



# **CLAYTON OWEN**

## **30th MEMORIAL**

### **SHIELD CARNIVAL**



**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2025** **Venue:** Somerset Hills State School

11:30am Gates Open

Swimming Pool

12:00pm Warm Up

237 Kitchener Road, Stafford Heights

12:30pm Start

**Clubs:** Nundah Sharks, Virginia Dolphins, United Swimming Club, Electric Eels, Aspley Swimming Club

**\$5 entry fee** per family with a chance to win lucky door prizes

**Assistance required:** from participating clubs; 2 x timekeepers for the duration of the meet and referee as required

**Canteen:** food and drink and snow cones will be available to purchase

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#### **Clayton Owen – Honouring a Somerset Seals Legacy**

Clayton Owen was a member of the Somerset Hills State School Amateur Swimming Club from 1982 to 1991. He achieved outstanding success in swimming, with his ultimate goal realised in 1990 when he represented Australia.

Much of Clayton's success can be attributed to the facilities and coaching at the Somerset Hills State School Amateur Swimming Club. He loved both the competitive and social sides of the club.

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#### **Events:**

- **All strokes** – 7&under–9yrs 25m; 10yrs-12& over 50m
- **Relays** – 1 team per club in the following:
  - **All ages mixed Free** (8 swimmers – no more than 2 from each age group) A maximum of 2 swimmers from each age group (7 & under, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and over). Teams must only have a maximum of 2 swimmers over the age of 12.
  - **Mixed Free** - 9&under (100m), 10yrs-11yrs (100m), 12&over (200m)  
Mixed relays must be a mix of male and female swimmers.

**Points:** Fastest swimmer from each club in each event will be awarded points 6-1 based on time, to be added to the tally for each club. If a swimmer is deemed disqualified (DQ), the next fastest swimmer from that club will be awarded the points.

**Place getters:** Ribbons will be allocated to 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each race.

The **Clayton Owen Memorial Shield** will be presented to the team at the end of carnival.

### **Participation Guidelines:**

- The Clayton Owen Carnival is a friendly and inclusive meet where all swimmers who nominate can swim in their chosen event.
- This means that there may be multiple heats for each event.
- 25m Swimmers
  - In this spirit, swimmers in 25m races will not be disqualified for incorrect stroke technique provided it does not affect the outcome of the race or if it does not give the swimmer an advantage
  - Swimmers in 25m races may be disqualified if they swim the incorrect stroke or if they jump off the bottom of the pool to gain advantage
  - We want swimmers to enjoy the competitive swimming experience and judges will be encouraged to provide feedback to swimmers to help them improve.
- 50m Swimmers
  - Swimmers in 50m races will be subject to the usual Swimming Queensland Rules.

### **Rules:**

- Caps must be worn by all swimmers and not removed until clear of the pool.
- No diving into the shallow end of the pool. All 25m relays will require changeovers in the water. The swimmer leaving the wall must have one hand on the wall or bar until the approaching swimmer touches the wall to complete the leg
- All 50-metre events will be a “dive over” start, except for backstroke events. Swimmers will clear the water after the next race has begun.
- A swimmer can only swim in their age group.