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From left: Swimmers Alex Paterno, Michael Wright, Ryan Shaw, Matt Lennon Photo by Ron Paterno

Swimmers from Orinda Aquatics Junior Group once again participated in the Carson City Intermountain Classic Invitational Swim meet at the Carson City Aquatic Center in Nevada over the Memorial Day weekend. Overall, 27 swimmers from OA, mainly fourth through eighth graders, competed in the meet.

Swimmers came from as far away as Oregon to participate in one of the first long-course meets of the season. On Friday night, OA swimmers competed in the 400-meter freestyle and the 1500-meter freestyle events. For many swimmers, this was their first meet at a high elevation and in the long-course format.

"We've been coming to this meet for many years, and the kids always enjoy the fun activities here. Not only do they get to swim and really challenge themselves, but they get to have a great time as a group," said Matt Ehrenberger, Junior Group coach.

Despite having one of the smallest teams at the meet, Orinda Aquatics placed second overall, with Alec Baker, age 10, receiving the high-point award for the 9-10 age group.

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