

#### March April 2015

#### All Juniors

All Juniors was a fantastic weekend for the Kilmore swimmers. After everyone who entered qualified in the heats at Seymour it was off to MSAC for the semifinals and finals. On the Saturday we had Alex, Patrick, Karla, Niamh, James C, Emilie and Xavier all compete. After a chaotic warm up the swimmers were up to race; most swimmers swam PB's on the day which is always fantastic to see. All of the swimmers put in a great effort as they always do. Xavier PB'ed in the after they swam the previous (39.44), Breast (45.16) and Free (30.78), James PB'ed in his Back (43.32) and Free (34.56) and Patrick PB'ed in his Fly (42.57), Back (43.57) and Free (32.75).

I must say we were most impressed with Patrick, Karla, James & Emilie swimming so well

Back (59.07) and the Breast night at the Associated Gram-(1:09.67), Niamh PB'ed in her Fly mar Schools Victoria (AGSV) (56.84) and her Breast (1:02.49), competition. At the AGSV comp Emilie PB'ed in her Fly (50.01), Emilie PB'ed in the Breast (46.46), Back (47.98) and the free (37.18), Karla PB'ed in the Fly (44.50) and Karla PB'ed in her Back (44.50), the Free (34.75), James C PB'ed Alex PB'ed in the Fly (32.96), Back in the Fly (45.34) and the Breast (44.00) and Patrick PB'ed in the Breast (42.50).

> Well done to all of the swimmers who swam in the All Juniors competition, we know you all always swim your best and represent the club well.

> > Lynton.

#### **Pennants**

It might be just me but the Pennant season seemed to go exceptionally quickly this year. With Bunnings barbecues on the first two pennant weekends and two cancelled pennants, it was an

team still finished in third place officiating, compiling and just tively. However we did manage swim. to bring home one of the flags in I would like to give a very special the female division; well-done thank you from the Kilmore Swimgirls, this is the first flag we have ming Club to Lisa Bess. Lisa works won for a few years.

eventful season. The Kilmore We would like to thank all the trict secretary to organise all of team, as always, put in their all, swimmers who represented the always swimming their best and club over the pennant season proudly representing their team. you may have only had two Unfortunately we are down on swims at a pennant but every bit numbers and cannot fill some of helps. Thank you to all of the parthe relays which hurts us points ents and siblings who helped wise. Nevertheless the Kilmore with timekeeping, marshalling,

behind the two larger clubs, general organising - without your Mansfield and Seymour respec- help our swimmers could not

> tirelessly over the summer as disthe district meets. Without Lisa's input we would not have a summer season and probably would not have a district.

> > Lynton.

# My Experience at All Juniors

On the 21st of March I swam in the All Junior Heats along with about 6-7 other Kilmore swimmers. I competed all the events, but only made finals in fly and free. I was pretty nervous coming up to fly, even though I was ranked 2<sup>nd</sup> before the event even started, because we were all so close in our qualifying times. But luckily I did a PB of 33.14 which put me in first position by .58 and I was pretty stoked because I had never been in an All Junior final before. In the freestyle I qualified 6th fastest in the heats so I was pretty nervous about making finals because again we were all so close. I swam another PB getting a 30.95 and qualifying 4th. The whole day was pretty relaxed, but the atmosphere was electric when races were close.

On Finals day (the 22<sup>nd</sup>) to sum myself up, I was pretty much a nervous wreck. The warm-up was so much better though, because I pretty much had a whole lane to myself by the time I hopped in.

I felt really good in the warm-up, but I was still pretty nervous. Before coming to finals, I hadn't realised that they introduce you before you start the race, so every race took FOREVER because after each person's name was read out, their club would shout like crazy at them. It was basically a Mexican wave of voices, except there was no order. Waiting in the marshalling was surprisingly relaxing because we were all talking about anything other than swimming, which passed time pretty well.

We had to wait a while at the blocks as there was a medal presentation before it, but it was worth it, it felt pretty good hearing my name called out in front of heaps of people.

I felt really powerful in the water, more than I've ever felt before and I'm pretty sure I forgot to breathe so I only took like one breath in the whole race. I guess all the hard training paid off because I got another PB of 32.96 and 2<sup>nd</sup> place by .07, but I didn't really care because I was too happy that I had medalled. The medal ceremony was pretty much straight after the event

finished. I had to hurry to get my stuff even though I wasn't allowed to and nearly missed the presentation. They announced the presentation on the loud speaker as well, and it also felt pretty good. The medals were on this massive red velvet pillow. They took so many pictures that my mouth was sore afterwards from smiling so much but it was worth it. Thankfully freestyle was last so I had a while to wait. Eventually I think all the big clubs got sick of cheering every time one of their swimmers raced, as there was at least one of them in every event. I was a little less nervous coming up to the freestyle because I didn't really feel like I was expected to win because I was in lane 6, even though I still wanted to win.

In the freestyle, I also felt really good in the water, and when I touched the wall I was pretty sure I had gotten a PB. Turned out I was right as my time was 30.78 and even though I came 6<sup>th</sup>, you can't really ask for more than a PB so I was still pretty happy.

I am really grateful that Lynton came to the finals even though I was the only Kilmore swimmer, and made me feel really lucky and more reassured about my races.

#### NT Championships

Two weeks ago Tamara and I went up to Darwin to compete in the 2015 Vorgee Northern Territory Open and Age State Championships, which was a four day meet starting on Thursday night. Tamara and I both did well in our events, both aetting a few PB's, making finals and medalling in a couple of those finals. We both had such a fun time up there but can't wait for next year when hopefully a group of us from the club can go up to compete. Madi









Hello, I'm **Ethan Daws.** I'm 17 years of age. I'm completing year 12 at Assumption College Kilmore, I had a kidney transplant on May 2011 which has made me eligible to swim under the multiclass section \$16 (transplant recipient).

Last year I was invited to participate in the Swimming Victoria Development Program (multiclass squad). My ultimate goal is to be the first \$16 swimmer in the Paralympics to represent Australia.

This year I have qualified for The Georgina Hope Foundation Australia Age Championship Swim in Sydney on the 19th-20th April 2015 to swim in 4 events — 50m freestyle, 50m breaststroke, 50m butterfly and 100m freestyle. In the last few weeks I have swum at MSAC and DVE in the hope that I may have qualified to compete in the 50m freestyle and 50m butterfly at the 2015 Hancock Prospecting Australian Swimming Championships in Sydney on 4th-5th April 2015. On the 22/3/15 I will be competing in the National Preparation swimming meet at MSAC. On the 28/3/15 I will be attending another Multiclass Development Day. Then it's off to Sydney.

Outside of swimming, I support Make a Wish, Kidney Health Australia, Transplant Australia, Royal Children's Hospital and am often a guest speaker for them. I enjoy motorbike riding, waterskiing and camping.

#### Calendar

## Term 2 Training Commences Compeitive

Tuesday 5th May 2015\*
Non-competitive
Tuesday 5th May 2015\*

## **Kilmore Club Championships**Sunday 29th March

# **Annual Presentation Night**Friday 1st May 6:30 dinner Trackside

#### Bunnings BBQ Craigieburn Fundraiser

Sunday 3rd May

### Bunnings BBQ Epping Fundraiser

Saturday 11th July

#### Committee meeting with Patrick Moriarty

Development of KSC Strategic Plan Sunday 12th April 10—1pm Kilmore

Sunday 3rd May 10—12pm Wallan

# **Vic Institute of Sport Tour** {and social get together afterwards} Sunday 17th May 10—12

\*Dates subject to change



















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If I could swap places with anyone for a day I'd choose Barack Obama

When I finish school I want to be a structural engineer.

My dad is my role model

The silliest thing I've ever done was falling off my chair at school.

If I could have any animal in the world and shrink it down to a mouse sized pet, I'd choose a T-Rex

When I'm an adult I'll be awesome at cooking! If I could choose a new name, it would be... James Bond! My favourite place in the world is my house.

# WHO AM I?

Have **you** sent **your** swimmer profile back to Claire or Sharon?

Do you have an entry in the best

Club Bucket Hat Photo Competition?