



MANLY MASTERS SWIMMING

A HISTORY OF

THE MANLY MASTERS SWIMMING CLUB

Established **1975**

Life Members

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Club Life Members

Bob Carlon (1929)

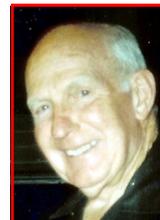
Bob Carlon was a founding member of the club.

He took on the President roll in the clubs first year and continued to guide its grown and development over the next 10 years.

Bob coached the club training sessions held a Harbord Diggers for around 12 Years.

He held world records in Backstroke events.

(Robert) BOB CARLON



Jamie Jenkins (1919-2013)

Jamie was a founding member of Manly AUUSI. He served as Secretary for many years. A talented swimmer, from a young age who trained with many of the Olympians of the day, and in the State Championships which started in the late 1970's his name was to be found year after year as the age champion—and this was in the days when medals were only given to the first three in total points from seven events. He regularly set Australian records and was a member of the first Manly Men's Relay Team to set a World Record. He competed until 2003.

He was also a member of the North Steyne Surf Club and City Tattersall's Club.

He had an engineering degree, was an academic at the University of NSW and was a mentor to the University students as well as to youngsters struggling in the pool and the surf.



Jamie Jenkins

Club Life Members

Lillian Johnson (1915-1999)



Lillian Johnson, a much respected member of the Manly masters Club, died on Saturday 19 June. Despite declining health for several years, she continued to swim competitively until a few weeks before her death.

Lillian taught herself to swim at Balmoral but her father refused to allow her to dive as he considered it too dangerous. This meant that she had to jump in and swim fast to catch up the others. Eventually her brother secretly taught her to do a racing dive.

She attended Fort St Girls High School and in the 1930's she was in their senior swimming team. She belonged to the Balmoral Ladies Swimming Club and later the Bondi Ladies Amateur Swimming Club. She joined the Manly Club in 1981, when she was 66, after being out of competitive swimming for 45 years.

Upon joining Manly, she regularly attended training sessions and soon began swimming at inter-club meets where she progressed to State Championship level where she was a dominant swimmer in her age group, bringing home a swag of medals.

She also attended several National Championships where, once again, she won gold medals.

She held State and National records for distances ranging from 50 to 400m freestyle and 50 to 200m backstroke in her age group.

In the 1991 State Short Course Championships at Campbelltown, she was a member of the 280+ ladies freestyle and medley relay teams that created world records. She also ventured overseas to events in New Zealand, Brazil and Canada where once again she featured in the medal count.

Even as late as March of 1991, despite her failing health, Lillian still managed to win two gold medals at the State Championships at Blacktown.

She featured in the World Top Ten rankings every year since they were introduced by FINA.

Lillian's contribution to Manly was recognized in early 1999 when Life Membership was bestowed upon her.

Lillian is to be forever admired for her courage, determination and tenacity as she fought to overcome adversity in her later years. She was a true champion as both a swimmer and a club member.

Club Life Members

Steve Lamy. Joined in 1990 and has been a great ambassador both for the Manly Club and Masters Swimming

Steve served as Club President in 1994/5. In 1993 he was Vice-President and in 1995 President of Masters NSW. He has served on the club committee as Carnival Director for the last 16 years. He also drafted the club's Constitution enabling to Incorporate. A Champion swimmer who has held numerous National and State records.



STEVEN LAMY

Liz Wallis. Was one of the first members who join not long after the club was formed.

Her contribution to the club has been tremendous. Taking on the chief coaching responsibilities for many years, she guided and developed many a masters swimmer. She served on the committee as Race Secretary and Record for many years. A world class swimmer, holding World, National and Branch records over the years. Her love of the swimming was infectious and she was constantly on the look out to recruit people to the sport.



LIZ WALLIS

Ted Samojlowicz. Joined in 1999 after encouragement from his daughter, Carolyn. Not being a swimmer, there was plenty to work on for the coaches.

His philosophy is "if you belong to a club you cannot be a passive participant". He served as Treasurer from 2000-2010, and President from 2011-2013. He guided the club through the Incorporation process.

An average swimmer, who has some success in the pool, but more success in ensuring that the club remains true to its "Fun, Fitness and Friendship" philosophy.



TED SAMOJLOWICZ

Tony Goodwin. Joined 1993. Has served on the NSW Masters committee as well as Club President.

A world class swimmer, with numerous World, National and Branch records to his name. A modest champion who is quite at home making up a relay team with people of lesser ability as he is pairing up with other world beaters.

A keen participant in all club activities and willing volunteer when required.

A true ambassador for the sport, Master Swimming and the Manly Club.



TONY GOODWIN