

Nov 2019 Kevin Perry Senior Meet

Kevin Perry – Road to Olympic Trials

The key is not the will to win. Everybody has that. It is the will to prepare to win that is important. (Bobby Knight)

The Kevin B. Perry Senior Invitational meet is one of the most anticipated and attended senior meets of the season. It is open to 1,000 qualifying Southern California Swimming (SCS) swimmers plus 200 swimmers from outside our LSC. Swimmers came from all over the country to try for Olympic Trials qualifying times. That's a lot of swimmers!

The preliminary heats were Short Course Yards (SCY). The top 24 in each event qualified to swim in the finals. The finals were Long Course Meters (LCM). There are no age groups. Swimmers as young as 12 compete against swimmers in their 30's.

Because there are so many swimmers, there is no check-in. Entry is 'automatic', meaning heats and lanes are pre-assigned based on entered events. Girls competed in 8 lanes on the south side of the pool, boys competed in 8 lanes on the north side of the pool. As soon as one heat was over they started the next heat. There was no waiting for no shows. If you're not on the block the heat begins without you.

OUR QUALIFIERS

Qualifying times were faster than the SCS Senior times. Congrats to our Kevin B. Perry swimmers.

Jesie Castaneda

- 100 Breast
- 100 Free
- 200 Breast
- 200 IM
- 50 Free

Samantha Cummins

- 100 Back
- 100 Fly
- 100 Free
- 200 Fly
- 200 IM
- 50 Free

Michael DiBello

- 100 Back
- 100 Breast
- 200 Back
- 200 Breast

Garrett Dykier

- 100 Fly
- 100 Free
- 200 Free

Beaver Haygood

- 100 Fly
- 100 Free
- 200 Free
- 50 Free

Nohely Lopez

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- 100 Back
- 100 Free

Teagan O'Dell

- 100 Back
- 100 Breast
- 100 Free
- 200 Back
- 200 IM
- 50 Free

Luke Pedroche

- 100 Back
- 200 Back

Victoria Villarreal

- 100 Back
- 100 Free
- 200 Back
- 200 IM
- 50 Free

TEAM RECORDS

Teagan set an all time incredible record breaking both SCY and LCM records in the same event in the same day!

Short Course Yards (SCY) Records

- *Samantha Cummins* (13-14 100 Fly);
- *Michael DiBello* (13-14 100 Breast, 200 Back);
- *Garrett Dykier* (15-18 200 Free);
- *Beaver Haygood* (15-18 100 Fly, 100 Free, 50 Free);
- *Nohely Lopez* (15-18 100 Back);
- *Teagan O'Dell* (13-14 100 Back, 100 Breast, 100 Free, 200 Back, 200 IM, 50 Free)

Long Course Meters (LCM) Records

- *Teagan O'Dell* (13-14 100 Back, 100 Breast, 100 Free, 200 Back, 200 IM)

NEW TIMES

New Senior Time:

- *Beaver Haygood* (Open 100 Fly);
- *Nohely Lopez* (Open 100 Back);

TIME DROPS

BEST TOTAL TIME DROP goes to *Teagan O'Dell* (-7.60). **BEST SINGLE TIME DROP** goes to *Michael DiBello* (200 Back -3.81).

Our other time droppers are:

Beaver Haygood (-4.76); *Michael DiBello* (-4.56); *Victoria Villarreal* (-3.75); *Samantha Cummins* (-3.36); *Nohely Lopez* (-2.8); *Luke Pedroche* (-0.64); *Jesie Castaneda* (-0.51);

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AWARDS

Prelims were Short Course Yards (SCY). The 24 fastest SCY times qualified for the Finals. Finals were Long Course Meters (LCM).

Teagan O'Dell qualified for 5 finals events placing:

- 4th in the 100 Back and 200 Back
- 6th in the 100 Breast
- 12th in the 100 Free
- 17th in the 200 IM

POINTS

Teagan O'Dell picked up 48 points in the finals.

WRAP UP

We all have dreams. But in order to make dreams come into reality, it takes an awful lot of determination, dedication, self-discipline and effort. – Jesse Owens

Our Senior swimmers have a ton of determination, dedication, and self-discipline. They put in a lot of effort 6 days every week of every month. But they aren't the only ones with dreams. We have many swimmers on the team who also demonstrate the determination, dedication, and self-discipline that it takes to make their dreams come into reality. It's only a matter of time until they become one of our Seniors. I am soooooo eager to see our Senior team grow.

GO SHARKS

GMA Sherry