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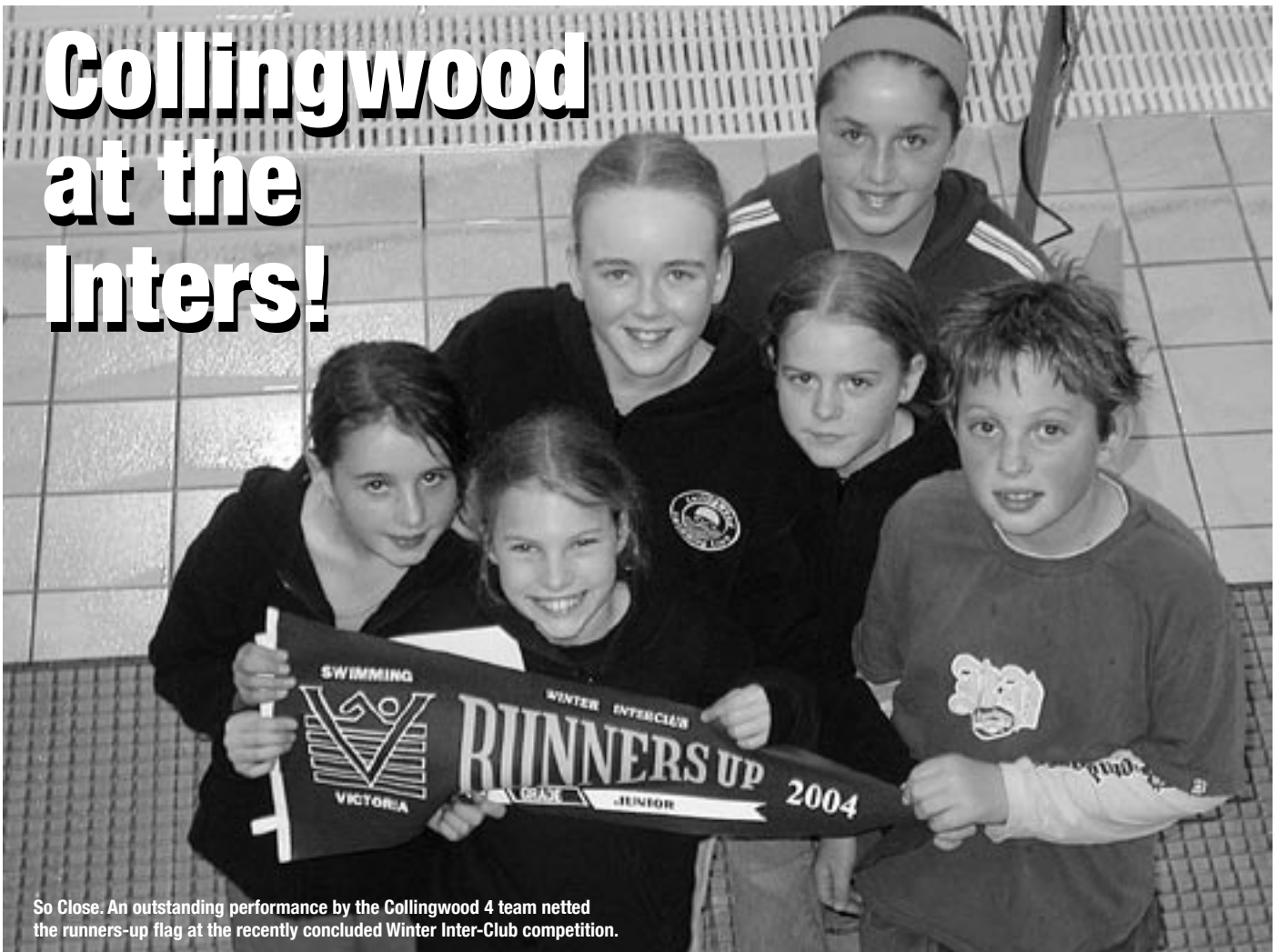


# NEWS

Collingwood Swimming Club News

July/August 2004

## Collingwood at the Inters!



So Close. An outstanding performance by the Collingwood 4 team netted the runners-up flag at the recently concluded Winter Inter-Club competition.

## Collingwood swimming coach pushes the pain barrier!

### Inspirational scenes at Carey

From our Special Correspondent

At the Metro North Aggregate meet at Carey on Sunday 25th July, Collingwood was represented in the 16 and over age group by predominantly young swimmers competing against significantly older and stronger swimmers. In an attempt to redress this imbalance in the age/strength of our team our very own Yarra Leisure aquatics coordinator, Chris Coates, stepped up to the blocks to help out.

Chris performed admirably, not only by swimming fast times but also by attempting to psych-out the opposition by using the old vomit-publicly-on-your-way-to-the-blocks trick.

We think his tactic was to strike fear into the hearts of other competitors, as they would assume that these Collingwood swimmers always swim themselves to the point of physical exhaustion!

Thanks Chris. A great effort under trying circumstances. May all our swimmers show a similar dedication that has no bounds. •

# Coach's Report

July 2004

**Winter Interclub** – 1 senior and 4 junior teams have competed in this year's competitions and our senior F grade team won their grade and our junior I grade team came runner up in their grade. Other teams are likely to finish 4th and 5th.

We have an ongoing problem of swimmers not informing me of non attendance before the night. I spend hours each Friday making up the team sheets, making up programs and then copying them so that I can relax on the night and watch the swimmers and get times. Last Friday (16 July) I was not able to watch a race properly until 8.30pm, while I was reorganising teamsheets as people either didn't attend or came late.

What can we do differently for the Spring Interclub in 4th term?

## Spring Inter-Club

Dates: 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th October & 5th November

Warm Up: 6.30pm; Start time: 7.15pm

Venue: MSAC

Entries Due: to Alex Hirschauer by 10th September

Eligibility: Open to all current and financial club members, however a minimum attendance of 3 out of 5 weeks is suggested.

Format: is the same as Winter Interclub, however Seniors and top Junior Grades get to swim long course, while lower Junior Grades swim across the pool.

Entry forms from Alex, or download at:

<http://www.gazbro.net/csc.htm>

## Friday night club training –

6/8 – Starts' turns and finishes

13/8 – Starts, turns and finishes

20/8 – mixed relay night with RSC

27/8 – drinks and nibbles for parents (plus a 10 minute Special General Meeting)

27/8,3/9,10/9,17/9 – special medal relay nights, as we did last year. I would like to run handicapped relays each night where teams are randomly chosen, they swim heats and finals and the winning teams receive gold, silver and bronze medals.

There will be a nominal charge of \$2 per swimmer each night to help offset the cost of medals.

**Behavioural Issues** – Concerns have been raised over the behavior of some of our senior boys ('joking' remarks to another team about a sensitive issue that were taken seriously). Whilst this was hopefully a once-off occurrence, please be aware that members agree to abide by the club rules and the by-laws of Swimming Victoria when they register. Procedures are in place to deal with any significant concerns should they arise. Club members and members of the public are encouraged to contact a committee member if they have any grievances or concerns. The club encourages the highest standards of behavior and is committed to providing a safe and welcoming environment for young swimmers. As always, committee member contact details are listed at the end of this newsletter.

## Competition attendance

If you're unavailable for a competition you have entered, Alex must be informed before 12pm on the day preceding the race (ph: 9205 5522, mob: 0400 654 384). Many hours of work are put in each Friday to organise teamsheets, and it causes great disruption if swimmers do not attend. Although better that nothing, sending messages along with other parents or swimmers is not good enough!

Check the new competition dates – page 4.

## Keeping in touch

The lengthy Winter Inter Club competition has made it difficult to keep everybody informed and up to date. The Committee is keen to improve on this part of the club performance.

Firstly a club web site is being investigated and will soon be operational.

### E-Mail Addresses

Secondly I am keen to collect an email address for every member to make club communications easier, faster and cheaper. Presently we have about 40 members and only 13 email addresses. If you have an email address of your own, or access to one, please forward it to me and I will add you to the data base. Be assured I will not use the email address for anything unrelated to the Collingwood Swim Club and will not pass it on to anyone else without your permission. My address: [crundle@kangan.edu.au](mailto:crundle@kangan.edu.au) – **Cliff Rundle**



## Do we have to start a shame file ???!

**Only 20% of members have paid their fees for the current year.**

If you have not yet paid your annual fees for the year commencing 1/5/04 please do so ASAP. Fees can be paid to Frances Parkes on Friday night once Club nights recommence, or you can phone Frances on 9484 0672. Fees are \$85.00 for the swim year which extends through to 30/4/05. If you are unsure about your registration status, please see Cliff Rundle.



## Collingwood wins flag!

The victorious Collingwood 1 team at MSAC on the final night of Winter Inter-Club competition.

## Recent Results

Final scores for Winter Interclub at Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre (MSAC)

CWD 1 (senior)	1st
CWD 2	4th
CWD 3	5th
CWD 4	2nd
CWD 5	4th

The final Junior and Senior Winter Interclub Points Scores for 2004 are available as pdf files from the club notice board at Gary Eddy's web site:

"<http://www.gazbro.net/csc.htm>".

The files are:

JnrWintIntPoints2004.pdf" and

SnrWintIntPoints2004.pdf

**Metro North District C grade aggregate** (Sunday nights at Carey): Collingwood is currently 3rd, 10 points behind 2nd. A big effort is needed on the final Sunday to get back up to 2nd. We will need a full list of swimmers on October 3rd to get back up to second. Please let Alex know ASAP of your availability.

## What can Parents do?

Many thanks to all those parents who have volunteered their services in the past. Parents of new members, please feel very welcome to put up your hand when help is required with things such as timekeeping, team managing or marshalling. You can even elbow some other parent out of the way, or grab the stopwatch off them, so that you can have a go! Doing a bit of timekeeping is easy and is a great way to help you to get to know other parents and children.

By the way, at interclub meets at MSAC the club gets fined if we don't provide a minimum of 3 volunteers each meet for timekeeping/checker/marshalling duties. The incentive though, is that you get a pass for free entry into the following MSAC meet.

Do not wait to be asked. At MSAC just take yourself down to the pool deck (early in the evening) and present yourself to one of the 2 tables – there is always a list of tasks to be filled, just put your name next to a task and you will get directed in how to do it. At CLC there are no lists, but again don't wait to be asked. Just present yourself. Thanks. - **Andrew Ellis**

# Competition Dates Winter / Spring 2004

Date	Meet	Suitable for	Venue	Entry	Start	Entries Due
Sat 7th August	Victorian SC Distance Championships	Distance swimmers	MSAC	12.00pm	1.00pm	25th July
Sun 8th August	Victorian SC Distance Championships	Distance swimmers	MSAC	8.00am	9.00am	25th July
Sat 14th August	Carey SC	All club members	Carey	8.00am	9.00am	25th July
Sun 15th August	Surrey Park SC	All club members	MSAC	7.45am	8.30am	25th July
Sat 28th & Sun 29th August	Victorian Open SC Championships	State Open Swimmers	MSAC	9.00am	10.00am	15th August
10th – 12th September	Victorian Age SC Championships	State Swimmers	MSAC	8.00am	9.00am	27th August
Sun 3rd October	Metro North C-Grade Aggregate	All club members	Carey	6.00pm	6.30pm	17th September
Fri 8th October	Spring Inter-Club	All club members	MSAC	6.30pm	7.15pm	10th September
Fri 15th October	Spring Inter-Club	All club members	MSAC	6.30pm	7.15pm	10th September
Fri 22nd October	Spring Inter-Club	All club members	MSAC	6.30pm	7.15pm	10th September
Fri 29th October	Spring Inter-Club	All club members	MSAC	6.30pm	7.15pm	10th September
Fri 5th November	Spring Inter-Club	All club members	MSAC	6.30pm	7.15pm	10th September

## Uniforms/bathers

**An order for bathers has been placed. Please also register your interest with Heather O'Loughlin for uniform requirements. Depending on expected demand we can negotiate prices so please speak to Heather about what you're interested in.**

## Reminder

Regarding the end of a club night on Fridays at CLC. The session generally finishes with plenty of time to shower and change and exit the building by 9:00pm. Could all swimmers please do so quickly otherwise we are preventing the cleaning staff from doing their job. Parents assistance would be appreciated.... and remember a little incentive (read 'bribe') can go a long way!



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