

Junior States Wrap Up

WA State Junior Swimming Championships was recently held over the weekend 20-21st March, 2010 at Challenge Stadium. Fourteen members from the Mandurah Swimming Club made the qualifying times to be eligible to attend the meet. The team consisted of Bailey Hollow, Ebony Izaguirre, Trent Garrett, Blake Miller, Ernst Botha, Amy Bowman, Madison Garrett, Nicole Martelli, Sophie Vergone, Abbey Vergone, Hayley Sanders, Daniel Moles, Jacob Ford and Natasja Reicheld.

Ranging in age from 8 - 12 years the swimmers entered a total of 30 events. From these swims, nineteen personal best times were recorded over the week end. For many of these swimmers, it was their first time swimming at State level.

As well as best times, a total of 8 individual medals and 1 relay medal were won by Mandurah Swimming Club members at the meet. Nine year old Trent Garret had a fantastic meet, winning 1 gold, 1 silver and 2 bronze medals. Eight year old Sophie Vergone also swam beautifully and took home 1 silver and 1 bronze medal. Blake Miller won a gold medal in his favourite event, the 10 year old 50m breaststroke.

The club had a total of six 12 year old girls who qualified for the meet. Abbey Vergone received her first state medal in the 100m Backstroke winning a silver medal. The 4x50m Individual Medley team consisting of Abbey Vergone, Nicole Martelli, Natasja Reicheld and Madison Garrett swam courageously to finish second fastest in the state and receive silver medals. The Mandurah Swimming Club was very proud of all of the efforts made by our swimmers in training hard and reaching such a high standard.