

## Fanwood Scotch Plains YMCA Girls' Red Team Tops Raritan Valley



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FANWOOD/SCOTCH PLAINS, NJ: The Fanwood Scotch Plains YMCA (FSPY) Girls Red swim team was victorious against Raritan Valley Y, 204 to 169, on Saturday, Nov. 12.

In the Individual Medleys, Ellie Moose and Sophie Gallahue finished 1st and 2nd in the 11-12 year-old division to set the tone for the meet while Anna Dunchus touched first for the 15-18s. FSPY IM swimmers earned two other 2nd place finishes: Shae Trenergy (9/10) and Xenia Kobori (13/14), while Elle Cadigan (9/10) took 3rd.

In the Freestyle events, RVY took first in all age groups but the 15-18 category, where Olivia Barcia and Megan Small came up big with a 1-2 finish. But FSPY kept up the pressure by taking 2nd and 3rd in most of the other age groups. Jennifer Markwant and Shriya Bhushan came in 2-3 for the 8Us as did Lindsey Midrano and Kayla Gould for the 9-10s. Sophie Waibel (11/12) took 2nd while Kayleigh Einhorn and Fiona Strout took 2nd and 3rd in a very close 13-14 100-yard race.

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FSPY turned the meet in their favor during the Breaststroke competition. Colleen Gillen and Alexandria Landazabal finished 1-2 for the 8Us,

followed by FSPY swimmers taking 1st place in the next four races with wins registered by Hannah Alber (9/10), Ellie Moose (11/12), Xenia Kobori (13/14) and Anna Dunchus (15/18). Eleanor Richard (2nd, 15/18) and Sophie Waibel (3rd, 11/12) also claimed critical points for FSPY in the Breaststroke.

8U Diane-Jane Ngumah and Markwant started the Backstroke events with a 1-2 finish for FSPY; Alber (9/10) followed with a 3rd, and Bridget Davis was just out touched in the 11-12s, as Gallahue took 3rd. Strout took 1st for the 13-14s, while 15-18s Mava Dunchus and Rachel DiFabrizio came in 1st and 3rd respectively in their 200-yard swim.

FSPY dominated the Butterfly. Winners were: Kayla Gould (9/10), Julianna Warren (11/12), Claire English (13/14) and Olivia Barcia (15/18). Additional points were earned by Midrano (2nd, 9/10), Chloe Burfeindt (3rd, 11-12) and Angelina Hansel (3rd, 15/18)

The meet was capped off with some exciting finishes in the freestyle relays. In the 9-10 200-yard contest, the FSPY team of Midrano, Gould, Trenergy & Cadigan took 1st by six seconds.

The 15-18 relay team of DiFabrizio, Small, Barcia and M. Dunchus did not disappoint either, orchestrating a thrilling end to the afternoon. The girls out-touched their opponents by less than a second, sending the afternoons standing-room-only crowd home with a smile.

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