



Up-and-coming swimmer Matthew Galea in training at Nepean Aquatic Centre.

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Following in heroes' wake

SWIMMER AIMS TO TAKE THE NEXT STEP

Chris Georgakopoulos

THE success of swimming sensations James Magnusson and Daniel Trantler have driven Matthew Galea to the School Sport Australia swimming championships.

Matthew, 16, of Glennorie Park, won bronze medals in the 200m individual med-

ley and 100m butterfly at this year's NSW PSSA championships.

"Since winning them I watched the London Olympics trials and was happy to see James Magnusson and Daniel Trantler qualify," Matthew said.

"I look up to them as well as Thorpye (Ian Thorpe) and

am working hard to hopefully make a final and medal at the nationals in August.

"I broke my nose on Good Friday but am back in the water now.

"I train at Nepean Aquatic Centre and hope that swimming almost every day will put me in a good position for the nationals."