

## Swimming WA Media Release:

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### HUGE WA CONTINGENT HEADING TO AUSTRALIAN OPEN WATER CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 2020 Australian Open Water Swimming (OWS) Championships are in Adelaide this weekend and Western Australian athletes will be there in large numbers. The OWS Championships will be held January 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> at Brighton Beach in Adelaide.

The Championships represent Australia's pinnacle open water swimming event will showcase the country's top and emerging open water swimming talent. This event forms a key part of the criteria to gain selection for the 2020 Tokyo Olympics.

Swimming WA is thrilled that forty five (45) athletes from thirteen (13) Swimming WA Clubs will compete in Adelaide, a big increase on the 2019 Australian Championships. The Western Australian contingent will be competing in fourteen (14) events as well as three (3) teams in the 4 x 1.25km Relay.

SWA Chief Executive Officer, Mr Darren Beazley said;

"Western Australia boasts the biggest Open Water Swimming Series in the country. The Swimming OWS Series is now 12 years old and provides opportunities for people all over the State to swim during summer. Given our experience in this area, it very pleasing to see the number of SWA Clubs producing athletes capable of mixing it with the best at national events such as the Australian Championships this weekend.

In an Olympic year, the Australian OWS Championships take on very special significance. From proven champions such as Simon Huitenga (Perth City SC) and Kyle Lee (Bunbury SC) to emerging talent such as Sienna Cummins (Kwinana SC), Alessio Macri (Tuart Hill SC) and Byron Kimber (North Coast SC), the depth of Western Australian OWS talent has increased significantly over the past few years. Swimming WA wishes all of our athletes, coaches and technical officials the very best at the Championships " he said.

Below is a list of athletes competing and their events;

#### Event 1 Men 14 & Over 10k Open Water

Name		
9	HUGHES, STEPHEN	38 ROCKINGHAM
10	HUITENGA, SIMON	31 PERTH CITY
13	JONES, BENJAMIN	22 PERTH CITY
14	KENNEDY, REILLY	19 PERTH CITY
25	ROLLO, NICHOLAS	21 PERTH CITY
26	ROLLO, WILLIAM	23 NORTH COAST
29	SUDLOW, ADAM	19 UWA-WEST COAST

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**Event 2 Boys 18-19 10k Open Water**

Name		
50	KIMBER, BYRON	19 NORTH COAST WA
51	LEE, KYLE	18 BUNBURY
53	MCDONALD, OAKLEIGH	18 ROCKINGHAM
57	ROOTS, BEN	19 MANDURAH
62	WILSON, JACK	19 NORTH COAST WA

**Event 3 Women Open 10k Open Water**

Name		
7	DOWNING, SACHA	22 PERTH CITY
13	HARNETTY, ELLA	19 BREAKERS WA
21	PAGE, JOSIE	20 PERTH CITY
25	TRUSCOTT, CHLOE	21 NORTH COAST
28	WELLER, REBEKAH	25 PERTH CITY

**Event 4 Girls 18-19 10k Open Water**

Name		
34	CULLINANE, FIONA	18 ROCKINGHAM
35	DONOVAN, TIA	19 PERTH CITY
36	EASTWOOD, KELSEY	19 NORTH COAST WA
42	PETITE, BIANCA	18 PERTH CITY

**Event 5 Boys 16-17 7.5k Open Water**

Name		
5	COTEN, MAX	17 WESTSIDE CHRISTCHURCH
21	PETITE, LUKE	16 PERTH CITY
24	RICHINGS, KAIDEN	16 BUNBURY

**Event 6 Girls 16-17 7.5k Open Water**

Name		
51	PHILLIPS, ABIGAIL	16 BREAKERS WA
57	SIMONS, KIARA	17 PERTH CITY
58	TALBOT, CAMILLE	17 PERTH CITY
64	WILSON, ROSIE	16 BREAKERS WA

**Event 7 Boys 14-15 5k Open Water**

Name		
15	FERGUSON, HAYDEN	15 SOUTHLAKE DOLPHINS
32	MACRI, ALESSIO	15 TUART HILL
36	MORRIS, ANDREW	15 CENTRAL AQUATIC
44	RUSSELL, BENJAMIN	14 ST HILDA'S

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**Event 8 Girls 14-15 5k Open Water**

67	CRAWLEY, KEALA	15 BREAKERS WA
69	CUMMINS, SIENNA	15 KWINANA
73	ELLERTON, SOPHIE	15 BREAKERS WA
75	FELTON, SARAH	15 NORTH COAST WA
96	PRANADJAJA, JESSIE	15 BREAKERS WA
108	WILSON, ANNIE	15 BREAKERS WA

**Event 9 Men Open 5k Open Water**

Name		
10	HUGHES, STEPHEN	38 ROCKINGHAM
13	JONES, BENJAMIN	22 PERTH CITY
14	KENNEDY, REILLY	19 PERTH CITY
24	ROLLO, NICHOLAS	21 PERTH CITY
26	SUDLOW, ADAM	19 UWA-WEST COAST

**Event 11 Boys 18-19 5k Open Water**

Name		
39	BROWN, OWEN	19 BREAKERS WA
51	KIMBER, BYRON	19 NORTH COAST WA
52	LEE, KYLE	18 BUNBURY
55	MCDONALD, OAKLEIGH	18 ROCKINGHAM
60	ROOTS, BEN	19 MANDURAH
68	WILSON, JACK	19 NORTH COAST WA

**Event 12 Women Open 5k Open Water**

Name		
74	DOWNING, SACHA	22 PERTH CITY
79	HARNETTY, ELLA	19 BREAKERS WA
85	PAGE, JOSIE	20 PERTH CITY
92	TRUSCOTT, CHLOE	21 NORTH COAST
94	WARBURTON, EMMA	20 UWA-WEST COAST
96	WELLER, REBEKAH	25 PERTH CITY

**Event 14 Girls 18-19 5k Open Water**

Name		
104	CULLINANE, FIONA	18 ROCKINGHAM
106	DONOVAN, TIA	19 PERTH CITY
107	EASTWOOD, KELSEY	19 NORTH COAST WA
121	PETITE, BIANCA	18 PERTH CITY

### Event 15 Boys 16-17 5k Open Water

Name		
9	CATTAWAY, OWEN	16 BUNBURY
10	COTEN, MAX	17 WESTSIDE CHRISTCHURCH
39	PETITE, LUKE	16 PERTH CITY
42	RICHINGS, KAIDEN	16 BUNBURY

### Event 16 Girls 16-17 5k Open Water

Name		
87	KNOTT, RUBY	17 UWA WEST COAST
96	PHILLIPS, ABIGAIL	16 BREAKERS WA
98	READING, VICTORIA	16 PERTH CITY
100	REYNOLDS, MATILDA	16 PERTH CITY
106	SIMONS, KIARA	17 PERTH CITY
109	TALBOT, CAMILLE	17 PERTH CITY
119	WILSON, ROSIE	16 BREAKERS WA

### Event 21 Mixed Open 4 x 1.25k Relay

Team	
2	PERTH CITY
7	PERTH CITY
20	NORTH COAST

### Facts about Swimming WA

Swimming WA is one of the leading not-for-profit sporting organisations in Western Australia. Established in 1902, Swimming WA represents 85 Clubs and more than 12,759 Members across the State. From Learn to Swim, competitive swimming, recreational swimming or conducting open water events, Swimming WA focuses on providing access to swimming wherever people may live in Western Australia.

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