

# MARLINS MASHUP

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A monthly (or so) newsletter brought to you by your Team Reps

## WHAT AN INCREDIBLE FIRST DIVISION 3 MEET!

We are absolutely **BURSTING WITH PRIDE** after watching our swimmers absolutely **CRUSH IT** at our first head-to-head Division 3 competition! From the moment Disco Pogo kicked off the energy to that heart-stopping final relay finish, our pool deck was electric for the entire 2 hours and 5 minutes! The cheering, the spirit, the incredible swims – you all were **PHENOMENAL!**

Every single swimmer brought their A-game, and it showed in every stroke, every turn, and every finish. Watching you all push yourselves and support your teammates was nothing short of inspiring. You made us all so proud to be part of this amazing McLean swim family!

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## MARLINS WEEKEND SWIM MEET SPECTACULAR!

*As my voice recovers from Saturday's incredible meet, I'm absolutely **THRILLED** to share some of our most electrifying moments in the pool!*

## HEROES OF THE HOUR

**MASSIVE** props to **Brandon Bedestani** and **Emily Lipsey** (and their amazing parents!) for making last-minute schedule changes to suit up boosted our team score! 

But wait - there's more! Enter **Ulysses Hunstock**, who arrived in NOVA maybe *24 hours* before being asked to represent the Marlins in breast

## STATS HIGHLIGHTS

**Meet Score:** LRR 224, ML 196

**Meet Duration:** 2 hours 5 minutes

**Time Drops:** 54 swimmers improved their times

**Event Sweeps:** 2 Marlins swept their events

**All-Star Times:** 3 achieved

**Notable All-Star Performances:**

- Daniel Vladimiroff: 50 SC BR 33.72
- William Thomas: 25 SC FLY 21.66
- Girls 8 & Under Free Relay Team (Cammie Wager, Claire Baeder, Angie Goa, Merielle Stewart): 1:23.62

**Swimmers that took 1<sup>st</sup> in 2 events:**

- Thomas Williams (8) (Free/Fly)
- Cammie Wager (8) (Back/Breast)
- Tyson Wager (10) (Free/Fly)
- Caroline Wager (11) (Free/Breast)
- Daniel Vladimiroff (14) (Breast/Fly)



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and fly... and absolutely CRUSHED IT with a **3rd place finish** in his very first Marlin meet! What flexibility! What a champion! 🏆 ✨

## 🏊 SWEEP CITY! 🏊

Our **8 & Under Girls** came to DOMINATE! **Cammie Wager, Claire Baeder, and Merielle Stewart** swept the backstroke for our first whopping sweep!

Not to be outdone, our **8 & Under Boys** - **Zeke Vera, Max Vladimiroff, and Ulysses Hunstock** - answered right back with their own breaststroke SWEEP! The pool was electric! ⚡

## 🔥 NAIL-BITING FINISHES 🔥

**George Williams** stretched it out for a heart-stopping **3rd place win over LRR by just .43 seconds!**

And how about that **INCREDIBLE glide** by **Nika Walsh**?! She sliced through the water for **2nd place finish over LRR by a mere .07 seconds!** You could cut the tension with a knife! 🔪

Special spotlight on **Sansa Dursky (8)** for her fearless swim-up performance in 9-10 girls, scoring **1 point for her 25 FLY!** What courage! 🦋

## 🦋 BUTTERFLY MAGIC 🦋

The pool deck has NEVER heard cheers like those during the **15-18 Boys FLY!** **Sarp Dilber** and **Kaelan Monroe** brought their picture-perfect butterfly finishes to the wall for **2nd and 3rd place** with a victory margin of less than **.24 seconds!** Absolutely breathtaking!

## 🏆 RELAY GOLD RUSH 🏆

Our relay teams launched the season in spectacular fashion - **Marlins won 6 of 12 relays!**

But the crown jewel? Our **15-18 Boys Medley Relay** where every swimmer gave **110%**, working together and "locking in" for the fingernail finish by **Landon Frantz**:

- **Henry Williams (16)** - Strong and effortless backstroke start 🏊
- **Brandon Bedestani (16)** - Smooth and powerful breaststroke glide 🐬
- **Sarp Dilber (16)** - Water-attacking butterfly assault 🦋
- **Landon Frantz (17)** - Masterclass explosive freestyle finale 🚀

**FINAL TIME: 1:59.47** beating LRR's 1:59.81 for the **1ST PLACE RELAY WIN!** What a finish! 🏆

## 👏 HEROES BEHIND THE SCENES 👏

Massive appreciation to:

- **Officials Jessica Colsia & Joel Campbell** for keeping everything running smoothly
- **Johan Shumate** for announcing, pumping up the crowd with music and festivities, AND helping us sell out the Snack Bar! 🎵 🎪

**THANK YOU** to ALL our volunteers for their time, donations, and infectious good cheer!

🏆 **EVERY SWIMMER SHOULD FEEL PROUD OF THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS THIS WEEKEND!** 🏆

*What a way to kick off the season, Marlins! The pool is calling... who's ready for more magic? ✨ 🏊 🏊*