



Shane Cooks, 13, and Chad Blenkinship, 11, paddle their hardest in the 50m boat race at the Big Splash Swimathon.

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Swimathon success

FUNDS raised at last month's hugely successful Big Splash Swimathon have been tallied and will be presented to the Royal Life Saving Society and Life Stream Foundation at a council ceremony today.

Mayor Col Meng will donate half each of the \$1000 raised to Sharon Haynes, Mackay services co-ordinator for Life Stream, and Les Mole, national board member of the Royal Life Saving Society.

More than 700 people attended the inaugural swimathon event held at Pioneer Swim Centre.

Mackay Cutters won the event's first Community Challenge Award.

This swimathon is sponsored by Mackay Regional Council and Dalrymple Bay Coal Terminal.

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