

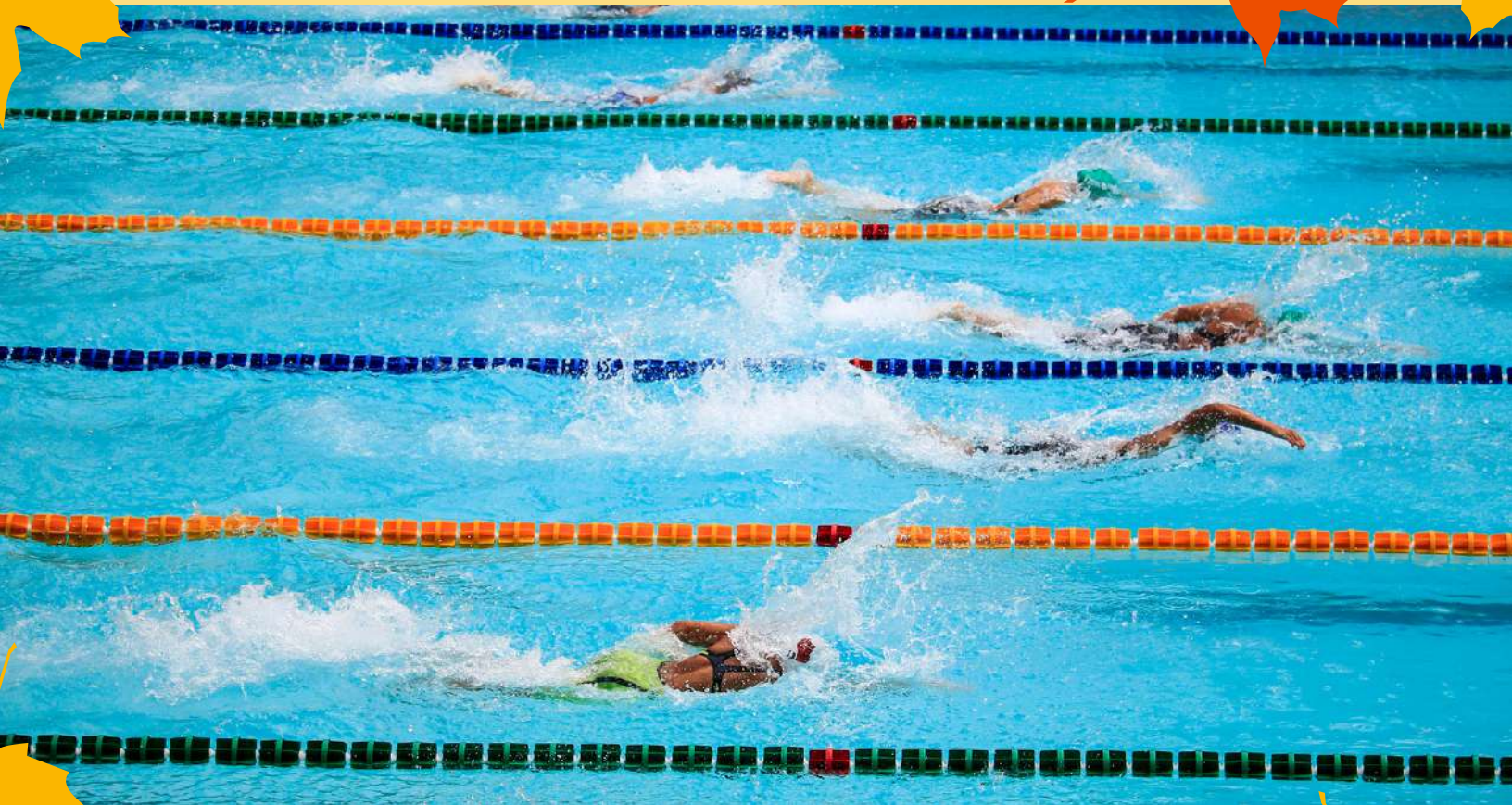
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AQUATIC RECREATION WA

Our Purpose

To support the aquatic recreation industry.

Our Vision

To advocate for the betterment of the aquatic recreation industry and to promote more and diverse innovative opportunities for professional development.

LIWA Aquatics Membership:

If you are working in the Aquatic Recreation Industry in Western Australia, you must be accredited by LIWA Aquatics to ensure your compliance to the Western Australian Health Department Code of Practice.

Membership Benefits include:

- Reduced fees at Professional Development Sessions
- Industry Accreditation
- Aquatic Recreation WA eNewsletter
- Member only access areas on Website
- Industry Representation & Advocacy

Further benefits can be found at the LIWA Aquatics Website www.liwaaquatics.org.au

LIWA Aquatics would like to thank the following industry partners/supporters

- Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries
- Royal Life Saving Society WA
- Water Corporation

LIWA Aquatics is always on the look out for news and content, If you have some interesting news about yourself, your facility or the aquatic recreation industry please email us at info@liwaaquatics.org.au



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Message from the EO



Welcome to the autumn edition of the ARWA eNewsletter
Exciting year ahead with planning underway for our Annual State Conference, WA ARI Awards and the Regional Conferences

We hope to continue to deliver quality conferences with exciting content and look forward to you all joining us and sharing industry knowledge with peers over the coming months at one of these events.

Nominations will open soon for the WA ARI Awards and we are excited to host it this year at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Perth CBD.

We hope that your summer months have been enjoyable and safe and hope to see you in 2023 at one of these events.
Cheers, Steve.

Regional Conferences in 2023

North West Regional Seminar - Broome

Date: 11th May 2023

Location: Broome

[Registrations to open now](#)



Regional WA Aquatic Recreation Seminar

Date: 12th October 2023

Location: Kellerberrin

South West Regional Seminar Bunbury

Date: 17th October 2023

Location: South West Sports Centre



<https://www.liwaaquatics.org.au/events/>



JOHN "ROBBO" ROBERTSON



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WE SADLY ANNOUNCE THE PASSING OF
JOHN "ROBBO" ROBERTSON
ON 13TH MAY 2023.

John Robertson, a life member of LIWA Aquatics was president in the late 1970s and was instrumental in the growth of the industry in the 80's.

John had a passion for the aquatic industry and was truly a great mentor, advocate, leader and friend to many people within the industry.

He will be sadly missed.

Vale Robbo

Save the date

**LIWA Aquatics is pleased to
announce the event details
for the**

WA ARI Awards 2023

Date: Tuesday 27th June 2023

Venue: North Ballroom, Hyatt Regency Hotel Perth

**Award categories listed below and details of
nomination information to come soon.**

ORGANISATION AWARD CATEGORIES

- Marketing and Communication Award**
- Sustainability Award**
- Aquatic Facility Safety Award**
- Swim School of the year awards**
- Water Around Water Awards**
- Community Impact Award**

INDIVIDUAL AWARD CATEGORIES

- Industry Service and Contribution Awards**
- Pool Lifeguard of the Year Award**
- Aquatic Technical Operator of the Year Awards**
- Emerging Leader of the Year Award**
- Swim Teacher of the year Award**
- Smith-Robertson Award**

LIWA AQUATICS ANNUAL STATE CONFERENCE AND TRADE SHOW 2023

PERTH CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTER - PERTH CBD

Wed 23 Aug 2023 — Thu 24 Aug 2023

Registrations Open

1st June 2023 - 11th August 2023

(late fees will be applied after this date)

Who Should Attend?

Facility & Aquatic Centre Managers, Pool Managers & Supervisors,
Swim Teachers & Coordinators / Operators, Pool Lifeguards,
Aquatic Recreation Staff and Managers.

TRADE SHOW

The Trade Show is available throughout the event displaying various products and services catering to the aquatic recreation industry.

We will be requesting **ABSTRACTS** this year,
Submissions will be opening soon and will be sent out to the industry.



What's Happening on Pool Deck



*The Aquatic Centre opened to the community in 1973.
PIC: Courtesy of the State Library of Western Australia.*

Rockingham Aquatic Centre Turns 50!

The Rockingham Aquatic Centre celebrated an incredible milestone in February with its 50 year anniversary. For 50 years, the Rockingham Aquatic Centre, or the Rocky Pools as it is sometimes known, has been providing lots of fun and good memories for the Rockingham community.

On February 25th the milestone was celebrated with an event at the centre. It included lots of fun with inflatables, a 70's tribute band, food trucks and movie night. Entry prices were taken back to the 70s with 10c entry for children and 20c for adults.

A big thank you to the Rockingham community for 50 years of fun and good memories at the Rockingham Aquatic Centre. We hope the community looks forward to many more years to come.



Keep us in the loop!

Here at LIWA Aquatics we love to hear what's going on at your local pool. If you have some news that you want us to share with the LIWA community, let us know. Email us at info@liwaaquatics.org.au

National Aquatics Symposium 2023

Recently, Steve attended and presented at the National Aquatics Symposium in Melbourne on behalf of LIWA Aquatics.

The aim of the Symposium was to reinforce the commitment to working together to shape strategies to address some problems we all share concern for.

There are infrastructure challenges: in the next 10 years, up to 40 per cent of public aquatic facilities that local governments own are likely to need serious refurbishment or outright replacement at a cost of more than \$8 billion.

There are workforce challenges: there is a significant shortage of workers for the 2113 publicly accessible pools in Australia - swim teachers, pool lifeguards, and frontline aquatic and leisure centre staff.

There are challenges in water safety education: concerns about the risks of generational impact of the pandemic, compounding already concerning gaps in children's swimming abilities.

The Symposium brought together more than 170 respected and experienced leaders in policy, aquatic safety, education and research, all to address key issues.

LIWA Aquatics looks forward to sharing some of these strategies and valuable information at upcoming seminars and conferences.



FREE in '23

The following 3 courses are now FREE in '23! Pool Operations Group 1, Pool Lifeguard Course (4 Day) and Swim Teacher by Royal Life Saving.

To check out the eligibility criteria or to enroll, click [HERE](#).



Upcoming Pool Ops Courses

Below are the dates and availability of the upcoming Pool Operator Courses with Royal Life Saving Society WA.

Mar 22-24	Limited Spaces Available
Apr 17-19	Spaces Available
Apr 26-28	Spaces Available
May 10-12	Spaces Available
May 29-31	Spaces Available

DON'T MISS OUT!

BOOK NOW



Alternatively contact RLSSWA and speak with the training department about when they will next be running a course near you.

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