

# The Pointer

May '09 Newsletter



## Upcoming Competitions

### Inter-club:

Sat. 27 June, North Lodge Pentathlon, 6 - 9pm  
Entry by pink/blue cards which are available from Rosa ([montaguegallagher@bigpond.com](mailto:montaguegallagher@bigpond.com)) or Brenton on poolside

### Long Distance Short Course State meet:

Sat. 13 June: 400 IM, and 1500 any stroke  
Sun 14 June: 400 & 800 any stroke.  
Closing date tomorrow: 2nd June.  
Direct entry to AUSSI [www.aussivic.com.au](http://www.aussivic.com.au).

There are many entrants from Powerpoints so far, so please get your entry in today if you want to join in the fun

### Put into your diaries:

**Sat. 1st August - State Short Course**  
**Sat. 12 September - State Relay Carnival**

It would be great to bank up our club's recent success at both the States and Nationals, so please put these dates into your diaries and train hard! Dinner will also be organised after both events.

## Fundraising

Last year the club made a net loss of around \$2,700. The finance committee is confident they can turn this around. One main area for the loss was the club paying for all relay entries, which will be changed as of the Short Course.

However, we would like any members who are interested in running a fundraising event, or who have any ideas, to approach the committee.

## Committee news

This May committee meeting was held at Tamani's Italian Restaurant on Tues 12<sup>th</sup>. Each of the key sub-committees reported to the group on their goals for 2009. A brief summary of the main goals is listed below.

**Finance** – Archer, Melinda, Mary  
- to simplify the accounts and use spreadsheets, rather than Quickbooks, for the monthly bank reconciliation and debtors.  
- to charge a relay levy for all meets to help ensure we financially break even in competitions

**Training** – Anton, Lee, Deb J, Matt  
- to ensure financial viability of current sessions  
- to start a DVD library for club members  
- to communicate trainings objectives to swimmers  
- to develop our relationship with MSAC

**Social** – Lisandra, Michaela  
- to hold regular social events, including SC dinner, a comedy night, open water swim lunch, lawn bowls day, etc

**Competition** – Rosa, Jennie, Helen, Laurie  
- to win the relay meet and short course  
- to have more participants at the Long Distance events, especially more males  
- to support inter-club meets more  
- to encourage more VPP to swim in the Herald Sun Open water swim comp for 2009/10

**Promotion** – Craig, Stuart, Deb J  
- improve exposure of VPP, especially at MSAC,  
- new promotional materials: flyer, business cards  
- to reinvigorate club logo, motto, image, etc

**Structures & Relations** – Rosa, Archer, Liz, Deb  
- clarify relay rules, constitution, club rules  
- develop VPP support of Masters Swim Victoria  
- compile a 30 year history of the club