

Representative Sponsorship Policy

1. Aims

- 1.1 To provide sponsorship and recognition to NUSwim Swimming Club swimmers in recognition of their sporting achievements.
- 1.2 To ensure a sustainable, accountable process so NUSwim can provide fair and equitable sponsorship for all swimmers representing the club at Coast and Valley, NSW Country, NSW State and National Championships.

2. Representative Sponsorship

- 2.1 Representative sponsorship may be provided at the following levels:
 - Coast and Valley Championships
 - NSW Country Championships
 - NSW State Championships
 - National Championships
- 2.2 Sponsorship applies to short course, long course and open water championships.
- 2.3 Sponsorship applies to both age and open levels.
- 2.4 Sponsorship will be subject to the financial position of the club as determined by the NUSwim committee.

3. Eligibility Criteria

- 3.1 Eligibility criteria for sponsorship:
 - 3.1.1 A swimmer must be a first claim financial member of NUSwim for a minimum of 6 months prior to the date the representative meet is held.
 - 3.1.2 A swimmer must compete at the NUSwim Annual Carnival and both summer and winter Coast and Valley Championships.
 - 3.1.3 National swimmers must additionally compete at the respective long course or short course NSW Country and NSW State Championships.
 - 3.1.4 Official club uniform/apparel (ie club t-shirt and club swim cap) must be worn at all meets when representing the club.
 - 3.1.5 Swimmer's parent/s or caregivers are active within the club, assisting with timekeeping duties at club and representative carnivals and participating in fundraising activities as required.
 - 3.1.6 Abide by the Swimming Australia Code of Conduct and coach and /or committee instructions.
- 3.2 If a swimmer is genuinely unable to meet the eligibility criteria they should forward a letter to the executive committee of NUSwim for consideration of extenuating circumstances.
- 3.3 The executive committee shall review any swimmer who has not met the eligibility criteria for representative sponsorship and may, by way of vote approve sponsorship based on extenuating circumstances.

- 3.4 Due to the need to pre-order individualised items, the NUSwim committee will email members and request whether they are planning to attend a particular representative event. This email will be sent out well in advance of the closing date for the representative meet. If the committee do not receive a response regarding intended attendance at an event an individualised gift may not be possible.
- 3.5 If a swimmer does not attend the meet for which the gift was provided (for individual or relay events), the gift will need to be returned to the club.

4. Coast and Valley, NSW County and NSW State Championships

- 4.1 Gifts apply for first attendance at either long course or short course then will be replaced as a group approximately 3 yearly. Time between replacement will depend on the year the gift is received (within the 3 year cycle), condition of gift and club funds available. The replacement of gifts is at the discretion of the NUSwim Committee.
- 4.2 Gifts will be presented at club night, dates that this will occur will be advertised in advance so swimmers can arrange to attend. It is preferred that swimmers participate in the club night swims on the night of the presentation.
- 4.3 Gifts are as follows:
 - Coast and Valley – NUSwim towel, may or may not be personalised with swimmer's name
 - NSW Country – microfibre towel (individual swimmers only), t-shirt
 - NSW State – back pack individualised with swimmer's name (individual swimmers only), small back pack with "state relay team" (relay only swimmers)

5. National Championships

- 5.1 Swimmers representing the club at this level will receive their entry fees paid (capped at 5 individual events per swimming year, 1 October – 30 September), a uniform to wear at Nationals and monetary assistance for the costs of travel and accommodation (as these are often held interstate).
- 5.2 The NUSwim Executive will give consideration to NUSwim covering the cost of club packs for multi class swimmers who require assistance on pool deck in order to be able to compete.
- 5.3 As a competitive qualifying time must be achieved for National Championships both individual and relay only swimmers will be eligible for full sponsorships from NUSwim (provided they meet the other eligibility criteria).
- 5.4 Entry fees, uniforms and club packs (where applicable) for Nationals will be paid by NUSwim from the general account.
- 5.5 NUSwim has a "Nationals" fundraising account. The monetary assistance provided to swimmers will be paid from this account. The monetary figure will be paid based on how much money has been raised for Nationals, where Nationals are being held, the number of days the swimmer is required to attend Nationals and participation by individual swimmers in the fundraising activities.
- 5.6 A swimmer who attends more than one National Championships in a swimming year (1 October – 30 September) will be eligible for only one monetary assistance payment. The swimmer may choose which championships for which this will be provided.



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5.7 3 months prior to Nationals swimmers are to start participating in fundraising activities eg fundraising barbeques at The Forum, selling raffle tickets, anything the swimmers would like to organise.