



2025 Royal Aquafest Meet Recap

SWIMMERS OF THE MEET

Marlin — Abe Calungcagin

Abe attended his first swim meet as a Marlin. He is our swimmer of the meet for not having any DQs. Abe is getting started on a very strong foot in his swimming career.

Beach 1 — Addie Mattison

Addie put on a brave face and tackled some big events last weekend in Torrance. She raced the 200 Free, 200 IM and 100 Fly, all for the first time, and completed her [IMX](#) events for the first time in a season, too! She had one hiccup in the 100 Breast for an unwanted dolphin kick, but she absolutely crushed it in her other three races. Way to go, Addie!

Beach 2 — Addy Lydon

Addy is our swimmer of the meet. She has been working very hard, and she earned her first-ever B cut in the 100 Back. Congratulations and keep up the hard work, you have many more B cuts ahead of you.

Beach 3 — Angelo Calungcagin

Angelo had a fantastic meet! I am so proud of him! His 100% practice attendance for the past two months is clearly paying off. Angelo works incredibly hard, displaying impressive effort and focus at every practice session. He dropped over three seconds in the 50 Breast as well as just under three seconds in the 100 Breast. He also dropped a massive 7.56 seconds in the 200 IM. Angelo is dedicated and driven to his improvement in the pool and it shows. Great job Angelo. Keep up the great work!

Beach 4 — Sud Doss

Sud had a great day of racing at the Royal Aqua Fest. Sud's attendance has increased in the last month and half to over 80% and it shows! Sud also had 100% best times this weekend because ALL 4 of his events were first time swims. We are so glad and proud that Sud is getting some new swims in. We can see his confidence at practice build as he's leading sets and getting faster, and it will continue to build as he adds new races to his roster. Congratulations Sud!

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Level 2 — Abby Kransdorf

Abby competed in her first swim meet and did spectacularly! Throughout the meet she did a great job keeping track of her events, getting her heat & lane assignments, and showing up to the staging area with plenty of time to spare. It was like she was a seasoned pro! She swam 25 yards of all four strokes and was really good at checking in and checking out with her coaches as well. Congrats Abby and I'm excited for your next meet.

Level 3 — Tanner Didinger

Tanner recently moved up from Level 2 and is already showing great improvement. He made it to every event, stayed focused, and put up some of his best times of the season. Awesome job, Tanner!

Bronze — Emma Lenaghan

Emma had an outstanding meet and really rose to the occasion. Since moving up from Level 3, she's been improving so fast, and this meet showed it—great drops, sharper technique, and amazing focus in every race. She even picked up two heat wins! Awesome job, Emma!

Silver — Natalia Coppa

Natalia mostly swam longer events at this swim meet, which gave us an opportunity to focus on race strategy. She did a really awesome job of following her plan! Especially on the 200 free and 100 back. Even towards the end of the races when she was tired, she kept her technique and didn't fall apart. Proud of you Natalia!

Jr. Varsity — Jiya Kidambi

Jiya had a fantastic meet at the Aquafest this weekend, showing off with all best times and 3 event wins. It wasn't much of a surprise seeing how well she's been doing in practice but it was still awesome to see her succeed. I'm super proud of Jiya and can't wait to watch her race at our home meet next week.

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Senior 1 — Emma Hurlburt

Emma did a wonderful job swimming this weekend. She had a band competition on Saturday and then swam on Sunday, swimming 4 events. She checked in and out with a smile and swam her best running on fumes. I am very proud of her effort and dedication to swimming, way to go Emma.

Senior 2 — Mirabelle Nakasone

Mirabelle had a fantastic swim meet this past weekend at Torrance. She set 100% Best Times in her 100 Back, 100 Free, 50 Back, and 50 Free. Also, she was the event winner in the 50 for 17&O!! Hard work pays off, Mirabelle. Keep it up!

TOP 10 TOTAL TIME DROPPED

12-under

(in seconds)

1. Quinn Sootkoos (-40.15)
2. Laine Pennington (-21.14)
3. Gemma Coppa (-20.49)
4. Jiya Kidambi (-18.82)
5. Amrita Sehdeva (-10.80)
6. Natalia Coppa (-13.15)
7. Rush Stockman (-9.19)
8. Gracie Pash (-7.32)
9. Arlo Jurka (-5.99)
10. Lola Cohen (-5.31)

TOP 10 TOTAL TIME DROPPED

13-over

(in seconds)

1. Jack Stimpson (-80.93)
2. Brynn Danner (-47.13)
3. Mirabelle Nakasone (-36.77)
4. Cameron Tsan (-33.41)
5. Alexander Tary (-29.91)
6. Madeleine Moynan (-28.75)
7. Addie Shamban (28.99)
8. Kallen Hashimoto- Jones (-27.78)
9. Harper Ward (-19.89)
10. Violet Rosenstein (-19.84)

EVENT WINNERS

Tara Biggs ~ 50 Fly
Gemma Coppa ~ 100 Free
Kellen Kao ~ 100 BR
Dev Kidambi ~ 50 BR
Jiya Kidambi ~ 100 Fly, 100 IM, 200 Free
Mirabelle Nakasone ~ 50 Free
Brandon Padar ~ 50 Free
Laine Pennington ~ 50 Back
Ella Rances ~ 200 BR
Nia Voujovic ~ 25 BR

100% PERSONAL BEST TIMES

12-under

Abe Calungcagin, Ollie Cano, Mason Cho, Lucy Chu, Gemma Coppa,
Natalia Coppa, Arlo Jurka, Dev Kidambi, Jiya Kidambi, Brady Kim,
Addy Lydon, Patrick Newell, John Nguyen, Kseniia Rasskazova,
Talia Saracino, Quinn Sootkoos, Rush Stockman, Siena Weiss, Brandon Yin

13-over

Shayan Bhakta, Lani Cardenas, Sud Doss,
Kallen Hashimoto-Jones, Mirabelle Nakasone, Brandon Padar,
Runa Shieh, Jack Stimpson, Cameron Tsan

ALL-BUT-1 PERSONAL BEST TIMES

12-under

Quinn Carpenter, Tanner Didinger, TJ Didinger, Charlotte Hart, Abby Kransdorf,
Summer Lee, Emma Lenaghan, Addie Mattison, Rosemary Nelson,
Pia Patel, Nessa Pennington, Kiran Robertson, Alysa Sarian, Yoko Tary,
Cara Traylen, Nia Vujovic, Nate Waybright

13-over

Anna Campbell, Ethan Chen, Brynn Danner, Avery Ehrmann,
Taylor Ehrmann, Sean Everitt, Atlas Ivins, Kellen Kao, Nora Maynard,
Madeleine Moynan, Van Parker, Lilia Priester, Ella Rances,
Violet Rosenstein, Anya Saracino, Addie Shamban, Rena Shieh,
Enzo Stuppa, Alexander Tary, Harper Ward