



Armadale Masters Swimming Club

AMSC 2021 Club Championships Round 5 – 4 September 2021

Pelicans, pelicans everywhere! It was a very fashionable crew of 15 swimmers who turned up for round 7 of our Club Championships, with many sporting their new club bathers. There must be something about those bathers because there were some impressive performances.

For those who don't know, the Club Championships is not about being the fastest swimmer in the club – or even your age group. Points are awarded based on how well you swam that day in comparison to your previous times (both personal best and previous year) for that stroke and distance. It is a friendly competition rewarding consistency, effort and having a go.

Three events were on offer – 100m, 50m, and 25m choice.

Sue Sullivan was top point scorer on the day with a perfect 15 (5 being the maximum number of points you can score in a single event), followed by Graham Hicks on 13 points, and Colin Gibson with 11 points.

Seven club records were set on the day. Congratulations to Sarah Carr with three records in the 100m IM, 50 free and 25m backstroke (F35-39 years), Nicole Badani in the 50m breaststroke (F40-44), Gillian Caruso in the 50m butterfly (F50-54) Yvonne Hunt in the 100 backstroke (F65-69), and Mary Plant in the 25m butterfly (F75-79). Mary was cheered in by all the other swimmers and shows how her hard work and willingness to have a go at butterfly have paid off. Well done!

Sarah Carr and Pamela Pearson also set personal best times – Sarah in the 50m freestyle and 25m backstroke, and Pamela in the 50m breaststroke. All those early morning sessions with the Emeralds are paying off...

In the men's competition, Graham Hicks has streaked ahead on 44 points, twice as many as Colin Gibson and Fettes Falconer, who are tied in second on 22.

Things are much closer in the women's competition, with Pamela Pearson in the lead on 38 points, with Sue Sullivan in second on 37 and Sarah Carr on 32.

Who will reign supreme and lift the trophy at presentation night? Stay tuned...

The next round of Club Championships is scheduled for Saturday 2 October 2021.

Captain Rowie