



2025 - 2026

Annual REPORT

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Presidents Report

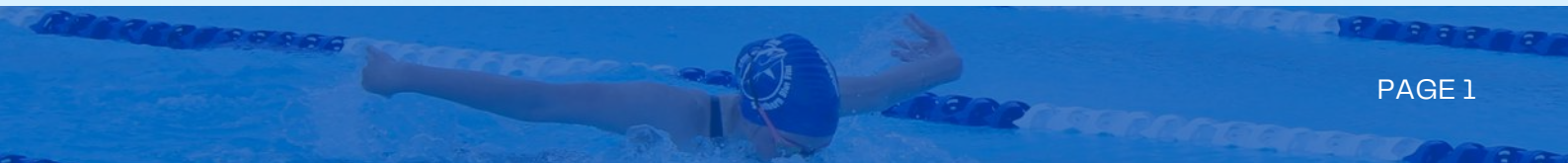


It is my privilege to present the President's Report for the 2025/2026 year. Now I am going to try and keep this short but who knows where it will end up 😊 and I am also going to not name people individually as I would hate to miss someone's contribution or achievement and cause offence.

This past year has been one of growth, resilience, and meaningful progress for our club. As we reflect on our achievements and challenges, it is clear that our collective commitment, adaptability, and shared vision have continued to drive us forward in a positive direction. At the beginning of the year, we set out with some clear priorities, strengthening our club's future, improving efficiency and delivering greater value to our members. I am pleased to report that we have made significant progress across all of these areas. Through a combination of strategic planning, strong leadership, and the dedication of our team we have been able to build on the solid foundations established in previous years.

I would like to take a moment to recognise and commend our swimmers for the outstanding year they have had in the pool training. Their commitment, discipline, and willingness to push themselves have been evident throughout the year. Week in and week out they have embraced the challenges of training with a positive attitude, continually striving to improve their skills, fitness, and performance. It is this dedication behind the scenes that leads to success in the pool and it has been fantastic to see their growth, resilience, and team spirit. We encourage all swimmers to continue building on this strong foundation, supporting one another, and taking pride in their efforts as they progress on their swimming journey. We have welcomed new members into our club which has been greatly exciting while also having to say some sad goodbyes to some of our members who have moved on. This shows not only the relevance of our club but also the quality of the service we provide. This year the Portland Swimming Club received the Barwon South West Perpetual Shield for the Bob Carmichael Award. This was awarded to us as we had the highest improvement in results out of all clubs at the District Championships.

As always we are proud of our outstanding athletes in the pool. Whether it being a first meet, a personal best or just a fun day out you have represented the club amazingly. A couple of our younger swimmers achieved some great results as we had one swimmer awarded the 9/U runner up boys champion for the BSWD and another young lady represent the BSWD at the 2025 Victorian Country Junior District Competition. It was also incredibly rewarding to have six of our swimmers invited to attend the 2026 Victorian Country All Junior Championships Competition at MSAC. This recognition is a testament to their hard work, dedication, and commitment to their training as well as the quality coaching and support provided within the club. Their selection not only highlights individual excellence but also reflects the strength of our development pathways and the positive environment we continue to foster for our athletes.



Presidents Report continued...

Personally I still sit back and laugh that our cheer squad of junior swimmers during a relay event at the Hamilton indoor meet that was asked by officials to be quiet. That shows what great support and team spirit we have within the club (if it was up to me I would have asked them to be louder 😊). We congratulate all of our swimmers and are very proud of your results.

Another highlight of the year was our 2026 Portland Swimming Competition. It was a fantastic day that showcased the spirit, teamwork, and determination that defines our club. The effort and enthusiasm demonstrated by our swimmers was outstanding with many achieving personal bests and medals while embracing the competitive environment with confidence. Equally important was the incredible support from our committee, members, and parents whose commitment and encouragement helped make the day such a success. Events like this not only provide valuable racing experience but is also our major fundraiser for the year. All reports from the day were positive so again I would like to thank everyone for their participation and help to make it such a success.

A further highlight has been the continued development of our coaching team. I would like to congratulate our senior coaches on their commitment to professional development including the completion of additional training and the attainment of coaching certifications throughout the year. The club is lucky enough to have two great coaches who were finalists in the South West Sports Awards and which is not only great that the club has these people but also amazing recognition of their hard work and dedication. Our coaches dedication to improving their knowledge and skills directly benefits our swimmers and strengthens the overall quality of our program. It is also fantastic to welcome two new junior coaches to our team. Their enthusiasm and willingness to learn are invaluable and I am sure they will be an important investment in the future of our club. A sincere thankyou to all of our coaches for everything you do behind the scenes and on pool deck and we can all see your hard work turn into amazing results in the pool.

An exciting development for our club this year has been our involvement in the Club Transformation Program. This initiative represents a significant step forward as we continue to evolve and strengthen our club for the future. Being part of this program will provide us with valuable insights, tools and guidance to improve how we operate, engage with our members and plan strategically. It is an exciting opportunity that positions us well for long-term growth, ensuring that we continue to meet the needs of our swimmers and broader community. We look forward to the positive outcomes this program will bring as we continue through the process.

Looking ahead, we are well-positioned to continue building on this year's achievements. Our focus for the coming year will include potentially expanding our programs and exploring new opportunities for growth. We will also continue to invest in our people, systems and processes to ensure that we remain effective and sustainable in the long term.

A significant milestone for the club this year has been the completion of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for our clubrooms. This has been a long-awaited achievement and represents a major step forward for our club's future.

I would like to extend a sincere thank you to everyone involved in bringing this to fruition. In particular we acknowledge the valuable support and collaboration of our hugely committed committee and the Portland Sporting Group whose assistance has been instrumental in finalising this outcome.

Financially the club remains in a stable and responsible position. Careful management of resources has ensured that we are well-placed for future growth. We have purchased some great equipment this year to ensure the club not only looks great but the sponsorship and money we raise is invested on our swimmers. This year we purchased a Square Terminal, our team gazebo, PA system and marshalling board all of which is quality gear that will last for years to come.

Of course no year is without its challenges. Like many clubs we have faced external pressures like evolving expectations for the club. However, these challenges have also presented opportunities for growth and innovation which has tested us at times but we are ticking boxes and pushing through. By remaining flexible and open to change, we have been able to adapt and keep moving forward.

A key lesson from this year has been the importance of collaboration. Success has not been achieved in isolation but through the combined efforts of our members, volunteers, staff, and families. I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge and thank everyone who has contributed their time, expertise, and passion. Your efforts are the backbone of our club and your commitment does not go unnoticed.

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to our outgoing President Kristy for her incredible years of dedication, leadership, and unwavering commitment to the club. Your hard work has helped shape the strong, supportive club we are today, and your impact will be felt for many years to come. We are especially grateful that you will still be pool side, continuing to share your knowledge and passion through coaching. Thank you for everything you have given and continue to give to our club.



Presidents Report continued...

Finally, I would like to acknowledge and sincerely thank our valued sponsors for their ongoing support and assistance throughout the year. Their contribution plays a vital role in enabling our club to operate, grow, and provide opportunities for our members. We greatly appreciate their commitment to our club and the positive impact they have on our community.

In closing, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to everyone who has supported our club throughout the 2025/2026 year. From our dedicated committee and leadership team, coaches, members and volunteers each of you plays a vital role in our success. Together, we have achieved a great deal and I am confident that the future holds even greater opportunities.



Matt Norman
Vice President, Portland Swimming Club

25/26 Committee

President: Kristy Andrews

Vice President: Matt Norman

Secretary: Rachael Healy

Treasurer: Louise Vosloo

General Committee:

Fundraising Co-ordinator: Emma Cleary

Barwon South West District (BSWD) Delegate:

Kim Ferguson-Thomas

Child Safety Officer (MPIO): Rebecca Harrison

Portland Sporting Group Delegate: Eugene Vosloo

Coaches Report

The 2025–2026 season has been another year of growth, achievement and community spirit for Portland Swimming Club. Our swimmers have represented the club with pride across a wide range of competitions, from local school carnivals to meets held throughout Victoria. Their enthusiasm for racing, learning and supporting one another has been a highlight for our coaching team and a testament to the positive culture we continue to build together.



One of the standout features of our year was the strong participation at our own local swim meet, where around 70% of our swimmers took to the blocks. This level of engagement reflects both the commitment of our athletes and the support of their families. We were also delighted to welcome several encouragement swimmers who joined our relay teams. Their willingness to step up and the way our squad embraced them showed the exceptional sportsmanship and inclusiveness that define Portland Swimming Club.

Our swimmers shone brightly out of the water as well. Three of our athletes, **Quinn Ward**, **Jaylan Tomlin** and **Elora Cleary** successfully completed Swimming Victoria's Beyond the Pool program, a leadership initiative designed to develop confident and capable young leaders. Their involvement demonstrates the depth of character within our club and the potential of our next generation.



2025 Awards Presentation Day

Coaches Report continued...

The club also celebrated significant recognition at the **Barwon South West Swimming Association Awards**, where Portland Swim Club proudly won the **Bob Carmichael Trophy**. This award is presented to the club that improves its district championship results by the highest percentage compared to the previous year—a remarkable achievement that reflects the dedication of our swimmers, coaches, and committee. Individually, **Leo Healy** received the **Peter McNeil Trophy** as Runner-Up U9 Boys Age Champion, a fantastic accomplishment for a young swimmer with a bright future.

We were also thrilled to see **Rebecca Deocampo** represent the Barwon South West District at the 2025 Victorian Junior District Competition at MSAC, where she delivered outstanding PBs and gained valuable racing experience. In addition, six of our swimmers—**Gwyneth Homer, Vossie Vosloo, Riley Healy, Emily Kato, Rebecca Deocampo**, and **Leo Healy**—qualified for the Victorian Country All Junior Competition in March. Competing at this level is an exciting milestone, and each swimmer embraced the challenge with determination and enthusiasm.

Our coaching team also received recognition this year, with **Kristy Andrews** named a finalist for Women's Leader in Sport and **Matilda Andrews** a finalist for Emerging Leader in Sport at the South West Sport Community Sport Awards. Their passion, leadership, and commitment to our swimmers are invaluable, and we are incredibly proud to have them as part of our coaching family.

Behind the scenes, we have continued to strengthen our coaching structure. Regular coaching meetings and more intentional group planning have enhanced the quality and consistency of our sessions. Matilda led a highly successful goal-setting workshop, helping swimmers identify both short-term and long-term aspirations. We aim to continue these sessions each term to support our athletes' development both in and out of the pool.



We also welcomed two new junior coaches, **Makaylee Cox** and **Lexie Munn**, who have begun learning the fundamentals of coaching—session planning, communication, leadership, and role-modelling. We look forward to guiding them as well as junior coach **Gwyneth Homer** as they grow in confidence and work toward formal coaching qualifications.



The most significant milestone for our coaching team this year was the completion of our Development Coaching Course, enabling Kristy, Matilda, and myself to obtain our Australian Coaching Licences. This achievement would not have been possible without the ongoing support of the Portland Swimming Club Committee and Swimming Victoria whom we are deeply grateful to.



As we look ahead, we are excited for another rewarding year in the pool—one filled with progress, teamwork, and plenty of PBs. Our swimmers continue to inspire us, and we remain committed to helping them thrive in every lane they choose to pursue.

Here's to another fantastic year for Portland Swimming Club.



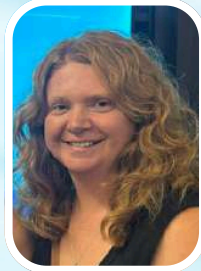
Claire Ward
Coach, Portland Swimming Club



Coaching Team



Claire Ward
Coach



Kristy Andrews
Coach



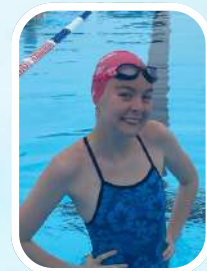
Matilda Andrews
Coach



Gwyneth Homer
Junior Coach



Makaylee Cox
Junior Coach



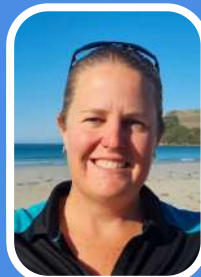
Lexie Munn
Junior Coach



Makaylee and Lexie are the Portland Swimming Club's newest Junior coaches stepping in to a junior coaching role from Term 2 in 2026 after completing their coaching trials in Term 1. Makaylee and Lexie are both excited to learn a new skill under the Coaching mentors.



Emre Rulton
Junior Coach



Michelle Beddows
Coach

In 2025 we farewelled Coach Michelle Beddows and Junior Coach Emre Rulton as they moved away with their respective families. We wish them all the best in their future coaching careers.

Celebrating Matilda Andrews: 10 years of Southern Bluefins in Portland

Matilda's dedication to the sport of swimming began at the age of seven, and by the age of ten she had already set her sights on becoming a coach. Inspired by her own swim coach, who also began as a young swimmer at the same club before progressing into a successful teaching career, Matilda developed a clear vision of how she could give back to the sport and her community.



Matilda in 2021

By eight, Matilda was already representing her primary school at regional competitions, bravely competing in the 50m Butterfly against older and more experienced swimmers. Despite initial nerves and the daunting atmosphere of large meets, Matilda consistently demonstrated courage and determination, never shying away from a challenge.

At nine, club meets became a regular part of Matilda's life, though confidence was still growing. With steadfast encouragement from coaches and family, Matilda began to thrive, qualifying for regionals in multiple events each year and earning a place in the prestigious All Junior Trials in Melbourne, twice before turning eleven.

However, the journey was not without setbacks. At age ten, Matilda was diagnosed with Osgood-Schlatter syndrome, resulting in hairline fractures and months on crutches. Unable to swim, Matilda turned adversity into opportunity by assisting coaches on the pool deck, igniting a passion for mentoring others. This period of observation and learning deepened Matilda's love for the sport and planted the seeds for a future in coaching.

When the COVID-19 pandemic halted swim club activities, Matilda remained engaged, participating in virtual dryland workouts and early morning training sessions with her coach. The resilience shown during these challenging times was matched only by the enthusiasm to return to the pool when restrictions lifted.



Matilda in 2019

A pivotal moment came when Matilda's beloved coach moved away. Though this change was difficult, it inspired Matilda to step up as a leader and mentor within the club, drawing on the lessons and encouragement received over the years. Matilda embraced coaching responsibilities, designing training sessions and supporting younger swimmers, all while continuing to excel in personal competitions.

At just 17 years of age, Matilda Andrews has already achieved the remarkable milestone of becoming a fully qualified Australian Licensed Swim Coach, in addition to being a fully qualified learn-to-swim swimming instructor.

The opportunity to share knowledge, foster confidence, and celebrate the successes of others brought immense joy and fulfillment.

Celebrating Matilda Andrews: 10 years of Southern Bluefins in Portland continued...

Matilda's commitment to nurturing every swimmer reach their potential is a testament to the positive influence of her first coach and the supportive community that shaped her journey.

In recent years, Matilda has continued to achieve, qualifying for the semifinals at the All Junior Trials and competing in the Victorian Country All Junior Championships, bringing both experience and technical expertise to her coaching. More importantly, she generously shares her knowledge with younger swimmers, always offering guidance, encouragement, and support. She leads by example in the pool, demonstrating discipline, sportsmanship, and commitment at every session.

Beyond Matilda's impressive achievements, she radiates genuine joy and positivity in every environment she is part of. Her presence lifts those around her, creating an atmosphere of enthusiasm, confidence, and belonging within the club. Younger swimmers are naturally drawn to her energy, and she inspires not only through instruction, but through the warmth and encouragement she consistently provides.

Despite achieving at a high level, Matilda remains humble and grounded. She is a quiet achiever whose actions speak louder than words. Her leadership is evident not through loud recognition, but through the respect she earns, the confidence she builds in others, and the positive culture she helps foster within the club.

Through every triumph and challenge, Matilda has embodied the spirit of perseverance, leadership, and community. Her story is one of inspiration, not only for personal achievements in the pool but for the lasting impact made on teammates, coaches, and the broader swimming community.

Matilda is a wonderful mentor, a role model to aspiring swimmers, and a shining example of what an emerging community sports leader should be. Her dedication, humility, and commitment to developing others make her truly deserving of this recognition.



Matilda in 2022



Matilda in 2023



Matilda in 2025

A message from Matilda's Coach – Paige

Matilda Andrews is a long-time member, swimmer, and now a valued qualified Coach at the Portland Swimming Club. I still remember when Matilda first came to me for swimming lessons as a five-year-old preppie, barely able to touch the bottom of the pool. My very first memory of her is attempting freestyle—by doing a double stroke with each arm! To this day, she's the only swimmer I've ever seen do that. Truly one of a kind.

Matilda began swimming with the club in the 2015/16 season. From the start, she was a studious swimmer—always listening attentively and applying feedback with care. I believe one of her first competitions was in Hamilton, and I vividly remember how nervous both she and Kristy were. Since then, Matilda has gone on to compete in countless swim meets, including the Warrnambool 2 Dayer, Hamilton's Winter Series, our own Portland meets, and the All Juniors Final at MSAC in Melbourne.

Originally a breaststroker, Matilda had to adapt and grow to love butterfly due to ongoing issues with her knee. Despite the pain and several big growth spurts, she never failed to show up to training with a smile—even if she had to use a pull buoy. One of my proudest moments was watching her PB in the 50m butterfly at All Juniors. Her time of 36 high was unforgettable—not just for the time, but because you could see how proud she was of herself. It was a clear reflection of the dedication that Matilda, and the club, bring to swimming.

Despite being naturally shy and often nervous, Matilda has always thrived in the pool, training three to four times a week. She's a fantastic role model and peer supporter for her teammates. While the club never officially appointed captains, Matilda, alongside Emre, Lachie, and Phoebe, has always been a steady source of support and encouragement for new swimmers and juniors alike.

To me, Matilda is like a little sister. I truly hope she continues to find that extra bit of self-belief to excel in whatever path she chooses—whether swimming-related or beyond. You're going big places, Matilda. I believe in you and all that you can achieve.

Thank you for letting me be your coach. You were, and continue to be, an absolute dream to work with.

Paige 😊



Above: Coach Page Clay with the Portland squad - 2024

Left: A young Matilda (centre-front) with her fellow swimming team - 2018

PORTLAND SWIMMING CLUB



Annual Swim Meet 6 DECEMBER 2025

Competing clubs:

- Portland Swimming Club
- Warrnambool Swimming Club
- Hamilton Olympic Swimming Club
- Mt Gambier Swimming Club
- Melbourne Swimming Club
- Lara Swimming Club



COACH

COACH

6

CLUBS

32

EVENTS

121

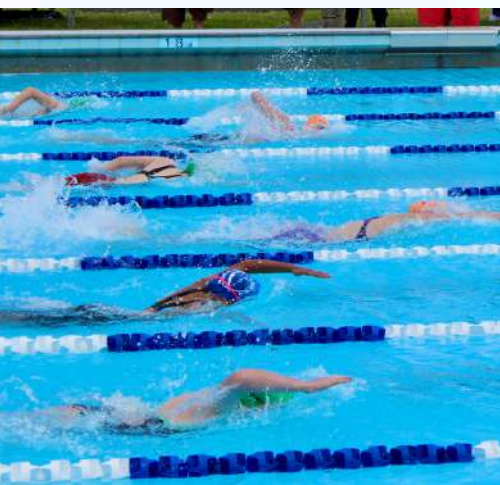
COMPETITORS

453

STARTS

PORTLAND

PORTLAND



Southern Blue Fins

6 DECEMBER MEDAL & PB TALLY

22
GOLD

12
SILVER

9
BRONZE

33
PB'S

2024 / 2025 Portland Swimming Club Award Recipients



At the last Annual Awards Presentation on Sunday 15th June 2025, the following awards were awarded to club members.

SWIMMER OF THE YEAR

Leo Healy

OVERALL EXCELLENCE

Rebecca Deocampo

COACH'S AWARDS

Jaylan Tomlin – Lexie Munn – Ivy Donovan –
Riley Healy – Sophie Shipard



From left: Riley Healy, Leo Healy, Jaylan Tomlin,
Lexie Munn, Rebecca Deocampo
Absent: Ivy Donovan, Sophie Shipard

Congratulations

2025 Barwon South West Swimming Association Award Presentations

The Barwon South West Swimming Association (BSWSA) held its annual general meeting and annual award presentations to celebrate and recognise the wonderful successes and achievements of many of the BSWSA Swimmers at the Hampden Hotel Camperdown on Sunday 12 October.

The Portland Swimming Club was awarded the Bob Carmichael trophy, which is awarded to the club that improves results by highest % from the previous year's District Championships. Riley and Leo Healy both accepted the award on behalf of the Portland Swimming Club which they were honoured to be able to do. Portland Swimming Club President Kristy Andrews said "We are humbled to receive the award and feel extremely proud of the efforts of our swimmers to achieve this. The club is constantly growing and improving, and this result is testament to that."

Portland 2025 Swimmer Of The Year Leo Healy was awarded the Runner Up for the 9/U Boys Age Champion namely the Peter McNeil Trophy. Leo was pleased with his result. "I tried my best and I am very happy to receive this award." Kristy Andrews went on to say "Leo's award demonstrates his commitment and effort he has put in through the season and is a credit to his hard work week in and week out, even on the tough days."



Left: Leo Healy
Right: Leo and Riley Healy accepting
the Bob Carmichael trophy

Portland Coaches Shortlisted For Awards



From Left Coaches: Matilda Andrews, Kristy Andrews.

Portland Coaches Kristy and Matilda Andrews were announced as award finalists at the 2025 South West Sport Community Sports Awards.

Kristy Andrews was nominated for the Women's Leader in Sport Award, and has been recognised for more than a decade of commitment to the club.

Matilda Andrews, 17 years of age, nominated for an award in the Emerging Leader in Sport category, was elated and grateful for the opportunity to be shortlisted as an award finalist.

Portland Athletes Representing the Club

HAMILTON SHORT COURSE MEET

Meet two of the HOSC 2025 Winter Series in this year's short course season. Once again, Portland swimmers represented well, with 11 swimmers heading to Hamilton for the day – and they did not disappoint!

A huge shout out to two swimmers who competed in their very first competitive swim meet for the club – Jaylan Tomlin and Marie Beddows.



From Left: Rebecca Deocampo, Rhys Beddows

MOUNT GAMBIER & COLAC SHORT COURSE

A few Portland swimmers raced in both the Mount Gambier and Colac short course meets right off the back of the second Hamilton short course swim meet for the season the weekend before.

Rhys and Marie Beddows both swam really well, achieving PBS in several of their events.

Another stellar performance from Rebecca Deocampo who swam 6 events in Colac on Sunday 6 July.



From Left: Riley Healy, Matilda Andrews, Leo Healy, Vossie Vosloo, Rhys Beddows, Makaylee Cox, Marie Beddows, Lexie Munn, Quinn Ward, Rebecca Deocampo, Jaylan Tomlin

BALLARAT JULY 2025 SHORT COURSE MEET

On Saturday 28th July 2025 Oliver, Gwyneth, Rhys and Marie, represented Portland Swimming Club at the Ballarat Short Course Top 5 Series, Meet 2.

They all backed it up on Sunday with the second Modern Pentathlon event at Ballarat Ninjas. Amazing effort!



From left: Marie Beddows, Gwyneth Homer, Oliver Homer, Rhys Beddows. (Right) Gwyneth and Marie

COUNTRY JUNIOR DISTRICT COMPETITION MELBOURNE SPORTS AQUATIC CENTRE

The Portland Swimming Club would like to send a shout out to 11-year-old Rebecca Deocampo, one of our talented young swimmers.

On Saturday 25th of October Rebecca travelled to MSAC to compete in the 2025 Victorian Country Junior District Competition.



Rebecca was nominated to compete in the Barwon South West Swimming Association (BSWSA) team, where she competed in 4 individual events and a team relay.

Rebecca showed remarkable resilience on the day. As the only Portland swimmer at the competition, she travelled to Melbourne with her family. Despite feeling extremely nervous and scared, she stepped up onto the blocks and competed to the best of her ability, achieving outstanding personal best results.

When asked what her highlight of the meet was for her, Rebecca replied, "I think the relay. It was fun."

BSWSA DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIPS

Portland Swimmers headed to Geelong on 7th and 8th of February for the Barwon South West Swimming Association (BSWSA) Championships. The two day event also incorporated district trials where swimmers were selected to represent the district at the up coming Victorian Country All Junior Competition to be held on 21 March 2026 for swimmers up to the age of 16 years old.

A support team of families attended with each of the swimmers including Junior Coach Gwyneth Homer who also swam over the weekend. It was a great weekend of swimming with many personal bests achieved whilst also having fun.



Barwon South West

Left to right, back to front:
Gwyneth Homer, Vossie Vosloo,
Riley Healy, Emily Kato,
Rebecca Deocampo, Leo Healy

CASTERTON LONG COURSE MEET

Congratulations to all our club members who competed in Casterton this month! With warm weather and a refreshing pool, it was a fantastic day of racing and team spirit.

A special welcome and congratulations to our newest members. You've officially begun your swimming journey and started recording times to beat.

There was so much to be proud of across the team. Whether you achieved a personal best, stepped up for a relay, or took on a 100m event for the very first time, every effort matters. Success looks different for everyone, keep striving and having fun.



From left: Evelyn Millard, Emily Kato, Adelean Harrison, Georgia Harrison, Lexie Munn, Arlo Ward, Makaylee Cox, Riley Healy, Quinn Ward, Felix Meister, Leo Healy

2026 VICTORIAN COUNTRY ALL JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS COMPETITION



Portland Swimming Club athletes proudly represented at the recent 2026 Victorian Country All Junior Championships Competition on the weekend held at the State Sports Centre, Melbourne Sports & Aquatic Centre (MSAC).

With the combination of a disciplined training regime and specific coaching focus on fine tuning strokes, swimming at MSAC boosts athletes confidence, dishing out fast times to our club swimmers over the weekend, and it is no wonder that Portland swimmers were very pleased with their results.

Coach Claire Ward shared her excitement on the swimmers results, "Just getting to MSAC to represent at this level is a massive achievement and for our swimmers from our small country town, it is a great deal for them to swim in the State Sport Centre, boosting swimmers confidence to continue in the sport."



Above Left : Rebecca Deocampo, Emily Kato
Above: Gwyneth Homer, Riley Healy, Vossie Vosloo

2025 FINISHES WITH FUN AND FAREWELLS



We said goodbye to long time swimmers Emre and Ava as they head off into adulthood.

Emre has been swimming with the Portland Swimming Club for over 6 years and coaching for the past 3 years.

Ava has been swimming with the Portland Swimming Club for 8 years!

We will miss them both very much and we know they will go on to do great things!

The club held a Triathlon end of 2025 fun session combining running, swimming & obstacles. Thanks Kim Ferguson-Thomas. Fun week finished off on Friday with Matilda for a "coach the coach session". Laughs were had as Matilda was put through her paces!

We also bid goodbye to Kiran as he and his family move away from Portland.

Great friendships made at the Portland Swimming Club ❤️



PORTLAND COACHES ACHIEVE ACCREDITATION



Coaches Kristy Andrews, Claire Ward and Matilda Andrews at the Portland Swimming Club have successfully completed an intensive training and development program, earning a Swimming Australia Coaching Licence in January 2026 that strengthens the club's commitment to high quality athlete development.

Congratulations

Successful Community Grants & Sponsorships

Thanks to the Glenelg Shire Council 2025/2026 Community Grants the club will receive funding to kick start FUN SWIM™.

The program compliments the club's current program offerings and provides swimmers with a positive and supported pathway into the club environment and competitive swimming.

The program will bolster club participation creating further opportunities for community engagement including volunteerism.

The FUN SWIM™ trade mark is the subject of a pending trade mark application and is otherwise protected by law. This trade mark may not be used unless you are a licensed to do so or have sought the prior written consent of Swimming Victoria Inc.



Thanks to the Port of Portland's Community Sponsorship Program for 2025, the club received funding to go towards the running of the annual swim meet including much needed equipment purchases. As one of the states most regional clubs, many swimmers in Portland and surrounding areas face barriers to participation specifically geographical and availability of resources within the area. This meet creates greater opportunity for swimmers of all ages and abilities to participate in their chosen sport.



Thanks to the Portland & District Junior Sports Funds, athletes competing in the upcoming 2026/2027 competitive season will have an opportunity to be assisted with their travel to Melbourne and beyond.

Thank you

2025 - 2026

Treasurers

REPORT



Louise Vosloo



Portland Swimming Club Inc.
ABN 67 579 062 452

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

	2026	2025
Opening Bank Balance 1 April	33,678.15	35,335.78
Receipts		
Swimming Fees	16,780.89	12,889.05
Fundraising - Raffle	1,293.19	-
Grants		700.00
Equipment hiring	200.00	
Lane Sponsorship		500.00
Sponsorship	9,085.00	-
Swim Meets	5,379.56	4,298.11
Uniforms	20.00	120.00
	<u>32,758.64</u>	<u>18,507.16</u>
	66,436.79	53,842.94
Payments		
Advertising expenses		349.75
Affiliation fees - Swim Vic	320.00	250.00
Annual Statement Fee	49.00	461.10
Bank Charges	1.40	0.20
Equipment	2,951.86	2,618.00
Equipment - Laptops		3,100.00
Equipment - Gazebos	3,209.93	-
Gifts	318.90	655.55
General Expenses	3.55	250.00
Insurance	583.54	-
PO Box Rental		181.00
Printing & Stationery	106.94	
Office, general and admin	649.00	-
Meet Manager		579.38
Repairs & Maintenance	1,246.76	437.34
Staff Training	1,470.96	-
Swim Meet Expenses	3,825.78	2,501.21
Superannuation	563.61	598.06
Swimming Uniforms/Bags	1,565.00	1,132.00
Trophies	1,406.00	693.00
Wages	8,348.29	6,358.20
Workcover	33.31	-
	<u>26,653.83</u>	<u>20,164.79</u>
Closing Bank Balance	39,782.96	33,678.15
Trading Account		
	66,436.79	53,842.94



Portland Swimming Club Fundraising Report

This report provides an overview of the fundraising activities conducted by the Portland Swimming Club over the past year. These efforts have played an important role in supporting club operations, assisting with equipment costs, and helping ensure the continued development of our swimmers.

Sausage Sizzle, 31 August 2025 - The club hosted a successful sausage sizzle at Bunnings, with strong support from volunteers assisting with food preparation, cooking, and sales. The event raised valuable funds, increased the club's community visibility, and showcased the teamwork and commitment of our members.

Annual Swim Meet Raffle, 6 December 2025 - The Annual Swim Club Meet Raffle, held alongside our 6 December swim meet, was another successful fundraiser. Strong ticket sales from visiting clubs, families, and spectators helped the raffle contribute meaningfully to the club's fundraising goals.

Easter Raffle, 2 April 2026 - The Easter Raffle was one of the club's first fundraising activities of the year. Easter-themed prizes were donated by members, families, and local businesses, with strong support for ticket sales across the club and community. Drawn on 2 April, the raffle made a solid financial contribution to start the year.

Overall, the club's fundraising efforts across the year were successful, and the Portland swimming Club extends sincere thanks to the dedication and support of our members, volunteers, and community partners. Each event not only generated important funds but also strengthened community engagement and club spirit. Continued support will be essential as we work toward another successful year.

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