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Round 3, Coogee Beach Next Site for Open Water Swimming Series

The Swimming WA Open Water Swimming (OWS) Series will be happening at Coogee Beach this Saturday 24 November 2018.

The popular Coogee Beach Round has been included every year since the Series began 11 years ago and this year will incorporate the first of four 10km distances in this year's Summer Series.

The OWS Series kicked off at Leighton Beach on 3 November 2018 with 676 swimmers taking part. Last weekend Round 2 of the OWS Series attracted a record crowd of 380 swimmers at the beautiful Busselton Beach.

The Coogee Beach Round 3 has something for all ages and fitness levels, with a range of distances (1.25km, 2.5km, 5km and 10km) to meet the needs of both novice and professional swimmers. Thanks to presenting partner Aussie Natural Spring Water and the support of Nova 93.7, The West Australian, Vorgee and Chobani, the Coogee Beach Round aims to attract more than 600 swimmers with the event getting underway from 7:30am.

A new initiative for the OWS Series will be the unique tracking technology provided by WASE Timing. Family and friends will now be able to follow their long distance (5km and 10km) swimmer's progress on their "smart device" at all 10km rounds this Summer in real time by simply downloading the "Racemap" app from their preferred App provider. Celebrating 11 years, the Swimming WA OWS Series runs throughout the summer until March 2019. The Series should attract in excess of 6,000 competitive and novice swimmers competing in 12 Rounds, finishing at Scarborough Beach and including the WA Open Water State Championships on 22 December 2018 at Champion Lakes.

General Manager, Commercial Operations, Mr. David Johnson said: This year's Series has exceeded everyone's expectations and Coogee Beach will be the first time we officially utilise the individual tracking technology. It promises to be an excellent Round with a third successive record number of participants. Open Water Swimming has really taken off in WA, and we are seeing record times and record conditions, which is all adding up to a wonderful experience for everyone involved. Come swim with us this weekend."

For further information about the OWS Series, or to register, visit www.openwaterswimming.com.au.

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