

MEDIA RELEASE

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Learn to swim this summer

One of the best features of living in Tasmania is our access to beaches, waterways, inland rivers, creeks and dams. A lot of our recreation occurs on the water.

According to the 2018 Royal Life Saving Association National Drowning Report, 10 people drowned in Tasmania between July 2017 and June 2018 – one less than last year.

One of the best ways to prevent this tragedy is to teach your children to swim at an early age.

The Huonville Swimming Pool opens for summer on 3 November from 10am to 6pm. And to celebrate, the Council is offering **FREE entry** to the pool all day. Bring the family and friends and spend the day frolicking in the pool under the supervision of trained lifeguards.

The Huonville Pool offers an extensive Learn to Swim Program run by experienced and highly qualified Austswim Instructors. Our program operates throughout the entire summer season (Nov – Mar).

Classes are designed to suit all ages, ability, skill and confidence levels and cover everything from water familiarisation for beginners through to stroke correction for advanced swimmers. We promote learning in a fun, friendly and safe aquatic environment and we can cater for special needs swimmers with one-on-one lessons (\$23 for 30 minutes).

There are 2 types of lesson packages available - a 6 week program of 30 minute lessons once a week for \$90 (starting 12 November and 11 February) and a 10 day intensive program held during the day for \$150 (starting 7 January and 21 January). Lessons must be paid for in full on the first day of attendance and a medical form must be completed.

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The risks of drowning are higher in regional and rural areas so enroll your children in a program over summer, so you can be confident when they are playing in or near water.



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