



Diving-Swimming-Water Polo

2019-2020

Annual Report

DVE Aquatic Club Inc.



Diving – Swimming – Water Polo

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Committee

President	Anne-Maree Somers
Vice President	Bryn Jones
Vice President: Swimming	Katrina Adams
Vice President: Waterpolo	Patrick Southwell/Alberto Vela
Vice President: Diving	Ken Houghton
Treasurer	Kasey Lawrence
Secretary	Kate Lansbury

Diving Sub Committee

Competitions Coordinator	Ann Lands
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Swimming Sub Committee

Competitions Coordinator	Deb Kinder
Squad Coordinator	Michelle Piaia
District Delegate	Suzi Illioski
Club Night Co-ordinator	Paul Piaia & Suzi Illioski
Head Coach	Brian Miller

Waterpolo Sub Committee

Anna Schofield
Antoinette Mascitti
Jaimie Rotin
Jaimie Osland
Luke Southwell
Michael Jacobson
Pat Southwell
Sharyn Jacobson
Victoria McQuire

Finance Committee

Fees Officer	Sharon Jones & Jamie Osland
Accounts Payable	Quan Chi
Account receivable	Michelle Hodgins

Other Roles

Registration Officer	Bob Oldfield
Website Coordinator	Paul Piaia
Uniforms Officer	Veronica Basile
Grievance Office	Leanne Giannios
Child Safety Officer	Heather Zipsin

Coaches

Diving

Head Coach

Greg McGregor

Ken Houghton

Swimming

Head Coach

Brian Miller

Adele Bothma

Isobel Sproule

Suzi Dowsett

Lachlan Trudgeon

Waterpolo

Head Coach

Slobodan Macic

Junior Coaches

Haley Waters

Larissa Jones

Stephanie Jacobson

Isabel Vargas

Ethan Niceforo

Omar Vela

Dryland Partners

AV High Performance Academy (Adam Velli)

Pilates with Jessica Adams





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President's Overview

Another year in the history of DVE Aquatic has been registered. On reflection of the 2019-2020 season, we note the unprecedented year it has been, but we have much to celebrate.

Our Divers, Swimmers and Water Polo Players started the year with their normal level of commitment and determination to strive to be the best they can at their selected sport. We've seen the DVE colours worn with pride at many events in the first half of the year and achieved some outstanding results. Congratulations to all of you.

Our athlete's talent and ability comes from within... it will not be lost. Their training sessions are structured by their coaches to improve technique, reflexes, speed, physical and mental strength (even if the athlete doesn't know it).

These trying times have really demonstrated the resilience of the young people in our club, and their ability to adapt.

Due to the inability to be in the water, everyone has needed to stay fit by doing things outside their norm. Because of this they will all come back into their sport with new skill sets that they may have never otherwise developed - skills that will be extremely useful to them when they are back in the water.

DVE is a proud club that has good foundations and without doubt, we have seen fabulous support from our members this year. A big thankyou to all our families, coaches, Technical Officials and all those that volunteer their time to ensure that we have all the jobs covered to run events, fundraisers and keeping the club operating.

I wish to especially thank all the committee members. It has been a trying and challenging time, but I acknowledge and thank each and every one of you for your support and investment in our club. I would like to acknowledge and thank Belgravia and Banyule council who continue to support our club and we look forward to continuing this relationship in the coming years.

Personally, I would like to thank you all at DVE for giving me this opportunity to represent your club as President. I am hopeful that I have contributed to ensuring the club continues to be successful into the future. I look forward to seeing the growth of the club into the next season, and beyond, and encourage as many of you as possible to assist in any way to the running of the club. Remember we are all in this together...

Anne-Maree Somers
DVE Aquatic President



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Diving Report

The 2019-20 diving year was decimated when the COVID-19 virus ceased all diving activities in mid-March and prevented them recommencing before the end of the season.

The Aggregate Competition was held after every second training session where the divers looked forward to the competition and taking the opportunity to attempt their new dives. However, because the Aggregate season could not be finished no awards will be made this year.

Also because of COVID-19 the Diving Championships could not be conducted; this was very disappointing as it completes the years efforts and rewards those that have trained all year to compete in this event. We continue to struggle to attract new members to diving but did have nine members with seven finishing the year.

We were fortunate to have available the diving facilities at Carey Grammar and to have the support of the pool management.

Our thanks to all divers who trained and competed with great enthusiasm during this shortened year. Also, to the parents and friends who attended each week and provided their assistance with scoring at the competitions.

Special thanks to our Competition Co-ordinator Ann Lands for her work with the Aggregate Competition and liaising with the new members and their families.

Looking forward to another great year of diving in 2020-21

Greg McGregor.
DVE Diving Coach

Ken Houghton
VP Diving



Swimming Report

The 2019/2020 swimming season has been one to remember for many reasons but sadly not so much for the many competition highlights that I would normally be reporting. The Covid-19 health situation has had an enormous impact on the community and swimming clubs throughout the country. DVE is no exception and we have had to make tough decisions around how we do things in order to meet Government imposed restrictions, Swimming Victoria and SAL guidelines, and also to maintain financial viability in the face of no income opportunities.

Congratulations to all swimmers who were named as MN Age and Open Champions and most improved swimmers in the 9/U age group at the Metro North AGM last month. DVE was named the District's premier club having won both the A and B Grade Aggregate series. Congratulations also to our National team with a special mention of Zoe Basile and Cameron Mcleod who achieved their first National Qualifying times during the year. Sadly no one could compete due to the event being cancelled.

Congratulations also to Tara Kinder for her selection onto the Junior World Championship Team.

Thank you to the swimming subcommittee for their efforts over the season - Anne Maree, Heather, Michelle, Suzi, Irene, Paul, Brian and Deb. Also, a huge thankyou to the coaching team of Adele, Isobel, Lachlan and Suzi who together with Brian, devoted so much time to the kids and their swimming development during the first half of the season while we could still operate as normal. We look forward to seeing you back on pool deck when the time comes.

The dryland program run by Adam and his team of coaches at AV High Performance Academy, has been a wonderful addition to the program and we thank him for his commitment to the kid's before, during and after the lockdown period. Also, thank you to Jessica Adams for continuing to provide online Pilates to our swimmers.

Thank you to all members who have continued to support the club through these tough and uncertain times. Eventually we will return to a full squad program and your ongoing support will ensure we remain strong and resilient and able to withstand the current situation. DVE is only as strong as its' membership and we are relying on you to support us now more than ever as we navigate our way through this difficult time. While it is normal to lose a few members at the end of each season, sadly this year we have lost more than the usual number. This is a sad reality for many sporting clubs and associations as the current economic situation hits home and families need to reassess their circumstances and priorities. Some families who chose not to renew their registration at the current time, have indicated they will return when life returns to normal.

Current squad numbers are 62.

While it is very easy to dwell on the negatives of the COVID impact and what we have lost as a competitive swimming program, I choose to look at the positives and the opportunities this can present. Now there is time for sub committees and the executive to take stock. To reassess where the club is heading and where it wants to be in 3-5 years' time. To implement change where necessary and to emerge from the current circumstances re-energised so that we can once again grow to be a strong and dominant club.

This will be my final report as VP Swimming as I resigned the position in February due to health reasons. I wish the incumbent all the best as they steer the swimming division of the club forward with new ideas and a fresh approach. Overall, I have had 17 years involvement with swimming clubs and their committees and have been part of DVE since its conception. It has been a privilege and in the most part, a very fulfilling journey.

Best Wishes to all for the season ahead.

Katrina Adams
VP - Swimming





Water Polo Annual Report



Memberships:

2019 – 2020	110 (F – 27 & M – 83)		
2018 – 2019	106	2014 – 2015	62
2017 – 2018	100	2013 – 2014	44
2016 – 2017	90	2012 - 2013	39
2015 – 2016	76		

Victorian summer season 2019

What a year it was during the summer season, with a lot of the teams just missing out going to finals and finishing 4th in very tight matches.

A great performance from our U12 A team, just finishing second by goal difference. And a great performance from our U12 B (development) team with all players improving every week.

Junior and Senior League	Position	Sub-junior League	Position
U16 Boys A	4 th	U12 Mixed A – Barracudas	2 nd
U18 Boys	3 rd	U12 Mixed B – Stingers	4 th
SL3 Men	4 th	U14 Boys A – Sharks	4 th
SL4 Men	4 th	U14 Boys B – Grunters	6 th
SL7 Men	3 rd		

Note: Awards will be presented to players as soon as we are able to run our annual celebration.

Victorian U16 Boys and Girls team – Sydney Youth Festival July 2019

Congratulations to our players who represented Victoria in the Sydney Youth Championships early on in the year

Stephanie Jacobson	Damien Pezzi
Luke Cannalonga	Omar Vela Wheen
Riley O’Connell	

Victorian Academy of Excellence – Water Polo Victoria

Congratulations to the following DVE Aquatic players that have been training with the high-performance training team led by Water Polo Victoria:

Stephanie Jacobson	William Schofield
	Riley O’Connell
Mitch Bohan	Darcy Leech
Josh Rotin	Jake Leech

State representatives – Water Polo Victoria

With mixed emotions I would like to congratulate all DVE Aquatic players that made it into the Victorian State Team for 2020. The players were selected from a comprehensive selection process to represent Victoria on several competitions that were going to take place in 2020. Sadly, due to the current restrictions the tournaments have not proceeded. The players are:



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U14 Boys

Mitchell Bohan

U18 Girls

Stephanie Jacobson

U19 Boys

Damien Pezzi

Jake Leech

Omar Vela Wheen

U16 Boys

Aiden Jacobson

Blake Smith

Darcy Leech

Ethan Niceforo

Joshua Rotin

Riley O'Connell

Spencer Beech

William Schofield

Ballarat Tournament – October 2019

Ballarat is a signature tournament that DVE Aquatic attends, the tournament attracts teams from Metro Melbourne, Reginal Victoria and NWS as well as Tasmanian teams. Our U12 team did so well with finishing 5th out of 8 teams, a particularly good result as most players were first-time water polo players.

And it was a nail biting final for the U14 team, losing the match by 1 goal in the last 10 seconds of the match.

U12 mixed – 5th place

U14 Boys – 2nd place – Runners Up!!

Geelong Tournament – February 2020

A great participation tournament for DVE, focused on development for our U12 team building the player confidence to then participate in the National Champs in 2021.

A great outcome too for our U14 boys team, and a nail biting final for the U16 team winning on penalty shoot outs!!

U12 mixed – 8th place

U14 boys – Third place!!

U16 boys – Winners!!

Canberra Cup – September 2019

For the first time, DVE Aquatic entered a team to participate in this well renown tournament. The main goal was to develop and provide experience to the team, so they were at their best at the National Champs in Jan 2020.

U17 team – 7th place

National Water Polo Championships – Brisbane 2020

Just 5 years ago, DVE Aquatic participated in a combined team on the National Champs with an U14 team. And 4 years ago, we sent our first DVE Aquatic team.

For the first time this year we had a U16 DVE Aquatic team, a combined U14 team and 3 players participated in the U18 teams with other Victorian Clubs.



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Congratulations to all players who participated in the highest level of junior water polo competition in Australia representing DVE Aquatic:

U14	U18	U16	
Banjo Koster	Stephanie Jacobson	Blake Smith	Riley O'Connell
Mitchell McQuire		Lewis Clarke	Aiden Jacobson
Mitchell Bohan	Jake Leech	Darcy Leech	William Schofield
Samuel Thiel	Omar Vela Wheen	Spencer Beech	Thomas Nightingale
Oliver Jones		Joshua Rotin	Jacob Geange-Phipps

U14 DVE/Monash – 20th place of 32 teams

U16 DVE – 15th of 32 teams and Top Victorian Team in the tournament

Coaches

This year we welcomed Sloba Macic to the DVE Aquatic family, Sloba is bringing a wealth of knowledge to the club, with a Masters on Water Polo and taking U19 Montenegro team to win Silver in the European League to many other major tournament achievements.

A big thankyou to Jamie Osland who has worked hard to develop the U12 teams, dedicating a lot of his time to them during training, the local competition and tournaments.

We are very proud to keep our junior players involved in the club by introducing the Junior Coaches to the training and competition activities. They have shown a lot of passion and are keen to help the younger players to develop their water polo skills, well done:

Haley Waters	Larissa Jones	Stephanie Jacobson
Isabel Vargas	Ethan Niceforo	Omar Vela

DVE Aquatic – Water Polo Sub-Committee

There is a lot of work that takes place behind the scenes by the sub-committee, who helps with organizing development camps, tournaments, the presentation night to mention some of the activities that happen in the background. A big thank you to:

Anna Schofield	Antoinette Mascitti	Jaimie Rotin
Jaimie Osland	Luke Southwell	Michael Jacobson
Pat Southwell	Sharyn Jacobson	Victoria McQuire

Future and development

We are looking positively to the future. We will keep building on our current success and building up a strong girls/women group. We hope to see our swimmer girls give water polo a go, it is a fun game, especially when you have your friends with you!! We look forward to keep building our base with new U12 and U14 players joining the club.

Alberto Vela
Vice President – Water Polo





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Registered Life Members (Registered as):

Jessica Adams	(Swimmer)
Joy Ellis	(Dry)
Lindsay Ellis	(Dry)
Andrew Gilchrist	(Water Polo)
Iain Hebden	(Swimmer)
Martin Hone	(Dry)
Helen Houghton	(Dry)
Ken Houghton	(Dry & Diving)
Bryn Jones	(Dry)
Greg McGregor	(Diving)
Brian Miller	(Dry)
Bob Oldfield	(Dry)
Luke Southwell	(Water Polo)
Pat Southwell	(Water Polo)
Kristin Thomas	(Dry)

Life Members who are not registered:

Jodie Axton
Melissa Graham
Dianne Grenfell
Edward Jackson
Margaret Little
Joel Miller
Matthew Moulder
Kate Murphy
Kylie Nadenbousch
Philip Robertson
Jenny Seiler
Ken Seiler
Roland Van Oorschot

Life Members – deceased

Trevor Axton
John Buckland
Ron Mullinger

[Bob Oldfield](#)
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10 Years

Nicholas Carroll	Fraya Costa	Bridie Foster	Sebastian Top
Chantelle Campbell	Lachlan Dalgleish	Tara Draper	

50 Years

Joy Ellis Lindsay Ellis

DVE Aquatic Swimming Achievements

Metro North Age Championship Results

Girls 9 years – 1st – Ciara Jeffs
 Boys 10 years – 1st – Jesse McLeod
 Boys 10 years – 2nd Ashley Lansbury
 Girls 11 years – 1st – Matilda Barber
 Girls 11 years – Eq 3rd – Rhianna Chen
 Boys 11 years – 1st – Alexander Jamieson
 Girls 12/13 yrs – 2nd – Jemma Apps
 Boys 12/13 yrs – 3rd – Alex Chang
 Girls 14/15 yrs – 3rd – Charli Campbell
 Boys 14/15 yrs – 1st – Cameron McLeod
 Boys 14/15 yrs – 2nd – Alex Basile
 Girls 16/17 yrs – 1st – Tara Kinder
 Girls 16/17 yrs – 2nd – Chantelle Campbell
 Boys 16/17 yrs – 3rd – Dylan Zipsin
 Mixed MC – 1st – Julian Marriott



9/U most improved swimmers (from the MN Aggregate competition):

Girls – Ciara Jeffs – DVE Aquatic
 Boys – Benjamin van Dijk – DVE Aquatic

DVE is the premier Aggregate A and Aggregate B team following the MN Aggregate competition.

A Grade – Relay Premiers: DVE Aquatic
 A Grade – Individual Premiers: DVE Aquatic
 B Grade – Relay Premiers: DVE Aquatic
 B Grade – Individual Premiers: DVE Aquatic

Metro North record breakers

Alex Basile – Boys 14/15 – 200m Freestyle – 2:01.23 (19/10/19)
 Alex Basile – Boys 14/15 – 100m Butterfly – 58.74 (2/2/20)
 Tara Kinder – Girls 16/17 – 100m Freestyle 59.65 (2/2/20)
 Tara Kinder – Girls 16/17 – 400m Freestyle 4:27.80 (2/2/20)
 Tara Kinder – Girls 16/17 – 100m Breaststroke 1:13.06 (2/2/20)
 Tara Kinder – Girls 16/17 – 100m Butterfly 1:04.85 (2/2/20)
 Tara Kinder – Girls 16/17 – 200m I.M. 2:20.93 (2/2/20)
 Tara Kinder – Girls Open – 400m Freestyle 4:27.80 (2/2/20)
 Tara Kinder – Girls Open – 100m Breaststroke 1:13.06 (2/2/20)
 Tara Kinder – Girls Open – 200m I.M. 2:20.93 (2/2/20)

2019-2020 Victorian State Age Short Course Championships

Congratulations to the DVE Team members:

Jemma Apps, Alex Basile, Zoe Basile, Bianca Bothma, Chanelle Campbell, Alex Chang, Aryan Chordia, Jordan Dimoski, Olivia Giannios, Alanah Ilioski, Tara Kinder, Amity Lansbury, Jacob Lawrence, Cameron McLeod, Nathan Mu, Alessia Napolitano, Semra Olowoniyi, Sofia Piaia, Julia Podgorska, Alexandra Roberts, Brooke Thwaites, Spencer Waymire and Dylan Zipsin



2019-2020 Victorian Open Short Course Championships

Congratulations to the DVE Team members:

Bianca Bothma, Chanelle Campbell, Jackson Car, Jordan Dimoski, Alanah Ilioski, Tara Kinder, Cameron McLeod, Nathan Mu, Semra Olowoniyi, Alexandra Roberts, and Dylan Zipsin



2019-2020 Victorian State Age Long Course Championships

Congratulations to the DVE Team members:

Congratulations to on making the 2020 Open team.

Jemma Apps, Alex Basile, Zoe Basile, Bianca Bothma, Chantelle Campbell, Matilda Giles, Alanah Ilioski, Tara Kinder, Cameron McCleod, Sofia Piaia, Julia Podgorska, , Brooke Thwaites and Dylan Zipsin



2019-2020 Victorian Open Long Course Championships

Congratulations to the DVE Team members:

Alex Basile, Chantelle Campbell, Jackson Car, Alanah Ilioski, Tara Kinder, Julian Marriott, Cameron McLeod, Ally Roberts Brooke Thwaites and Dylan Zipsin



2020 State Sprint championships

Congratulations to the DVE Team members:

Jemma Apps, Alex Basile, Zoe Basile, Bianca Bothma, Chantelle Campbell, Charli Campbell, Jackson Car, Alex Chang, Olivia Giannios, Matilda Giles, Ryley Hodgins, Alanah Ilioski, Alex Jamieson, Ciara Jeffs, Tarnie Jones, Kiera Lagan, Cameron McLeod, Jesse McLeod, Emma Morgan, Nathan Mu, Sofia Piaia, Hayley Pinner, Julia Podgorska, Lillian Staggard, Dylan Zipsin and Flynn Zipsin





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Bio Island Australian Junior Excellence Results

Blue Award

Amelia Atkin
Archie Noyce
Aurora Jarvis
Emily Scovill
Eva Wallis
Flynn Zipsin

Bronze Award

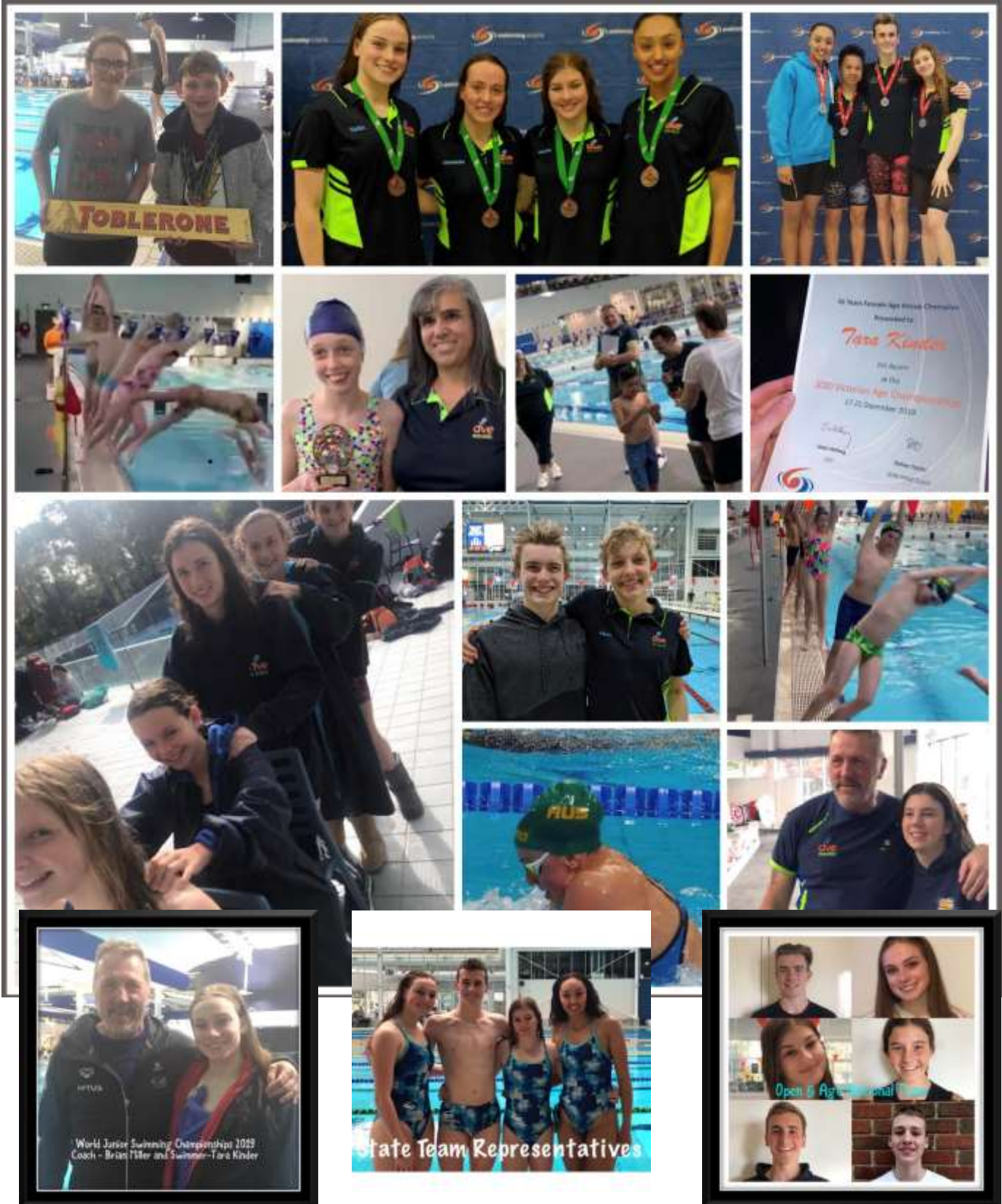
Aaliyah Loza
Benjamin Van Dijk
Emma Morgan
Hayley Pinner
Jack Darling

Silver Award

Alex Chang
Alexander Jamieson
Amity Lansbury
Ashley Lansbury
Bianca Bothma

Gold Award

Ciara Jeffs





Financial Report

I would like to begin by expressing my thanks to following people for supporting the financial processes of the club:

- Sharon Jones – Invoicing Swimming and Diving
- Jamie Osland - Invoicing Water Polo
- Quan Chi – Accounts Payable
- Michelle Hodgins – Accounts Receivable
- Leanne Giannios and Pat Southwell – BAS and Help Desk (for me).

The final financial statements for DVE Aquatic Club Inc. (ABN: 75 230 366 872) for the financial year ended 30 June 2020 are attached. These have been submitted for an independent financial audit by MFG Tax and Accounting.

When reviewing figures, consideration should be given to the significant impact that the COVID-19 pandemic has had on our club. Over all, the club as experienced a loss of \$13,220.16.

Swimming showed a deficit of \$25,777. Factors impacting the financial position of our swimming discipline include contractual obligations/good will on termination of coaching contracts due to COVID-19, the loss of profit from cancelled swim meets and the absence of fundraisers such as the Swim-a-thon.

It should be noted that despite the loss, this is an improvement on last financial year and had we not been subject to some extraordinary circumstances, figures would show swimming's financial position moving in to a more positive direction.

For the short time that swim squads were back in the pool, fee's moved to a user-pay system. This was an effect method in covering the squad expenses during what was a short 4 – 5 week period.

Water Polo and Diving fee structure covered operating expenses of these disciplines with Water Polo \$3,428 and Diving \$143 in the black.

The club had a positive cash position at 30th June 2020 with a net cash balance of \$27,544.10 and is able to meet all expense and liability payments.

During the year the club has been successful in securing a number of grants. Telstra Kids grant \$1,200.00 These funds will go towards providing support and training for juniors to compete in the state level swimming competitions. Huge thanks to Kate and Roger Liang for applying for the funding for us. Also, the club was successful in its application for the \$1,200.00 Community Sport Sector Short-term Survival Grant. This grant is a State Govt initiative to support the operational viability of community sport and active organisations impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.





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Sponsors

