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Gawler Aquatic Centre – 61st Season commences on Monday 16 October 2023

The Town of Gawler is excited to announce that the Gawler Aquatic Centre will open on Monday 16 October 2023 for its 61st season. Come along on Saturday 28 October 2023 and enjoy \$2.00 entry all day to celebrate the 2023 - 2024 season and the opening of the Centre.

Key Points:

- The Centre continues to be a popular venue for swimming lessons, carnivals, birthday parties, group fitness, squad, lap and recreational swimming.
- Other activities include Aquaerobics and Deep Water Aqua on Thursday nights from 6pm - 7pm and Saturday mornings from 9.30am - 10.30am starting from 2 November 2023.
- The Centre is also offering 10% off all visit and membership passes until the 14 October and can be pre purchased from the Gawler Sport and Community Centre.

The Centre continues to offer an award winning Learn to Swim Program, which is AUSTSWIM accredited with Qualified, professional and friendly instructors providing students an enjoyable and high-quality water safety and education program. The Learn to Swim program is currently open for enrolments for Terms 4, 2023 and Term 1, 2024. For the first time enrolments are available online through our new online booking system! Visit our website for more information.

The Centre offers holiday swimming programs including the December and January intensive programs and 2024 will see the return of VACSWIM to the Gawler Aquatic Centre. These programs offer families and members of the local community with affordable, high quality water safety and education programs which benefit children attending and provides positive experiences in the areas of water safety, confidence and personal survival skills.

Learn to Swim Program Dates include:

- **Term 4 (2023):** Monday 16 October to Sunday 17 December (9 weeks)
- **December Intensive (2023):** Monday 18 December to Friday 22 December
- **VACSWIM (2023):** Monday 8 January to Friday 12 January
- **January Intensive (2024):** Monday 16 January to Friday 20 January
- **Term 1 (2024):** Monday 29 January to Sunday 14 April (11 weeks)

Birthday party packages are also available and very popular for all birthday celebrations with options for fully catered and hosted parties on offer. A reserved birthday party area and qualified Aquatic staff member is there to supervise and host the party. Bookings are open and are a very popular option for celebrations with dates available for Saturdays and Sundays throughout the season.

In May 2023 capital works commenced to completely rebuild and install a new pressurised filtration system in the main plant room of the 50m pool at the Gawler Aquatic Centre. The new upgraded plant room replaces the original plant and equipment which has been in operation since the Centre opened 1 December 1962. This latest technology in filtration has been a priority for Council and the Contractor delivering these works Hydrilla, to deliver this project on time and to provide the highest quality pool water for the 2023/24 season. These works compliment the upgrade to the facilities undertaken in 2020 with a bright and welcoming Centre for the community to enjoy in the summer months.



Quote attributable to Town of Gawler Mayor Karen Redman:

'The Gawler Aquatic Centre is one of our most loved community facilities, with 65,226 people visiting the centre last season. There is so much on offer for people of all age groups and abilities to enjoy the water, sunshine and get active'.

Quote attributable to Town of Gawler CEO Henry Inat:

"In July 2023, work commenced on the upgrade of the Main Plant room to the 50m pool which has seen the installation of a new pressurised filtration system and other infrastructure to support improved water turnover rates. The significant works have replaced the very original facilities constructed by volunteers in the early 1960s and are currently being finalised and ready for the full opening of the Centre."

For more information the Aquatic Centre and all of its exciting programs and services please visit the website, Facebook page or call the Centre on the contact details below.

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