

**Media Release: 5<sup>th</sup> January 2018**

## **Harvey Dam Open for Open Water Swim Event**

On Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2018, Harvey Dam will be hosting Round 6 of the Swimming WA (SWA) Open Water Swimming (OWS) Series, which is expected to attract more than 400 swimmers.

Since commencing in November 2017, the OWS Series has visited Cottesloe, Mullaloo, Leighton, Busselton, Coogee as well as held the Relay Round at Scarborough Beach and the State Open Water Championships at Champion Lakes.

For swimmers travelling from Perth, there is a 2pm start for the 1.25km, 2.5km and 5km distances, and 500m swimmers take off at 1:30pm.

Golden West Dolphins Swimming Club will be providing the volunteers for the event to help SWA.

Shire of Harvey and Alcoa are the sponsors of this unique fresh water swim in Harvey Dam, suited to all ages and fitness levels. The Water Corporation has provided approval for the use of the facility and is a great supporter of the event.

There will be a Community BBQ after the event provided by Alcoa at the Amphitheatre within Harvey Dam, and acoustic guitarist James Wilson will be playing from 4:30-7:30pm

Harvey is part of the three Regional Rounds included in the OWS this year, joining Busselton, and Mandurah.

Celebrating 10 years, the SWA OWS Series runs throughout the summer until March 2018 and attracts 6,000 competitive and novice swimmers.

For further information about the OWS Series or to register, visit [www.openwaterswimming.com.au](http://www.openwaterswimming.com.au). Online registrations for Round 6 Harvey Dam close 10pm on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2018, although you can register on the day from 12:30pm.

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