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Fwd: Important questions for Scone Swimming Club

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Subject: Important questions for Scone Swimming Club

Hi Kath,

I was forwarded your email address by Debbie Racklyeft, who advised me that you are the current Secretary of the SSC. As a child, I was a member of the Club from 1980-1989. I have two requests for the SSC Committee to consider, and I ask for a written reply to the following:

- 1. I was recently advised that Stephen Roser's name is included in the list of Club Champions distributed to SSC members. (I have attached a photo of the document). I strongly request that you remove his name from this list, all other publications and any associated Champion Boards etc. On 7 December 1994 he was convicted of sexually abusing two child members of SSC, during his conduct as swimming coach in the 1985-86 swimming season. I do not believe his name should be there, above the names of at least two of the children he molested. The club could perhaps maintain a record of his 'champion' status in filed club documents elsewhere, including the reason why his name was removed from public records.
- 2. Does the club still award the Stephen Roser Breaststroke trophy at the annual awards? This was an award that began at the end of the 1985-86 season, for the club member that achieved most highly in breaststroke. If so, I request that his name be removed from the award, and any recurring trophies connected to it.

I believe Stephen Roser's criminal acts of 1985-86, committed within his SSC coaching role, forfeit his claim to any prior or ongoing legacy within the Club.



I realise you will need to discuss this with other Committee members, and do not expect an immediate full response. However I would appreciate it if you could acknowledge receipt of this email, and advise me of an approximate date when I could expect a fuller response.

I have recently read Swimming Australia's Child Welfare Policy (updated January 2014). I hope that all current SSC members are aware of, and diligently apply, this policy. I note that few of the 'Best Practice Procedures' on pages 8-9 were practised in the mid-1980s, and this enabled a predatory paedophile to inflict significant violence and damage to children in his care.

http://www.swimming.org.au/visageimages/1_SAL/Policies/Child_Welfare_Policy_-_Jan_2014.pdf

Thank you in advance, for your time, co-operation and understanding in this matter.

Regards,

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