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G'DAY Swim Fans,

Skipper's Christmas Present Ideas



Department of Transport will be at the 2024 Swim! – Have all your required boating safety kit!

WA regulations for boating have been updated and **what you need on your boat has changed.**

If you are looking for Christmas presents for your skipper: life jackets, flares or a radio may be a good idea?

The full safety equipment requirements can be found at:

<https://www.transport.wa.gov.au/imarine/safety-equipment-changes.asp>

In summary you will need:

- Recreational Skippers Ticket
- Lifejackets
- EPIRB or PLB
- 'in-date' Flares or EVDS
- Marine Radio



Xmas Training



Hopefully, you have some time over Xmas for a swim, so why not train with your paddler?

Your paddler is an integral part of the team. They need to know which side of each swimmer to paddle on. They also need to know where to position themselves in relation to the swimmer (usually at 90 degrees to the swimmer's eye-line).

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Remember, it is the paddler's job to stay on a straight line between buoys. Having the paddler 2m to the side of the swimmer is a good plan. If the swimmer gets any closer, then the swimmer must correct their line and move away. If the swimmer drifts away, then the swimmer needs to move closer. Have faith that your paddler is sitting higher in the water and has a better chance of lining up all the marker buoys. The shortest line between two points is a straight line – so good teamwork with your paddler may save you plenty of strokes on the day.

Travel Plans

For those of you making travel plans, be sure to arrive in time for one of our two compulsory Race Briefing sessions:

- **Wednesday 1st May 2024**, 6pm at the Kununurra Country Club Resort, Kununurra **or**
- **Friday 3rd May 2024**, 5pm at Lake Argyle Resort & Holiday Park, Lake Argyle.

2024 Swim gear (t-shirts, caps, numbers,..) and Gala Presentation Dinner tickets will only be issued at these sessions. The sessions also provide the very important safety and race information.



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The Kununurra Country Club is also the venue of our Wednesday briefing session.



Kununurra Dental

Lars and his lovely team have had a long involvement with the Lake Argyle Swim, with Maria being one of the hard-working members of the Committee. It is awesome to live in a remote part of this country and still have world class dental services in our town. It is fantastic to have them on-board – All smiles!



HeliSpirit

Lake Argyle and the surrounding ranges are truly spectacular. You don't see the full expanse from the ground but you do from a helicopter! HeliSpirit has a helicopter at Lake Argyle offering scenic flights and helipicnic tours. On race day have family and friends check-out all the action from the air with HeliSpirit.



Swim On!.

Glenn Taylor - Event Manager

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