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RE: 2017 AUSTSWIM National Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety Award

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Robyne May Recipient of the 2017 AUSTSWIM National Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety Award

Dedication to aquatics in regional area recognised

Regular round-trips of 80km to teach swimming and water safety skills to those living in regional areas are just part of the job for Cummins instructor Robyne May.

It is this dedication that has seen Robyne named the recipient of the 2017 National AUSTSWIM Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety Award.

She received the award at AUSTSWIM national conference in Tweed Heads in NSW at the end of September.

Robyne was nominated for the outstanding attitude and high skills level that has inspired generations of young students to attend her classes; and for her advocacy for young people on SA's Ayre Peninsula to have access to aquatic programs.

She teaches at the Cummins pool and regularly travels to Port Lincoln to deliver lessons.

A swim teacher for 17 years, Robyne said her greatest challenge had been getting swimming and water safety courses presented in her rural community.

The presentation of the eight national AUSTSWIM awards was a highlight of the 2017 National 'Soak It Up' Conference and Aquasummit.

AUSTSWIM CEO Jennifer Schembri-Portelli said the national awards were the pinnacle of recognition for swimming and water safety educators. With over 30,000 licenced teachers, AUSTSWIM services the community and enhances a skilled aquatic workforce.

A not-for-profit body, AUSTSWIM is Australia's pre-eminent provider of swimming and water safety teacher training. Its licensed teachers are accredited to the ISO17024 standard and provide an essential link in drowning prevention and safer aquatic participation.

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