## Victorian Country Short Course Championships 2016

The Country Short Course Championships took place over 20-21 August in Ballarat. After great success last year with a 10<sup>th</sup> position finish and first time in the top 10, the club was looking to improve on that run. With a lot of our older, experienced swimmers unavailable it was going to take a huge team effort, and our SGB swimmers did not disappoint. It was a great look at the future of the club with 13 of our 22 swimmers competing in the 11&under events. These swimmers competed admirably all weekend, bringing home PB after PB and climbing their way up the rankings in what has been a great experience and a big launching point into Long Course Country Champs in January.

Our 12 and over swimmers were leading from the front with 27 top 10 finishes and 10 medals. Mal, Nathan and Mayson were standout swimmers for the club with a number of medals between the 3.

Nathan Foote:	3 Gold, 1 silver
Mal Bradley:	2 Bronze
Mayson Vanderkolk:	2 Silver

With the all-round effort of our swimmers the club moved up to 9<sup>th</sup> place and kept our run of yearly improvement alive. With another 6 months to prepare for Country Long Course I look forward to see the improvement of this team and hopefully we can all work together to achieve a goal set out by the club at the start of this season of 40 swimmers and a top 7 finish at Long Course Country Champs.

## Country Short Course Team 2016

Hayden Barnes Mallory Bradley Anthony Car Luke Car Ebony Donohue Nathan Foote **Riley Harris Oscar Hughes** Jaelina Kiley Dylan Muir Jarrod Muir Luke Muir Taya Murdoch Jorja Newman Mikaela Notley Trinity O'Keefe Cooper Quaife Lily Robinson Hannah Simmons Jordi Vanderkolk Mayson Vanderkolk Nicolette Wight

## Top 10 Clubs

1.	Traralgon Swimming Club	2,046
2.	Warrnambool Swimming Club	928
3.	Ballarat Swimming Club	756
4.	Ballarat Gold Swimming Club	661
5.	Geelong Swimming Club	616
6.	Bendigo East Swimming Club	501
7.	Shepparton Swimming Club	452
8.	Wangaratta Swimming Club	391
9.	South Gippsland Bass	362
10.	Wodonga Amateur Swimming Club	281