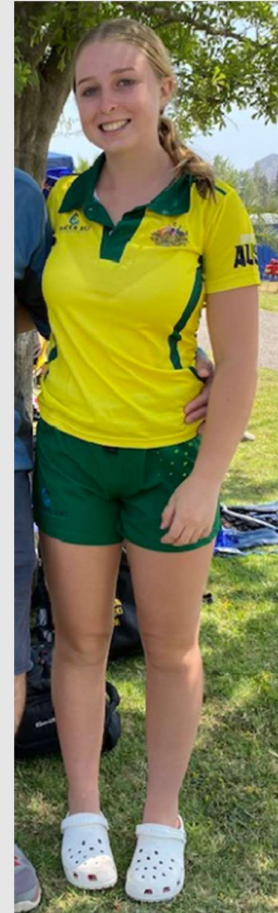


2022-2023 Geelong Water Ski Club Brag Book



International Tournament Representatives from Geelong

2022 World Over 35 Championships Bordeaux France September 2022

Sue Crisp (Over 65) and Rose Maczkowiack (Over 55) represented Australia.

Both advanced to the Slalom finals. Sue also advanced to the Trick finals where she won the silver medal.



Glenn Porter skied in the World Barefoot Masters in USA

The competition was held at the Utopia River Ranch in Texas from 26th September to 1st October 2022.

Glenn came 17th in Slalom, 13th in Tricks and 17th Overall in Senior Men's 2 division.

[iwwfed-ea.org: 2022 IWWF World Masters Barefoot Championships](http://iwwfed-ea.org:2022-IWWF-World-Masters-Barefoot-Championships)

Patrick Crisp –2022 Victorian Skier of the Year.



Patrick won with 19 votes.

Other Geelong skiers to collect votes were:-

6th place Sue Crisp 13 votes

=10th Ryan Macdonald 8 votes

=10th Jada Sweeney 8 votes

=10th Caitlin Dennis 8 votes

18th Alex Werner 5 votes

=19th Richard Crisp 4 votes

=19th Henry Leake 4 votes

=23rd Nick Werner 2 votes

Nominations for the 2022 Most Outstanding Performance by a Victorian Skier.

Joey Sherry from the Mildura Club won. (Joey has since joined Geelong).

The following skiers received nominations

Patrick Crisp	Slalom at Moodemere
Jada Sweeney	Tricks and Jump at the St Patrick's Day LCQ
Sue Crisp	Slalom at Moodemere
Henry Leake	Slalom at the National Championships.

Short List for the 2022 Most Improved Victorian Skier

Jacob Saddington from the Bridgewater Club won.

The following Geelong skiers were on the short list:-

Alex Werner, Patrick Crisp, Jada Sweeney, Ryan Macdonald, Caitlin Dennis, Henry Leake, David Barbuto and Caitlin Macdonald

Big Red Tournament - Helidon Queensland Oct 2022



5 Geelong Skiers went to the Big Red Tournament in Helidon Queensland at the end of October. President Peter Barbuto skied in Men's Division 1 he had a best score of 3 at 13 metres for 14th. Club Captain Jason Jones skied in Men's Division 2 and came 11th with two scores into 55kph. Rose Maczkowiack came 4th in the Women's Division getting into 16 metres in each round. She came 4th in the event and 3rd in the Big Red Series. Sophie Secombe came 10th in the event with a best score of 2 at 46 kph. Sophie's young son Luca watched his Mum competing for the first time. Sue Crisp equalled the Australian Over 65 Women's record of 4 at 13 metres. She came third in the event and second in the series.

The Oceania Championships October 2022



**Jada Sweeney, along with her Australian Under 17 Team mates were invited to ski at the Oceania Championships at Mulwala on 19th and 20th November 2022.
Jada, skiing in the Open Women's division for the first time, came 9th in Slalom, 8th in Tricks, 9th in Jump and 9th Overall.**



Sue Crisp skiing in the Over 35 Division had to deal with slalom skiing at 6kph faster than she normally does in her Over 65 division. To her credit Sue came 2nd in Slalom as well as 2nd in Tricks. She top scored for the Australian Over 35 Team which came in second behind New Zealand. Sue was the Australian Team Manager and Richard Crisp judged.

Patrick Crisp skied in the Open Team. He came 7th in Slalom and 3rd in Tricks. His trick score in the final round was a PB as well as a Victorian Over 21 record and Geelong Open Record. Patrick's score helped the Australian Open Team win the Oceania Championship.

Julia Twigg was kept busy in her roles as the Australian Team Physiotherapist and the tournament Safety Officer.

Jada Sweeney claims first Geelong PB of the season

Jada Sweeney had been training in WA in preparation for the World Junior Championships in Chile 2023.

Whilst in WA, being coached by Ryan Green, Jada entered the Westdale tournament and tricked her first PB of the Season with a score of 3620.

Jada wins a Barwon Sports Academy Award 2022



Jada Sweeney has received the Barwon Sports Academy Development Award for Individual athletes. This award is not results driven, it goes to an athlete in a partner sport squad who has shown great development during the year. This could be in the form of practical skills, attitude, physical development and attendance. Their commitment to the BSA program, their attitude and achievement outside of their sport (school/community) also comes into consideration.

HP Squad Trained at Mulwala 3rd and 4th December 2022



Archie Fry, Caitlin Macdonald, Caitlin Dennis, Alex Werner, Patrick Crisp (Coach), David Barbuto and Ryan Macdonald.

Many thanks to:- Troy Dennis, Mark and Shelley Macdonald, Julia Twigg, Patrick Crisp, Peter O'Neill, Michelle Sweeney, Sue Crisp and the Victorian Government for providing a grant.

GEELONG WINS THE VICTORIAN INTER CLUB CHALLENGE. DECEMBER 10th and 11th 2022.

The Victorian Inter Club Challenge was moved to the Latrobe Club as the Geelong Club wasn't ready to hold it following the Barwon River floods. The successful Geelong team was: - Troy and Caitlin Dennis, Jada Sweeney (with a Jump PB), Nick and Alex Werner and Jason Jones.



Joey Sherry received the trophy from Water Ski Victoria President Anthea Colliccoat

Jada Sweeney, World Junior Championships Chile January 2023



Jada Sweeney excelled at the Under 17 World Championships.

She had a PB in Slalom of 4 at 13m 55kph. This put her in =13th place. Just out of the finals.

She placed 31st in tricks and jumped close to her best and reached the finals. In the finals she equalled her PB and came 12th. Overall Jada came 15th.

Jada contributed to Australia's Team score. Australia came 5th, behind USA, Canada, Chile and France.

Mulwala Open 6th to 8th January 2023.

Caitlin Dennis won the U17 Slalom, came 2nd in Tricks and Jump.

David Barbuto came 2nd in Under 17 Boys. He set a new PB as this was his first tournament at 58kph.

Sophie Secombe slalomed into 2nd place in Over 35 Women.

Club President, Peter Barbuto skied 2 at 12m for his best score since before COVID.

Ryan Macdonald went to the Australian Junior School. January 2023

Ryan Macdonald was selected for the Australian Junior School. It is a special honour to be invited to this school. The school is being run at the Latrobe Valley Water Ski Club near Moe. The coaches this year are Ryan Green and Bruce Cockburn. Both true legends of our sport.

High Performance Squad at Latrobe.

Three of the High Performance Squad competed at the Australian Junior Masters at Latrobe on the weekend of 21st and 22nd January 2023.

Caitlin Dennis had a PB in Slalom 1.5 at 13m. This put her in a tie for first place. She was beaten into second place in the tie breaker.

She had a magnificent PB of 3250 for second place in Tricks and was nearly at her best with 20.0m which gave her another second. Second place in Overall was her final accolade.

Ryan Macdonald Came 5th in Slalom, with an equal PB, 2nd in tricks, 3rd in Jump and 2nd Overall.

Alexei Werner Came 2nd in Slalom with a new PB of 2 at 12m.

They were all at their best and made Geelong proud.

Ski Schools at Geelong

The monthly Ski Schools have been coached this season by the High Performance Squad under the guidance of Club Captain Patrick Crisp. Many thanks to the boat owners and drivers who have supported the schools.

Australian Masters at Bridgewater Australia Day 2023

A huge shout out to Bridgewater Ski Club for hosting a great Aussie Masters. The members worked tirelessly to rebuild the infrastructure after the major flooding.

Jada Sweeney, Caitlin Dennis, Alex and Nick Werner, Jason Jones, Sue, Patrick and Richard Crisp all won medals.

Highlights included Caitlin's 4 silver medals in Under 17 Girls, Jada winning Bronze in Open Women's jump and Overall and Patrick landing his first front flip in a tournament.



\$4PB-Cash for Personal Bests tournament at Geelong February 2023

Sponsored by Pitstop Marine and Automotive

The club looked magnificent after all the work to repair the flood damage and mess.

The weather on Saturday was fantastic and the skiers had a great time skiing up to their best. Some even managed PB's on Sunday before the weather turned. Chief Judge Ray Perrett had reacted to the forecast and crammed as much as possible into the Saturday. There were 13 PB's. Geelong skiers got 4 of them.

- Nick Werner was one of the first to PB with 4 at 55k. 13m.
- Alex Werner achieved half his Open Men's Slalom rating with 4 at 58k. 12 m.
- Jason Jones added one buoy to his PB with 5 at 55 18.25m.
- Patrick Crisp had a trick PB with 8110. This was a Victorian Over 21 and a Geelong Club records.

Other remarkable performances included:-

- Jada Sweeney broke the Geelong Open Women's record twice with scores of 2.5 and 4 at 55k. 13m. This Slalom performance completes Jada's Open Women's ratings.
- Peter Barbuto skied into 12m in both rounds
- David Barbuto got into 14.25m for the second time.
- Richard Crisp regained his National Slalom Rating and broke the Victorian Over 75 record
- Hugo Heffernan entered his first tournament and scored 4.5 on the Mini Course.
- Alyssa Barbuto also entered her first tournament and scored 4 on the Mini Course.

DAVE BARBUTO PB's at MOODEMERE. February 2023.

Some say this is the second most difficult tournament to get into, with Moomba being the hardest.

There were 42 skiers and these included 7 from Geelong. 3 were from the High Performance squad.

All performed very well, however the standout was Dave Barbuto who had a PB of 3 at 58kph 14.25m.

Other scores were:-

Jada Sweeney 3.5 at 55k 13m (0.5 off her PB)

Caitlin Dennis 4 at 55k 14.25m (3.5 off her PB).

Patrick Crisp 0.5 at 58k 10.75m (his best of the season)

Peter Barbuto 2 at 55k 12m (0.5 off his PB)

Rose Maczkowiack 2 at 52k 14.25m (3 off her PB)

Sue Crisp 3 at 49k 13m (1 off her Australian record).

Magnificent.

Alex fully Open rated after the Albury Slalom tournament. March 5th 2023

Alex Werner equalled his PB with 4 at 58K 12m at the Albury 4 round slalom tournament. He now has both halves of his Open Men's National Slalom Rating.

Meanwhile his Dad, Nick, achieved a PB with 4.5 at 55k 13.

Club president, Peter Barbuto, also had a great tournament and ran into 12 metres again.

Great work guys.

2023 Moomba Masters

The world waterski community gathered at the Yarra River over the Labour Day Weekend for the Moomba Masters.

Geelong was well represented by Jacinta Carroll, Patrick Crisp and Joey Sherry in the Open competition and Caitlin Dennis and Jada Sweeney in the Junior competition.

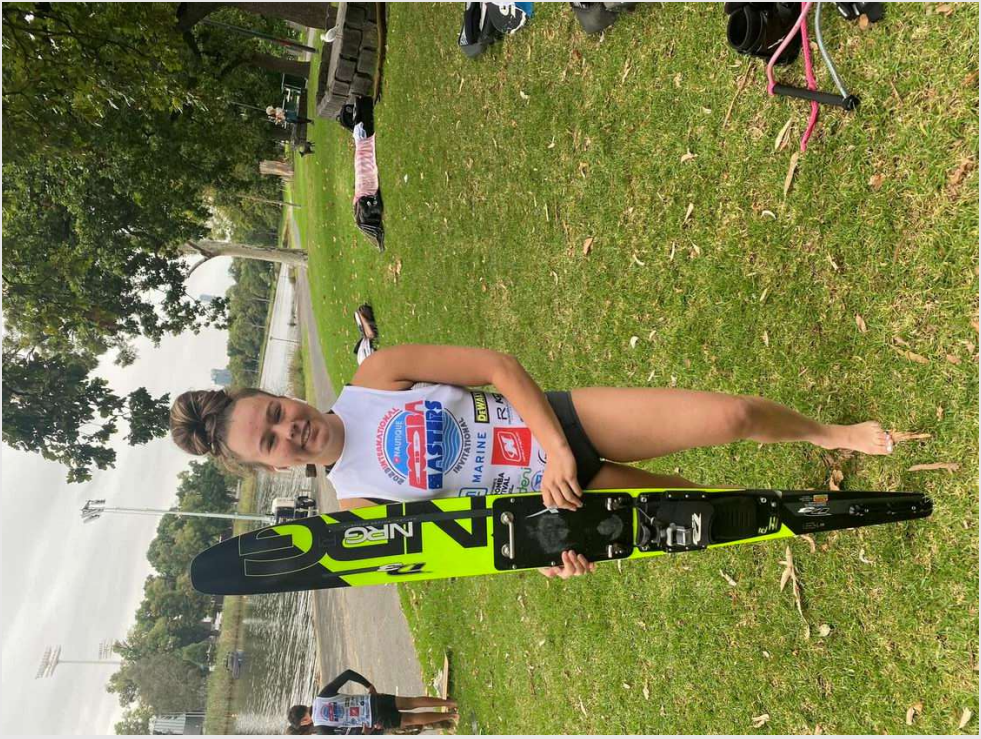
Just to be invited to Moomba is pretty special so to have 5 skiers there from the club was fantastic.

The highlights included Joey winning the amateur slalom event and Jacinta winning the Open Women's jump, yet again.











Aussie Kiwi Challenge at Albury 16th to 19th March 2023



Jada Sweeney was Geelong's only representative.

She skied right up to her best with scores into 13 m slalom, over 3000 points in tricks and over 30m in jump: in both rounds.

Jada ended up with a swag of bronze medals, she was placed third in slalom, tricks, jump and overall.

This was another really good tournament for Jada, well done.

The winning Australian Under 17 Team.

Back row

Lucas Cornale, Lachie Butlin, Fletcher Green, Liam Sciacca

Front row

Erica Hayes, Kiera Wiseman, Jada Sweeney and Kristie Appleton

www.fed-ea.org: [Aussie/Kiwi Challenge - Albury](#)

2023 Victorian Championships, at Bridgewater 25th and 26th March.

Geelong skiers amassed an amazing 15 Gold and 12 Silver medals.

Highlights included:-

Alyssa Barbuto skiing in her first tournament away from home and winning Under 10's.

Caitlin Dennis winning Under 17 Girls' Tricks and Overall.

Ryan Macdonald winning Under 17 Boys' Overall

Alex Werner winning the Under 17 Boys' Slalom.

Jada Sweeney winning Open Women's Jump (with a PB).

Full results on the web. iwwfed-ea.org: Victorian State Championships

The Victorian Police and Emergency Services Games Water Skiing 28th March 2023



Club members excelled. Joel Malone (4th from the right) skied into 55kph to win Division 4. Stewart Thomson (3rd from the right) very nearly won Division 6 after some very fast learning. Driver Rod Bell and timer Austin Swain coached Stewart to within a quarter of a buoy of the winner. Thanks to Rod Bell (on the right) for lending his boat. Kara Statham (on the left) in her roll of Sports Co-ordinator was magnificent. Not only did she work on the administration of the event but provided morning tea with a Boston Bun and a sausage sizzle for lunch.

Patrick Crisp is the 2023 National Open Men's Trick champion.

Patrick is the first Geelong man to win the National Open Men's Trick Championship.

He is also the first Victorian since Neil Ritchie in 1993 to win it. Patrick came into the tournament as second seed but skied strongly in both rounds to take out the win and the "Oscar".

Sue Crisp equalled her Australian slalom record when she won her division in Slalom and Tricks. Jada Sweeney skied really well to claim silver in Slalom, silver in Tricks (with a PB), bronze in Jump and silver in Overall in Under 17 Girls.

Caitlin Dennis was delighted with her bronze in Slalom in Under 17 Girls. She was 8th in tricks 7th in jump and 5th overall.

Ryan Macdonald came 7th in slalom, 4th in tricks (with a PB), 7th in jump and 5th overall in Under 17 boys.

Alexei Werner came 12th in under 17 boys slalom.

Caitlin Macdonald was 4th in slalom, 2nd in tricks (with a PB), 2nd in jump and 2nd in overall in the Under 21 Women's division.

Shelly Macdonald won Over 35 Women's slalom and was 2nd in tricks.

Nick Werner was 5th in Over 35 Men's Slalom.

Richard Crisp was 2nd in Over 75 Men's Slalom, tricks and Overall.

Christine Dennis was the Victorian Team Manager and Troy Dennis was the assistant Chief Judge

Patrick Crisp was the Victorian Team Captain and Caitlin Dennis was the Victorian Junior Captain

Full results are on: iwwfed-ea.org: Malibu Boats Australian Championships

The 2023 season celebrated at the Club Presentation night

Club Captain Patrick Crisp hosted the awards, assisted by Club President Peter Barbuto and Ray Perrett.

Awards went to:-

Encouragement Awards

Tessa Bennett and Hugh Heffernan



Beginners Award for the Schreuder Family Trophy

Aria McLeod

Bruce Owen Award for the Most Improved Junior

Alyssa Barbuto

Junior Slalom Champion

Alex Werner

Junior Trick Champion

Jada Sweeney

Junior Jump Champion

Caitlin Dennis

Junior Overall Champion	Caitlin Dennis	
Beretta Family Trophy for the Most Improved Junior Tournament Skier		Jada Sweeney
Senior Slalom Champion	Richard Crisp	
Senior Trick Champion	Patrick Crisp	
Senior Jump Champion	Jacinta Carroll	
Senior Overall Champion	Caitlin Macdonald	
Shaw Family Trophy for the Best Raw Score	Patrick Crisp	
President's Trophy for the Most Outstanding Performance	Patrick Crisp	
Best Club Person	James Weeden	
Best Junior Club Person for the Crisp Family Trophy	Ryan Macdonald	
Horse's "A" Award	Austin Swain	

Following the award presentation Patrick interviewed Jada. Jada told us about her skiing career to date including her preparation for the Under 17 World Championships and her experiences in Chile. Peter Barbuto (when he was Club Captain) had coached Jada as a beginner in the Club Ski Schools and chatted to Jada about how they decided which foot forward Jada would have. Jada was happy with either.

Major Victorian Trophies awarded to Geelong skiers.

The 2023 Water Ski Victoria Awards presentation was held at the Melton Power Boat and Ski club on Saturday 27th May 2023.

VICTORIAN SKIER OF THE YEAR 2023

Jada Sweeney won the Victorian Skier of the Year. The winner for this Award is the skier who is given the most votes by the Victorian selectors at tournaments throughout the season.

Geelong skiers who received votes:-

1 st Jada Sweeney 31	2 nd Patrick Crisp 18	9 th Alex Werner 8
11 th Joey Sherry 6	15 th Ryan Macdonald 4	17 th Caitlin Dennis 3
	20 th David Barbuto 1	

MOST OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE

Sue Crisp won the Most Outstanding Performance by a Victorian skier. This was for her performance at the Over 35 World Championships at Bordeaux, France in 2022. She reached the finals in Slalom and Tricks, came second in Tricks and was awarded the Silver Medal.

The other Geelong skiers who received nominations included:-

Joey Sherry	Ryan Macdonald	Alex Werner
Jada Sweeney	Patrick Crisp	Caitlin Dennis
	David Barbuto	

MOST IMPROVED

Mitchell Bray from the Lake Boga club won.

Geelong Skiers who made the short list were:-

Alex Werner	Caitlin Dennis	David Barbuto
Jada Sweeney	Patrick Crisp	Ryan Macdonald

ENTERTAINMENT

The entertainment for the night was the dunking machine. It was a cold night and the spectators were greatly entertained by seeing Geelong club members Troy Dennis and Patrick Crisp being dunked.





Geelong Water Ski Club - 2023 Double Winners.

At the Water Ski Victoria AGM it was announced that the Geelong Water Ski Club had won both the Victorian Inter Club Challenge and The Victorian Tournament Series.

Congratulations to the club and to the skiers who competed.

Jason Jones

Jada Sweeney

Hugo Heffernan

Amanda Perrett

Sophie Secombe

Caitlin Macdonald

Caitlin and Troy Dennis

Nick and Alexei Werner

Patrick, Sue and Richard Crisp

Peter, Alyssa and David Barbuto

Caitlin at Coble's

Caitlin Macdonald has taken a gap year and is coaching at the Coble's Ski School in Carolina.



Captain Pat

The Club Captain, Patrick Crisp has been selected as Captain for the Australian Water Ski Team at the World Championships in Florida in October 2023.

There have only been 3 other Skiing Captains: Grant Barnett, Ryan Green and Jacinta Carroll.

The other club members for this year's Championships are Sue Crisp who is managing the team before the tournament and Julia Twigg who will manage the Australians in Florida as well as being the team physiotherapist.

Photo credits: - Kerri Bennett, April Coble, Kymbo (Bondi), Moomba Masters. Thanks and apologies to the unknown photographers.

Committee: Peter Barbuto President, Brett McLeod Vice President, Mark Macdonald Secretary, James Heffernan Treasurer, Jason Jones and Patrick Crisp Club Captains, Kara Statham, Alex Brunacci, Chris Korb, Luke Bennett and Ray Perrett.

In the spirit of reconciliation the Geelong Water Ski Club acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of country throughout Australia and their connections to land, sea and community. We pay our respect to their Elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples today.