

Coast & Valley Swimming Association Inc. Minutes-Management Committee Meeting

Edgeworth Sport & Recreation Club Tuesday, 18th April, 2017

Prior to commencement of Management Meeting a meeting was held with Peter Sellars and Melissa Pearce (Valley Aquatic SC). Discussion included:

- Training of club technical officials
- Mentoring and accreditation of club technical officials
- Inviting technical officials to work at upcoming club meet
- Requirement to have a qualified referee and starter at club meet for times to be recognised

Meeting opened at 7.20pm with David Richards presiding.

1. ATTENDANCE

David Richards Jenny Schwetz Suzy Scaron Michele Burley-Jones Russell Waugh
Ian Johnson

2. **APOLOGIES:** Phillip Hawke, Norm Roberts, David Hinds, Michelle Gross. Moved Ian Johnson 2nd Michele Burley-Jones that apologies be accepted. Carried.

3. **CONFIRMATION** - Minutes of previous meeting: Moved Russell Waugh 2nd Michele Burley-Jones that the minutes of the previous meeting are a true and correct copy. Carried

4. **BUSINESS ARISING** from the minutes

- 4.1. Amendment to By-laws:

Timekeepers rostered by their club for CVSA championships, Development meets

Clubs, when requested by CVSA to provide Timekeepers for CVSA Championship, Development, or any other meet, shall ensure that all persons so nominated are club members, and are deemed an appropriate person to undertake the duties of Timekeeper.

Moved Ian Johnson 2nd Michele Burley-Jones. Carried.

- 4.2. Have Payments been sent for:

- 4.2.1. Emily Jones- cheque has been presented
- 4.2.2. Kelly's Party Hire
- 4.2.3. EFT Payment to KPD –catering has been transferred
- 4.2.4. Refund-Ash Jones
- 4.2.5. Russell Waugh reimbursement
- 4.2.6. Newcastle Embroidery
- 4.2.7. PR Designs
- 4.2.8. Saxby's Bus & Coach

Suzy Scaron advises that all outstanding payment have been remitted.

- 4.3. Information Guide due for review –all co-ordinators have completed –deadline April meeting

- 4.4. Accountant for preparation of financial statement – Suzy Scaron advised that KLM accountants at Charlestown have agreed to prepare CVSA Financial Statements.
- 4.5. Summer Championships –a tentative booking made at PLC, depending on outcome of hire rates review by Central Coast Council.

5. CORRESPONDENCE:

5.1. INWARDS

- 5.1.1. Club Affiliations: Hunter SC; Toukley SC; Hunter Valley Allstars SC; Stockton SC; West Wallsend Indoor SC; Central Newcastle SC; NUSwim SC;
- 5.1.2. Email-Michelle Johnson: e-newsletter
- 5.1.3. Email (Norm Roberts)-Josh Karp: Annual Leave
- 5.1.4. Email-Kylie Garratt: Updating Club Affiliation form
- 5.1.5. Email-Michelle Johnson: e-newsletter
- 5.1.6. Email-Michelle Boon: Invoice-fwd: Treasurer
- 5.1.7. Email-Branxton-Greta SC: Invitation to attend Presentation night
- 5.1.8. Email-WWI SC: summer meet application-fwd: Competition Committee
- 5.1.9. Email (Phillip Hawke): Booking confirmation-\$300 ex GST per day
- 5.1.10. Email-Michelle Johnson: e-newsletter
- 5.1.11. Email-Kylie Garrett: SNSW Affiliation due-fwd: Treasurer
- 5.1.12. Email-Newcastle Embroidery-Statement-fwd: Treasurer
- 5.1.13. Email- Narrabeen Carlile SC: request to compete at 2017 winter championships
- 5.1.14. Email-Liza Thomas: MPIO courses
- 5.1.15. Email-Newcastle Embroidery: Statement-fwd: Treasurer
- 5.1.16. Email-Charlestown SC: Late application to host Summer Championships
- 5.1.17. Email-Valley Aquatic SC: TM/MM training; meeting attendance
- 5.1.18. Email-Yvette Crittenden: Request for reset of log in details
- 5.1.19. Email-Michelle Johnson: e-newsletter
- 5.1.20. Email-Anthony Burling: Pool Hire Agreement
- 5.1.21. Email-Newcastle University: Venue hire Agreement
- 5.1.22. Mayor Bob Pynsent: Acceptance of offer of Patron
- 5.1.23. Lord Mayor Nuatali Nemes: Acceptance of offer of Patron and support

5.2. OUTWARDS

- 5.2.1. Email-KPD SC: host club-winter championships
- 5.2.2. Email-Melanie Lucas(Valley Aquatic SC): Invitation
- 5.2.3. Email-PLC: Tentative pool hire-summer championships
- 5.2.4. Email-Anthony Burling (Central Coast Council): Request for update on status of review of Agreement
- 5.2.5. Email-Michelle Boon: ETE hire-summer championships
- 5.2.6. Email-Branxton-Greta SC: Representative to attend.
- 5.2.7. Email-Kylie Garratt: Updating Affiliation Form
- 5.2.8. Email-Charlestown SC: Late Application-summer championships
- 5.2.9. Email-Narrabeen SC(Russell Waugh): Request to attend CVSA Championships
- 5.2.10. Email-Ian Huddelston: Accommodation request-Sr Establishment Squad Tour

Moved Suzy Scaron 2nd Michele Burley-Jones that correspondence inwards be dealt with as read and correspondence outwards be approved. Carried

5.3. Business Arising from Correspondence:

- 5.3.1. Josh Karp (SNSW) will be on Annual Leave until 26 April - Accreditations, re-accreditations, new TO badges will not be processed in this time.
- 5.3.2. Central Coast Council- waiting for Council to confirm fees and charges

- 5.3.3. David Hinds to attend Branxton-Greta SC Presentation night
- 5.3.4. MPIO course- Ourimbah – 25th July, 4th September. Rutherford May (date to be advised). Cost \$25
- 5.3.5. Narrabeen Carlile request to compete as 2017 winter championships- Competition Committee has formally declined request
- 5.3.6. Charlestown SC: Application will be accepted if received by 14th April
- 5.3.7. Newcastle University-Venue Agreement: Hire Fee-\$900. Deposit of \$450 required. Moved Ian Johnson 2nd Suzy Scaron that fee be accepted and deposit paid. Carried.

6. **REPORTS:**

6.1. **Treasurer** – Suzy Scaron

February & March reports tabled-copy attached.

Financial Statement to be prepared by KLM Accountants.

6.1.1. Accounts approved for Payment

Swimming NSW	ETE Hire-Speedo/Dev Meet	\$90.00
Swimming NSW	ETE Hire-LC C/ships-Deposit	\$50.00
Swimming NSW	Affiliation	\$205.00

Moved Suzy Scaron 2nd Michele Burley-Jones that report be accepted and accounts approved for payment. Carried.

6.2. **Competition Committee/Registrar** – Russell Waugh

- 6.2.1. All clubs have submitted winter meet information
- 6.2.2. Summer championships will be discussed at May meeting

Moved Russell Waugh 2nd Ian Johnson that report be accepted. Carried.

6.3. **Selection & Development Committee** – Phillip Hawke

Report tabled-copy attached

Moved Michele Burley-Jones 2nd Suzy Scaron that report be accepted. Carried.

6.4. **ATSC Convenor** – Norm Roberts

No report

6.5. **Property Officer-** Ian Johnson

No report.

6.6. **Publicity Officer** – Michele Burley-Jones

No report.

6.7. **Web Administrator** –Michelle Gross

No report

7. GENERAL BUSINESS:

7.1. Technical Officials dinner – 32 attending.

7.2. Amendment to By-laws
Norm Roberts

JURY OF APPEAL AND PROTESTS

For Coast and Valley Swimming Association Championships and other swim meets, the Jury of Appeal shall be composed of the Committee and such other Committee appointed delegates (jury members) for the purpose. The Jury will consist of any three jury members with one of their number as chairman. Each jury member shall have one vote, except as provided hereunder, and in case of equality of voting, the Chairman has a casting vote. The decision of the Jury is final.

The Jury of Appeal should comprise at least one (1) Referee and one (1) Coach (not associated with the swimmer)

The rules for protest, their acceptance and conduct of the Jury of Appeal process shall be in accordance with Swimming NSW General Rule GR23 as amended from time to time

Moved Ian Johnson 2nd Suzy Scaron that amendment to by-laws be approved. Carried.

7.3. Amendment to Nominations & Appointments Policy:
Norm Roberts

Referee Level 1

Examination Paper (written) and 2 practical assessments in a full session at Club or Area level.

Examination paper (written) is conducted and supervised by a member of the Swimming NSW Technical Committee

Moved Ian Johnson 2nd Michele Burley-Jones that amendment to Nomination & Appointments Policy be approved. Carried.

- 7.4. Annual Reports from President, Registrar, Selection & Development Co-ordinator, ATSC Co-ordinator due by 25th May.
- 7.5. Team Manager's Report for Junior Establishment Squad tabled-copy attached. Moved Russell Waugh 2nd Ian Johnson that report be accepted. Carried.
- 7.6. Review Registration fee for 2017/18 remain at \$4.00 per member (excluding Life Members). Moved Russell Waugh 2nd Ian Johnson. Carried
- 7.7. Review honorarium and meeting attendance for Management Committee for 2017/18 remain:
- | | |
|---------------------|------------------------------|
| President | \$250.00 |
| Secretary: | \$250.00 |
| Treasurer: | \$250.00 |
| Meeting Attendance: | \$25.00 per meeting attended |

Discussion on registration fee, honorarium and attendance fee held over to May meeting.

7.8. Selection and Development review has been received with minor changes.

8. MEETING CLOSED 8.09pm

9. NEXT MEETING: 16th May, 2017

CHAIR: David Richards

SECRETARY: Jenny Schwetz

COAST AND VALLEY TREASURERS REPORT

February 2017

Forward \$39,272.96

Interest	\$0.00	
SAL	4,360.00	
Entries	570.00	
Country Regionals Programs	1,167.00	
Speedo Sprints Merchandise	1,397.00	
Speedo Sprints program sales	655.05	
	<u>\$8,149.05</u>	<u>\$8,149.05</u>
		\$47,422.01

**Less
Expenses**

300754	Charlestown Swimming Club - Programs	\$233.00	
300753	LMC - Hire NSW Regionals	\$3,560.00	
300761	Singleton Simming Club -program sales	\$131.00	
300756	Samantha Gehrmann (Refund Flanagan)	\$24.00	
300757	Carla Hodgetts Refund	\$24.00	
300760	Lisa Herring -Refund Dev	\$42.00	
300752	Central Coast Council - PLC Hire	\$8,000.00	
300751	SNSW Hire Equipment	\$290.00	
300762	SNSW Speed Sprints	\$1,890.00	
300750	Newcastle Embroidery	\$35.00	
300763	Kellys Party Hire Country Reg	\$1,535.60	
		<u>\$15,764.60</u>	<u>\$15,764.60</u>
			<u>\$31,657.41</u>

BALANCE AS PER STATEMENT NO 91

Unpresented Cheques

300543	KPD	298.00
300597	Belinda Boon	30.00
300614	Leslee Taylor	\$20.00
300653	Sonny Hinwood (refund TO dinner)	\$70.00
300687	Sandra Dimmock	\$20.00
300723	KPD Catering	\$800.00
300729	John Elliott - CVSA Refund	\$20.00
300732	Lindsay Davis - CVSA Refund	\$20.00
300734	Ian Jeffrey - CVSA Refund	\$40.00
300735	William Gearing - CVSA Refund	\$20.00
300738	Trevor Hamilton - CVSA Refund	\$62.00
300742	KPD Program Sales - Championships	\$280.00
300743	Emily Jones - Swimmer of the meet	\$150.00

300758	Karen Willians - CVSA Refund	\$42.00
300759	Kate Lynch - Refund Dev	\$16.00
300764	SNSW - Hire	\$90.00

Term Deposits

Due 16/07/2017 for 12 months @2.450%	\$10,975.33
Due 13/07/2017 for 12 months @2.450%	\$25,903.43
Due 3/12/2017 for 12 months @ 2.7%	\$21,198.81

Cash Reserve

Interest 28/02/2017	8.54	
Balance as per Statement 73		\$18,567.36

Debit Card

Opening Balance 01/02/2017	\$873.31
1/02/2017 Office Works	\$62.68
2/02/2017 Office works	\$179.17
6/02/2017 Kennards Hire	\$600.00
7/02/2017 Credit - Kennards Hire	\$8.99
Balance 28/02/2017	\$171.46

CASH TO BE BANKED

ACCOUNTS TO BE PAID

Charlestown Swimming Club - Catering Country Champs	Not Received
Russell Waugh PA Hire Dev/Speedo Sprint	\$140.00

COAST AND VALLEY TREASURERS REPORT

March 2017

Forward		\$31,657.41
Interest	\$0.00	
SAL	676.00	
Entries	-	
Development Grant	6,000.00	
Reimbursement toner SNSW	62.68	
Deposit -at Charlestown ??	1,000.00	
	<u>\$7,738.68</u>	<u>\$7,738.68</u>
		\$39,396.09

Less Expenses

300742	KPD Program Sales - Championships	\$280.00	
300734	Ian Jeffrey - CVSA Refund	\$40.00	
EFT	Transfer funds to debit card	\$1,500.00	
		<u>\$1,820.00</u>	<u>\$1,820.00</u>
			\$37,576.09

BALANCE AS PER STATEMENT NO 92

Unpresented Cheques

300597	Belinda Boon	\$30.00
300614	Leslee Taylor	\$20.00
300653	Sonny Hinwood (refund TO dinner)	\$70.00
300687	Sandra Dimmock	\$20.00
300729	John Elliott - CVSA Refund	\$20.00
300732	Lindsay Davis - CVSA Refund	\$20.00
300735	William Gearing - CVSA Refund	\$20.00
300738	Trevor Hamilton - CVSA Refund	\$62.00
300743	Emily Jones - Swimmer of the meet	\$150.00
300758	Karen Willians - CVSA Refund	\$42.00
300759	Kate Lynch - Refund Dev	\$16.00
300764	SNSW - Hire	\$90.00
300765	Saxby Buses	\$1,298.00
300766	PR Design	\$1,939.00
300767	Newcastle Embroidery	\$835.00
300768	SNSW - Affiliation fee	\$205.00
300769	Russell Waugh	\$140.00

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Due 13/07/2017 for 12 months @2.450%	\$25,903.43
Due 3/12/2017 for 12 months @ 2.7%	\$21,198.81

Cash Reserve

Interest 29/03/2017	0.00	
Balance as per Statement 74		\$18,567.36

Debit Card

Opening Balance 01/03/2017	\$171.46	
1/03/2017 Australia Post	\$124.00	
2/03/2017 Injection of funds (CREDIT)	\$1,500.00	
13/03/2017 SOPAC	\$15.00	
Balance 15/03/2017	\$1,532.46	

CASH TO BE BANKED**ACCOUNTS TO BE PAID**

Charlestown Swimming Club - Catering Country Champs	Not Received
Ash Jones refund	

Selection and Development Coordinator's Report

March 2017 Minutes tabled-copy attached

Dates for CVSA 2017 Development Squad days at The Forum:

24th June, 14 yrs & Over,
15th July for 12 & 13 yrs,
16th July for 11yrs & Under.

(Age groups to be modified to spread attending numbers of swimmers evenly over the three days if needed).

1. Nominations for Team Manager positions for National A's and Snr Establishment Squad to be called for.
2. Senior Establishment Squad
 - 2.1 Details of squad to be announced in May 2017, initial indication for squad touring dates is 1st to 8th October 2017.
3. National A's
 - 3.1 Details of squad to be announced in May 2017
 - 3.2 National A's Development meet will be on the 24th & 25th September at Bexley, Angleo Anestis Aquatic Centre.
4. Senior Target Squad
 - 4.1 Details of squad to be announced in May 2017
 - 4.2 Target Squad Development meet will be on the 29th & 30th July 2017 at PLC.
5. Junior Target squad
 - 5.1 Details of squad to be announced in May 2017.
 - 5.2 Target Squad Development meet will be on the 29th & 30th July 2017 at PLC
6. Achievers Squad
 - 6.1 Details of squad to be announced in May 2017.
 - 6.2 Achievers Meet 7th October at SOPAC.
7. Junior Establishment squad
 - 7.1 Completed trip to NSW Open Championships on the 3rd March.
 - 7.1 JES activities are completed for the 2017 season, thanks to those who assisted, Narelle Murphy as team manager and Melisa Geale as Team Coach
8. The NSW Junior Sharks Squad has been announced and congratulations to our CVSA swimmers, who made the team; Charles Walker – Charlestown, Emily March – Hunter, Ryley Twiss – Hunter, Joshua Reed – Novo.

CVSA Selection and Development Committee Meeting
Edgeworth Sport and Recreation Club
Tuesday, 28th March, 2017

Meeting opened at 6:40pm with Phillip Hawke presiding.

1. ATTENDANCE

Phillip Hawke	Blinda Francis-Smith	Narelle Murphy	Peter Reinhard	Belinda Boon
Visitors	Jenny Schwetz	David Hinds		

2. **APOLOGIES:** Debby Tattoli, Liza Thomas (SNSW Development Officer). Moved Belinda Boon 2nd Peter Reinhard that apologies be accepted. Carried.

3. **CONFIRMATION** - Minutes of previous meeting:

Moved Blinda Francis-Smith 2nd Narelle Murhy that the minutes of the previous meeting are a true and correct copy. Carried.

4. **BUSINESS ARISING** from previous minutes

- 4.1. Golf Fundraising day to be held on 17th September 2017. To be advertised on website and Facebook. Flyer to be organised with Tilligerry Golf club.

- 4.2. CVSA Development days set for

24th June, 14 yrs & Over,
15th July for 12 & 13 yrs, and 1
6th July for 11yrs & Under.

(Age groups to be modified to spread attending numbers of swimmers evenly over the three days if needed). Development Committee members confirm which days they will be able to attend to offer assistance.

- 4.3. New presentations and presenters to be organised

5. CORRESPONDENCE

5.1. Inwards

- Swimming NSW March Development Newsletter
- Swimming NSW draft Information for Nat A and target Meet weekends.
- Confirmation of Bus hire from Saxby's at Singleton for \$1298.
- Confirmation of JES tour details of Sydney Olympic Park and associated cost of \$240.
- Confirmation of pool lane booking at The forum for our Development days and Sponsorship agreement.
- Confirmation that Lecture Theatres are available on set days.
- Confirmation from Demi-Maree Faulkner of Fundamental Nutritional for All that she will assist with presentations at development days. (Dates to be confirmed).
- JES Manger's report.

5.2. Outwards

- Request for Lane space at the Forum and Sponsorship proposal sent.
- Request to the Newcastle University for discounted Lecture Theatre hire fees
- Request Demi-Maree Faulkner of *Fundamental Nutritional for All* to assist with presentations at development days.

Moved Peter Reinhard 2nd Narelle Murphy that correspondence be dealt with as read and correspondence outwards be approved. Carried.

5.3. Business Arising from Correspondence

- 5.3.1. Refund for cancelled tour of Sydney Olympic Park has been received.
- 5.3.2. The Forum pool booking has been confirmed.
- 5.3.3. Jr Establishment Squad report tabled-copy attached.
- 5.3.4. Demi-Maree Faulkner has indicated that she can assist on 2-3 development days

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1. 2017 Development Activities Planning.

6.1.1. National A

- Held on 24th/25th September at Bexley.
- Cost per swimmer will be \$40
- CVSA will be required to provide accommodation and meals
- Angelo Anestis Aquatic Centre will host the weekend swimming
- Recommend that CVSA approve that parents' drop off swimmers on Saturday am and pick up on Sunday pm. Moved Narelle Murphy, 2nd Belinda Boon. Carried
- Liaise with Swimming North Coast with a view to share bus and accommodation

6.1.2. Senior Target Squad

- Target Meet 29th & 30th July at PLC (Woy Woy)
- Consider Accommodation for state swimmers/bus each day/other – dependant on final team makeup.
- Bus maybe on Sunday for country swimmers needed for relays?
- Team Manager to be appointed.

6.1.3. Junior Target Squad

- Target Meet 29th & 30th July at PLC (Woy Woy)
- Bus maybe on Sunday for swimmers needed for relays? Interest from parents to be ascertained for this option
- Team Manager to be appointed

6.1.4. Achievers Squad

- Achievers Meet 7th October at SOPAC
- Last year's Team manager suggested having a bus down so that all swimmers could be gathered together to discuss the protocols and events for the day. This was a difficult task with swimmers arriving with parents at different times.

- Recommend that CVSA approve Bus (2 required?) to SOPAC and bus (1 required) return trip. Moved Peter Reinhard 2nd Blinda Francis-Smith. Carried.
- Moved Narelle Murphy 2nd Belinda Boon that buses tentatively book and quotation obtained. Carried.
- Team Manager to be appointed.

6.1.5. **MC Squad**

- At present MC swimmers will be incorporated in our Development day programs, but will participate in SNSW MC meets.

6.1.6. **Senior Establishment Squad**

- NZ Short Course Champs 3rd to 7th October. Sir Owen G Glenn National Aquatic Centre, Auckland
- Recommend that CVSA Approve dates of tour 1st – 8th October
- Management has confirmed support to send CVSA team this year.
- If SNSW Do not attending this year a second team manager/coach or Tech Official to attend or 7 swimmers?
- Flights and accommodation to be booked

6.1.7. Recommendation that CVSA approve: Team Managers be active, registered members of Coast and Valley Swimming. Moved Belinda Boon 2nd Peter Reinhard. Carried.

6.2. Recommend that CVSA approve coach presentation breakfast on Sunday am – July 16th . Moved Peter Reinhard 2nd Belinda Boon. Carried.

6.3. Development days Presentation

- 6.3.1. Presenters are currently being organised for each development day
- 6.3.2. Presentations are being organised for each development day.
- 6.3.3. Team Manager applications for Sr Establishment and National A to open in April

6.4. Development shirt sizes and numbers will be collated, and ordered by Narelle Murphy.

Meeting Closed: 8.04 pm

Next Meeting: TBA

Phillip Hawke
Chair

Jenny Schwetz
Secretary

2017 Squad Calendar Attendee list

Date	Squad	Location	Job Position	Name
3 rd March 2017	Jnr Establishment	SOPAC	Team Manager	Narelle Murphy
			Coach	Melisa Geale

Date	Squad	Location	Job Position	Name
24 th June 2017	Aged Group	Forum	Team Manger	
			Coach	
			Coach	
			Dev Committee Rep	
			CVSA Rep	
			Tech Official	

Date	Squad	Location	Job Position	Name
15 th July 2017	Aged Group	Forum	Team Manger	
			Coach	
			Coach	
			Dev Committee Rep	
			CVSA Rep	
			Tech Official	

Date	Squad	Location	Job Position	Name
16 th July 2017	Aged Group	The Forum	Team Manger	
			Coach	

Date	Squad	Location	Job Position	Name
29 th & 30 th July	Snr Target	Target Squad meet, PLC	Team Manger	
			Coach	
			Coach	
			Dev Committee Rep	

Date	Squad	Location	Job Position	Name
29 th & 30 th July	Jnr Target	Target Squad meet, PLC	Team Manger	
			Coach	
			Coach	
			Dev Committee Rep	

Date	Squad	Location	Job Position	Name
24 th /25 th Sept 2016	National A	Bexley	Team Manger	
			Coach	
			Coach	

	Dev Committee Rep	
	Tech Official	

Date	Squad	Location	Job Position	Name
7 th Oct 2016	Achievers	SOPAC	Team Manger	
			Coach	
			Coach	
			Dev Committee Rep	

Date	Squad	Location	Job Position	Name
???- 8 th Oct	Snr Establishment	NZ	Team Manger	
			Coach	
			Tech Official	

JUNIOR ESTABLISHMENT SQUAD 2017



Friday 3 March finally arrives for the Coast & Valley Junior Establishment Squad; 18 swimmers from Singleton, Newcastle & the Central Coast, together with 7 parents, are finally off to Sydney Olympic Park for the finals of the NSW Open State Championships.

On arrival, I had a talk to the swimmers & Parents about all the Development Squads & what they can aim for.

Then the swimmers had a session in the Pool. For many, this was the first time & the pool looks VERY BIG & frightening. But once they are in, all was ok. Under Coach Melisa Geale they had a training session.

Due to the very wet weather our tour around Sydney Olympic Park had to be cancelled. Another tour was found within the Pool complex - a walk down the corridor. The corridor has been updated with a lot more information, including photos, on the building of the Pool Complex & the Seating for the 2000 Olympic Games. There is so much information there now we did not get to read it all within the time we had. It is very interesting for everyone to have a read next time you are down there for a Swim Meet.



The rain stopped just in time for the children to go over to Macca's for dinner, then back to the Pool for State Open & watch all the swimmers warm up.

Our Basket Carriers were very busy all night. Unfortunately, we did not have sufficient children to make up two Teams. Mikayla Thomas, who had come down with her mother to watch the Meet, was asked if she would like to help with the Basket carrying & she agreed. Also, Emily Baldwin worked all night.

A big thank you to both girls & all the Team. It was a very busy time with only a limited number of children.

This year Swimming NSW had gone from washing baskets to large bins which were nearly as big as our 7-year-olds. The smaller children had a lot of trouble carrying the bins & getting the clothes out of them, as the bins were nearly as tall as them and heavy.

All the children did an excellent job. They were able to get autographs from the Swimmers when they came down to collect their Medals. The Medallists were very happy to oblige 18 little smiling excited faces. When one child was asked whose autograph did you get, the answer was "I don't know I just wanted all the Swimmers' autographs". Taylor Corry & Thomas Frazer-Holmes both spoke to the children as they were going to warm up.



8.30 rolled around very quickly. Swimming NSW had Thank You bags for all the Children to enjoy.



Yet again another exciting day, a wonderful opportunity for the next generation of Coast & Valley Swimmers. Onto the bus for our trip home. Not a very pleasant trip especially for the driver, as it rained all the way home.

Melisa & I are very proud of the children's behaviour & respect shown to the elite swimmers.

Our swimmers yet again will have lots of memories to look back on, their day out with the 2017 Junior Establishment Squad. Melisa has told me the children from Singleton are still taking about it.

Narelle Murphy
Manager
Junior Establishment Squad