



Senior Coaches Report Annual General Meeting 2010

Another year has come to a close and to our President Anthony, the committee and all those that have volunteered their time in helping the club and swimmers achieve their successes during the 2009/2010 season we thank you.

And to all of our swimmers, the club should be extremely proud of the way in which you have presented yourselves at all meets when representing the Bendigo East Swimming Club.

Many of our swimmers have achieved exceptional results along the way this season at not only a local and district level but also on a Victorian Country and State level.

As always none of this could happen without the support of all parents in transporting their children to training as well as the many competitions the club attended. Without your help it would be difficult to achieve what we have.

One of the major focuses for our club was once again the Victorian Country Championships which were held this year at Warrnambool. The club was well represented by 14 swimmers with three of our swimmers picking up individual medals - Jenna Strauch (Bronze in the 12yrs 100m Breaststroke), Callum King (Bronze in the 12yrs 100m Breaststroke) and Rebecca Holmes (Silver in the 13yrs 100m Fly & Bronze in the 13yrs 100m Freestyle). We also had a number of swimmers achieving finals – Steph Goode, Jayde Robinson, Max Pearse, Makayla Hamilton (first Country Championships) as well as three of our girls relay teams. Congratulations must also go to those that swam at their first Country Championships – Isabella Symons, Carly Moloney, Lily Burke & Harrison Pearse. The efforts of Eleanor Rodda & Olivia Arandt cannot go unnoticed as they not only achieved qualifying times but managed to compete while under duress, as well as Nic Moloney who swam very well. The atmosphere generated by all swimmers and parents alike made it a memorable experience.

The Bendigo East Swimming Club achieved some excellent results at the Central District Championships held at our own pool and although we were unable to bring home any of the major aggregate trophies, we did pick up two of the awards for swimmers of the meet – Callum King & Rebecca Holmes.

A strong contingent of 15 swimmers attended the semi-finals of the All Juniors at MSAC in March with 11 of those making it through to the finals. Of those, Isabella Symons, Callum King & Callum Moloney picked up medals with a number of other swimmers gaining PBs.

I would also like to especially thank Chris Geyer for his expert assistance and guidance this season. His coaching experience at all levels is invaluable and goes a long way to helping our swimmers gain the success they have. Also thanks to Val Campbell who continues to give the young swimmers her guidance and support, with great success, in preparing them for the years ahead.

With the success the club has achieved this year, it gives us a lot of confidence for the years going forward.

It would be remiss of me not to thank all those that have helped out at club trials, swim meets etc over the season. A task that ensures that our swimmers have to necessary preparation for all swim meets.

Once again, congratulations to all swimmers for their efforts throughout the 2009/2010 season and let this be the launching pad for bigger and better things to come in the 2010/2011 season.

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