

2009/2010 ANNUAL REPORT



TRIATHLON
WESTERN AUSTRALIA



Department of Sport and Recreation

VISION

To grow the sport of triathlon throughout Western Australia by providing people with opportunities to participate in a healthy lifestyle sport and achieve their goals

OFFICE BEARERS

President:	Peter Rash
Vice President:	Annie Brinkworth
Treasurer:	Justine Bolton
General:	Sam Prince; Peter Minchin; Mark Batten Judi Clemie

AFFILIATED CLUBS

Albany Triathlon Club	Broome Triathlon Club
Bunbury Triathlon Club	Busselton Triathlon Club
City Triathlon Club	Esperance Triathlon Club
Fremantle Triathlon Club	Geraldton Triathlon Club
Hedland Tri Sports Association	Kalgoorlie Triathlon Club
Mandurah Triathlon Club	Nickol Bay Triathlon Club
North Coast Triathlon Club	Rockingham Triathlon Club
Stadium Triathlon Club	UWA Triathlon Club

LIFE MEMBERS

Rob Pickard	Mark Batten
Toni O'Donnell	Peter Hall
Frank Stapleton	Steve Barrie
Stuart Fuller	Judi Clemie
Warren Millward	

STAFF

Executive Officer	Hayley Iethlean
Development Officer	Brian Kempson
Administration Officer	Nicky Scott
Club Development Officer	Ashleigh Davis
HP Coach TEP	Grant Landers

AIMS

Triathlon Western Australia is an independent non-profit, incorporated association, which is recognised as the peak body for Triathlon in Western Australia. In season 2009/2010, the membership was 1924 members and represented 16 triathlon clubs. The primary role of Triathlon WA is to represent the members of the Association and to be a quality provider of Triathlon, Duathlon and Aquathlon services within Western Australia. The aim of the Association is to work effectively with all stakeholders in leading the development and growth of triathlon, duathlon and aquathlon in WA. Triathlon WA is affiliated to Triathlon Australia which in turn is affiliated to the International Triathlon Union and the International Olympic Committee.

OBJECTIVES

- Provide for the encouragement, conduct, promotion and administration of Triathlon, Duathlon and Aquathlon in Western Australia;
- Participate as a member of a single uniform entity through and by which Triathlon, Duathlon and Aquathlon in Western Australia is conducted, encouraged, promoted and administered;
- Affiliate and otherwise liaise with the peak national (and/or international) body or bodies or other strategically aligned bodies in the pursuit of these purposes;
- Co-operate with Triathlon Australia and/or other state triathlon associations in the conduct and development of Triathlon, Duathlon and Aquathlon;
- Strive for and maintain government, commercial and public recognition of the Association as the authority on Triathlon, Duathlon and Aquathlon in Western Australia;
- Participate to secure uniformity in such rules as may be necessary for the management and control of Triathlon, Duathlon, Aquathlon and related activities;
- Pursue through itself or others such commercial arrangement, including sponsorship and marketing opportunities, as are appropriate to the purposes of the Association in Western Australia;
- Act as arbiter on matters pertaining to the conduct of Triathlon, Duathlon and Aquathlon in Western Australia;
- formulate or adopt, or adopt and implement appropriate policies, including in relation to drugs in sport, safety, junior and senior development programs and such other matters as arise from time to time as issues to be addressed in Triathlon, Duathlon and Aquathlon;
- Represent the interests of its Members and of Triathlon, Duathlon and Aquathlon generally in any appropriate forum;
- Have regard to the public interest in its operations;
- Encourage Members to realise their potential and athletic abilities by extending to them the opportunity of education and participation in Triathlon, Duathlon and Aquathlon competition and to award trophies and rewards to successful competitors;
- Encourage and promote performance enhancing drug free competition;
- Seek and obtain improved facilities for the conduct of Triathlon, Duathlon and Aquathlon;
- Effect such purposes as may be necessary in the interest of Triathlon, Aquathlon and Duathlon;
- Undertake and or do all such things or activities which are necessary, incidental or conducive to the advancement of these purposes and to carry this constitution into effect; and
- Ensure that all Triathlon; Duathlon and Aquathlon events conducted in Western Australia are conducted in accordance with technical and safety requirements stipulated by the Association from time to time.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Hello again everyone,
Time certainly flies when you're busy having fun – I can't believe it's AGM time again and we've had another great season full of highlights, culminating in the Busselton Festival of Triathlon on May 1.

It has been a longer season than normal for triathlons in WA, with the ITU Long Distance World Championships in Perth in October 2009 and then of course our own TWA calendar filled with great events all over the state. Also many WA triathletes competed in the ITU Olympic &, Sprint Distance and Aquathlon World Championships in Gold Coast, in September 2009. Congratulations to all those who made the teams at both World Championships, but especially our world champions and placegetters from WA.

TWA team

There is a lot of effort involved in running the sport of triathlon in WA and it is the quality and commitment of a team effort from all TWA Board members and Staff that deserves recognition and praise. TWA implemented and achieved many of the goals and objectives from our strategic plan, and we are recognised throughout Australia as a leading state sport association.

Particularly this year we have had arguably our strongest TWA Board ever, with Annie Brinkworth, Justine Bolton, Sam Prince, Peter Minchin and of course 2 former Presidents (& Life Members) Mark Batten and Judi Clemie.

Led by our Executive Officer, Hayley Lethlean, and including Brian Kempson (Development Officer), Nicky Scott (Administration Officer), Ashleigh Davis (Club Development Officer), Grant Landers (High Performance Coach), the TWA team has managed to deliver all we have asked this year with enthusiasm, professionalism, respect and courtesy.

Technical Committee

Of course we can't have any of these races without our volunteer team of technical officials, who firstly sanction and then officiate at all events on our calendar. This technical team was very well organised by Nimal Wickramasinghe, Frank Stapleton, Steve Barrie and Gaye McKean and is getting stronger, but as always we are on the lookout for more officials. To further strengthen our existing team for next year we will be having more of them step up to Level 2 & 3 status (by experience and more TO courses provided by TWA). However to assist the TWA Technical team next season, we are employing a part-time TWA sanctioning officer.

Race Directors

All our race directors once again provided events that were safe and well run, so thanks to the triathlon clubs, TriEvents and Sports Performance who delivered those quality events.

Club development and assistance

This year, as you know, we have recognised that the all our affiliated clubs also need assistance and we appointed a Club Development Officer, Ashleigh Davis.

Ashleigh has been doing a great job liaising with all those volunteer club committees to lighten their load and assist them in being more efficient. We have had several club forums, including one today (coinciding with the AGM) with many of the regional clubs attending.



The future of the Busselton Festival of Triathlon

As you are all aware, the Half Ironman brand is being phased out this year by its owners WTC, so this current Half IM series in Australia is the last ever. However, we are pleased to announce that we have now finalised negotiations with WTC and for the next 3 years, at the beginning of May, it will become BUSselton Ironman 70.3. This means the Busselton Festival of Triathlon will continue to be the finale to our TWA triathlon season. We have an extremely good relationship with WTC, who are keen to continue and expand our relationship to other events in WA in the longer term.

Junior Development, TEP, Coaching and TryStars

We have focused on this area over the last few years and are having very good results, as recognised by the ASC, WAIS and TA. Brian Kempson, in conjunction with Grant Landers have been doing a great job.

"Green Triathlons" - Environmental Sustainability Initiatives

TWA is leading the way for all sports in WA for environmental event sustainability as evidenced by having Greensense involved as partners in the Busselton Festival of Triathlon this year, which will continue as part of a 3 year plan.

TOTY Awards

This year saw the awards night venture to Burswood on the River and a great night was had by all. Congratulations to all the well deserving award recipients, but also to all those members who achieved their goals, expectations and PB's in their chosen event distances throughout the season.



Sponsors

Special mention and thanks again this year to our major sponsors - Department of Sport and Recreation, Healthways / Sunsmart and also all our other sponsors throughout the year.

Behind the scenes now and the future...

It may seem all is quiet during the off-season, but in fact now is the busiest time at TWA. Analysing what went right, what needs improving and preparing for next season all takes considerable time and effort - measuring progress against TWA strategic plan, setting budgets, fees, programs, event calendars, review policies & procedures, new initiatives, funding applications, negotiations and liaisons with all stakeholders (and so on...). Also, in conjunction with Triathlon Australia, the aim is to improve member benefits and value, and to deliver national programs and initiatives to the sport nationwide. TWA is held in high regard on a national level and we are leading the way in several areas which in time will be adopted nationally.

In June we attended the inaugural TA National conference in Brisbane which covered important topics such as Unifying the Sport, Memberships, Governance / capability, Pathways, Culture, Digital strategy, Events. This was well presented and attended by all triathlon stakeholders including major sponsors, event directors, sports consultants, clubs, state associations, former Olympic triathletes and coaches, technical officials. It was a very encouraging conference insofar as there is a general will and agreement amongst all stakeholders to unify and progress the sport to a higher level for the benefit of all.



Next season TWA will continue to focus on improving all areas of the sport, but introduce several new initiatives which will be announced at the season launch in September.

Finally, thanks to ...

- My family again for their patience and support in allowing me to fulfil this arduous, but very satisfying role.
- The TWA board, who have been diligent and hardworking all year. Unfortunately we have a few board members stepping down this year due to various reasons, so thank you to Pete Minchin, Justine Bolton and Judi Clemie.
- Our Patron, Dr. Fiona Wood and all our Life Members who continue to support and advise behind the scenes with their obvious wealth of experience.
- All involved - Race Directors, Clubs, Technical Officials, Advertising Sponsors, Volunteers, Coaches, Supporters and of course, their families.
- Hayley and her team for their fantastic attitude

Once again it has been an honour to serve TWA President and I look forward to seeing you all out there next season and together we can make triathlon the safest and most rewarding sport in WA and beyond.

As always - remember to respect yourselves and others, and smile, it is fun after all.

Cheers

Peter Rash

TWA President

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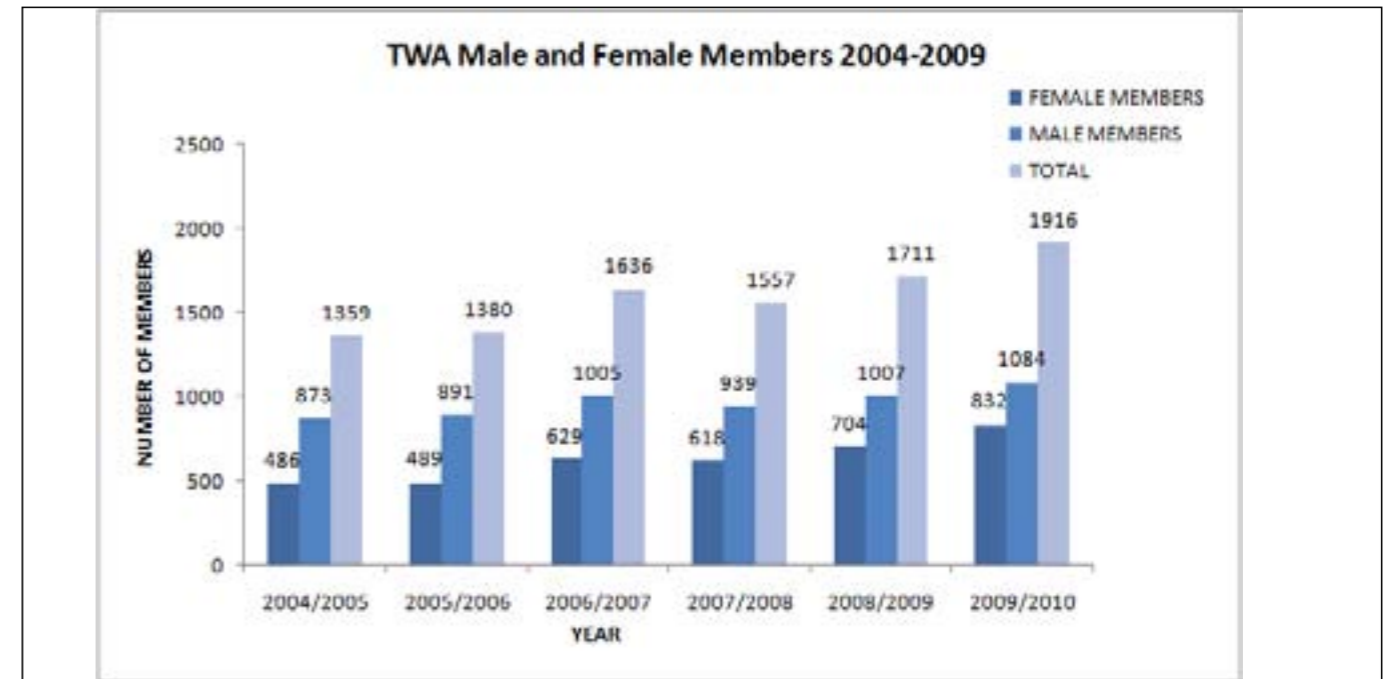
EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT

It is encouraging how the sport continues to grow and we see this not only on a participation basis at events across the state but also through membership growth within our clubs. It is exciting to note that our membership has increased by more than 12% this past financial year. Close on 11,000 participants entered triathlon races this last season with the TWA calendar hosting 11 State Series Races and 26 official open sanctioned races. Clubs hosted more than 160 TA sanctioned events during the season.

Within the office, once again our focus this year has been to ensure the key components of the sport continue to progress and develop to allow our members to participate in a safe, competitive and fun environment. Main areas of priority within the current strategic plan are club development & participation, high performance, competition, youth development, good governance, coach education, & technical official development. These areas have all been a focus in the past year on an operational level with significant progression in most of these areas.

Given the financial stability of the organisation under the guidance & direction of the Board, TWA instigated some significant projects and growth within administration and the sport - this to deliver greater benefits and support to the members and to grow the sport throughout the state. These included amongst others an environmental sustainability review and audit of the Busselton Festival of Triathlon, increased staffing, increased State Series Race Incentives, upgrades to office technology and equipment allowing improved communications.

We now have 2 full time and three part time staff involved in various capacities across the organisation. Ashleigh Davis, Club Development Officer began her part time position in January 2010 and has improved communication and development opportunities for the clubs and members. Ashleigh's position of support to the clubs will in time develop into a full time position.



With an ongoing partnership with the Department of Sport and Recreation and the Triathlon Australia High Performance Unit, the administrative expansion and progression of the junior development pathways and the Triathlon Excellence Program (TEP) has seen great improvement and growth. These programs have allowed for a number of our talented junior athletes to progress and develop holistically as an elite athlete on all levels. Most of the TEP athletes had the opportunity during the season to travel interstate and participate at some of the national series races and international races. Since October 2009 Grant Landers has filled the part time position of High Performance Coach and this role includes support training of the TEP squad athletes, travel with and support of TEP athletes at interstate events and guidance and progression of the State High Performance Pathways. The High Performance pathway improvements and support opportunities provided in WA also allow for our local coaches to attend mentoring sessions and coaching development opportunities on an ongoing basis.

Continuing with junior participation, the SunSmart regional Kids triathlons were once again held in the regional areas with races taking place in Kalgoorlie, Geraldton, Esperance, Albany, Bunbury, Busselton and Rockingham. Participation numbers in all the events were up on previous years and with funding support through Healthway and the Cancer Council SunSmart message, TWA through our regional clubs is able to grow participation in the sport.



The Technical Official Program has once again been well supported this season and through the two courses held, the technical team was able to recruit a few more volunteers into their field. It is essential that the technical team continues to grow as both the number of events and competitors continue to increase. TWA Board allocated funding to support TO travel interstate to gain experience at high quality international events and to attend valuable training interstate. Through DSR high performance grants some TO's were able to attend professional development opportunities both interstate and internationally. The knowledge gained by the travelling TO's provides WA TO's with support and mentoring opportunities to in turn improve the quality of officials here. The Board also supported the larger events within the state by bringing in high quality experienced TO's to these events - thus providing mentoring opportunities for our officials.



A significant amount of office administrative time is taken on the signature event of the year, the SunSmart Busseton Festival of Triathlon incorporating the Busseton Half Ironman Triathlon. This year the event saw the 25th anniversary of the State Long Course Championships with numbers growing from 45 competitors at the first event in Midland in 1985 to 1924 competitors this year. This event was once again an enormous success and competitor numbers filled incredibly fast. Entries opened in mid December for members and on 1st January to the general public. On 7th January all entries were sold out.



A wait list of close on 470 participants resulted in the Board reviewing the course layout, logistics and competitor numbers for the event. As a result of careful planning with Race Directors TriEvents, TWA changed the bike course to a 2 lap course and the wave starts were spread to effectively space the field out on the bike course. In addition, team numbers were decreased and individual slots increased.

Other changes to the event included TWA engaging directly with World Triathlon Corporation (WTC) for the license of the event - this had previously been with third party IMG. WTC are the owners of the Ironman, Ironman 70.3 and Half Ironman branding. WTC having strategic objectives of increasing participation across the globe, aligned to those of TWA and a partnership has developed.

In addition, TWA embarked on hosting an Athlete Function and Medal Ceremony following the race on Saturday evening and this was a centre point and highlight of the event. The event village was staged around the large marquee which served various purposes for the event during the weekend.

The weather conditions on Friday afternoon were rough, windy and cold and the SunSmart kids triathlon was converted to a Duathlon as a safety precaution. Luckily, the weather cleared overnight and the morning of the 1st May saw clear calm conditions once again with a field of 226 teams and 1288 individuals heading out onto the course. The 2010 event honours was once again taken by Queenslander Luke McKenzie in the male open field and NSW athlete Lisa Marangon in the female open field. Saturday evening saw the athlete function with more than 2000 athletes and supporters attending and enjoying the end of a great season.



In 2009 Triathlon WA began embedding sustainability principles and policies into management of the sport and into planning the Busseton Festival of Triathlon. As such TWA commissioned Greensense to provide a benchmark of sustainability performance. Running any event has an impact on the environment, the community and the local economy and the extent of impact will depend on the size and scope of the event. Sustainable event management is about recognising an event's likely impacts and making changes to maximise the positive and minimise the negative impacts.

Some of the positive actions that were implemented during the Busseton Half Ironman this year have been listed below.

- A bus-pool was offered for people to share a lift to the event together, with bike transport provided.
- An online carpooling was set up via Liftshare – connecting people, their travel preferences and journey start locations.
- 3-bin recycling was completed on site for the first time.
- Submetering of the showers for the swimmers to run through to wash the salt water off was completed to enable better planning and management for next year.
- Promotional materials in the race packs were reduced by combining all sponsors promotions onto one page.
- Biodegradable cutlery/plates etc were used for the first time.
- Significant investment was made in using biodegradable cups for the competitors.
- All additional drink bottles supplied were from plastic with recycling codes that meant they could be recycled.
- Suppliers were made aware of greening goals and contributed where possible.

Triathlon WA will continue to progress our sustainable principles and audit the 2011 and 2012 Busseton events, during this time working towards a more sustainable future for the sport.

The progress and success of TWA is enhanced by partnerships with both government and corporate funding agencies and sponsors. TWA wishes to acknowledge and thank all those that contributed to the success of triathlon over the past season. A special mention of appreciation to the Department of Sport and Recreation who through various professional development opportunities, funding resources, advice and expertise have contributed significantly to all aspects of triathlon over the past year.

DSR contributed \$114,500 to the whole of sport for Triathlon activities for the 2009/2010 season. TWA would like to thank and acknowledge their support of our sport.

Organisational Development: Triathlon WA - \$55,000 – Organisational Sustainability Program
Event funding: Carnarvon Festival Inc - \$750 – Gascoyne TropiCool Triathlon, Port of Pearl Trisports - \$1500 – Broome Cable Beach Triathlon, Mandurah Triathlon Club - \$4000 – Mandurah Corporate Triathlon
Coaching support: Albany Triathlon Club - \$1500 – Level 1 Coaching Course
Officiating support: Triathlon WA - \$3000 – HP Officiating Scholarship – Frank Stapleton
Athlete support: Bunbury Triathlon Club - \$4750 – STS scholarships for Ryan Bailie (\$2000), Alex Bailie (\$2000) & Ashleigh Bailie (\$750).
High Performance support: Triathlon WA - \$15,000 – High Performance (TEP program)
Other initiatives: Triathlon WA - \$20,000 – Country Sport Enrichment Scheme, Triathlon WA - \$7000 – Environmental Audit, Triathlon WA - \$2000 – Professional Development for club to complete First Aid Course



TWA is grateful to Healthway for their support of our regional kids' triathlons and the SunSmart Festival of triathlon and to SRG as annual awards night sponsors, junior sport supporter and sponsors of the Busselton Half Ironman and 2XU for State Series Incentive prizes.

Triathlon WA strives to provide top quality services to their members and I would like to thank the staff for their hard work at delivering these services over the past year.

To the Race Directors, thank you for once again producing top quality open events for our members, and for providing a safe avenue of competition for new participants into the sport.

To the Board and in particular president Peter Rash, thank you for your assistance, support and hard work over the year. Your encouragement, support and direction is paramount to the success of the sport.

Finally to the members of our sport, thank you for your support and for being actively involved. TWA is there to serve the members and our office door is always open.



DEVELOPMENT OFFICER REPORT

Coaching

The major objective for this year was building towards a total of 50 accredited coaches in WA for a wide base of informed and up to date fully qualified coaches around the state. The results for 09/10 show there are now 45 newly accredited coaches. Additionally from the June Level 1 course, a further 19 of the attendees who are still eligible for their accreditation by completing required tasks. The accreditation % take-up by attendees has now risen from a low base to be around 50% for each of the courses.

Level O Courses were introduced in December 2009 – This is a new basic course and with 6 attendees present at the first delivery, coaching focuses in this area on Trystars, Schools, and Junior Club members. The Level O course is planned to be rolled out even further in 2010/11 to encompass partnership benefits for growing club memberships linking with the After Schools Program initiatives Play for Fun, Join a sporting club to encourage greater junior participation.

There were 3 separate Level 1 courses held during the year., these being:

August 2009 Metro Level 1 Course

May 2010 Albany Level 1 Course

June 2010 Metro Course

The July 2009 Metro Level 1 Course was well attended with 2 visitors from Singapore. Due to space availability at Challenge Stadium, the 2010 Level 1 Course was bought forward to June this year and again it was very well attended and another Singaporean attended this course. The Perth TWA course is now advertised by Singapore Triathlon as it is also an International Accredited ITU Level 1 course. Any overseas attendees pay the non TWA fees for the course.

CEPT (Coaches Education Program – Triathlon) Seminars and workshops from presenters such as DSR, Sports Medicine, SwimmingWA, CyclingWA, and TWA were continually advertised and promoted to coaches throughout the year to attend for their ongoing personal & professional coaching development.

Visits and forums were also conducted during the year by professional triathletes and coaches who were in WA for the Ironman & Half Ironman events. In September 2009 Craig Redman, TA National Development Manager met with and updated WA Level 2 Coaches on the TA High Performance aims & objectives.



Junior Development & Triathlon Excellence Program

As a result of athletes high performing results, growth and pathway building during 08/09 there was additional funding made available to the Junior High Performance Program. This recognition of "growing the future" came from the Department of Sport & Recreation, TA High Performance Team and National Talent ID & Development program. The funding enabled the employment of a Part Time High Performance Coach – Grant Landers for the Triathlon Excellence Program (TEP) throughout the year. This weekly hands on coaching focus has resulted in momentum with excellent results from the 11 strong TEP Squad and a summary is listed below:



- September 2009 - 4 x TEP members in the Australian U19 Worlds Team, resulting in podium result of 1st & 2nd medals in the ITU World Championships
- December 2009 – 4 x TEP members chosen for the 2XU ITU National Development Camp in Queensland with TA High performance Coaching Staff
- January 2010 – Complete TEP Group raced in Canberra ITU National ITU Championships
- February 2010 – Complete TEP Group raced in Melbourne National ITU Championships
- March 2010 – 2 x selected TEP athletes raced in the Oceania ITU Championships in Wellington New Zealand
- March 2010 – Michael Lori equal 2nd for the 09/10 ITU Australian U19 National ITU Series



Due to University commitments 2 x TEP athletes currently are training interstate and a close collaboration is still in place with all of the TEP Team, TWA and TA on a bi-weekly basis. No direct TEP/TWA funding is granted to these athletes when away from WA but they remain registered as WA athletes.

The TEP group across all categories in State races had 43 podium results this season in WA

National Talent ID and Development (NTID). This program assists talented athletes and is an Australian Sports Commission project through Triathlon Australia. Through this NTID program some small assistance in travel grants were gained for the 2 x WA Athletes currently over in the Eastern States. An NTID grant was provided for a bike purchase for Talent Transfer athletes from Swimming WA and achieved required time trial benchmarks.

The TEP Shadow squad comprises athletes who have achieved one of the time trials or show the potential to achieve the times with more specific skills training. This group can be up to 20 in numbers and has a Skills Camp each school holiday break utilising numerous WA Coaches.

TRYstars

This year Trystars registration grew by 6.6%. The lower take up has been identified as a soft sign-up requirement at times by some TRYstars clubs. This has been addressed with the new TA online registration for 09/10.

The 2nd Trystars Inter-club at Rockingham in March drew Trystars from 5 different clubs and continues to be an excellent conduit for building the triathlon experience for kids & parents.

Schools

The WA Secondary Schools Team had coaching assistance from TWA at skills clinics prior to National Schools Triathlon Championships in Adelaide. Approximately 61% of the Schools team were part of the TEP Squad or Shadow squad in the seniors this year. The 2 School Team Captains were both from the TEP group for the 2nd year running.

The 2 School Ambassadors for TWA, Kate Bevalaqua & Sean O'Neill both had various School visits scheduled in the year out to those schools running Triathlon PE Units. Additionally school visits by professional Triathletes in conjunction with the Busselton Half Ironman went out to Duncraig, Bunbury, Busselton and Dunsborough.



CLUB DEVELOPMENT OFFICER REPORT

In January 2010, Triathlon WA appointed a Club Development Officer with the aims of working together to grow and develop the 16 Affiliated Clubs within Western Australia. A number of initiatives have been instigated in the last six months, to work towards and achieve this goal. Some of the key projects include:

Club Forums

Every 3 months Triathlon WA invites club committee members to attend a Club Forum. This is an opportunity for the committees to meet with the TWA Staff and Board members. The open forum allows the clubs to discuss a variety of matters with Triathlon WA and the other affiliated clubs. The forums held in 2010 have been a success with external speakers attending to give views of how other sporting clubs operate, Triathlon clubs presenting on various topics to assist all clubs and an open forum for the committee to bring questions to the table. The attendance for these forums has been at a high level. Teleconference facilities are made available for regional clubs to phone in and be involved in the event.

Committee Meetings

Clubs have been welcoming, allowing for the Club Development Officer to attend their committee meetings. This plays a large part in understanding where a club is at which allows for stronger assistance for moving forward. In the months to come, the Club Development Officer will be visiting the remaining clubs to offer this assistance to them.

Club Focus News

A monthly newsletter that is aimed at providing information to the club administrators. Information regarding up and coming events, funding and grants and governance regularly appear in this newsletter. The Focus news encourages clubs to ask questions, share stories and initiatives to assist other clubs in their day to day running. The club focus news has been running for 3 months and has received positive feedback on each issue.

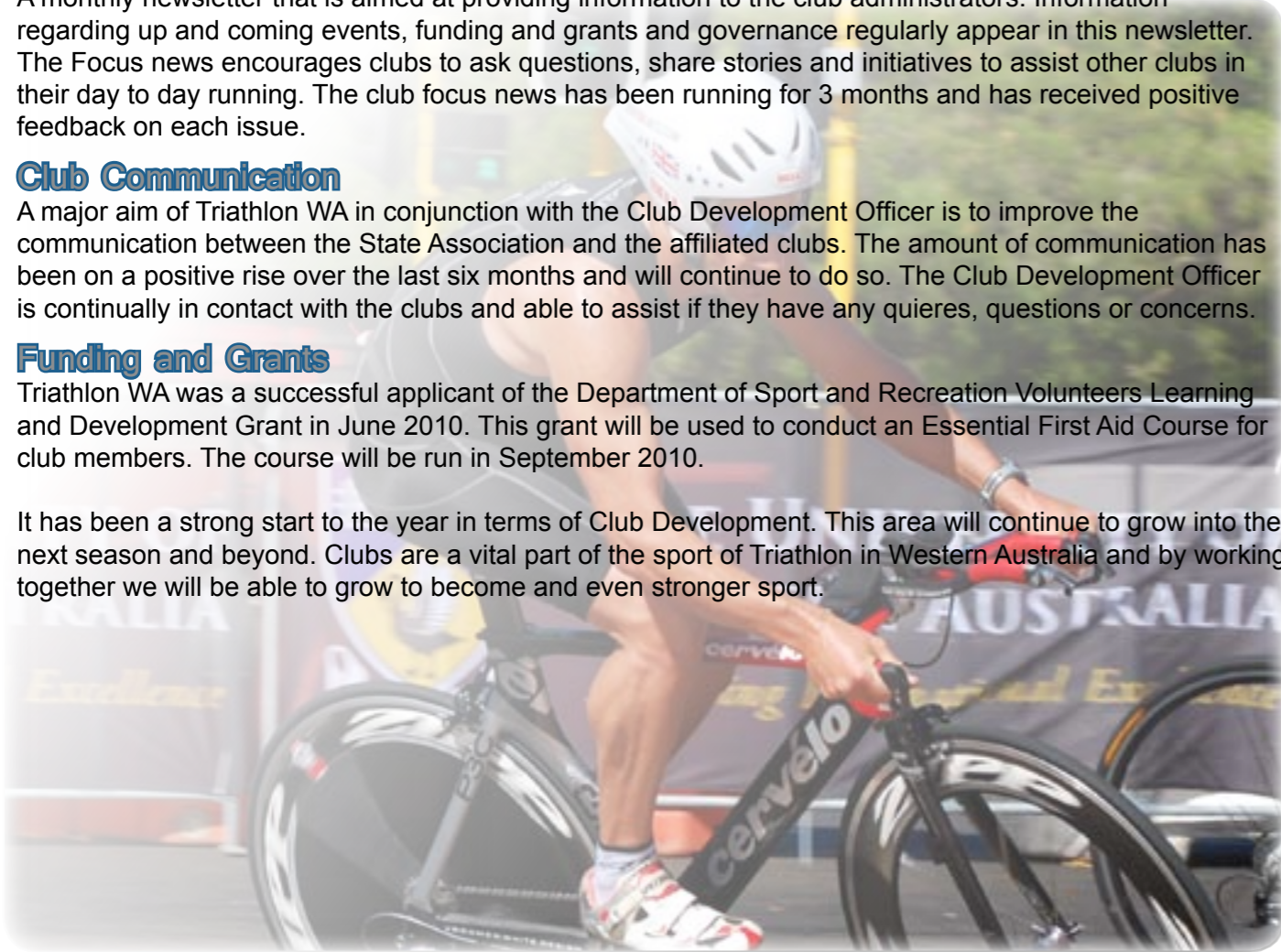
Club Communication

A major aim of Triathlon WA in conjunction with the Club Development Officer is to improve the communication between the State Association and the affiliated clubs. The amount of communication has been on a positive rise over the last six months and will continue to do so. The Club Development Officer is continually in contact with the clubs and able to assist if they have any queries, questions or concerns.

Funding and Grants

Triathlon WA was a successful applicant of the Department of Sport and Recreation Volunteers Learning and Development Grant in June 2010. This grant will be used to conduct an Essential First Aid Course for club members. The course will be run in September 2010.

It has been a strong start to the year in terms of Club Development. This area will continue to grow into the next season and beyond. Clubs are a vital part of the sport of Triathlon in Western Australia and by working together we will be able to grow to become an even stronger sport.



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OFFICIATING REPORT



Active Technical Officers

Many level 1 TO's are active and the last two courses produced many keen officials. This season saw a fair amount of competition to gain an officiating position at many of our races, due to the increase in numbers of officials over the past few years.

The TWATC has focused on developing new level 2 officials, however with a large number of races to service we still need to increase these levels as more are needed. Currently there are not enough level 3 and above officials to service major races, and the team is heavily dependent on Frank Stapleton at the top end of the officiating ranks. It was noted that with the increased number of new officials, we need to provide them with valuable experience to be able to continue to lift the quality of officiating standards.

Statistics :

Number of TOs: 46

Number L1: 29

Number L2: 10

Number L3: 04

Number NTO: 03

% That both compete and officiate: Approx 50%

% Turnover: 20%

Technology and Equipment

The programme is gradually trialling and implementing new technology into the officiating role. Radios are becoming more prominent, and needed as communication amongst the technical team is required to deal with incidents. In addition, cameras in the penalty box for major races is now standard, and the introduction of either helmet cam or photo cam when booking a competitor is not far off, and has been utilised for training purposes. The implementation of timing mats in the penalty box is likely to be adopted. Four new helmets were purchased, and recommend we continue to purchase at least two a year.

Challenges

The programme is now developing a significant number of level 1 officials, and likely to continue to do so. More level 2 officials and above are required to mentor. We do not currently have sufficient officials beyond one senior officials' experience to take on the senior roles at major events such as Ironman, Half Ironman or ITU. There are insufficient opportunities in the WA calendar to develop officials to senior roles however in order to service all the races in the calendar, more senior officials are required. We aim to increase communication to the race directors regarding the sanctioning procedures and requirements. This will improve transparency and understanding of the sanctioning process and documents.



Future Planning

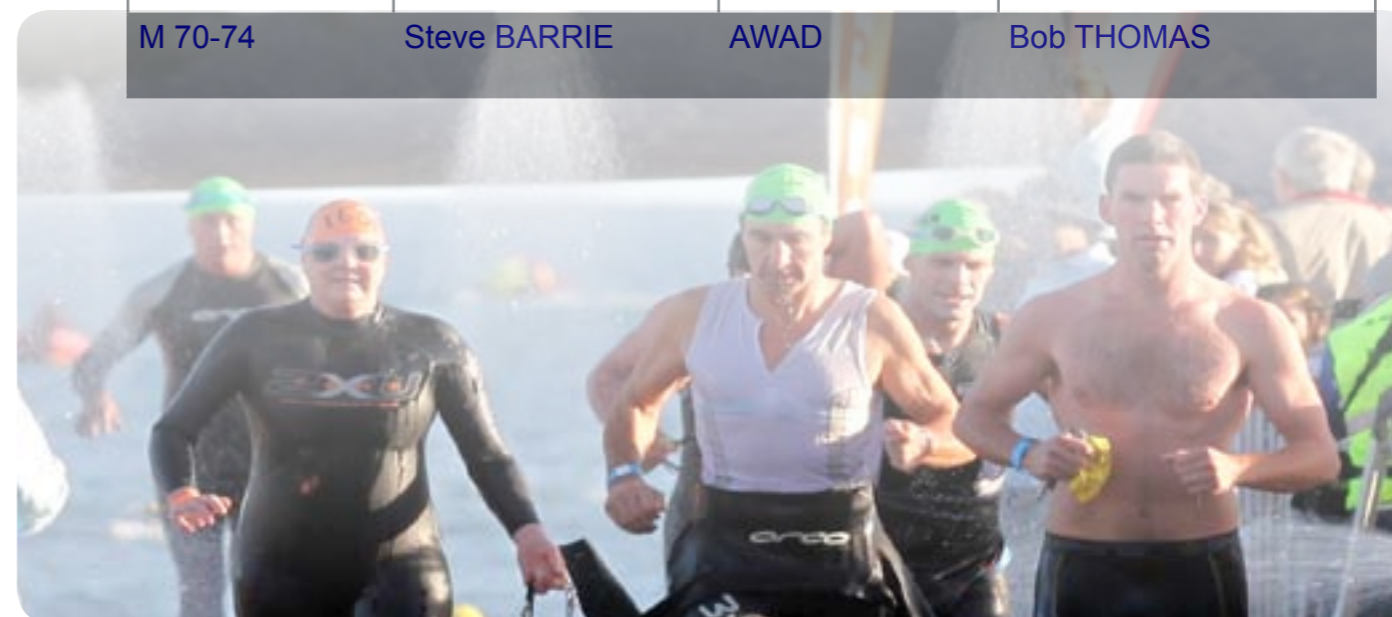
NOAS requires more assessors to be trained in order to meet our obligation to assess all officials every two years. This will be addressed with DSR funding and through initiatives from TA Technical committee.

In conjunction with the board, the TWATC have developed a procedure and criteria document for races

which have calendar status, state series status and state championship status. The TWATC have included within the budget and annual operational plan an increase for interstate travel to develop officials to level 2 and above, and the provision for development of more ITU level officials. Succession planning is being implemented along with planning for the progressive development of more level 2 mentors and NOAS assessors.

TRIATHLETE OF THE YEAR 2010

Open Male	Sean O'NEILL	Open Female	Katrina MERCER
M under 14	Jonathan SAMMUT	F under 14	Tegan SCOTT
M under 16	Nathan LYONS	F under 16	Mikala FALCONER
M 16-19	Craig SCOTT	F 16-19	Adele RICHARDS
M 20-24	Andrew TYACK	F 20-24	Katey GIBB
M 25-29	Jason RHINE	F 25-29	Renee BAKER
M 30-34	Jason NUTTMAN	F 30-34	Rachael SMITH
M 35-39	Gavin MCKAY	F 35-39	Janine WILLIS
M 40-44	Rod MARTON	F 40-44	Nathalie LAURENDEAU
M 45-49	Rob MCPHERSON	F 45-49	Loretta WESLEY
M 50-54	Alan NICHOLLS	F 50-54	Dianne OLIVER
M 55-59	Chris KILEY	F 55-59	Sandy TINDALE
M 60-64	Robert SCOTT	F 60-64	Kay SMITH
M 65-69	Chris LIMB	F 65-69	
M 70-74	Steve BARRIE	AWAD	Bob THOMAS



STATE SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIPS 2010



Male Open	Paul MACKAY	Female Open	Jade TURNER
M 16-19	Craig SCOTT	F 16-19	Alicia HALLETT
M 20-24	Karl REINDLER	F 20-24	Katey GIBB
M 25-29	Jason RHINE	F25-29	Nicole GUNTHORPE
M 30-34	Jason NUTTMAN	F 30-34	Kerrie SMITH
M 35-39	Anthony PALMER	F 35-39	Cate LAW
M 40-44	Arron ROBERTSON	F 40-44	Kylie ENGLISH
M 45-49	Mike WREN	F 45-49	June WARD
M 50-54	Mark BATTEN	F 50-54	Robyn SCOTT
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M 60-64	Robert SCOTT		

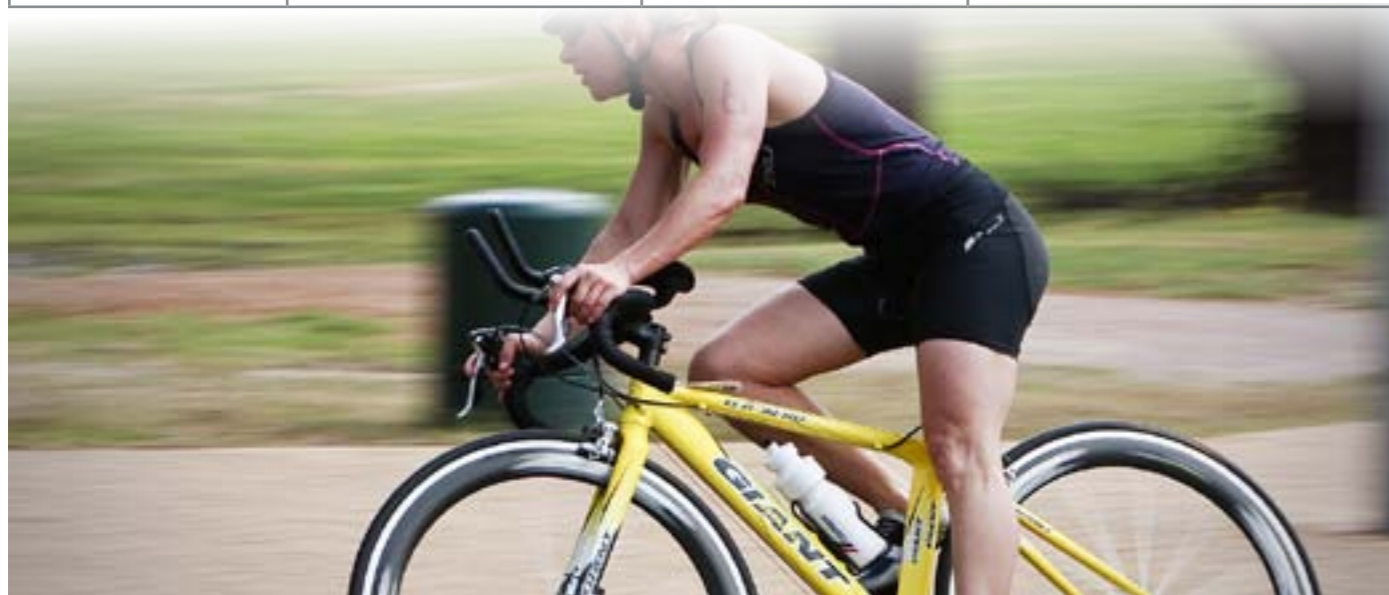
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M Open	Sean O'NEILL	F Open	Felicity SHEEDY-RYAN
M 16-19	Craig SCOTT	F 16-19	Adele RICHARDS
M 20-24	Karl REINDLER	F 20-24	Katey GIBB
M 25-29	Steve ANSTEE	F 25-29	Lisa DELAURENTIS
M 30-34	Jason NUTTMAN	F 30-34	Rachael SMITH
M 35-39	Gavin MCKAY	F 35-39	Janine WILLIS
M 40-44	Rod MARTON	F 40-44	Kylie ENGLISH
M 45-49	Sandy BURT	F 45-49	Loretta WESLEY
M 50-54	Mark BATTEN	F 50-54	Robyn SCOTT
M 55-59	Chris KILEY	F 55-59	Sandy TINDALE
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M 70+	Steve BARRIE		
AWAD	Andrew ELDRIDGE		



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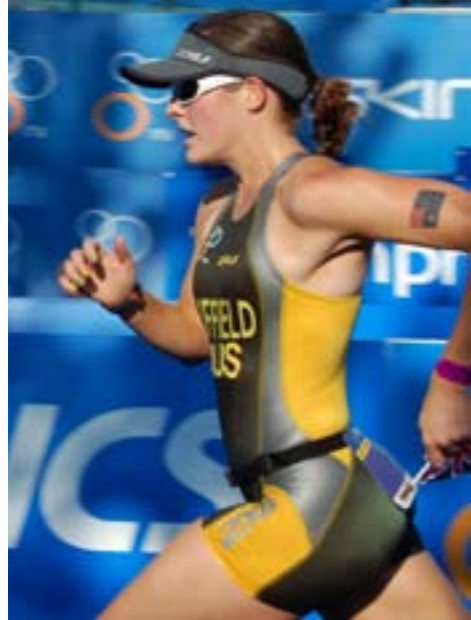
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M 16-19	Benjamin BRAY	F 16-19	Teghan GEORGE
M 20-24	Johan BORG	F 20-24	Katy DUFFIELD
M 25-29	Jason RHINE	F 25-29	Lauren JONES
M 30-34	Tim CARPENTER	F 30-34	Rachael SMITH
M 35-39	Anthony PALMER	F 35-39	Michelle BOYES
M 40-44	Rod MARTON	F 40-44	Nathalie LAURENDEAU
M 45-49	David BOYES	F 45-49	Loretta WESLEY
M 50-54	Alan NICHOLLS	F 50-54	Robyn SCOTT
M 55-59	Chris KILEY	F 55-59	Sandy TINDALE
M 60-64	Steve BROWN	F 60-64	Kay SMITH
M 65-69	Ron RICHARDS		
M 70+	Alex HOUSE		
AWAD	Bob THOMAS		



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STEVE BARRIE AWARD	Gaye MCKEAN
MARK BATTEN TROPHY	Courtney OGDEN
PAUL GOODMAN MEMORIAL TROPHY	Steve CRENFELDT
ROB PICKARD TROPHY	STADIUM Triathlon Club
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