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Another record falls, local athlete takes first on day two of KMSC Pro-Am Classic

Fast swimming continued on day two of the King Marlin Swim Club's Pro-Am Classic as professional athlete **Giles Smith** of Phoenix Swim Club (Ariz.) broke the pool record in the men's 100-yard butterfly and KMSC amateur **Rylee Linhardt** of Edmond finished first in 400-yard individual medley.

The four-day meet continues through Sunday at the Oklahoma City Community College Olympic Festival Pool. Admission is free.

Smith swam the 100-yard butterfly in 45.22, beating the pool record of 45.60 set in 2007 by Olympian and former 100-meter butterfly world-record holder Ian Crocker. The record-breaking race, a bounty event, also earned Smith double the prize money. The race for second place was tight, with professional **Alexandru Coci**, also from Phoenix Swim Club, hitting the wall in 46.33, barely out touching professional **Eugene Godsoe** of Palo Alto Stanford Aquatics (Calif.), who finished in 46.44.

Sixteen-year-old **Linhardt** of King Marlin Swim Club swam a personal best to take first in the 400-yard individual medley with a 4:18.29. She finished more than five seconds ahead of second place finisher **Jessica Epps** of Mission Viejo Nadadores (Calif.), who swam a 4:23.63. **Rayann Jaryszak**, Fort Worth Area Swim Team (Texas), had a third-place finish with a time of 4:24.66.

Starting the night out strong, 17-year-old **Kathryn McLaughlin** of Mission Viejo Nadadores out touched professional **Karlee Bispo** of Pala Alto Stanford Aquatics to win the women's 200-yard freestyle with a 1:45:04. Bispo finished in 1:45.37. Taking third place was **Alexandra Buscher** of Dads Club Swim Team (Texas) with a 1:48.53.

Later in the evening, **McLaughlin** edged out professional **Hannah Saiz**, Schroeder YMCA Swim Team (Wis.) with a time of 52.46. Saiz took second with 53.05, while **Bailee Nunn**, Springfield Aquatics (Mo.), finished third with 54.75.

Professional **Michael Weiss**, Wisconsin Aquatics, swam a 1:33.98 to win the men's 200-yard freestyle. **Grant Shoults**, Mission Viejo Nadadores, and professional **B.J. Hornikel**, currently unattached, ran a tight race with Shoults touching the wall first in 1:35.13, followed by Hornikel in 1:35.85.

Professional **Katie Meilli**, SwimMac (Carolina), finished the women's 100-yard breaststroke in 58.91 to take first. **Gwen Worlton**, Schroeder YMCA Swim Team (Wis.), and **Nunn** ran a tight race for second place overall and first amateur finish with Worlton swimming a 1:02.25 to Nunn's 1:02.63.

In the men's 100-yard breaststroke, professional **B.J. Johnson**, Palo Alto Stanford Aquatics (Calif.), pulled a win with a time of 52.68, narrowly missing the pool record of 52.22. **Blair Bish**, Arkansas Dolphins Swim Team, finished second with a 53.86, while **Julian Fletcher**, currently unattached, earned third place with a 55.97.

The men's and women's 400-yard free relays ended with night. **Mission Viejo Nadadores A** team took first place in the women's division with a time of 3:23.72, narrowly missing the pool record of 3:23.28. **Springfield Aquatics A** team battled with **Dads Club Swim Team** for second, with Springfield Aquatics touching the wall in 3:28.49 and Dads in 3:28.78.

In the men's division, **Schroeder YMCA Swim Team's A** team took first, swimming a 3:03.90. **Southern Methodist University's A** team (Texas) had a second-place finish with a time of 3:06.84, while **Mission Viejo Nadadores's A** Team earned third place with a time of 3:07.63.

The meet's third day features a 50-yard Freestyle Shootout, where eight female and male athletes who qualify in the preliminaries Saturday morning race one-on-one in three rounds Saturday night to determine the champion. Also on the schedule are the 200-yard individual medley, 200-yard breaststroke, 100-yard backstroke and 500-yard freestyle (bounty event).

For more information on the meet and the event schedule, visit the KMSC Website at www.kingmarlin.com. The latest meet-related information is also available by following @KMSCProAm on Twitter.

KMSC is a competitive USA Swimming team with locations at OCCC in south Oklahoma City, The Lighthouse in northwest Oklahoma City and Mitch Park YMCA in Edmond. The team was created in spring 2014 by longtime Oklahoma City area coaches John Brown, Kathy Mendez and Josh Everett.