

Race Secretary's report

20 November 2016



Since the start of the long course season, our swimmers have participated in three A grade meets, one B grade meet and four development meets. The statistics are impressive. From the 119 events contested at those meets, our swimmers achieved:

1. 51 PBs – 43%;
2. 85 top 10 placings – 71%; and
3. 43 medals (15 gold, 14 silver and 14 bronze) – 36%.

The gold medals were awarded to Bless Daly, Chloe Edwards, Harry Estreich, Jasmine Fraser and Anneli Murdoch.

In addition, four swimmers competed at the Brisbane Open Water Championship meet at Lake Kawana on 1 October – Chloe Edwards (12th), Jasmine Fraser (14th), Edyn Winn (17th) and Jessica Mikitis (24th).

But, there is no doubt that the highlight of the club's competitive swimming was the remarkable attendance by 35 swimmers at the Brisbane Relay Championships. In the recorded memory of our club, this is the largest contingent – 14 teams – to contest the relay championships and the only one to place in the march past.

Much credit is due to Head Coach, Jacqui Francis, for the many hours she devoted to inspiring, cajoling and encouraging our swimmers to participate. We also acknowledge, with grateful thanks, the efforts and support of our swimmers' parents and we thank the Thomas family for arranging the professional screen printing of the giant lightning bolts that contributed to our 2nd placing in the march past. Our swimmers, too, are to be congratulated on their wonderful performances, sportsmanship and teamwork.

There were four top 20 placings, earning extra points for our club in the Brisbane Premiership:

1. Boys 16&U 4x50 medley relay – Tim and Harry Estreich, Josh Thomas and Lucas Abbey (11th);
2. Girls 12&U 4x50 freestyle relay – Anneli Murdoch, Jessica Mikitis, Jasmine Fraser and Chloe Edwards (16th);
3. Boys 16&U 4x50 freestyle relay – Tim and Harry Estreich, Josh Thomas and Lucas Abbey (16th); and
4. Girls 12&U 4x50 medley relay – Anneli Murdoch, Chloe Edwards, Jasmine Fraser and Jessica Mikitis (18th).

Following the Brisbane Relay Championships, our club is now in **1st** position in the Third Division of the Brisbane Premiership.

Congratulations to Jacqui and her coaching staff, Claire, Hamish and Lucas, and our awesome swimmers and a huge thank you to our incredibly supportive parents.

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