

QPRC Aquatics Newsletter – May 2026

Welcome to our May Newsletter.

As the outdoor pools close for the season, our indoor pool at Queanbeyan will remain open to keep you swimming no matter the weather. Whether you're maintaining your fitness routine, enjoying some family fun, or relaxing with a dip, we're here to make sure your aquatic adventures continue all year round!

Proposed Fees and Charges

Council is seeking feedback on the Draft Fees and Charges for 2026/2027.

If you would like to give feedback, please use the link below:

<https://yourvoice.qprc.nsw.gov.au/draft-2026-27-fees-and-charges>

As a current user at one Council's pools. I would draw your attention to some proposed new fees including:

- Entry Fees increased

The majority of entry fees have increased. We would like to point out that many fees have remained the same since 2023/2024. For cash handling purposes, we generally look to round up to the nearest 50 cents or dollar. So, we may not increase fees every year but jump by a dollar in a few years.

We aim to make our fees lower than neighbouring pools.

With memberships, you are better off financially with the details below:

- 10 Visit Pass – a 10% discount compared to single pass i.e. Adult \$8.50 a single pass, \$7.65 a visit under a 10 Visit Pass
- 3 Month Pass – if you visit the pool more than 1.5 times per week during the membership, you are better off getting a membership i.e. as an Adult, if you visit the pool 20 times over the period it will cost you \$170 as opposed to \$165.75 for a membership
- 6 Month Pass – if you visit the pool more than 1.25 times per week during the membership, you are better off getting a membership i.e. as an Adult, if you visit the pool 33 times over the period it will cost you \$280.50 as opposed to \$276.25 for a membership
- 12 Month Pass – if you visit the pool more than once per week during the membership, you are better off getting a membership i.e. as an Adult, if you visit the pool 53 times over the period it will cost you \$450.50 as opposed to \$442 for a membership
- Direct Debit Membership – if you visit the pool more than once per week during the membership, you are better off getting a membership i.e. Adult \$8.50 a single pass, \$7.65 a week under a membership

- Aqua membership

We are looking at offering Aqua memberships. These memberships which is \$1,800 for adults gives you unlimited entry to Aqua classes. But it does not give you entry to the pool outside of Aqua classes i.e. you could not attend the pool on a Saturday without paying an additional amount.

If you attend Aqua classes more than twice per week during the membership, you are better off getting a membership i.e. as an Adult, if you attend 104 classes over the period it will cost you \$2,080 as opposed to \$1,800 for a membership

Direct debit arrangements can be made for these types of memberships.

- All-inclusive bookings

Currently, every person that enters our venue should pay entry or have a valid membership. For those that book lanes, those attending that booking can be confused as they assume you have covered your entry and that generally is not the case. Individuals that are just spectating should also be paying which also causes some angst.

In order to streamline the process, we are looking at putting forward fees that includes lane hire and entries for all involved in the booking. We think that this would make it easier for planning for Council as well and budgeting for user groups.

Some individuals that have memberships with us may reconsider their membership as their entry would be covered during bookings and they may not attend the pool outside their booking enough times to warrant a membership.

The intention is to a charge a similar amount in previous years. But with any change, some may pay more, and some may pay less depending on timing and the number of patrons. Again, this is not the intention – it is just about streamlining the process for all. Once the fee is set by Council, staff are unable waive or reduce fees.

Centre Closures

We are planning on closing the Queanbeyan Pool from Monday 6 to Sunday 10 July 2026 for annual maintenance.

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