

# AQUATIC RECREATION WA

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**Aquatic Recreation Seminar Northam 2020**  
**New Facilities Opening**  
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## LIWA Aquatics Vision

To support the Western Australian Aquatic Recreation industry by providing advocacy, accreditation and regular professional development opportunities that promote workplace safety, leadership and sustainability.

## 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
- LIWA Aquatics Website member access
- Industry Representation

Further benefits can be found at the LIWA Aquatics Website [www.liwaaquatics.org.au](http://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
- Water Corporation
- Ixom Operations Pty Ltd

*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](mailto:info@liwaaquatics.org.au)*

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*Meet "Wendy" the latest Watch Around Water Mascot*

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# Presidents Message

Summer is here and our industry in WA is open. Aquatic Facilities continue to show good visitation with mild weather in the South West and Metro, yet predictable hot weather already in the North West. New requirements for contract tracing will be introduced in WA for all Aquatic facilities as part of keeping WA Safe to commence on the 5 December.

For the WA Aquatic Industry, summer escalates the risk with the number of non and weak swimming participants to our sites. The importance of 'Watch Around Water' for our industry will be strengthened with the launch of a new website assisting customers and pool operators with information and resources. Watch Around Water week has been expanded to encompass more regional events throughout December.

I was fortunate to attend the Annual Water Wise Forum on 13 November 2020 at Water Corporation to celebrate achievements from the first 12 months of delivering the Waterwise Perth Action Plan (WPAP). The WPAP has fostered cross agency collaboration essential to progress toward a shared vision of a water wise Perth.

A key challenge for Perth is how to create and maintain highly loveable communities when natural water sources continue to decline. Recognising the role that the Aquatic Centres have undertaken to reduce water consumption as an Industry, continues to be a significant part of the bigger picture in WA.

In the next 12 months with the introduction of Gold Waterwise Aquatic facilities and the vision to have all Aquatic Centres in Western Australia Waterwise by 2031. It's a great reflection on the partnership with Water Corporation and steps taken to have such a high portion of pools already registered.

Wishing all our members and your teams a safe festive season and a happy new year.

Nick Wilkinson  
LIWA Aquatics President

# 24th Annual Regional Seminar (Northam)

LIWA Aquatics was pleased to be able to host the 24th Annual Regional Seminar in Northam on 7 October. With COVID forcing our facilities to shut earlier in the year and not being unable to host the Annual State Conference in Fremantle, the aquatic industry was keen to return to some normality.

With reduced restrictions in WA and no community spread of COVID, LIWA members were enthusiastic to get out and about and travel to Northam.

Record numbers saw the event sell out with 100 registrations including 14 Trade Exhibitors setup in a mini Trade Show.

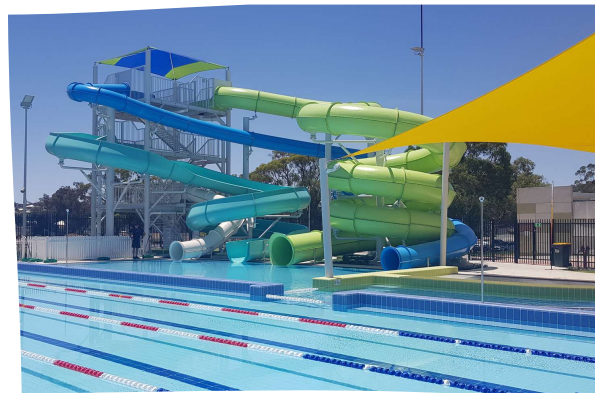
After a site tour of the facility with the delegates, various presentations were presented throughout the day which included;

- Ixom Representative Paul Astachiw presenting on the latest Australian Standards for Liquefied Chlorine Gas
- Fraser Read from the City of Canning following up on the theme of Liquefied Chlorine Gas by presenting on the Incident Cause Analysis Method (ICAM)
- Water Corporations Adele Gismondi presenting on the latest Waterwise Program recognition.
- Royal Life Saving WA presenting on various topics which included the latest Australian Water Safety Strategy, The state of Industry Bigger Better Safety Report highlights for 2020 and Watch Around Water which included the launch of a new Mascot "Wendy"
- The last presentations of the day discussed Talent Pool and Traineeship opportunities for regional and metro facilities.

LIWA would like to take this opportunity to thank our Key Stakeholders, Partners, delegates, traders and the staff of Northam Rec Centre for providing such great support for this event.

Our next Seminar is scheduled in Broome for the North West Seminar 14th May 2021.

Check out the [LIWA Website](#) for details closer to the date for registration and event programming.







## Kambalda Aquatic Facility officially opens

Kambalda Aquatic Facility located in the goldfield region opened on 7th November 2020.

The facility consists of:

- 50 metre, 6 lane outdoor pool with ramp access
- Learn to Swim Pool - solar heated with water features
- Change rooms & showers
- General shaded grass areas
- Large pool inflatable available for hire

Opened 7 days a week with various opening times and entry will be free for the 2020/21 Season.

For more details contact Shire of Coolgardie  
[www.coolgardie.wa.gov.au](http://www.coolgardie.wa.gov.au)



## Southern Cross Aquatic Centre Opens for Summer



The new \$5.65 million Southern Cross Aquatic Centre was officially opened 28th November 2020 by Sport and Recreation Minister Mick Murray.

The pool was built with the help of a \$700,000 Community Sporting and Recreation Facilities Fund (CSRFF) grant, administered by the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries.

The original pool serving residents living in and near the eastern Wheatbelt town of Southern Cross was built in 1963, but its condition in recent years meant it was no longer fit for purpose.

The redeveloped aquatic centre includes the replacement of the original swimming pool and upgrading the associated facilities such as:

- a separate toddlers' pool;
- change rooms and toilet facilities with universal access;
- kiosk and first aid station;
- barbecues, seating and shade; and
- half basketball court and cricket net.

## Tell us what's happening at your facility

If there is something happening at your facility, a new program, a new Innovation or initiative, maintenance or works in development, tell us about it by emailing us at [info@liwaaquatics.org.au](mailto:info@liwaaquatics.org.au)



## **Contact Tracing Registers to be in place by 5th December 2020.**



From 5 December 2020, particular businesses (Including aquatic facilities) must maintain contact registers for WA Health Department COVID-19 contact tracing.



If COVID-19 is detected in the WA community, contact registers help to protect us all by enabling the WA Health Contact Team to quickly identify and assist anyone that may have been exposed to COVID-19.

To help, the WA Government has developed a free app, SafeWA, which will provide businesses with a digital contact register system.

SafeWA is an efficient and safe way to record patron and visitor contact details where they can check-in, using the app.

For more information and FAQ visit here <https://bitly.co/4eH3>

## **Watch Around Water South Australia under new management**



South Australia has gone through some recent changes in that Recreation SA has now been dissolved and Surf Life Saving SA with a new sub-branch called LifesavingSA has taken on the role as the Aquatic and Recreation peak body in South Australia.

LifesavingSA has tentatively taken on the role of managing WAW over the next 12 months in the view to continue the administration of WAW Program in South Australia after that.

LIWA will work with LifesavingSA over the next 12 months to ensure a seamless transition for the program so SA does not lose any traction and importance in the industry and community.

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## **Waterwise Aquatic Centre Program**

Reporting for program endorsement and recognition is closing soon, if you have not submitted your report please get in contact with the Water Efficiency team to discuss your 2020 report.



If you are a Group 1 Aquatic Centre with a Water Corporation account who is interested in being recognised as a Waterwise Aquatic Centre please check out the link on the LIWA website under Events to view the August webinar which details our program criteria and recognition levels or get in contact with us via email [wepartnerships@watercorporation.com.au](mailto:wepartnerships@watercorporation.com.au) to join us in creating waterwise communities for Western Australia.

Wishing you all a merry and safe summer swim season.  
From the team at Water Efficiency Partnerships

## **Sallie Watson receives Royal Life Saving WA Lifetime Membership**

Congratulations to LIWA Aquatics member Sallie Watson who was recently awarded Lifetime membership with Royal Life Saving WA.



Sallie's involvement with Royal Life Saving WA began in 1995, and she has contributed greatly to the Society and broader aquatics industry through both her work and voluntary roles over the last 25 years. Sallie has been an outstanding contributor to the development of Royal Life Saving training courses in the areas of Swimming Instruction, Bronze Medallion, Aquatic Rescue, Pool Lifeguard, First Aid and emergency care.

Sallie has also volunteered as a judge for the Pool Lifeguard Challenge for many years and contributed to the development of Major Event scenarios for the Challenge. Sallie has often given up her time to train teams in preparation for the Pool Lifeguard Challenge, ensuring their skills were of a high standard.

Sally's contribution since 2000 has included the delivery of 374 first aid and emergency care courses, 368 Pool Lifeguard training courses and 343 Bronze and Aquatic rescue courses. She has provided training to approximately 10,553 participants!

[Click here to read the full article](#)

# CONGRATULATIONS



# December Training Courses

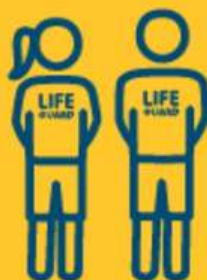
## HLTAID003 Provide First Aid

Wednesday 2 - Fremantle  
Saturday 5 - Mt Claremont  
Tuesday 8 - Mt Claremont  
Wednesday 9 - Mt Claremont  
Saturday 12 - Geraldton  
Sunday 13 - Mt Claremont

Wednesday 16 - Cannington  
Friday 18 - Bayswater  
Saturday 19 - Mt Claremont  
Sunday 20 - Mt Claremont  
Monday 21 - Mt Claremont  
Tuesday 22 - Mt Claremont



## Pool Lifeguard Requalification



Friday 4 - Cannington  
Sunday 6 - Fremantle  
Sunday 9 - South Hedland  
Monday 7 - Bayswater  
Friday 11 - Claremont  
Friday 12 - Fremantle  
Sunday 13 - Claremont  
Monday 14 - Bayswater  
Friday 18 - Fremantle  
Saturday 19 - Bayswater  
Sunday 20 - Riverton

## Pool Operations Group 1

3 - 5 February, Mt Claremont  
15 - 17 February, Karratha

## Pool Operations Groups 2, 3 and 4

17 - 18 December, Mt Claremont  
11 - 12 January, Mt Claremont

For a complete list of training courses please visit  
<https://www.royallifesavingwa.com.au/training/c-25>  
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