

DCY Sharks Update

Lebanon – The YMCA of Darke County (DCY) Sharks swim team traveled to Lebanon, Ohio to participate in the Polar Bear Invitational held at Countryside YMCA on November 30, December 1 and December 2. Nineteen DCY swimmers, along with coaches Scott Smith and Lauren Penrod, attended the meet, which had 552 swimmers altogether.

Latisha Thompson and Shelby Bey, for the 15 and Over Girls, had excellent performances, with Thompson earning a time of 1:16.22 in the 100-back and 2:31.89 in the 200-free. In the 500-free, Bey shaved 12.07 seconds with her time of 6:17.93, and cut 3.20 in the 200-IM with a time of 2:33.80.

The 13-14 Girls were well represented by the performance of Nicole Frantz, who lopped a whopping 62 seconds off her 1000-freestyle (13:18.66) and cut time in the 100-free (1:06.67) and the 100-breaststroke (1:37.02). Fourteen year old Kiley Lipps also had a great meet, shaving time in the 100-back with 1:17.08, and the 100-free with a time of 1:07.71.

Cory Diemler, for the 13-14 Boys, cut 6.42 seconds in the 200-breast with a time of 3:04.02, and 4.82 seconds in the 100-free with 1:02.64.

Sharks 11-12 Boys, Jordan Thompson and Evan Diemler, performed well with Thompson shaving 3.74 seconds in the 50-back (40.95) and 2.18 off the 100-breast (1:43.52), and Diemler cutting time in four of his events and chopping 6.07 in the 100-breast (1:39.31).

The 11-12 Lady Sharks were well represented by Sarah Green, who completed her first 500-free of the year with a time of 8:34.03; Morgan McKinney, who slashed a total of 7.96 seconds in five races, scoring 1:17.17 in the 100-free; Macayla Mendoza, who dropped 2.96 in the 100-fly with a time of 1:36.24; Amber Seibert, in this year's first try at the 200-free with a time of 3:16.89; and Carla Smith, who carved 2.52 in the 50-back (38.72), and a mighty 7.14 seconds in the 100-breast with a time of 1:42.71.

For the 9-10 Boys, Jose Badell clipped 9.03 seconds to improve in the 200-free with a time of 3:13.54, and Casey Puckett improved in the 50-free with a time of 35.86.

In the 8 and Under Group, five year old Carter Puckett completed the 25-back (1:08.04), and six year old Katelyn Burrell-Troutwine cut 9.99 seconds to improve in the 25-back (36.28). Lexi Addington earned a 5th place ribbon and 4 points for her time of 24.00 in the 25-breast, and cut 18.50 in the 100-IM (1:59.65) and 9.27 in the 100-free (1:47.55). Addington and Cassidy Kaiser, who cut time in the 25-fly with a time of 21.54, are both within shooting distance of YMCA "AA" cuts in several of their races.

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