

#### **Behaviours:**

- •never swims alone
- wears/ doesn't wear wetsuit
- swims more often & for longer during warmer months "During the summer I'd do the buoys so I'd stay in a bit longer"
- uses sports apps for recording activities
- did a lot of open water swimming during lockdowns
- swims in pool
   when it's not warm
   enough for open
   water swimming /
   doesn't usually
   swim in pool
- stays over an hour in water/ stays 15-20 mins
- •swims at least once a month throughout the year
- goes to the same spot most of the time

#### Context:

 Local man at swim-spot is 'self-appointed guardian' warning people not to take risks

#### **Pain Points:**

- Concerned about safety in water water quality, cur rents & strong winds, jellyfish
- No swim buddy
- Lack of parking at swim spot

## Goals:

- Having someone to swim with
- Safety is very important
- Wants to know tide info, weather, location, water quality & daylight hours

## Context

- Swim typically planned a number of days in advance
- Longer swims require more detailed information

#### **Behaviour:**

- Doesn't have a 'go-to' app for required info
   "I literally just put 'Dublin tide' into Google"
- •Relies on their knowledge of a familiar swim spot "You know with the Forty Foot you can always go in"
- •Relies on other people to find out info eg. swim groups/buddlies

## **Pain Points:**

- Swimmer has to do a lot of 'digging' on different sites & apps to find all the info needed.
- "Handy to have all in one"
- Too much scrolling & clicking

# Goals:

 To find desired swim location on app

## Mental models:

- Likes geolocation to be used
- Likes geolocation to be requested on first use of the app
- Likes attractive design when opening app
- Likes to be shown list of nearby swim spots & distance to them
- "First thing I'd say it's really cool to see all the swimming spots named"
- Likes quick on-boarding if necessary

## **Pain Points:**

- Search bars often don't yield results
- Maps can be difficult as first choice but useful alternative if desired location not on list.

## Goals:

•To find out tide times, weather, sunlight hours for desired day

#### Mental models:

- Easily understands info with icons
- Likes when they understand relevant info easily ie. tide times, swell & daylight
- Understands plain language
   "Wind says 'strong' so it'll be a 'stay within the harbour'
- thing"
  •Understands they can navigate to other days by pressing arrows,

scrolling down or

swiping to next day

Likes that a
location can be

'favourited'

#### **Behaviours:**

 Checks tide times first to see what day/time suits & then wants to know more info.

## **Pain Points**

- Confused by wind
   & tide jargon
- Difficulty under standing graphs
- Unecessary info for swimmersToo much text &
- distractions
  Forced to look hard for required info / required info not found.

## Goals:

• Consolidate swim plan

### Mental models:

 Likes the feature to 'share tides'

### **Behaviours:**

- Shares tide & conditions info with facebook/ whatsapp groups & swim buddies
- Makes plan & necessary preparations based on acquired information

# **Pain Points**

 Dislikes if they're not navigated back to app page after sharing tides.

# Positives:

 Plain language assists swimmers in understanding wind & sea conditions

**OVERALL** 

- Good use of icons assist understanding
- List of known swim locations is most useful on landing page
- Attractive UI appreciated
- Option to share tides important

# Negative:

- "Too much" on the opening screen with all the 'pinpoints' on map
- Jargon, graphs, numbers & unecessary info for swimmers is distracting & confusing