

Devonport Gymnasts attend Judges Invitational in Victoria



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On Friday 26th July three Devonport state level 5 gymnasts (Emily Penfold, Olivia Kelly and Tali Brown) their coaches and parents headed to Melbourne to compete in the Victorian level 4&5 Judges Invitational. After a late arrival in Geelong we were on the competition floor for warm up at 7.45 am on Saturday morning with comp starting at 8.15. At the coaches briefing we were warned that judging would be harsh as it was a levels test so we didn't quite know what to expect. However all the girls competed extremely well and received some great scores. At the end of the competition Devonport came out on top with Tali 1st overall, Olivia 3rd overall and Emily 5th overall, all three girls received numerous placing on apparatus and to top off a great comp Devonport were second placed team.

For Laacey and I as coaches, this was an invaluable competition, as we were presented with a judging report on each gymnast for every apparatus. With competition out of the way it was time for some fun, we all went to "Bounce" on Saturday night, this place is a gymnast's dream, even the parents and coaches had a turn, lots of fun was had by everyone, this was followed up with shopping on Sunday before heading home. The girls are very keen to attend next year.



Girls having fun at 'Bounce'



Girls receiving their 2nd Team Award