

## THE FINAL WRAP - by Tour Director Dave

It has been my absolute honour and privilege to be able to work with such a wonderful group of young athletes over the past 4 days. They have been a huge inspiration to the coaching staff and managers who have travelled with them not only for their ability, application, tenacity and execution in the pool but their friendly nature, great manners and excellent behaviour. They are a real credit to their parents, congratulations.

I have to acknowledge the contributions of many people who made the series the success it has been.

- The Jennian Homes Ashburton Swim Club who provided us with food and hospitality for the past 2 days
- Jennian Homes who sponsored some prizes
- Ritchies Transport Bus Driver, Pat. You're a legend.
- Our team managers Amanda McLeod, Robina Dobbie and Angela Gordon who worked so hard, often late at night, to make sure everything ran smoothly and all the athletes were well cared for.
- The Assistant coaches Charles Porter, Michaela Norman and Ian Johnson who were so active and engaged with the athletes. Always hugely supportive and willing to pass on their knowledge and to learn from the athletes themselves.
- The Head Coaches Ellie Sinclair, Shane Jones and Brigitte Mahan who held it all together. Their coaching experience and knowledge is vast and they were my "go to" guys for so much.

I want to single out a small group of 7 athletes. I watched this group carefully during the week and they were the heart and soul of each of their respective teams. They swam and competed with fierce determination all of the time with 100% effort. The group I am talking about are our youngest team members, 12 year olds, Mine Nel, Eva Cloake, Jay Martin, Bryn Rumble, Tom Dreaver, Sujean In and Nick Close. These young athletes have just started on the pathway and I remind them that while they were the youngest this year they will move through the pathway and will be the oldest soon, so need to remember how they felt and how they were encouraged and supported by their older team mates. This is all about building a culture. Well done to you all.

Now for the awards –

The Head Coaches were asked to decide on their teams overall Swimmer of the Tour and these were:

Ice Breakers – Ollie Rayner

Dracula Crew – William MacLeod

Black Thunder – Laura Haughin

I then presented the Tour Directors Award for the Overall Swimmer of the Tour. This went to a young lady who absolutely flourished throughout the tour. She was strong every day, and fronted up to swim a wide range of events and remained unbeaten. Like all of the swimmers she was a great team mate with some fantastic support. Congratulations to Hannah Bates.

The winning team was the "Ice Breakers" and Team Captains, James Buk and Lucy Gordon, received the Flying Scotsman Trophy on behalf of their team mates Bryn Atkin, Nick Close, Eugene In, Lucy Jackson, Ava Morrow, Matt Newbitt, Mine Nel, Ollie Rayner, Bryn Rumble and Bailey Tait.

Well done to the Ice Breaker athletes, coaches Ellie and Charles and manager Amanda. You were strong, tight group all week.

Athletes, in summary –

- You all achieved some goals this week. Many of you were well outside your comfort zone so will have exceeded your goals.
- You all achieved some success often in different forms this week.
- You all learnt something
- You all had a good time and met new friends

Remember go for your dreams, get on the pathway!

## THE TRI-SERIES TEAMS AFTER THE COMPETITION FINISHED IN ASHBURTON



### ICE BREAKERS –

Back Row L to R - Charles Porter (Assistant Coach), Mine Nel, Ava Morrow, Eugene In, Bryn Atkin  
Middle Row L to R – Bryn Rumble, Ollie Rayner, Bailey Tait, Lucy Jackson, Ellie Sinclair (Head Coach)  
Front Row L to R – Lucy Gordon, Matt Newbitt, Nick Close, James Buk



**DRACULA'S CREW –**

Back Row L to R – Robina Dobbie (Team Manager), Shane Jones (Head Coach) Ruby Wagenvoord, Michaela Norman (Assistant Coach), Archi Perriam

Middle Row L to R – Jay Martin, Matt Harford, Zach Taylor, William MacLeod, Ben Smith

Front Row L to R – Sujean In, Amelia Davies, Eliana Troiani, Eva Cloake, Hannah Bates





**BLACK THUNDER –**

Back Row L to R – Ian Johnson (Assistant Coach), Jasmin Dreaver, Kaylee Jackson, Brigitte Mahan (Head Coach)

Middle Row L to R – Satori Dobbie, Matt Clough, Regan Mundy, Hunter Ferguson-Wilson, Quinton Hurley

Front Row L to R – Tom Dreaver, Laura Haughin, Jessica Cliffe, Dasha Meyn, Olivia Moore

Absent – Angela Gordon (Team Manager)



ICE BREAKERS – Swimmer of the Tour

OLLIE RAYNER with Ice Breaker Head Coach Ellie Sinclair





DRACULA CREW – Swimmer of the Tour

WILLIAM MACLEOD with Dracula Crew Head Coach Shane Jones



BLACK THUNDER – Swimmer of the Tour

LAURA HAUGHIN with Black Thunder Head Coach Brigitte Mahan





SCWC 2014 TRI SERIES – Overall Swimmer of the Tour

HANNAH BATES with Tour Director Dave Prattley





SCWC 2014 TRI SERIES TOUR – Winning Team Captains

James Buk and Lucy Gordon – Ice Breakers



SCWC 2014 TRI SERIES TOUR – Winning Team