

## Rancho Colorado Swims Hard Against Livorna

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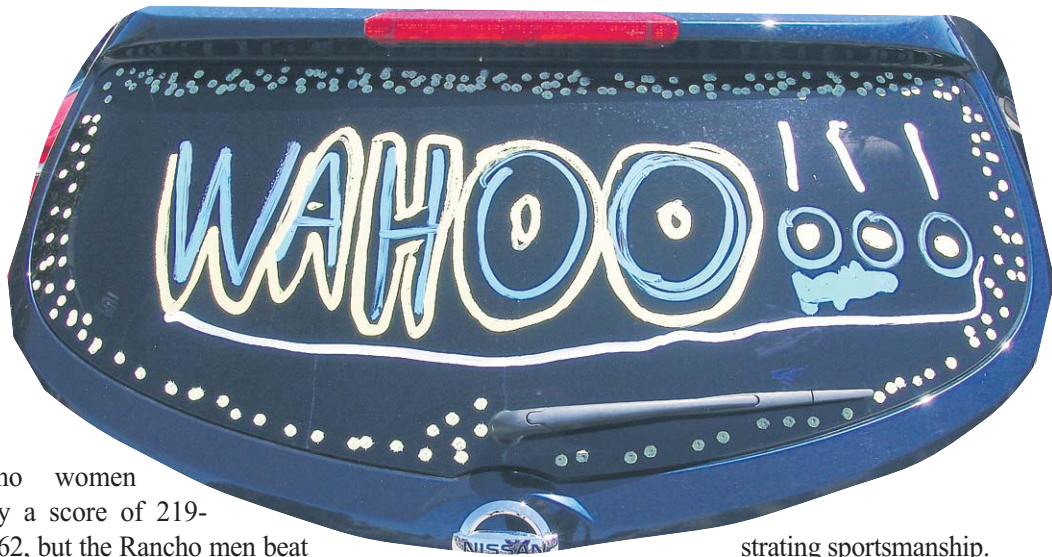
In its first meet of the year, the Rancho Colorados Wahoos were out swam by the Livorna Dolphins. On June 18 the Wahoos lost to the Dolphins with a final score of 414 to 372.

The Livorna women beat out the Ran-

cho women never relinquished their lead. Livorna kept their lead throughout the individual races and the freestyle relays to win the meet.

More importantly than the outcome of the event was the enjoyment the kids had during

Lafayette City Meet and County, but also to practice good sportsmanship in the process." This statement by O'Hara shows that the Rancho Colorados Wahoos want to win, but more importantly are working on having fun and demon-



cho women by a score of 219-162, but the Rancho men beat the Livorna men by a score of 186-171.

The Wahoos got off to a quick start with wins in six of the first seven events. The one event that Livorna won was the girls 9-11 200 yard Medley Relay. Livorna came back with wins in the girls 13-14 200 yard Medley Relay, the boys 13-14 200 yard Medley Relay, and the Women's and mixed 15-18 200 yard Medley Relays. After the relays the Wahoos took a slight lead over the Dolphins.

The Dolphins came back in the individual medley and

the meet. Rancho Colorados coach Brian O'Hara commented on the attitude of the team: "The meet showed me that Rancho is a team of heart and that the children have so much fun getting out there and swimming." The swimmers all enjoyed their races and the time with their friends as they cheered on their fellow teammates.

O'Hara and the other coaches hope that the team continues to have fun and to maybe win some meets: "My hopes are that Rancho does well at

strating sportsmanship.

The Wahoos' next meet comes against Las Trampas. In order to win, according to O'Hara, the team needs "to work on the fundamentals. Its better that all the kids know the basics of every stroke."

Rancho Colorados looks like they will have a fun summer and will win a few meets with their promising roster. From the 6 and unders to the 15-18 year olds, the team looks solid and looks like they will rebound from this loss to have a solid swim season.