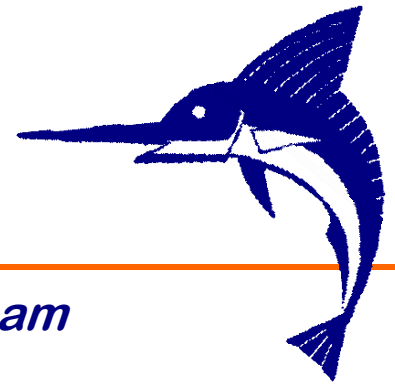




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## *Club Estates Marlins Swim Team July 18, 2006*

### Club Estates Earns Top Points at City Championships

City Championships were held this past weekend at the natatorium. Club Estates earned 3758 points to top the list of 18 teams that competed this weekend. Second place was Tuloso-Midway with 2335 points, and third place was Portland with 1611 points. Our success this weekend is attributed to the outstanding efforts of every member of our team as well as an outstanding coaching staff.

Our team has 32 kids that left the championships earning a gold medal, either as an individual or as part of a team effort. As a team, we earned 67 gold medals. The breakdown is as follows: Kristina Prewitt (25, 50, and 100 free, back, breast, Individual medley (IM), and the free relay (FR)); Graham Nelson (100 and 200 free); Kaila Byerly (Medley Relay (MR), IM, breast, fly, and FR); Victoria Garza (MR, 50, FR); John Ray Camacho (MR, breast, FR); Jacob Huerta (MR, Back, 25 and 50 free, fly, IM, and FR); Andrew Byerly (MR, 25 free, FR); Eloy Ochoa (MR, 100 free, fly, FR); Kristen Underbrink (MR, FR); Mark Vardeman (Back, IM); Paige Robinson (MR), Annika Bonnes (MR, FR), Marvin Reyes (MR); Garrett Nelson (MR, FR); James Holiday (MR), Blaine Stapleton (MR, FR); Tina Tran (MR), Anyssa Garcia (MR); Shelby Ramirez (MR, FR), Nathan Bonnes (MR), Christopher Prewitt (MR, FR), Joseph Guevara (MR, FR), Steve Anzaludua (MR, FR), Audrey Hamilton (FR), Issac Boyter (FR), Aneasa Olivarez (FR), Angelina Wolfe (FR), Jesse Nicolet (FR); David Vardeman (FR); Kelsey Kemp (FR); Kirsten Kemp (FR); and Devin Richardson (FR).

Thirty-nine kids received a total of 52 silver medals. The breakout is as follows: Andrew Byerly (100 free, breast); Chris Prewitt (200 free, breast); Nathan Bonnes (400 free), Donna Pennington (MR, FR), Alexandria Ochoa (MR); Holly Moore (MR, FR); Audrey Hamilton (MR); Kristina Prewitt (MR); Aneasa Olivarez (MR, breast); Jessi Nicolet (MR);

Hannah Bratton (MR); Richard Walker (MR); John Holiday (MR); David Vardeman (MR); James Ramirez (MR, FR), Kaila Byerly (Back, 25 and 50 free); Garret Nelson (50 free); Eloy Ochoa (50 free, IM, 25 free); John Ray Camacho (IM, 25 free, fly); Graham Nelson (MR); Mark Vardeman (MR); Mark Reyes (MR); Matt Gonzalez (MR); Kristen Underbrink (100 free, breast); Jacob Huerta (breast); Michael Hummel (25 free, FR); Myranda Gonzalez (FR); Gabriella Barrera (FR); Sydney Burkett (FR), Elijah Wolfe (FR); Grayden Nelson (FR); Austin Carter (FR); Trent Stapleton (FR); Raige Robinson (FR); Emily Garcia (FR); Matthew Dawood (FR); Robbie Ramirez (FR); James Holiday (FR); and Christina Tran (breast).

Fourteen kids took home 26 bronze medals. The breakdown is as follows: Blaine Stapleton (100 free); Kristen Underbrink (50, 200, and 400 free, back); Deanna Rivera (200 IM, breast); Nathan Bonnes (200); Christopher Prewitt (400, IM); Trent Stapleton (back, 25 free); John Ray Camacho (back); Aneasa Olivarez (back, 50 free, IM); Eloy Ochoa (back); Andrew Byerly (50); Victoria Garza (IM, 25 free, fly); Joseph Guevara (100); Shelby Ramirez (IM, fly); and Garrett Nelson (25 free).

At the conclusion of the meet on Sunday, Mr. Duvall accepted the trophy on behalf of all Marlins. Our performance this weekend is a result of (1) hard-working Marlins, (2) hard-working coaches, and (3) very supportive parents.



## Farewell to Coach Vicki



While our team enjoyed great success this weekend, it also comes with a great deal of sadness. This is our last meet with Coach Vicki, as she will be leaving soon to move to Louisiana.

Vicki has been a coach with Club Estates for many, many years. She has dedicated countless hours to teaching the kids of Corpus Christi to swim through the SwimAmerica program. She also coached many of the kids on our team from the time they were just learning to swim.

Her commitment to the swim team, and especially the summer program, is a large reason for our success. After Club Estates won the City Championships for 10 years straight, we did not participate in the summer program in 2004. In 2005, Vicki re-energized our summer program to what we have today – 86 kids participated in the summer league this summer.

Her dedication to the team extended far from the swimming pool. She has done so much for the team that it can't all be said here. She has set up numerous alliance meets for our kids, she kept us all informed through the newsletters, she developed motivation programs, such as the motivational bead program, to keep the kids motivated, she ordered team gear so our kids could be proud in their uniforms, she set up fund raisers so the club could buy equipment, and she sat behind the consol ensuring that the meets would be run properly and smoothly. Behind the scenes, she worked endless hours with the staff at the City of Corpus Christi to assist in the City's summer swim league.

The entire team joins in to thank Vicki for everything she has done for our team, and we wish

her the best of luck as she goes forth to conquer new territory.

## Jacob Huerta Sets City Record

Jacob Huerta shattered the 14-year-old city record in the 8 and under 25 free, setting a new record of 16.72. Congratulations!

## End of Season Party

To celebrate our success as a swim club, we will have an end-of-season swim party at the front pool on Monday, 31 July, beginning at 5:30 pm. The pool will be open for all. This party is for the entire club: US and summer swimmers.

The parents club will provide drinks, plates, silverware, napkins, and ice. We are asking each family to bring a dish of some type. The basic theme will be pasta. We will have a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. This party will be a great time, with surprises in store. Please mark your calendar today so that you can attend this event.

## Marlins Excel at STAGS

The South Texas Age Group Championships (STAGS) were held on 7-9 July at the University of Texas in Austin. Our swimmers did a fine job at the meet accomplishing new personal bests. Our results are as follows: Patrick O'Connell (50 free (11<sup>th</sup>), 100 free (19<sup>th</sup>), 200 back (13<sup>th</sup>), 50 breast (8<sup>th</sup>), 100 breast (9<sup>th</sup>), 200 IM (12<sup>th</sup>), and 50 back (14<sup>th</sup>); Jacob Huerta (50 fly (10<sup>th</sup>), 100 fly (9<sup>th</sup>), 200 IM (17<sup>th</sup>), 200 IM (17<sup>th</sup>), 50 free (22<sup>nd</sup>), and 50 fly (22)); Kristina Prewit (50 free (3<sup>rd</sup>), 100 back (6<sup>th</sup>), 50 breast (4<sup>th</sup>), 100 breast (4<sup>th</sup>), 200 IM (3<sup>rd</sup>), and 200 free (4<sup>th</sup>); Aneasa Olivarez 50 free (21<sup>th</sup>), 100 free (24<sup>th</sup>), 400 free (22<sup>nd</sup>), 50 back (28<sup>th</sup>), 50 breast (25<sup>th</sup>), and 100 breast (30<sup>th</sup>); Kaila Byerly 400 free (32<sup>nd</sup>); James Holiday 100 fly (28<sup>th</sup>); Eloy Ochoa 50 fly (19<sup>th</sup>), and Sammi Stillman 100 fly (21<sup>th</sup>) and 200 fly (7<sup>th</sup>). The kids also competed in relays along with Blaine Stapleton and John Holiday.

## TAGS

The Texas Age Group Championships will be held at the Woodlands this weekend. Kristina Prewit, Jacob Huerta, and Patrick O'Connell have qualified to swim in this meet. Congratulations and swim fast.

### **Thank you for your help!!**

We would like to thank all of the parents who helped out at Regionals, City, and the dual meets. It takes many parents to make a meet run smoothly. You are a big part of the success of our team.

### **Upcoming USA Swim Meets**

July 19-23 – TAGS

July 27-30 – Junior Olympics

### **Fall Season US Meets**

The CCAA coaches will be meeting in the near future to determine our fall schedule including alliance meets. For planning purposes, please pencil in the following dates:

29 Sep – Tentative date for CCCE Spring Meet

14-15 Oct – Harvest Meet

9-10 Dec – CCAA Unclassified Meet

### **Next SwimAmerica Session**

The next SwimAmerica session will begin on July 31. SwimAmerica is our Learn-to-Swim program. Brochures are available in the front office and the back pool for anyone interested in additional information. Please get an application form from Coach Annette or from the Front Office.

### **Kick-Off Retreat**

We'll begin our fall season with a 'Kick-Off Retreat' in August. It will be held at Camp Zephyr on Lake Corpus Christi. CCAA swimmers from Club Estates, Flour Bluff and HEAT (home schoolers) will be participating. Swimmers must be registered US Swimmers to participate in the retreat.

We will be spending the weekend watching swimming videos, videotaping, learning swimming drills and dryland exercises, and starting our Education modules.

Parents can get in on the weekend too – there will be an Officials' Clinic, and CCAA Committee meetings held on Saturday.

If you or your child are planning on participating in the retreat, please complete the registration form and submit your deposit.