

New beginning for gay water polo

Water polo in Melbourne is set to get even more competitive, dynamic, and inclusive- not to mention fabulous- with confirmation that the G Sharks have voted in favour of an amicable separation with the Glamourheads Aquatic Club effective this week.

“With our performance improving and having set ambitious team goals for both the Victorian season and this July’s Out Games in Montreal this separation allows the G Sharks to forge a new identity and develop a stronger polo focus,” said Todd Matthews spokesperson for the team.

“We are incredibly excited about competing in Montreal and developing new and exciting opportunities for our whole community to be a part of water polo. We’re already seeing more women training with us and hope to establish a girls team and a rookie team this year,” Todd said

“There’s simply no better way to keep fit and have fun in a competitive yet supportive environment than by joining with us to play water polo. The community can see for itself as the G Sharks take on the Sydney Stingers **this Saturday** at South Yarra Sports Centre 679 Chapel Street South Yarra (near corner of Alexandra Ave) at 3.30pm in the annual Midsumma grudge match. This is a free event.”

“We’ve had such great support from the gay and lesbian community and hope to see a big crowd at the match and for our upcoming fundraisers and events. We’re certainly doing everything we can in the pool to get us ready for Montreal and we know that with more sponsorship and community support we have a great chance to come home with a medal,” said Todd.

“We remain really good friends with the Glamourheads and expect some of our players to continue to train and compete with them. We encourage gay and lesbian swimmers to swim with the Glams,” said Todd

The team is expected to decide soon on a new name and logo and launch a cutting edge website within weeks. News editors should contact David Imber to discuss details of how they can gain exclusive advance visuals for publication.

Anybody with an interest in playing water polo is encouraged to contact Todd Matthews via email at the following address: captain@melbournesurge.org

For further information or comment (or to arrange a chat with Todd Matthews) please contact David Imber.

Media (journalists and camera crew) are invited to attend and cover the grudge match this weekend. They will need to notify their attendance to David Imber as soon as possible to ensure that they are on the guest list with the sports centre. They are also required to be at the pool by 3pm to attend a safety briefing and set up in time for the match at 3.30pm.