Connections Change Lives

In a world of hash tags, algorithms, and followers, know the true importance of human connections. (Simi Fromen)

No couch potatoes at the Oct 2025 DSRT A/B Meet this past weekend. 15 of our swimmers made connections with our team and with swimmers from other teams while working on their goals.

The most important things in life are the connections you make with others. (Tom Ford)

OUTSTANDING SWIMS:

Xavier Hatcher-Sifford - Sr Dev just transferred from another team. This was his first swim meet for Victory and he totally dominated. He set 6 new TEAM RECORDS, TOP POINTS, and placed all 8 of his events in the TOP 10 charts. Awesome. Welcome to Victory!

TEAM RECORDS:

Our swimmers repeatedly demonstrate the highest level of personal performance as team records continue to be broken. The latest records to fall are:

Individual Team Records

- Regina Estrada Maravilla Sr Dev (15 & Over 1650 Free);
- Xavier Hatcher-Sifford Sr Dev (13-14 100 Free);
- *Xavier Hatcher-Sifford* Sr Dev (13-14 200 Free);
- *Xavier Hatcher-Sifford* Sr Dev (13-14 200 IM);
- Xavier Hatcher-Sifford Sr Dev (13-14 50 Back);
- Xavier Hatcher-Sifford Sr Dev (13-14 50 Fly);
- *Xavier Hatcher-Sifford* Sr Dev (13-14 50 Free);
- *Myla Martinez* Sr Dev (15 & Over 50 Breast)

FIRST TIME SWIMS

Our swimmers continue to work hard on technique. Here we acknowledge the swimmers who accepted the challenge of swimming an event for the very first time.

New C Times

• *Miguel Lopez* - Age Group (15 & Over 200 Free);

NEW TIMES

More typical are the swimmers exhibiting personal excellence by moving up the time standards from C to B, or to BB, or to A, or to WAG / Age Group Champs (Spring and Summer formerly JO). These swimmers demonstrate their hard work pays off.

New B Times

• *Charles Emery* - Sr Dev (13-14 50 Back);

New BB Times

• *Elijah Dailev* - Age Group (5-10 100 IM), 50 Fly);

• *Myla Martinez* - Sr Dev (15 & Over 200 Free)

New AA Times

• *Aaron Virgen-Caloca* - Sr Dev (13-14 50 Fly);

New AAA Times

• *Xavier Hatcher-Sifford* - Sr Dev (13-14 100 Free), 50 Fly);

CHAMPIONSHIP TIMES

New JAG

• *Xavier Hatcher-Sifford* - Sr Dev (13-14 100 Free);

New SumAG

• *Xavier Hatcher-Sifford* - Sr Dev (13-14 100 Free);

TIME DROPS

BEST TOTAL TIME DROP was earned by *Elijah Dailey*- Age Group with a total (-10.68). **BEST SINGLE TIME DROP** was earned by *Myla Martinez*- Sr Dev for dropping (-5.88) for her 200 Free

Getting those harder to get time drops are:

Elijah Dailey- Age Group (-10.68); Myla Martinez- Sr Dev (-10.66); Charles Emery- Sr Dev (-5.72); Regina Estrada Maravilla- Sr Dev (-5.31); Jeanette Adams- Age Grp Dev (-4.22); Aaron Virgen-Caloca- Sr Dev (-3.71); Xavier Hatcher-Sifford- Sr Dev (-3.62); Keith Johnson- Age Group (-3.51); Bella Lira- Sr Dev (-1.24); Miguel Lopez- Age Group (-0.36); Rolando Nicasio- Sr Dev (-0.07);

IMX EVENTS

Recognizing our swimmers who stepped up to the IMX Challenge events.

The events to qualify for an IM eXtreme score are:

10 & Under: 200 Free, 100 Back, 100 Breast, 100 Fly, 200 IM

11-12: 400 Free (LC) or 500 Free (SC), 100 Back, 100 Breast, 100 Fly, 200 IM

13-18: 400 Free (LC) or 500 Free (SC), 200 Back, 200 Breast, 200 Fly, 200 IM, 400 IM

IMX Challenge Achieved

These swimmers picked up the final event(s) they needed to complete all 5 events of the IMX Challenge for their age. They qualified for the IMX Certificate from USA Swimming.

• None

New IMX Swims

These swimmers added these new events to their IMX challenge for this season/age.

- *Jeanette Adams* Age Grp Dev (5-10 100 Breast):
- *Aaron Virgen-Caloca* Sr Dev (13-14 200 Fly):

AWARDS & POINTS

Our 15 swimmers brought home 42 awards. 10 1st place, 10 2nd place, 8 3rd place, 8 4th place, 5 5th place, 1 6th place. These are our 1st thru 6th place winners.

1st place

- Jeanette Adams Age Grp Dev (5-10 100 Breast);
- *Elijah Dailey* Age Group (5-10 50 Back), 50 Fly);
- *Elizabeth Devine* Sr Dev (15 & Over 50 Back);
- Regina Estrada Maravilla Sr Dev (15 & Over 1650 Free), 200 Back);
- *Xavier Hatcher-Sifford* Sr Dev (13-14 50 Free);
- *Keith Johnson* Age Group (11-12 50 Fly);
- *Myla Martinez* Sr Dev (15 & Over 100 Fly), 200 Free)

2nd place

- *Elijah Dailey* Age Group (5-10 100 Free), 100 IM);
- *Charles Emery* Sr Dev (13-14 100 Back);
- Xavier Hatcher-Sifford Sr Dev (13-14 100 Free), 200 Free), 50 Back), 50 Fly);
- *Myla Martinez* Sr Dev (15 & Over 200 Breast);
- Aaron Virgen-Caloca Sr Dev (13-14 100 Fly), 500 Free)

3rd Place

- Xavier Hatcher-Sifford Sr Dev (13-14 100 Back), 200 IM);
- *Keith Johnson* Age Group (11-12 100 Fly), 100 Free), 50 Free);
- *Bella Lira* Sr Dev (15 & Over 100 Breast);
- Faith Rodriguez Sr Dev (15 & Over 200 Free);
- *Aaron Virgen-Caloca* Sr Dev (13-14 200 Fly)

4th Place

- Jack Adams Age Group (11-12 50 Fly);
- Regina Estrada Maravilla Sr Dev (15 & Over 100 Free);
- *Keith Johnson* Age Group (11-12 200 IM);
- **Bella Lira** Sr Dev (15 & Over 100 Free);
- *Myla Martinez* Sr Dev (15 & Over 100 Breast);
- Faith Rodriguez Sr Dev (15 & Over 100 Breast);
- *Aaron Virgen-Caloca* Sr Dev (13-14 200 Free), 50 Fly)

5th Place

- *Elizabeth Devine* Sr Dev (15 & Over 100 Fly);
- *Charles Emery* Sr Dev (13-14 50 Back);
- *Myla Martinez* Sr Dev (15 & Over 50 Breast);
- *Rolando Nicasio* Sr Dev (13-14 200 Free);
- *Aaron Virgen-Caloca* Sr Dev (13-14 100 Back)

6th Place

• *Rolando Nicasio* - Sr Dev (13-14 50 Free);

POINTS

Our swimmers earned a total of 897points. Taking **TOP POINTS** at this meet was *Xavier Hatcher-Sifford* - Sr Dev with 132 points followed closely by *Aaron Virgen-Caloca* - Sr Dev with 118 points.

Congratulations to all our point getters.

Xavier Hatcher-Sifford - Sr Dev (132); Aaron Virgen-Caloca - Sr Dev (118); Keith Johnson - Age Group (106); Myla Martinez - Sr Dev (104); Elijah Dailey - Age Group (74); Regina Estrada Maravilla - Sr Dev (55); Charles Emery - Sr Dev (49); Rolando Nicasio - Sr Dev (45); Elizabeth Devine - Sr Dev (43); Faith Rodriguez - Sr Dev (37); Jeanette Adams - Age Grp Dev (32); Miguel Lopez - Age Group (32); Bella Lira - Sr Dev (31); Ayden Cuevas - Sr Dev (24); Jack Adams - Age Group (15).

TOP 10 BEST TIMES

(All Top 10 Times can be found on the web under the Performance tab)

New Top 10

Placing their event in the ALL TIME TOP 10 PERSONAL BEST TIMES for the first time are:

- *Elizabeth Devine* Sr Dev (15 & Over 50 Back);
- Regina Estrada Maravilla Sr Dev (15 & Over 1650 Free);
- *Xavier Hatcher-Sifford* Sr Dev (13-14 100 Back, 100 Breast, 100 Free, 200 Free, 200 IM, 50 Back, 50 Fly, 50 Free);
- *Bella Lira* Sr Dev (15 & Over 100 Breast, 100 Free);
- *Myla Martinez* Sr Dev (15 & Over 50 Breast);
- *Faith Rodriguez* Sr Dev (15 & Over 200 Free)

Top 10

Updating their personal bests in the ALL TIME TOP 10 PERSONAL BEST TIMES are:

Jeanette Adams - Age Grp Dev (5-10 100 Breast); Elijah Dailey - Age Group (5-10 100 IM, 50 Back, 50 Fly); Elizabeth Devine - Sr Dev (15 & Over 100 Fly, 100 Free); Charles Emery - Sr Dev (13-14 50 Back); Regina Estrada Maravilla - Sr Dev (15 & Over 100 Free); Keith Johnson - Age Group (11-12 100 Free, 50 Fly, 50 Free); Myla Martinez - Sr Dev (15 & Over 200 Free); Aaron Virgen-Caloca - Sr Dev (13-14 200 Free, 200 IM, 50 Fly)

RELAYS

We did not have any relay events at this meet.

WRAP UP

"Individual commitment to a group effort — that's what makes a team work, a company work, a society work, a civilization work" — (Vince Lombardi)

Connection in sports highlight teamwork, mutual respect, and the shared human experience of competition. My grandsons attended almost every swim meet they qualified for and got to know their competition and even became friends with some of them. In between events they would play cards or games with their teammates or get to know swimmers from other teams. These connections changed their lives.

According to the CDC:

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- Staying connected to others creates feelings of belonging and being loved, cared for, and valued.
- Social connections are important to our mental and physical health.
- Being connected to others helps protect against serious illness and disease.
- People with stronger social bonds are more likely to live longer, healthier lives.

GO THUNDERBOLTS

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