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## **The Open Water Swimming Series Returns to Busselton**

The Swimming WA Open Water Swimming (OWS) Series is returning to Busselton on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2018.

This is the fourth time that the popular Round within the nation's largest Open Water Swimming Series has conducted an open water swim in Busselton since the Series began 11 years ago. In 2017, 319 swimmers took part, a record number of participants in this ideal location next to the iconic Busselton Jetty.

This round has something for all ages and fitness levels, with a range of distances (500m, 1.25km, 2.5km and 5km) to meet the needs of both novice and professional swimmers. Thanks to the support of the City of Busselton, PrintSync, Aussie Natural Spring Water and Vorgee, this OWS Series Round aims to attract more than 400 swimmers. On the starter gun will be City of Busselton Mayor Grant Henley, with the popular 500m event beginning at 7:30am.

This year's Swimming WA OWS Series started at Leighton Beach on the 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2018 with 676 swimmers and the remaining Rounds will run throughout summer until March 2019. The Series attracts over 6,000 participants competing in 12 Rounds, including the final Round on March 4<sup>th</sup> 2019 Sandbar Scarborough Relay Round and the WA Open Water State Championships on 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2018.

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Chief Executive Officer for Swimming WA Mr. Darren Beazley who was recently in Busselton on a site visit said:

“The Busselton Round of the OWS Series is really important for our sport and the community. The City of Busselton have been strong supporters of the Series, as have Print Sync and we hope that the community will get involved to Come Swim with Us”.

For further information about the OWS Series, or to register, visit [www.openwaterswimming.com.au](http://www.openwaterswimming.com.au).

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