

Duck



Tales

Divisionals Results

Congratulations to everyone who participated in Divisionals. The final score was West Ridge 4086, Meadowbrooke 3617.5, and BLST 3292.5. We had two double winners (Catherine Purnell and Natalie Purnell) and five single winners (Pulak Deshpande, Neeraj Suresh Pandi, Devon Cooper, Ariadna Sanchez and Nihar Bhat). We had 96 swimmers set personal best times in 163 splashes, including 16 swimmers who swam personal best times in all 3 individual events (Kimberly Arreaga, Nicole Arriaran, Jennifer Badillo, Emmanuel Cardoso, Derrick Cossio, Olivia Giuliani, Madeline Jones, Jocelyne Martinez, Nathan Moya, Steven Moyer, Cole Newcome, Katie Rojas, Jacob Rossi, Mia Sanchez, Helen Sosa, and Nicole Torrico.) For one final time, Evan Thies broke his record in the 11-12 Boys' 50 Breast, improving on his previous best by 0.36 seconds for a new record of 38.27 seconds. Joining Evan in re-breaking a record was Natalie Purnell, who dropped 0.10 second in the 15-18 Girls' 50 Back for a new record of 32.66 seconds.

Adult Relay (after Divisionals)

Anyone who stuck around to the bitter end at Divisionals got a special treat. All three teams participated in an adult 100 Free Relay. We had one team of coaches (Dustin Nowak, Lucy Bennett, Zach Goulet, and James Crabb) and one team of parents (Julia Bair, Ashley Wells, Joseph Scoresby and Steve Franklin). We had enough interest that we could have fielded a third team, but were limited to only 2 relay teams, as was the case for all relays at Divisionals. While we may not have won Divisionals, we did win the adult relay. Way to go!

Cyber Meet Results

Every year, the computer folks from each team get together after Divisionals for a virtual championship meet. Basically, they take all of the results from all eight Divisional Meets, and rank everyone's time. Special ribbons are given for anyone finishing in the top 24 places within an event. This year 10 swimmers who earned 21 cyber meet ribbons, including 5 who received ribbons for all 3 of their individual events.

They also publish a list of the top 15 relay teams for each relay event based on times swum during Divisionals. 4 of our Medley Relay teams and 3 of our Freestyle Relay teams finished in the top 15 from Saturday. Congratulations to everyone!

BLST Board of Directors for 2013-2014

As many of you know by now, we are required to have to board meetings with the full membership each year. These normally occur during our ice cream social and our end of season picnic. During the last meeting for the season, we elect the new board of directors for the next season. This year's new board is:

President	Gerry Peters	Treasurer	Marcia Thies
Vice President	Tony Knick	Registrar	Therese Romagna
Secretary	Tracie Franklin	PWSL League Rep	Karri Guiliani

Duck Derby Results

We held our first ever Duck Derby in the Lazy River after the end of season picnic. We ended up with a good mix of winners from the race including:

1st Place:	Rob Cavaleri from AFLAC (#23)
2nd Place:	Karri Guiliani (#102)
3rd Place:	Emmanuel Cardoso (#31)
Last Place:	Vicki Ruitter (#86)

Poster Contest Results

During the last Friday morning practice, we also held a contest for the best one drawn at poster night before Divisionals. The winners were:

1st Place:	LJ Nadal (Group 5)	2nd Place:	Abby Jones (Group 4)	3rd Place:	Aylline Zabalaga (Parent)
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Changes Coming During the Off-Season

As you can see from the list of board members for next year, Coach Karri is stepping down as our head coach, and we will miss her in that roll. However, she has agreed to be our representative to the league, which we think is a great thing. (League Reps help determine schedules for the summer, and vote on rule changes, and we believe that she is uniquely qualified to represent our team's interests.) Unfortunately, we will have to find a new head coach in the off season.

We are also planning a few changes during the off-season in addition to recruiting a new coach. We will be revamping our website to include new descriptions for the different groups, and better access to documents in both english and spanish, so check it out periodically to see what we are up to. We will also start registration much earlier this coming season, around February 2014, which will include on-line registration for the Ducklings. And finally, we will be sending out surveys to get feedback on some of the changes that we made this year, and some of the ones we are planning for next year.

Keep an eye out for e-mails from us during the off-season because they will be about the changes mentioned above, but also about things like our end of year party, off-season gatherings, and Winter Clinic. Enjoy the rest of your summer, and keep up the hard work!

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Resultados de Divisionales

Felicidades a todos los nadadores que participaron en Divisionales EL resultado final fue West Ridge 4086, Meadowbrooke 3617.5, y BLST 3292.5. Tuvimos 2 ganadoras dobles (Catherine Purnell and Natalie Purnell) y 5 ganadores de un evento (Pulak Deshpande, Neeraj Suresh Pandi, Devon Cooper, Ariadna Sanchez and Nihar Bhat). Tuvimos 96 nadadores con sus mejores tiempos individuales en 163 splashes, incluyendo 16 nadadores que nadaron su mejor tiempo en los 3 eventos individuales (Kimberly Arreaga, Nicole Arriaran, Jennifer Badiillo. Emmanuel Cardoso, Derrick Cossio, Olivia Giuliani, Madeline Jones, Jocelyne Martinez, Nathan Moya, Steven Moyer, Cole Newcome, Katie Rojas, Jacob Rossi, Mia Sanchez, Helen Sosa, and Nicole Torrico.) Por ultima vez en la temporada, Evan Thies rompio su propio record en 11-12 Boys' 50 Breast, mejorando su tiempo con 0.36 segundos con un Nuevo record de 38.27 segundos. Junto a Evan, Natalie Purnell, tambien bajo 0.10 second en 15-18 Girls' 50 Back con un Nuevo record de 32.66 segundos.

Relay de adultos (despues de Divisonales)

Despues de los divisionales hubo un relay de adultos. Los tres equipos nadaron 100 free relay. Tuvimos un equipo de entrenadores (Dustin Nowak, Lucy Bennett, Zach Goulet, and James Crabb) y un equipo de padres (Julia Bair, Ashley Wells, Joseph Scoresby and Steve Franklin). Podriamos haber tenido 3 equipos pero las reglas nos limitaron a 2 equipos por relay como en la competencia. A pesar de no haber Ganado divisionales, ganamos el relay de adultos!!!!

Resultados de la competencia Cibernetica

Cada año las personas encargadas de las computadoras de cada equipo, se reunen despues de divisionales y se hace una competencia virtual. Basicamente reunen todos los resultados de las 8 competencias divisionales y verifican los tiempos de todos los nadadores y los organizan por tiempos. Se entregan ribbons especiales a los nadadores que hayan terminado en los primeros 24 puestos para cada evento. Este año 10 nadadores ganaron 21 ribbons en la competencia cibernetica , incluyendo 5 nadadores que recibieron ribbons por sus 3 eventos individuales. Tambien publicaron la lista de los top 15 relays, de todos los relays nadados en Divisionales. 4 de nuestros Medley relay y 3 de nuestros free relay estuvieron en los top 15. Felicidades a todos!!!!

Mesa directivaBLST 2013-2014

Como la mayoría de ustedes saben, requerimos tener reuniones de la mesa directiva con todos los miembros cada año, normalmente esto ocurre en el ice cream social y el picnic del final de temporada. Durante la ultima reunion, elegimos a la nueva mesa directiva para la proxima temporada. La nueva mesa directiva este año es:

Presidente	Gerry Peters	Tesorerera	Marcia Thies
Vice Presidente	Tony Knick	Encargada deRegistros	Therese Romagna
Secretaria	Tracie Franklin	Representante para PWSL	Karri Guiliani

Resultados de la Carrera de Patos

Hicimos nuestra primera Carrera de patos en el Lazy River despues del picnic del final de temporada. Estos fueron los ganadores:

1er Lugar:	Rob Cavaleri de AFLAC (#23)
2do Lugar:	Karri Guiliani (#102)
3er Lugar:	Emmanuel Cardoso (#31)
Ultimo Lugar:	Vicki Ruitter (#86)

Resultados del concurso de Posters

La ultima practica de la temporada, el viernes por la mañana, tuvimos el concurso de posters hechos en la noche de posters antes de los divisonales. Los ganadores fueron:

1er Lugar:	LJ Nadal (Grupo 5)	2do Lugar:	Abby Jones (Grupo 4)	3er lugar:	Aylline Zabalaga (Padre)
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Cambios que habra fuera de la temporada

Como pudieron ver en la directiva , La head coach sera ahora nuestra representante de la liga, la extrañaremos mucho como head Coach pero hara un excelente trabajo como representante. (los representantes determinan los horarios de las competencias de verano, y votan a favor o en contra a ciertas reglas o cambios que se necesiten), quien mejor que ella para representar los intereses del equipo. Lamentablemente tendremos que buscar un nuevo Head coach mientras estemos fuera de temporada.

Tambien estamos planeando otros cambios fuera de la temporada ademas de buscar un Nuevo head coach, estoy incluyendo un cambio de nuestra pagina web, incluyendo descripciones de los diferentes grupos, y mejor acceso a documentos que estaran en ingles y español. Trata de entrar de vez en cuando a la pagina para ver en que vamos. Tambien empezaremos la registracion mucho mas temprano la siguiente temporada, probablemente en Febreo del 2014 que incluirea registracion en linea para los ducklings, y finalmente mandaremos encuestas para saber que opinan sobre los cambios realizados durante este año y los posibles cambios en el futuro.

Por favor no olviden ver sus correos electronicos fuera de la temporada, porque ahi mandaremos informacion sobre los cambios de los que hablamos, ademas de la fiesta de fin de año, reuniones y encuentros fuera de temporada y las clinicas de invierno. Disfruten el resto del veranoy continuen con el excelente trabajo!!!