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42nd Annual Lafayette City Swim Meet

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Zach Dashner Free Style

Photo Doug Kohen



Rancho Coaches L-R = Ben Lucchese (head coach), Sarah Davidson, Tommy Dowley, Brian O'Hara Photo Doug Kohen

The competition was fierce among all age groups. Rancho Colorados (Boys 6 & under) swimmer Ben Woodworth edged out teammate Nick Kresnak for 1st place in the 25-yard breaststroke with a final time of 29.41. Both Woodworth and Kresnak won the Medley and Free Relays with teammates Cooper Krznaric and Tommy Thrasher in the Medley and Thrasher and Lucas Eppinger in the Free. Also in breaststroke (50-yard), LMYA (Girls 13-14) swimmer Katie Records leaped from 3rd place in the preliminaries to beat Bryce Tanner and Brooke Aiello of Springbrook in the finals with a time of 33.34. Rancho Colorados swimmer Matthew Ladrech (Boys 11-12) edged out Grant

Sivesind of Las Trampas for a 1st place finish with a time of 28.66 in the 50-yard butterfly. Jack Larsen (Boys 6 & under) of Oakwood was untouchable in the 25-yard backstroke and tied Springbrook's Luke Miles for 1st place in the 25-yard freestyle. Sean McKenna (Boys 9-10) of Sun Valley pulled ahead of Springbrook's Nathan Brickman to win the 100-yard IM with a time of 1:21.46. Grant Sivesind (Boys 11-12) of Las Trampas won his events in freestyle and the IM while Ellyn Stewart (Girls 11-12) of Springbrook rocked her way to 1st place in all of her events (freestyle, backstroke and the IM). Stewart also won the 200-yard Medley Relay with teammates Megan Dietrich, Chase Lanier and

Katherine Torchio as well as the 200-yard Freestyle Relay with teammates Megan Dietrich, Sydney Dunne and Madeline Myall.

Springbrook dominated in the Boys 13-14 50-yard backstroke with 6 of the 10 final placements. 1st place went to Joseph Dietrich (28.07), 2nd to Ryan Connoly (29.19) and 3rd to Brendan Foster (30.09). Other Springbrook backstroke finalists were Luke Inserra (4th), Brennan Quinn (6th) and Justice Fleischmann (10th). Springbrook also set a meet record in the Girls 13-14 200-yard Medley Relay. Teammates Nora Vance, Barbara Lanier, Brooke Aiello and Natalie Chan broke the 1995 LMYA record with a time of 1:58.35.

Becca Buck Does it Again

By Jean Follmer

LMYA Girls 7-8 swimmer Becca Buck took home one of the high point trophies from the 42nd Annual Lafayette City Swim Meet. In a 5-way tie at 33 points with Joseph Dietrich (Springbrook Boys 13-14), Shannon Pegnim (Springbrook Girls 15-18), Ellyn Stewart (Springbrook Girls 11-12) and Sam Stromberg (Sun Valley Boys 15-18), Becca was by far the youngest overall winner of the meet.

After cruising to first place finishes in breast stroke, freestyle and the IM, Becca shyly said "I feel pretty good about it." She also won the Medley Relay (with teammates Zoe Del Rosario, Melissa Elliott and Morgan Rogers) and the Freestyle Relay (with teammates Audrey Chang, Melissa Elliott and Morgan Rogers). Not new to winning, Becca recently took home the

high point trophy in her age group at the Battle of the Ages for the second year in a row.

Becca started swimming with the LMYA Dolphins at age 4. With her older sister, Hannah Buck, already swimming for the Dolphins, Becca skipped Gutter Guppies and "went straight onto the swim team." When asked what she likes about swimming, Becca said "I like that when you get a time you can always get a faster one. I like it when you pop your time you get a dolphin stamp on your t-shirt." Becca also appreciates the fact "that teammates root each other on" no matter how well they are swimming. Becca's mom, Kristi Buck said "We try to keep it low key at our house so that she knows it's important to focus on her own goals and make sure that her teammates feel good about their successes as well."



Becca Buck

Photo Doug Kohen

Springbrook Coach Marc Cavallero was thrilled with the win saying "It was our 8th year in a row winning the City Meet. Our hard work is paying off. In swimming, you work hard and you get to see the direct benefits of your work. I tell my swimmers it's (the City Meet) a mid-season progress report to see where we're at. Now we get back to work."

Individual winners by age group:

Name	Team	Age	Total Points
Megan McKenna	Sun Valley	Girls 6&under	31
Jack Larsen	Oakwood	Boys 6&under	30
Becca Buck	LMYA	Girls 7-8	33
Seppi Ortman	Las Trampas	Boys 7-8	31
Alyssa Mueller	Sun Valley	Girls 9-10	31
Brady Aiello	Springbrook	Boys 9-10	31
Ellyn Stewart	Springbrook	Girls 11-12	33
Grant Sivesind	Las Trampas	Boys 11-12	31
Natalie Chan	Springbrook	Girls 13-14	31
Joseph Dietrich	Springbrook	Boys 13-14	33
Shannon Pegnim	Springbrook	Girls 15-18	33
Sam Stromberg	Sun Valley	Boys 15-18	33



Winning Boys L-R = Devin Regan, Brad Robison, Joey Hewitt, Wyatt Wilson

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Patricia Battersby, Ashley Battersby, Joan Cleveland, Joan Eggers, Joan Evans, Linda Friedman, Marianne Greene, Pamela Halloran, Dexter Honens II, Debbie Johnston, Hal Kaufman

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