as at 18th October, 2023, amendments will be posted on the Clubs online systems.

About the Club

Welcome to the Melton Swimming Club. The club was founded in 1978 and incorporated in 1994. It is now one of the largest swimming clubs in the western metropolitan district. The founding principles underpinning the club are to provide encouragement and support to our young swimmers in the Melton, Bacchus Marsh, Caroline Springs, Hillside and surrounding regions. We encourage our swimmers to compete in competitions at local, District, State, and National levels.

Melton Swimming Club is affiliated with Swimming Victoria, an organisation established to govern competition swimming in Victoria, and complies with Swimming Victoria constitution and by-laws.

In 2019 Melton Swimming Club expanded the opportunities for swimming by joining Masters Swimming Victoria and thus forming the Melton Masters Swimming Club to provide a natural progression into a more leisurely, however still competitive, option for members of the Melton Swimming Club who are ready to retire from mainstream competitive competitions without having to give up competitions totally.

How to enter Competitions

Competitions can be found on the Swimming Victoria website in the Event Calendar under the Competitions link. Each event will define how entries are being handled; this will normally be directly though the SwimCentral portal of the Swimming Victoria website, however the host club may select another method such as through their own online booking service, by submitting a club specific entry form or by submitting a Swimming Victoria entry form.

It is important to read the instructions provided on the calendar entry for the competition to ensure entries are submitted correctly. If you have any questions as to how to complete an entry in a competition, please contact a committee member for guidance. It is the individual family's responsibility to ensure that correct and complete information is supplied on any entry.

Grievances

Any disputes or grievances must be in writing and forwarded to Grievance Officer C/- Melton Swimming Club, PO Box 1409, Melton West. 3337 or via email to grievance@meltonswimmingclub.com.au

Where We Meet

The club normally meets on Friday evenings once a month (or as advised otherwise by the club swimming calendar) at the Melton Waves Swimming complex, Coburns Rd, Melton. Club night fees are covered in the club night component of the registration fees. Please be there by 6:30 PM ready for marshalling at 6:45 PM. Start time is 7:00 PM sharp. There are occasions when the starting times are changed for certain events.

Note: Swimmers are not to be dropped and left by themselves; a parent/guardian must be in attendance at all times for safety reasons.



Cost of club membership

Swimmer 8 and Under Club and Competitions	\$328.94
Swimmer 9 and Over Club and Competitions	\$359.51
Swimmer 9 and Over Competitions Only	\$287.41
Dry Member	\$15.46
Fun Swim [#]	\$11.33
Fun Swim Guardian [#]	\$15.46
Melton Masters Swimmer	\$100.00

All fees include SA levy, SV levy and administration fee, Club affiliation, Metro West levy, club component and GST.

Fun Swim and Fun Swim Guardian membership is only available to swimmers and their guardians who participate int the Fun Swim program, please talk to a member of the committee before purchasing this membership

Parental Assistance

The club cannot run competition nights without your help. Under normal circumstances we require a 50% family member participation at club nights and nominated or approved club event as per Championship rule 7.3. It is not difficult, and it helps break the ice for new members as they will meet other parents helping as well.

We are also required to provide officials for district and several other meets as well. Please help us out when asked – the adage "many hands make light work" is never truer when it comes to running a volunteer club and it means the same people are not required to volunteer time after time.

Club By-Laws

The By-Laws guide the committee when making decisions, so it is in your interest to become familiar with them. They are available on the club's website and TeamApp for reference during the season.

The Committee

For the 2021/2022 season the committee comprises:

Executive Committee

	President:	Ken Lindner	president@meltonswimmingclub.com.au
	Vice President:	Ros Jones	vicepresident@meltonswimmingclub.com.au
	Secretary:	Julie Walsh	secretary@meltonswimmingclub.com.au
	Treasurer:	Sally Gillard	treasurer@meltonswimmingclub.com.au
General (Committee		
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Grievance Officer

Sally Gillard

Members Protection Information Officer

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Club Uniforms

Club Uniforms are available to be ordered throughout the season and will be delivered once supplier minimum order numbers have been satisfied. Please see a committee member on Club Nights for more information or email uniforms@meltonswimmingclub.com.au

Main Events

The committee sets a competition calendar each year which will be published and maintained on TeamApp. However, in general, the club supports events such as winter inter-club, district meets and for those who qualify State and National championships. We endeavour to take our swimmers to events involving over-night stays to allow parents to get in on the act and meet and socialise as well.

Communication within the Club

Communication is generally by the following means:

- Club newsletter We recommended you keep and file these throughout the season.
- Email please ensure that we have an up-to-date email address for you.
- Notice board at Melton Waves
- Club website
- Team App

Again, welcome to the Melton Swimming Club and we hope you become involved and enjoy your time with us. Don't just sit on the sidelines, come and introduce yourself to the committee members and others. We all enjoy and support our swimmers and hope they will achieve the very best they are capable of.

Ken Lindner

President

