



## White Rock Wave

White Rock Wave Masters swim team swim out of the Surrey Sport & Leisure Complex in the South Surrey / White Rock area of British Columbia, during more normal times their home pool is in South Surrey BC. Formed in 2001, their membership is comprised of about sixty swimmers aged 20 to 96 who train together for fitness and competition.

The White Rock Wave Masters were honoured in April of 2020 by the Masters Swimming Association of BC with the League Trophy in the category of a medium sized (31-90 registered swimmers) team. The award is given out annually to the team that has scored the most number of Hy-Tek points during the regular BC sanctioned meets, prior to provincial championships.

White Rock Wave Masters have a great group of people who love to be together in and outside of the pool. During the period where pools have not been open in their community, many team members have been getting together for open water swims in the nearby lakes and the ocean. They regularly compete in open water races during the summer and have missed the traditional events this year. Many of their members are also used to seeing one other in the community at kids' meets and other aquatic activities throughout the year. Some members have children on teams, others are long-time volunteers at swim meets in the area. While most of these events have been cancelled due to COVID-19, they organized a few other safe and socially distanced get-togethers and drive-by birthday celebrations for some of their oldest members.

Believe it or not, many of their group are still swimming in the sea (January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021). It's still quite the thing. Some take the plunge with only a swimsuit, booties and gloves....other go full wetsuits and swim about 2000m. The water temperature is 4,8° to 5,2°C.

The White Rock Waves have a few sponsors who provide them periodically with t-shirts and caps. They have an active website ([whiterockwave.com](http://whiterockwave.com)) giving all the information about registration and trainings and Facebook page ([facebook.com/WhiteRockWaveMastersSwimTeam](https://facebook.com/WhiteRockWaveMastersSwimTeam)) with a number of great photographers amongst them who document their events. The White Rock Waves are looking forward to getting back in the pool soon!