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JANUARY EDITION - LATE

**Meet our member for this month – Aaron
Castle**



Pier to Pub Swim at Lorne.

“On Saturday 8th January my family and I travelled to Lorne to swim the Pier to Pub. First I had to register and get my stuff, then we walked up to the Pier. Before the swim the zipper on my wetsuit broke. So I used mum’s wetsuit and after I swam Dad had to run the wetsuit back to Mum. I had 5 minutes to swim out to the starting line, and I swallowed a lot of water swimming to the starting line. At the start of the race I got elbowed in the head. The first 400 meters I swallowed a lot of water, then I got used the waves. I finished it in a time of 22.23 and was placed 110th out of 179 in my age group of 12-17years. It was great to have completed the Pier to Pub for the first time, I got a free T-shirt and will definitely be having another go next year.



Nickname: *Azza*
Age: *13*
School: *Sion – Catholic
College*
Footy Team: *Essendon*
Favorite Food: *Chicken*
Favorite Movie: *Water for Elephants*
Likes outside
Swimming: *Basketball & Surf
lifesaving*
Favorite Stroke: *Breaststroke*
Greatest Inspiration: *Tom Osborne, My
Mum & Des*
Swimming Ambition: *A country time*
Likes: *Playing with friends
and going to
Seaspray*
Dislikes: *My sister Hayley (but
not all the time)*

**WELL DONE JOEL (AND JULIE)!!!! GREAT
EFFORT!**

SWIM MEET AT TRARALGON – 14TH JANUARY 2012.

A tremendous effort to all our swimmers who braved the cool weather conditions and the even cooler pool temperature to compete at the final meet before LC Countries. Well done to Hannah, Miranda and Lachlan Shepherd, Chloe Haylock, Megan Keil, Jo and Hollie Rowand, Eliza Jeffs, Khyan, Ellie and Will Spencer, Josh and Sam Tattersson, Liam Wilson, Joel and Jake Hutchins, Meg and Tilley Gordyn, Aaron and Hayley Castle, Niamh Van Berkel, Darcy Wade, Fergus Hamilton, Julia Rainey, Matthew van der Merwe, Mel Smethurst, Hannah and Abbey Walsh,

It was also an excellent effort for the 10 & under girls and boys who won their freestyle relays, as did the 14 & under boys. The 14 & under girls also swam well to place 2nd.



Every picture tells a story!!!



The team at Traralgon



14 & under victorious boys relay

SWIM MEET AT SALE – 28TH JANUARY 2012.

Another excellent attendance by our swimmers – many were having their last chance to get times for the State Sprints that will be in early February. Congratulations to all swimmers for their achievements. It was great to see some new faces competing. Thank you to the following families who helped make the day successful – Shepherds, Wilsons, Andersons, Jeffs, Browns, Gordyns, Hutchins, Whykes, Colleys, Smethursts, Polands, Haylocks, Rainey, Rowands, Peacocks, Tatts, Castles, Van Berkels, Morrisons, Gordyns, plus all other families who supported our club before, during and after this event.

2012 Victorian Country Championships

Bendigo provided an outstanding venue for the 2012 Country Championships with over 650 swimmers competing in over 100 events across the weekend, making it one of the biggest occasions on Swimming Victoria’s calendar. Competition was fierce throughout the weekend with all clubs vying for the title of Country Champions and once again swimmers showed the enormous depth of talent that Gippsland has produced.

Sale Swimming Club should be congratulated for their wonderful team spirit displayed throughout the weekend. The stands were alive with enthusiastic cheering for every club competitor and the swimmers rewarded the cheer squad with some fantastic performances.

Emily Morrison (12) was a standout performer for the club winning gold in 100 Back and 100 Free, with Silver in 100 Fly. Adding to the club’s medal tally was **Megan Keil (11)** - silver 50 Back and **Jordan Rowand (12)** silver- 100 Breast. **Fergus Hamilton (11)** also claimed bronze in the 50 breast

(supplied by GSI News)

The 12 & under girls (Megan Keil, Jordan Rowand, Chloe Haylock and Emily Morrison) won silver medals in both their freestyle and medley relays. The 12 & under boys (Liam Wilson, Fergus Hamilton, Mitch Whykes and Joel Hutchins) won bronze in their freestyle relay. A tremendous effort by these young swimmers!!

For more information about the Country Championships please look at the photo board on pool deck. Lots of photos of the swimmers, their parents and their supporters.

