

2016 Peppe-Bruce Memorial – OSSC Recap

HIGH POINT WINNERS

Chase Swearingen
Riley Huddleston
Jordan Aurnou-Rhees
Bridget Parker
Ben Kuriger

EVENT WINNERS

Jada Heren
Riley Huddleston
Ava Lachey
Hannah Routh
Kate Saczawa

Rylee Kreinbrink
Mia Lachey
Logan Lawhorn
Jordan Aurnou-Rhees

Jack Saczawa
Ben Kuriger
Chase Swearingen
Brady McInerney

SWIMMERS OF THE MEET

Bronze

- **Lola Zimpfer** – Lola's hard work paid off yet again over the weekend. This weekend she picked up the 200 IM Junior Olympic cut with a 3:09.21. Great job, Lola!
- **Sophie Khelashvili** – Sophie displayed unwavering determination and enthusiasm this weekend in a way that I have rarely seen in an 8 year old. After sustaining a pretty serious injury to her arm only two weeks before, and having to sit out her championship meet (Girardi) last week (and also given the opportunity to do so again this weekend), Sophie swam to numerous best times this weekend. The icing on the cake came when she lowered her LCM 100 freestyle time by a jaw dropping 64 seconds! Fantastic job, Sophie!
- **Aidan Eberhardt** – Aidan is a great example of someone who displays perseverance and hard work on the Bronze team. Aidan had a pretty difficult event list this weekend for a Bronze swimmer. No matter how much I demanded from him, he gave his very best effort in each race, and performed admirably, even when setbacks arose. He personified everything a coach looks for in a swimmer. Being our only 11-12 swimmer in the meet, Aidan also had the opportunity to represent the Bronze team at Finals on Sunday night in the 100 Breast! Keep up the great work, Aidan!

Silver

- **Grace Gabriel** – Grace achieved her first 11-12 cut in the 400 free and just missed her 200 free cut! It's exciting to watch Grace's hard work payoff! Way to go Grace!
- **Sammy Sims** – Sammy had a great meet with all best times, including a 44 second drop in her 200 IM and 3 seconds in her 50 breast. She did a nice job getting up and racing in all of her events and the time improvements showed that. Great job Sammy!
- **Hudson Williams** – Hudson has done a really nice job managing the age up to the 11-12 group. He made it back to finals in all of his events and had numerous best times. This confidence should position him for a great JO meet!

Gold

- **Cameron Kuriger** – Cameron has been working incredibly hard for the past month & it showed at the Peppe. All of her swims were phenomenal! Her 50 free time of 29.33 and her 100 fly time of 1:08.17 were outstanding! Way to go, Cam!
- **Sarah Beavers** – Sarah had an awesome Peppe meet! She dropped time in all of her events, including events she just swam at Spring into Summer. Her 7 second drop in the 400 free was a great swim! Congratulations, Sarah!

Platinum

- **Will Elsrod** – Will had a great swim meet. He achieved state cuts in the 400 free and 200 back. He also swam to six personal best times. His hard work at practices really paid off and showed this past weekend. Keep up the hard work, Will!
- **Lindsey Keaton** – Lindsey swam to several personal best times and logged a couple more state qualifying times. She showed up and was ready to race for every event, especially when she competed at Finals. Great job!
- **Annie Volker** – After several months of focusing on different stroke techniques with faster tempo along with improving her strength, Annie was able to qualify for states in three additional events and has improved a lot from the Short Course season. Congrats!
- **Carli Frey** – Carli qualified for states in three events over the weekend: the 100 back, 200 back, and 100 fly (which I think she totally surprised herself with). But all of her hard work at practices has paid off with swimming to six personal best times at the Peppe-Bruce. Great job! Keep it up!

Senior

- **Liz Passias** – Liz had a great meet! She was able to go best times in every event she swam. Her hard work and determination paid off this weekend as she was able to drop 34 seconds in her 1500. She is on track to have a great end of the season. Great job, Liz!
- **Nicholas Chugh** – Chugh had a big meet, dropping time in every event he swam achieving numerous lifetime bests. In addition, he was able to drop almost 30 seconds in the 1500 getting him that much closer his Sectional cut goal! Awesome swimming.
- **Julia St. John** – Julia was on fire all weekend! Julia swam to numerous lifetime bests and achieved her 100 free Sectional cut, 50 free Sectional cut and several bonus cuts. Her hard work is definitely showing and she is setting herself up for a great end of the season. Awesome job J\$J!

National Team

- **Ben Kuriger** – Ben had a fantastic weekend! He swam to personal best times in the 100 free and 100 fly, and also had a personal best in the 400 freestyle where he dropped over 15 seconds! Additionally, he also picked up the Men's 15 & Over High Point award. I am very eager to see his performance at Sectionals. Great job, Ben!
- **Bridget Parker** – Bridget definitely had her Wheaties this weekend! She raced well throughout the weekend, dropping almost 10 seconds in the 400 free, over 12 seconds in the 400 IM, and also swimming to personal bests in the 100 free, 200 free, and 200 IM. Bridget also clinched the Women's 15 & Over High Point award by 10 points! Well done, Bridget!