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Perth City Swimming Club

DAY 3 SC AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIP

Institute identifies concerns with performance and height link



After the continual success of swimmers in the Perth City Swim Club institute staff have gone public with the proposed investigation into the success of the training program. During an interview a question relating to the possibility that the sensational performances was because of quality athletes and quality coaching was clearly avoided.

The institute made the following statement, "We have concern regarding the unfair advantage swimmers within the Perth City program are receiving." The institute claimed to have identified this concern months previously but it was not until hard evidence has been provided that an investigation can begin.

"It is clear from the visual evidence that the coaches based at Perth City have a much clearer view of their swimmers. Whilst we understand that this height issue is seemed as a disadvantage in many other areas we believe it is extremely unfair for other clubs. The coaches are able to get a better view of their swimmers and provide more detailed feedback."

It seems to be true that coaches at Perth City are not much more than 5foot tall and this was clear in the photos anonymously submitted to the institute comparing teenage athletes with the Perth City coaches.

Even compared to other Australian coaches there seems to be reason for concern.

The institute has suggested that platforms be built around all the training pools of Perth City swimmers "At least this will put all coaches and programs on a fair and even playing field".



Damo looking for that edge for tonight's final

After swimming according to the plan in the heat of the 400FS this morning Damo was searching for that edge for the final tonight.

The camera caught Damo after his race during swim down looking for that extra hundredth of a second. Before the top ten had even been announced Damo was already preparing for a faster swim by testing out goggles with fellow WA speedster Jordon Kendall.



Damo's remarkable heat swim was a PB by nearly 2 seconds. The most rewarding part of the race was the execution of his race plan – working the back end as has been the focus in training with Millsy. Well he did just that with a split of 1.57.82 and 1.58.61. Damo has finished 10th overall and 9th Australian so fingers crossed he is a chance to race finals tonight. As Damo says "I want another crack at it!"

Day three and still there is more to come

- Chris D 50BK: 28.14
- Hanna 200 BK: 2.21.36
- Tamsin 400 FS: 4.23.66
- Damo 400FS: 3.56.43
- Brittany 100BR: 1.13.96
- Montana 100BR: 1.15.39
- Kate 100BR: 1.13.46
- Jess 400FS: 4.06.97
- Blair 400FS: 4.09.66



Jess hoping for a B final in the 400FS tonight and both Blair and Jess setting their sights on the Australian Qualifying time of 4.05.25



Meet Hanna Training with Matt. Marcus and Hanna are from Sweden and now part of Perth City.

