

Hi All

2017 was our biggest Claisebrook Challenge to date. Again it provided spectators in Claisebrook Cove an up close and personal view of dragon boating. None of this could have happened without the support of your teams and the hard work of the Pirates in preparation and on the day.

As this is a charity event, all the proceeds from the entry fees and food sales will be donated to Telethon. We are pleased to say that on the day, we raised \$1,819.60. Chaos WA, one of our volunteers' company, kindly topped this value up to \$2,000.

<b>Total Funds Raised</b>	<b>\$2000.00</b>
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The final results were extremely close with the first 3 places finishing within a minute of each other. In addition, every crew did a Personal Best time.

The Claisebrook Challenge 2017 final placings\* are:

Team	Start time	End time	Lapsed Time	2016 Time
Fremantle	10:02:02	11:00:20	00:58:18	01:04:00
Lakers	09:55:26	10:54:10	00:58:44	00:59:00
Fury River Dragons/Cockburn	10:03:53	11:03:08	00:59:15	-
Indian Ocean	09:56:52	10:57:33	01:00:41	01:01:00
Perth Pirates	10:04:56	11:07:09	01:02:13	01:06:00
Forza/Crewsaders	09:58:45	11:04:07	01:05:22	-
Amazons	10:02:43	11:14:37	01:11:54	01:15:00



A perpetual trophy was presented to Fremantle to hold at their club until the next Claisebrook Challenge.

Next year we will be seeking to have mainstream media coverage of the event in some form.

Once again, thank you for your support and we look forward to hosting you all again next year.

Paddles Up!!

The Perth Pirates

*\*There was a transposition error when typing in the times on the day. This has since been corrected, elevating Fury River from 4<sup>th</sup> place to 3<sup>rd</sup>, and changing Fremantle's time but having no effect on the overall winner.*