

Dolphins Shine at Wilton and Darien

The Greenwich YMCA Dolphins Swim Team opened up their 2008-09 season in splashing style this past weekend with over 150 swimmers participating in a pair of regional meets held at the Wilton and Darien YMCA's.

The Darien YMCA Piranha Swim Team Quadrathon Meet featured 50 Dolphins competing along side of 150 other swimmers from Greenwich YMCA, North haven YMCA, Shelton Monroe Swim Team, Stamford Italian Center and the Westport YMCA in 26 events.

The Dolphins were led by meet age group high point award winners William Montesi, Alexandra Walsh, Parker Scott and Taylor Schinto.

Montesi, 6, swimming in the 6-and-under class went a perfect four for four winning his group's 25-yard freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke and butterfly races with respective times of 23.41, 24.92, 38.50 and 27.19 respectively.

Walsh, 7, took the high point award in the 7-year old class winning the 25-yard free, breast and fly races with respective times of 17.69, 23.05 and 20.67. Walsh also took silver in the 25-Back at 20.46.

Swimming in the 7-year old boys class, Scott, claimed three gold medals in the 25-free, back and breast at 18.04, 20.54 and 25.88, respectively, as well a silver in the 25-fly at 23.41.

Eight-year old Taylor Schinto, picked up a pair of gold medals in the 25-Free at 16.34 and in the 25-Back at 19.50 and backed it up with a silver in the 25-Fly at 19.01 and a fifth place in the 25-Breast at 24.07. Christina Lawrence, 8, completed the sweep taking the 25-Breast at 21.85.

Other Dolphins in the top six included Allison Brea, Kellen Carlson, Caroline Conrod, Regina Frias, Addison Hurwitz, Nicholas Killian, Thomas Lewis, Mathew Li, Ryan Lynch, Kelly Montesi, Lilika Okada, Alana Pawlowski, Cole Pierce, Susie Ryckman, Samantha Scott, Emily Warner, Isabelle Wise,

Other Dolphin 8-and-unders at the meet included: Sofia de la Sierra. Olivia DiLascia, Kate Ennis, Ted Frascella, Kate Hazlett, Cameron Kittell, Tess Lamhaouar, Lindsay McBurney, Julia Merrill, Grace Mullen, Christine Nelli, Emma O'Connor, Alexea Papanicolaou, Claudia Pompa, Annabelle Raine, Grace Raskopf, Grace Ryan, Anna Stroie, Ainsleigh Winget and Chiara Zorgno.

The two-day, 100-event, 16 team Wilton YMCA Age Group Qualifier featured 101 Dolphins Swimming. Leading the way for the Dolphins, which as a team captured 18 gold; 20 silver; and, 15 bronze medals.

The 11-12 girls group was led by Olivia Katcher, 12, who took gold in the 200-Free at 2:04.80; 100-Fly at 1:05.05; 100-Free at 57.48; 500-Free at 5:40.65; 50-Fly at 28.87. Katcher was also second in the 50-Free at 26.53 and 200-IM at 2:25.56. Kitty Arenz, 12, captured a pair of bronze medals in the 11-12-year old 50-yard back at 32.36 and in the 100-back at 1:08.57.

The 10-and-under boys group had Graham Hazlett, 10, take three gold's winning the 100-Fly at 1:18.34; the 50-Back at 35.08 and the 200-IM at 2:45.17. Hazlett was also took silver in the 50-free, 100-Back, 100-Im, 100-Free and 50-Fly with respective times of 30.07, 1:15.12, 1:18.51, 1:07.09 and 35.12. Jack Montesi, 10, took three gold medals winning the 50-Free at 30.02; 100-Back at 1:12.13 and 100-IM at 1:17.38 as well as a silver in the 100-Fly at 1:18.46.

William Belmont, 10, claim the 10-and-under gold in the 50-Breast at 41.89 and 50-Fly at 35.11 as well as a bronze in the 100-Indivdiudal Medley at 1:19.61. Tommy Glover, 10, took silver in the 200-Free at 2:33.54. Aedan Lewis, 9, took silver in the 50-Breast at 42.84. Ray Warner, 10, picked up three bronze medals in the 200-Free, 50-Back and 100-Breast with respective times of 2:40.15, 37.49 and 1:32.75, respectively.

The 10-and-under girl's class saw Caroline Scotti, 10, claimed a pair of gold medals winning the age group's 50-Free at 29.26 and the 50-Back at 34.69. Scotti also claimed five silver medals in the 100-back at 1:23.35; 100-Fly at 1:16.95; 100-IM at 1:14.47; 100-Free at 1:05.22 and 50-Fly at 32.73.

Brooke Collins, 10, took gold in the 50-Breast at 41.91 and also picked up three bronze medals in the 100-Breast, Back and IM with respective times of 1:31.41, 1:19.95 and 1:20.68. Ally Furano, 9, was third in both the 50-Free at 31.71 and 100-Fly at 1:21.45. Malavika Pande, 10, took silver in the 50-Back at 36.91 and bronze in the 50-Fly at 36.44.

Thomas Dillinger, 11, took three gold's and silver winning the 11-12 group 50-Free at 26.24; the 200-Free at 2:07.89 and the 500-Free at 5:31.70. Dillinger was also second in the 100-free at 58.15. Alexander Lewis, 12, took bronze in the 50-Back at 31.59. Andrew Stotesbery, 12, took silver in the 100-Fly at 1:07.62, and added a pair of bronze medals in the 50-Fly at 29.79 and in the 100-IM at 1:08.38. Tyler Triscari, 12, grabbed the silver medal in the group's 200-Free at 2:13.16.

Ellen Feeley, 14, took silver in the 13-14 year old 50-Free at 26.50 and 100-Breast at 1:14.11. Feeley also was third in the 500-Free at 5:49.51.

Other Dolphins at Wilton included: Anna Backos, Kelsey Barolak, Perry Barth, Claire Baxter, Hannah Bear, Samantha Bear, Nicole Bellamy, Sarah Bellamy, Angus Binnie, Gabriella Bravo, Porter Carlson, Henry Cobbs, Elizabeth Commaroto, Sarah Commaroto, Jeremiah Crowley, William Crowley, Andrew

Dessy, Madeline Dunn, John Dustin, Iain Edmundson, Farah Frattaroli, Paige Furano, Jenny Goggin, Ally Grusky, Olivia Hallisey, Tyler Harkness, Alex Howe, Allie Hunter, Grace Isford, Lauryn Isford, Tyler Jester, Ella Jomo, Hollis Jomo, Grace Jordan, Nina Jordao, Anne Keeney, Clare Keeney, Carolyn Kiernan, Kevin Kumar, Patricia Kumar, Lizzie Kupersmith, Sabrina Lamhaouar, Ellen Lautenbach, Robert Lewis, Alexander Lewis, Chris Li, Jared Madfes, Kate Madoff, Ricky Marcangeli, Sveva Marcangeli, Catherine McEvoy Taylor Moore, Peter Mullen, Arin Murray, Shoki Muto, Aya Okada, Emika Okada, Ava Pawlowski, Grant Pierce, Sean Rose, Olivia Rovelli, Giles Rutson, Jake Schinto, Margaret Schroeder, CJ Sculti, Michael Shaben, Natasha Sibirzeff, Kamryn Smith, Morgan Smith, Elizabeth Swindell, Haley Sylvester, Andrew Triscari, Ben Wacker, Alex Walsh, Jane Watson and Russell Winget.