



**MARCH 2020**

**NEWSLETTER**

**41st EDITION**

*Welcome everyone to our 41st edition of the TWSA newsletter. As you are all aware the TWSA & WAWA had no option but to cancel our National Championships at Mulwala and WAWA also took the step to withdraw sanctions to all future events across all WAWA Divisions in light of the worsening developments surrounding the COVID19 pandemic however I will cover all team and other announcements which are usually presented at the Nationals Presentation Night later in this newsletter.*

*This newsletter may well be my last as I hand over the Chairmanship to my successor in October after 11 wonderful years leading the Tournament Division. I now feel the timing is right as I leave knowing we are in a very healthy position with both our membership base and financially. Antoinette and I have been involved in the sport for 23 years and have been fortunate to have met a lot of very special people and we hold many fond memories especially the countless ski schools we ran around the country and overseas.*

*With multiple grandchildren in our growing family it is now time to spend those precious moments watching them grow and develop and hopefully in the coming years the Scott family can boost the TWSA membership with a tribe of subbies!*

## ***Sharyn Shaw TWSA Secretary to retire after 30 years service to our sport!***

*After 30 years of dedicated service to our sport Sharyn will finally retire in October and will be sadly missed by the tournament community. I know first hand the amount of work that she has managed to effortlessly do over the past 11 years where she has worked alongside me as secretary. Her contribution each year at the Nationals as chief scorer, calculator & Presentation Night collator of medals and awards is second to none!*



*2020 MASTERCRAFT AUSTRALIAN  
JUNIOR SKI SCHOOL & JUNIOR  
MASTERS!*



*This years Mastercraft Australian Junior Ski School and Junior Masters were hosted at Stoney Park due to the uncertainty at the time of Moree's water supply which has been plagued by the gripping drought that has devastated much of inland Australia. For this reason I kept the numbers down to 21 students from our normal 36 which was a bonus to those skiers as they shared 3 of our countries best coaches who included Nick Adams, Bruce Cockburn and Archie Davis. This was the first in 23 years that I have not been onsite running a ski school and I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone that stepped in especially Neil O'Toole who was onsite coordinating and running the event making sure everything ran smoothly, also a big thank you to Kath Nowlan and her crew of ladies who ran the kitchen, without your help and that of the drivers and other parents that pitched in these ski schools don't happen, so thank you to everyone!*

*Next year we will be back at Moree which now has a guaranteed water supply!*



***Sade Ferguson and Callan Ashcroft winners of the Most Outstanding & Most Improved Awards***





*Laura Hayes winner of the Scott Family U10 Trophy*



*Two Queenslanders take out the Junior Masters Trophies  
Kiera Wiseman & Lucas Cornale*

# ***AUSTRALIAN MASTERS 2020***



*A successful Australian Masters has been run at Bridgewater over the Australian Day Long weekend. Bridgewater Ski Club once again hosted the event on behalf of Tournament Water Ski Australia where some great scores were concreted amongst the Bridgewater history.*

*Spectators viewed 60 of the best water skiers from across the country all competing for Gold. The conditions were perfect over the weekend and officials were left doing the paperwork for 5 pending Australian Records.*





*The Australian Masters is proudly Sponsored by EasyTow Trailers, Malibu Australia, Loddon Shire Council and Bendigo Community Bank. The generous sponsors contributed towards prize money for the Competitors which certainly made for some entertainment on the banks.*

*Layne Moroney was awarded the Glen Thurlow Trophy for the most Outstanding Performance over the weekend, with consistent scores in Slalom and Jump and a PB in trick.*

*Special thanks to all the Bridgewater Ski Club members who work tirelessly to provide the best site for the skiers and the officials who donated their time on the banks to ensure the best ran tournament.*

*Bridgewater can look forward to a bigger and better Tournament next season.*

## ***AUSSIE KIWI CHAMPIONSHIPS LAKE CRICHTON---NZ***



*Australia was represented in New Zealand at Lake Crichton at the Aussie Kiwi Championships with three teams flying our flag, those being the U14, U17 and U21. A total of 24 skiers and 33 support crew made the journey across the Tasman. Lisa Beare was Team Manager doing an exceptional*

*job, Ryan Burns was once again Captain with Molly Ferguson Vice Captain both doing an amazing job supporting our skiers both on and off the water.*

*Our results were outstanding with in excess of 20PBs with 22 of our 24 skiers receiving individual medals and Australia took out Gold in all three divisions including the Overall Trophy.*

*Some of the more outstanding results were both Erica Hayes and Fletcher Green. At the time of writing Erica having two Australian records approved with one pending and Fletcher having 3 Australian U12 records*

*Our U14 team took every medal on offer for their division – and everyone of the 8 skiers got an individual medal. Sade Ferguson set a new NZ All Comers jump record beating it by over 3 metres. (this record has stood since 1997). Sade also won the Williams Family trophy for Outstanding performance. Casey Wooderson was awarded the Kyle Eade award for Australia for winning slalom, jump and overall- setting 2 new PBs along the way.*

*Gaye Moroney stepped up to the role of assistant chief judge, Layne Moroney and Kurtis Beare being the only skiers from either team that judged along with many of our parents.*

*In summery these Championships were a major success both on and off the water!*





***The Cory Pickos site of the 2020 Junior World Championships***

***The 2020 Junior World Championships is scheduled to be hosted at the famous Cory Pickos Ski School at Santa Rosa Beach, Florida from 18<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> August. We will keep everyone informed if there are any changes by the IWWF to the scheduled event due to the COVID19 pandemic. Australia will be represented with a strong Junior Team consisting of Sade Ferguson, Levi Curtain, Tayla Simmonds, Callan Ashcroft, Lucas Cornale, and Ben Cosgriff with reserves being Lara Butlin & Joel O'Toole. The Team Manager will be Molly Ferguson who I must say impressed me with her nomination to take on the responsibility of leading our team at such a young age, I'm sure she will do a wonderful job. Molly will also have the support of our Junior Team Coach Bruce Cockburn who has worked many years with our athletes. I would like to wish our team all the success that each and everyone of them deserves, the Cory Pickos site is a great ski lake and we should see some amazing scores! Good Luck Team Aussie!***





*The Baurech water ski club is located 20 minutes from the centre of Bordeaux, in the south of west of France, and 20 minutes from the Arcachon bay. It is in an exceptional setting, surrounded by nature, where the Bordeaux Waterski Team will welcome our contingent of Australian skiers with the Championships running from September 14<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>. Once again we will keep everyone informed as to any updates from the IWWF with regard to the COVID19 pandemic. The selectors have selected a squad of skiers those being Mark Louder, Dave Smith, Mark Hooper, Shane Coulter, Cherie Buck, Fred Douglas, Sue Crisp, Rose Maczkoviack, Ken Ito, Paul Maloney, and Peter Smith. Good Luck Everyone!*



*The University Worlds will be hosted in Dnipro, Ukraine from September 22<sup>nd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>. Australia will be sending a team of skiers consisting of Archie Davis, Joshua Briant, Ethan McKinnon, Patrick Crisp, Shania Browne, Lucy Christie with our reserves being Grace Griffiths and Matthew Browne. Good Luck Team Aussie!*

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# **STAFFORD SCOTT**

## **STATE MEMBERSHIP TROPHY!**

*This year I am pleased to announce the State with the largest percentage increase in membership over the past 12 months goes to the ACT who have had a huge increase in membership due to the hard work of the ACT committee. Thank you all for your efforts and your state will be rewarded with a cheque for \$2,000.00*

### **2020 TWSA Junior Development Squad Announced!**

*The TWSA wish to congratulate the following on being selected to join the Australian Junior Development Squad. They have been selected for their potential skills and ability to perform at the highest level in Australia. This years recipients are Stephanie Cosgriff, Ryan Macdonald, Jaycee Ashcroft, Caitlin Dennis, Finn Sheehy, Jennifer Ackerly, Kayde Sherwood, Kristy Appleton, Bryce Smith, Henry Leake, Cameron Shaw, Oscar Mcnamara, Rory Habermann & Thomas Wilson*

### **2020 TWSA Junior World Squad Announced!**

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## **2020 TWSA Subbies Squad Announced!**

*The 2020 U10 Squad skiers are Laura Hayes, Daisy Green, Zarhli Reeves, Selina Appleton, & Taj Reeves*

## **TWSA Scholarship Award!**

*This year the TWSA Scholarship Award is awarded to a young skier from Deniliquin who I believe is worthy of our scholarship, which entitles him to \$1,000 for use towards the Australian Junior Ski School, his name being Lugaidh Jennings-Gallagher. Congratulations Lugaidh, well deserved!*

## **Australian Records!**



*The following skiers have been awarded Australian Records for their outstanding scores!*

<b>O45 Womens</b>	<b>Cherie Buck</b>	<b>Overall</b>	<b>1740.28</b>	<b>Chile</b>
<b>U12 Girls</b>	<b>Erica Hayes</b>	<b>Jump</b>	<b>20.1m</b>	<b>Stoney Park NSW</b>
<b>U12 Girls</b>	<b>Erica Hayes</b>	<b>Overall</b>	<b>2564.82</b>	<b>NZ</b>
<b>U12 Girls</b>	<b>Erica Hayes</b>	<b>Trick</b>	<b>3390</b>	<b>NZ</b>
<b>U 12 Boys</b>	<b>Fletcher Green</b>	<b>Jump</b>	<b>23.9m</b>	<b>NZ</b>
<b>U12 Boys</b>	<b>Fletcher Green</b>	<b>Overall</b>	<b>2195.81</b>	<b>NZ</b>
<b>U12 Boys</b>	<b>Fletcher Green</b>	<b>Trick</b>	<b>4020</b>	<b>NZ</b>
<b>O55 Mens</b>	<b>Ken Ito</b>	<b>Trick</b>	<b>2670</b>	<b>OZ Ski Qld</b>
<b>U12 Girls</b>	<b>Kristy Appleton</b>	<b>Slalom</b>	<b>2 @13m-52k</b>	<b>Isis Qld</b>
<b>U14 Boys</b>	<b>Lucas Cornale</b>	<b>Slalom</b>	<b><u>2@10.75-52k</u></b>	<b>Isis Qld</b>

<i>O45 Women's</i>	<i>Mel Collins</i>	<i>Slalom</i>	<i>2@12m-52k</i>	<i>Isis Qld</i>
<i>U17 Girls</i>	<i>Sade Ferguson</i>	<i>Overall</i>	<i>2243.02</i>	<i>Stoney Park NSW</i>
<i>U17 Girls</i>	<i>Sade Ferguson</i>	<i>Slalom</i>	<i><u>.5@10.75-55k</u></i>	<i>Canada</i>
<i>O55 Women's</i>	<i>Sue Crisp</i>	<i>Trick</i>	<i>2060</i>	<i>Bridgewater Vic</i>

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## ***NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP LOCATIONS CHANGED!***

*To enable our members who had paid deposits for the Mulwala Nationals this year to use those deposits next year, we have changed the 2021 Nationals location back to Mulwala. I hope making this move from WA back to Vic will assist everyone with their bookings.*

*The Nationals in 2022 will now be hosted by SA with the event being held in Darwin and as Easter is in mid April Darwin will be the perfect place to host the event with the warmer weather.*

*The Nationals in 2023 will now be hosted by WA and the event held at Bonney's Ski Lakes!*

## ***TWSA 2020 ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS!***

*The TWSA Achievement Awards are announced each year at the Nationals Presentation Night however this year as we all know the Nationals were cancelled, however the awards will still be presented to the recipients! Congratulations to the following members.*

**OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR:** **GLENN MARTIN**

**ADMINISTRATOR OF THE YEAR:** **LISA BEARE**

**SENIOR SKIER OF THE YEAR:** **JOEL HOWLEY**

***Thank you all for taking the time to read our 41<sup>st</sup> edition of the TWSA newsletter. Although our season has come to an abrupt end I hope your all stay safe over the coming months and we can return to what we all love sooner rather than later!***

*Yours sincerely*

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