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Ready to Rott: Faye Rogers with her daughters Pierra, left, and Samara at Coogee Beach yesterday. Picture: John Mokrzycki

Daughters inspired to take the plunge

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Faye Rogers was a proud mother as she watched her two daughters complete the HBF Rottnest Channel Swim solo this year but she also admits she was secretly happy they didn't beat the time from her solo effort in 2005.

Mrs Rogers has done the swim nine times in teams and duos and once as a soloist but says her competing days are probably over.

However, her legacy is continuing through her daughters



Pierra, 26, and Samara, 28, who both braved the swim for the first time this year and are putting up their hands to compete next year.

The sisters say they are likely to go solo again in 2013 but will opt

for a more fun experience in February by entering the ballot, which will be held on November 8 to be part of a team or a duo.

The pair say they were inspired to get involved because of their mum's association with the event and they are now equally motivated to beat her solo time of just over eight hours.

All solo swimmers who register between next Tuesday and November 14 get automatic entry. Teams and duos have to enter the ballot by November 7.