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**ATAC KEEPS SCORING...**

## ATAC SCORES AT FLAGS SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

### ATAC's 2015 Spring Florida Swimming Age Group Championships



The Area Tallahassee Aquatic Club sent 21 qualifying swimmers to the Spring 2015 Florida Age Group Championships, held in Sarasota, FL on March 12-15. This is the annual season-ending short course championship meet for swimmers 14 and under from across Florida. Swimmers must make qualifying times to be eligible to participate.

ATAC placed 12th overall out of 52 scoring teams. The ATAC championship team included: Chloe Barr, Christian Bosque, Parker Brown, Kyndall Cardoso, Arianna Chambasian, Emily Chorpeneing, Michael-Ann Clark, Carson Potter, Cole Forbes, Sabrina Greer, Hanson Higdon, Nathan Higdon, Stuart Higdon, Stephanie Holmes, Margaret Howell, Olivia Kercheval-Roig, Illyanna Lightfoot, Meredith Renaud, Ryan Rumana, Virginia Russell, Parker Shiell, Anna Stvilia.

Individual event medalists placing in the top three (Gold, Silver, or Bronze) were:

Meg Howell, Girls 10 & Under 50 backstroke, Silver, Stephanie Holmes, Girls 13-14 500 freestyle, Silver; 1000 free, Silver; 1650 free, Silver.

Olivia Kercheval-Roig set a new all-time ATAC record during the meet: Girls 13-14 200 yard butterfly (2:07.36).

In addition, the following swimmers scored points for ATAC by placing in the top 16 in an individual event:

10&U girls:

Meg Howell, 50 free, 4th; 100 back, 6th; 100 free, 8th; 200 free, 8th.

Ilyanna Lightfoot, 50 back, 12th; 50 fly, 13th.

11-12 girls:

Emily Chorpening, 500 free, 5th; 200 free, 7th; 1000 free, 7th; 200 IM, 11th.

13-14 girls:

Kyndall Cardoso, 200 fly, 8th.

Stephanie Holmes, 200 breast, 7th; 200 free, 8th.

Olivia Kercheval-Roig, 200 fly, 4th; 100 fly, 8th; 400 IM, 8th; 200 IM, 10th; 200 free, 12th.

Virginia Russell, 50 free, 7th.

10&U boys:

Hanson Higdon, 50 fly, 14th.

11-12 boys:

Stuart Higdon, 100 fly, 12th; 500 free, 16th.

13-14 boys:

Christian Bosque, 200 back, 6th; 200 free, 12th; 200 IM, 14th; 100 free, 16th.

Parker Brown, 50 free, 11th; 100 free, 11th.

Cole Forbes, 1650 free, 4th; 1000 free, 5th; 400 IM, 13th.



The following relays finished in the top 8:

Girls 13-14 800 free relay (S. Holmes, V. Russell, M. Renaud, O. Kercheval-Roig), 5th; 200 free relay (V. Russell, S. Holmes, O. Kercheval-Roig, M. Renaud), 8th.

Boys 13-14 800 free relay (C. Bosque, P. Brown, P. Shiell, C. Forbes), 3rd; 200 free relay (C. Bosque, P. Brown, P. Shiell, C. Forbes), 7th; 400 free relay (C. Bosque, C. Forbes, P. Shiell, P. Brown), 8th; 400 medley relay (C. Bosque, R. Rumana, C. Forbes, P. Brown), 8th.

By finishing in the top 6 in an individual event, six ATAC swimmers qualified to represent Florida Swimming in the annual Florida vs. Florida Gold Coast All-Star dual meet in Ft. Pierce on March 28-29, 2015: Christian Bosque, Emily Chorpening, Cole Forbes, Stephanie Holmes, Margaret Howell, and Olivia Kercheval-Roig.

Congratulations ATAC swimmers and coaches!

## **ATAC MEDALS AT SENIOR ASSOC. CHAMPIONSHIPS**

The 2015 Florida Swimming Spring Senior Championships meet was held Feb. 26 - Mar. 1, 2015 in Orlando, FL. This is the short course season-ending championship meet for swimmers 14 and older from across Florida.

This year ATAC sent 29 qualifying swimmers and placed SIXTH overall as a team out of 58 scoring teams from around the State.

The ATAC championship team included: Makayla Ayers, Morgan Ayers,

Mauricio Calderon, Hannah Capers, Kyndall Cardoso, Rafaela Chambasian, Brandon Chason, Sara-kellet Clark, Savannah Crutchfield, Emma Curry, Maggie Davis, Wyatt Foote, Christopher Holmes, Stephanie Holmes, Claire Kercheval-Roig, Emma Layton, Ali Lombardi, Brewer Noblin, Lauren Peavy, Cristina Pereda, Christian Pileggi, Riley Ralston-Crandall, Jordan Ray, Tristan Sanders, Thomas Stephens, Tara Stevens, Savannah Sutherland, Duncan Sutton, Justin Thrasher, and John Yambor-Maul.

Bringing home honors by placing in the top three (**Gold, Silver, or Bronze**) in an individual event were:

Emma Layton, Girls 14-16 1650 yard freestyle, Gold; 500 free, Silver; 1000 free, Bronze; 400 IM, Bronze

Brandon Chason, Men 1000 free, Silver ..... ***A special CONGRATS to Brandon in achieving his first US JR. NATIONAL qualifying time in the 1000 Free. Brandon also achieved a JR. National "Bonus" qualifying time in the 500 Free***

Morgan Ayers, Girls 14-16 200 breast, Bronze

Riley Ralston-Crandall, Men 50 free, Bronze

Emma Layton set a new all-time ATAC record during the meet:

Girls 15-16 1650 yard freestyle (16:35.05).

In addition, the following swimmers scored points for ATAC by placing in the top 16 in an individual event:

#### **14-16 Girls**

Morgan Ayers, 100 breast, 5th; 200 IM, 7th

Sara-kellet Clark, 1000 free, 11th; 1650 free, 6th; 500 free, 15th

Maggie Davis, 1000 free, 15th; 200 fly, 8th

Emma Layton, 200 free, 5th; 200 fly, 7th

Tara Stevens, 200 back, 12th

#### **Women Open**

Makayla Ayers, 500 free, 12th; 1000 free, 6th; 1650 free, 6th

Hannah Capers, 1000 free, 14th

Stephanie Holmes, 200 free, 13th; 500 free, 10th; 1000 free, 5th; 1650 free, 7th

Claire Kercheval-Roig, 100 back, 4th; 200 back, 10th; 100 fly, 6th

Ali Lombardi, 50 breast, 8th; 200 breast, 5th

Lauren Peavy, 100 breast, 13th; 200 breast, 7th; 200 IM, 16th

Cristina Pereda, 50 fly, 16th

Savannah Sutherland, 200 fly, 16th

#### **14-16 Boys**

Rafaela Chambasian, 1000 free, 15th; 200 breast, 7th; 400 IM, 14th;

Wyatt Foote, 50 breast, 7th; 100 breast, 7th; 200 breast, 10th; 200 IM, 14th

John Yambor-Maul, 100 free, 7th; 200 free, 11th; 500 free, 9th; 100 fly, 14th

**Men Open**

Mauricio Calderon, 500 free, 13th; 200 fly, 10th; 400 IM, 14th; 1000 free, 6th; 1650 free, 10th

Brandon Chason, 500 free, 8th; 1650 free, 5th

Christopher Holmes, 500 free, 12th; 1000 free, 5th; 1650 free, 6th

Riley Ralston-Crandall, 100 free, 4th

Way to go, ATAC!

## *Florida All-Star Meet*

Five swimmers from ATAC representing Florida Swimming participated in the annual Florida Swimming vs. Florida Gold Coast Swimming All-Star Dual Meet, which took place March 28-29, 2015 in Ft. Pierce, FL. To qualify, swimmers must place in the top 6 in an individual event at the Florida Age Group Championships. Swimmers from different clubs within FL swimming who normally compete against each other have the opportunity to swim on the same team against FGC, representing the FL swimming association to see who has bragging rights for the year!

Florida Swimming won the meet again this year by a combined team score of 810 to 510.

The following ATAC swimmers earned medal honors by placing Top 8 in an individual event at this very fast meet:

1. Christian Bosque, Boys 13-14 100 back, 2nd; 200 back, 4th
2. Emily Chorpening, Girls 11-12 200 free, 8th
3. Cole Forbes, Boys 13-14 1650 free, 2nd; 500 free, 6th; 200 fly, 8th
4. Margaret Howell, Girls 10&U 50 back, 8th; 100 back, 8th
5. Olivia Kercheval-Roig, Girls 13-14 200 fly, 2nd; 400 IM, 3rd; 200 IM, 4th; 500 free, 6th.

In addition, Olivia Kercheval-Roig set a new ATAC record in the Girls 13-14 200 yard butterfly (2:07.08).

Awesome job ATAC swimmers —  
Congratulations!!



**ATAC SWIMMERS WIN BIG IN DOTHAN**

**4/11-12/15**

ATAC took 43 swimmers to Dothan Alabama to compete in the Chip George Classic Swimming Invitational. Not only did our local swimmers take home the overall team 1<sup>st</sup> Place Trophy, but also picked up 15 Individual High Point awards on the way to this Team Win. Team scores were 1<sup>st</sup> – ATAC 1,020 points, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Host, Dothan dolphins 985 and in 3<sup>rd</sup> Wiregrass Aquatics with 704 points.



Congratulations to all these great Tallahassee athletes.

ATAC's High Point winners are;

**8 & Under Girls** Lauren Carter 5<sup>th</sup>; **8 & Under Boys** B.B. Potter 1<sup>st</sup>, Thomas Austin 2<sup>nd</sup>, Cameron York 6<sup>th</sup>; **10 & Under Girls** Meg Howell 1<sup>st</sup>, Illyanna Lightfoot 2<sup>nd</sup>, Chloe Barr 5<sup>th</sup>, Maya Tang 7<sup>th</sup>; **10 & Under Boys** Brooks Butler 5<sup>th</sup>; **11-12 Girls** Sabrina Greer 3<sup>rd</sup>, Stella Grace Watts 4<sup>th</sup>, Macey Kirkendoll 6<sup>th</sup>; **11-12 Boys** Michael Yagami 5<sup>th</sup>, Jonas Wars 7<sup>th</sup>, Toby Campbell 8<sup>th</sup>.



**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL ATAC SWIMMERS**

Check out [www.swimatac.com](http://www.swimatac.com) for full results (a number of seasonal ATAC top 5 times also changed with these results, so be sure to check this out on the web also).



### COACHES' CORNER

WINTER WARRIOR program.....The coaches would like to congratulate all our Novice and Age Group swimmers that worked so hard this winter to achieve ATAC WINTER WARRIOR status! There were 133 swimmers that achieved this goal! Our Warrior party on Saturday was also a great day for these swimmers. Keep up the good work now that we are moving into the *WARMER* months ahead.

### MORE PARENT BOOSTER NEWS:

The Banquet is May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**REMEMBER: Swimmers 10&Under eat free if they choose the smaller meal.**

This has always been a great opportunity for our younger swimmers to mingle with our older swimmers and see what they can aspire to if they stick to it.

### SWIM MEET UPDATES:

***OTHER THAN ALL THE GREAT MEETS MENTIONED ABOVE.....***

- ★ ***SPRING Developmental (5/9/15)....Tallahassee.. Location – Jack McLean pool. Deadline for signing up is April 27th*** This will be a Short Course meet and we want to encourage all our swimmers to attend. Remember....To optimally perform at meets you must ***practice Meet Swimming!***

- ★ **Episcopal Invitational Bus Trip (5/23/15) – Jacksonville** This meet is for our Pre-Seniors and Seniors... Deadline is May 6<sup>th</sup>.
- ★ **SPRING Long Course Developmental (5/30-31/15) Location – Trousdel.** The Long Course season is very short so we want to encourage all our swimmers to make plans to attend this meet. NOVICE swimmers should discuss this with Coach Gerry. A number of these swimmers should swim in *some* events so will need to clear it with the coaches. The meet will just be in the mornings on each day

Go to [www.swimatac.com](http://www.swimatac.com) for a listing of ALL the Meets. The Spring and Summer schedule is currently posted so plan your schedules early.

## **SUMMER LEAGUE REGISTRATION:**

There is still room in our TROUSDELL and MYERS Park Novice program this Spring. If you know of any friends wanting to get a jump on the summer, now's the time to contact Frances. The Myers program will move over to Trousdel once school is out so if they join now they have a spot in the summer.

## **NEWS BRIEFS:**

- ★ **SUMMER LEAGUE SWIMMING and TRY-OUTS for new swimmers....** The Summer League will run from June 2<sup>nd</sup> through August 2<sup>nd</sup>. Try-outs and evaluations for this league will be by appointment from 5:30 – 6:30 on Tuesdays and Wednesdays starting now. If you know of any friends that would like to become a part of one of the most successful teams in the S.E. then please let them know. They can contact Frances at [gilbertf@swimatac.com](mailto:gilbertf@swimatac.com) or call (850) 891-4906.
- ★ **RESERVING YOUR SWIMMER'S SPACE for the Summer....** Current swimmers will be receiving a questionnaire regarding reserving your time and space for the summer. If we don't hear from you then we have to work you in where there is space, so please respond in a timely manner.

***“YEARLY” RESOLUTION ..... Come to practice / Go to Meets / Get more “A’s”***