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New Guidelines For Claiming Gippsland Swimming Inc Records

Swimmers, Parents and Clubs

Please be advised that the requirements for claiming Gippsland Swimming Inc records have changed. We are now moving to a formal claim process which will commence immediately.

It has always been the responsibility of the swimmer to claim all records. Recent methods included simply contacting the records officer and providing evidence of results and proof of time swum.

To enhance this process we also introduced the importing of all available results files for automated checking when it was known that GSI swimmers had attended a swim meet. We did this consistently in an attempt to ensure we capture all potential Gippsland records. While individual records are automatically scanned via the Team Manager software, relay events were checked manually due to their complexity.

Some time ago Swimming Australia and Swimming Victoria removed access to all electronic result files due to the information they contained and privacy concerns. More recently restricted access has been provided to Team Manager (TM) results but not to the Meet Manager (MM) backup file.

While the Team Manager (TM) results files assist with the process of scanning for records they are often missing important information that we require to effectively process the claim application. However the MM backup file does provide this information including split times and heat details, if available.

As a result of these restrictions we have reluctantly decided to introduce a formal procedure regarding the Gippsland records claim process. All claims for Gippsland, Out of Gippsland and Gippsland Championship records must now be submitted using the 'Gippsland Swimming Incorporated Application for Record' claim form provided on the GSI website 'records' page.

The information you provide on this form will assist us to validate your claim. Applications must be received by the GSI records officer within 30 days from the date of the event. Applications may be rejected if received late or the meet was not granted approved qualifying status.

Moving forward we hope that Swimming Australia revisits this restriction and has a change of policy allowing us to perform our roles for the swimming community with less complexity.

Please feel free to contact us if you need to discuss the new record claims process in more detail.

Regards

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