



Ken Chandler – Life Membership

Ken Joined the Ipswich Vikings Swimming Club in 1968, and was a keen competitor. He represented Ipswich Vikings at the State Championships in Backstroke in the late 1970's. Ken's love of swimming saw him continuing to swim at Club Nights and also at the Ipswich Championships whilst his children Jessica and Joshua were competing.

In 1984, Ken became the coach of the Ipswich Vikings Club and continued in that position until 1999. He was then the President of the Ipswich Vikings Club from 1999 to 2006, at which time he was also the President of the Ipswich District Regional Swimming Association. Ken is a Life Member of the Ipswich Vikings Club and also has the distinction of having a trophy named after him. He has been the President of the Ipswich Grammar Swimming Club for the past three years.

Ken's working life has been associated with swimming through his employment with the Ipswich City Council, then as an executive manager of the Royal Life Saving Association, and now with his own business as a pool consultant.

Ken was always helpful around the pool. If a job had to be done, he was the first to offer. Ken has an easy-going personality and a fierce determination to do the right thing by the swimmers and all concerned. His behind-the scenes contribution to swimming has always been invaluable.

