

THE CLUB RECORD

A bi-monthly newsletter concentrated on recognizing our Clovis Swim Club team members.

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Two of the members of our Elite Group made their college selections in the past few weeks. Junior National Qualifier, **Averee Preble**, committed her academic future to Auburn University in Alabama, while fellow Junior National Qualifier, **Abby Samansky** made her verbal commitment to another SEC rival, University of Tennessee.

Averee shared that much of her decision was influenced by the enthusiastic new coaching staff at Auburn and the "family feel" of the current team. Abby's decision was based on the supportive people represented in the coaching staff and the team.

[Click here](#) for the Swimming World article about Averee. [Click here](#) for the Swimming World article about Abby.

Five Young Women from CSC Attend 2018 LEAD Summit



Four young women from the CSC Elite and Senior Groups attended the 2018 LEAD Summit in Atlanta, Georgia, August 31—September 3, 2018. **Ashley Welch, Makenzie Thomas, Ella Guffey, and Isabella Dickinson** (pictured left to right) made the trip to listen to presentations from Olympians Kara Lynn Joyce, Missy Franklin, and Elizabeth Beisel, while also gaining information regarding team work, nutrition, mental skills, and life balance.

LEAD is an acronym developed by Kara Lynn Joyce to mean: "Leadership, Empowerment, and Athletic Development." The LEAD Summit is open to any young women who are current swimmers and at least 13 years old. For those interested, stay tuned to find out when and where the next LEAD Summit will occur.

[Click here](#) for more info about the LEAD Summit.

Hogwart's Meet a Fun Way to Kick-Off the Swim Season!



Nearly 200 swimmers suited up in their dress robes and donned their magic wands to defend the honor of their "Houses" at the Hogwart's Intrasquad swim meet at Clovis North, Saturday, September 15. Our swimmers were divided into 4 teams, representing the 4 houses portrayed in the Harry Potter series. Each house was assigned "prefects" from the Elite and Senior groups to help our younger or less experienced swimmers find the blocks and understand the flow of a USA Swim meet.

The lead changed many times during the event; however, after the dust had settled, it was **HUFFLEPUFF** on top of the standings, as they never let down their vocal team support and competitive edge in the water.

Swimmers who won individual events include: **Gwyn Villard, Gabby Taliaferro, Kelly Early, Kelsey Lyles, Brooklyn Gallagher, Abigail Hill, Bianca Fernandez, Alyson Early, Anson Wong, Roman Dawson, Nathanael Cookingham, Kevin Chen, Hayden Lambert, Sabal Dangl, Jaydan Chau, Matthew Chen, Joshua Cookinham, Sean Carpio,**

Big congrats to **Ali Aladwi** and **Paige Ragsdale** for making their first ever CCS Junior Olympic cuts.

Ben Forbes Chosen for Scholastic and Athletic Honors by USA Swimming



CSC Elite swimmer and Clovis North High School senior, **Ben Forbes** was honored for his academic excellence, as well as his aquatic accomplishments, in the past month. USA Swimming named Ben to their list of 2018 Scholastic All-Americans as well as invited him to the 2018 National Select Camp.

Scholastic All-American: USA Swimming sends out an annual list of high school aged athletes who both maintain a minimum of a 3.5 (unweighted) grade point average and also meet a time standard (the Summer Junior National Bonus standard). Ben was one of 3 other swimmers from Central California Swimming who was granted this honor.

National Select Camp: Ben's love from USA Swimming continued when he was named to the 2018 National Select Camp to be held in Colorado Springs, CO at the US Olympic Training Center, October 25-28. Swimmers selected for this camp are 14-15 year old girls or 15-16 year old boys at the time of qualifying, who are in the top 2 in their age group for each Olympic event (and have never been part of this camp or another national team). Ben was selected for his results in the 200m freestyle, from the Super League Championships, last July.

The camp will center on pool training and technique, as well as educating attendees on the process of qualifying for future national teams and the process of achieving greater results to do so.

[Click here](#) to see the full list of those chosen for Scholastic All-American honors.

[Click here](#) for more info about the LEAD Summit.

Claire Tuggle Named to the US National Junior Team



In September, CSC Elite Group swimmer, **Claire Tuggle**, was named to the USA Swimming National Junior team. The team is selected based upon overall world ranking. Claire was selected for 4 events, 200m freestyle, 400m freestyle, 800m freestyle, and 400m IM. Her four events were more than any other team member who was selected.

[Click here](#) to see the full article by USA Swimming.

Senior and Elite Swimmers Start Strong in Folsom Super League Meet in Folsom



The Senior and Elite groups represented Clovis Swim Club at the Super League Meet, hosted by Sierra Marlins Swim Team, in Folsom on Sunday, Septmeber 30. This meet was the opening meet for all of the swimmers in those groups. Despite the early season rust and having to travel to and from the meet for 3 hours each way, the team faired very well, racing comparable teams from Northern California from DART, PLS, SMST, Coach Daveen shared that she was pleased with everyone's effort and highlighted **Tyler Coles** as one swimmer who brought his A game and swam to the occasion. Tyler improved his 200y freestyle time by over 6 seconds from last year's best.

Swimmers who won individual events include: **Averee Preble, Isabella Abrajan, Ian Belflower, and Gabriel Jett.**

Goertzen and Sheppard Attend the 2018 USA Swimming Aquatic Sports Convention



Elite Group members, **Tara Goertzen** (far left) and **AJ Sheppard** (far right) were chosen by the CCS House of Delegates to represent the Athlete's Committee on the CCS Board of Directors and also to attend the 2018 USA Swimming Convention in Jacksonville, Florida, September 26—30. While in Jacksonville, they caucused with other Athlete Representatives to discuss important issues in USA Swimming, voted on USA Swimming legislature, and also participated in a service project, teaching underprivileged young people how to swim. Tara shared that she felt the experience was really interesting and also super fun!

October Swimmers of the Month!



- Starfish: Nick Chebotariv
- Seahorse: Tyler Claes
- Stingray: Nolan Kampsen
- East Novice: Charlotte Hernandez
- Red: Angelina Xu
- White: Hannah Myers
- Blue: Mylie Ramos
- East Developmental: Allison Boam
- Developmental Prep: Eileen Kan
- Advanced Prep / Senior Prep: Onik Srmayan
- East Prep: Madeline Binaski
- AAG1: Julianne Lin
- AAG2: Alyson Early
- East Advanced: Alyssa Rojas

[Click here](#) to connect to our Swimmer of the Month page on the CSC website.

Our coaching staff each selects swimmers from each practice group on a monthly basis to recognize as the Swimmer of the Month for the respective group. Coaches factor in attendance, attitude, teamwork, improvement, effort, focus, and coachability as traits to be recognized.

Clovis Swim Club Top-Tier Teammate



This month the staff would like to recognize **Christina Anderson** as our initial "Top Tier Teammate." Christina is 13 and is a member of the Clovis East Advanced Age Group. Her tireless ability to include teammates, make them feel welcomed, inspired, and accepted can not be ignored. Miss Anderson was at the end of every lane cheering her heart out for nearly every heat (except for her own), throughout the Hogwart's Meet!

Not only did she cheer for every swimmer wearing the red Griffindoor swim cap, she cheered on her groupmates wearing other house colors, and even spent the time to learn names of new swimmers and pull them in to her cheering swarm!

Thanks for all you do, Christina! You truly are a Top Tier Teammate!

Clovis Swim Club Super Service Seahorse



We would also like to recognize a swimmer who should be commended for service to her team. **Makenzie Thomas** spent the morning of September 15, much like her groupmates from the Senior and Elite group, introducing our new and inexperienced swimmers to the world of USA Swim meets. However, she noticeably went above and beyond that role, as she was visibly on her feet for the entire session, escorting littles to the blocks, explaining the intricacies of the posting board, cheering on teammates, and teaching others to do the same.

Toward the end of the meet, she and fellow group members were invited to a get-together, which cut into the time spent at the swim meet. Makenzie not only chose to stay until the end of the meet, she also, almost instinctively helped clean up after the meet. Picking up trash, cables, cords, and chairs, Makenzie made a point not to leave the meet until the job was done.

For her exceptional helpfulness with our team, Makenzie has been chosen to be our first ever recipient of the Super Service Seahorse recognition. Thanks for doing what you do, Makenzie!

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