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RE: AUSTSWIM 'Soak It Up' Conference and National Award Recipients

AUSTSWIM 2015 National Conference a resounding success!

As the theme suggested, there was much to 'Soak It Up' at AUSTSWIM 2015 National Conference held at the twin towns of Coolangatta and Tweed Heads.

Over 350 delegates from across the globe were treated to break out sessions and keynote presentations that challenged our thinking, toyed with our emotions and lifted our spirits to be the best aquatic professionals possible.

The standard was high and the format unique;

Leading the way in aquatic education and water safety, the biennial conference has established an opportunity for professionals in the aquatic industry to gain and share new and invaluable professional development and assist in the continued growth and development of individuals and the industry as a whole.

Invited guests celebrated with colleagues, friends and family at the National AUSTSWIM Awards Dinner recognising Individuals and organisations that have made a significant contribution to water safety and education in 2014 and 2015.

The AUSTSWIM Awards recognises the brilliance, commitment and innovation in the teaching of swimming and water safety, addressing teacher effectiveness, contribution to developing peers and commitment to excellence. The AUSTSWIM Awards are presented to individuals and swim centres that achieve the highest standard of aquatic education excellence.

Congratulations to the AUSTSWIM Award recipients for 2014 and 2015:

2014 NATIONAL AUSTSWIM TEACHER OF INFANT AND PRESCHOOL AQUATICS™ AWARD - Davina Wirth – QLD
Jack Hanson Clarke Perpetual Scholarship*

2014 NATIONAL AUSTSWIM TEACHER OF AQUATICS ACCESS AND INCLUSION™ AWARD - Jason Smylie- NSW

2014 NATIONAL AUSTSWIM TEACHER OF SWIMMING AND WATER SAFETY™ AWARD - Robyn Bayliss- NSW

2014 NATIONAL AUSTSWIM PRESENTER AWARD - Tanya Langenbach – NZ

2014 NATIONAL AUSTSWIM TEACHER OF ADULTS - Daria Kearon- WA

2014 NATIONAL AUSTSWIM RECOGNISED SWIM CENTRE AWARD - Laurie Lawrence Swim School- Aqualogan- QLD

2014 NATIONAL MOST OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO AUSTSWIM - Roz Neville- NSW

2015 NATIONAL AUSTSWIM TEACHER OF ADULTS AWARD– Karen Martin- NSW

2015 NATIONAL AUSTSWIM TEACHER OF INFANT AND PRESCHOOL AQUATICS™ AWARD - Lesley Richardson- NSW
Jack Hanson Clarke Perpetual Scholarship*

2015 NATIONAL AUSTSWIM TEACHER OF AQUATICS ACCESS AND INCLUSION™ AWARD– Roslyn Laurie- VIC

2015 NATIONAL AUSTSWIM TEACHER OF SWIMMING AND WATER SAFETY™ AWARD – Jacqui Taylor- VIC

2015 NATIONAL AUSTSWIM PRESENTER AWARD– Lisa Rolls- QLD

2015 NATIONAL AUSTSWIM RECOGNISED SWIM CENTRE AWARD The Swim Centre School- NZ

2015 NATIONAL MOST OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO AUSTSWIM Maureen Summerhayes- NSW

AUSTSWIM LIFE MEMBER INDUCTEE'S

AUSTSWIM also recognises the tireless efforts and continuous contribution to swimming and water safety to the following industry members who have the passion, commitment and interest in all things AUSTSWIM.

- Meredith King - VIC
- Rae Szulawa - SA
- Justin Scarr - Royal Life Saving

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Peer recognition means a great deal to members of such a 'behind-the-scene' industry.
The recipients treasure the awards and the ceremony is significantly enjoyed by all present.

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