

## SWIMMING NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHAMPIONSHIPS

# Hill repeats as top male swimmer

The Seton senior displays dazzling speed at Villanova.

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For the second year in a row, Jameson Hill, a senior at Seton School in Manassas, was named the male swimmer of the meet at the 2010 National Catholic High School Championships held last weekend at Villanova University in Pennsylvania.

Hill, who will swim for the University of Georgia next year, won the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:38.54 and the 500-yard freestyle with a time of 4:27.19, a new meet record.

The Good Counsel girls (362.5 points) and Loyola Blakefield boys (430 points) finished first overall for the third straight year.

Good Counsel junior Katie Rogers was named swimmer of the meet on the girls' side as she won both the 200-yard freestyle (1:53.60) and 500-yard freestyle (5:01.88). Good Counsel freshman Jack Conger made quite an impression in his first big high school meet, finishing first in both the 100-yard backstroke (52.13) and 200-yard individual medley (1:53.63). Georgetown Prep junior Jonathan Eckstrom finished second to Conger in both events.

The Seton girls had an outstanding meet. They finished sixth overall (143.5), while Bishop Ireton placed eighth (127) and Bishop O'Connell finished 10th (91). On the boys' side, Bishop Ireton finished eighth (122) and Seton placed 11th (88.5).

"I was psyched. The girls swam so well," said Seton Coach Jim Koehr. "It is so exciting to see how our little school can compete against these larger schools."

Bishop O'Connell sophomore Elena Marsilii was the only



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Seton senior Jameson Hill (center) and his teammates prepare for a relay race at last week's swim meet at Villanova University.

local female swimmer to finish in the top 10 overall with 30 points. On the boys' side, Ireton senior Angus MacDonald finished fourth with 36 points, while O'Connell junior Ian Decker was 10th with 30 points.

Marsilii placed fifth in the 200-yard freestyle (1:57.83) and third in the 500-yard freestyle (5:09.18). Decker had a strong showing in the 500-yard freestyle, finishing second to Hill with a time of 4:39.40. He also placed sixth in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:45.45.

MacDonald, who will swim for the U.S. Air Force Academy next year, won the 100-yard butterfly with a time of 51.39 and placed third in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:41.95.

## Other results

The Ireton girls (Maddie Zeigler, Liz Collins, Alina Hall and Saskia Kroesen) placed second in the 200-yard medley relay with a time of 1:53.62. The O'Connell girls (Bridget McGinley, Liz Kilgallin, Marsilii and Ryan Umberger) finished seventh (1:58.91).

In the 200-yard individual medley, Oakcrest senior Sarah Kenis placed fourth (2:14.35) while Ireton's Hall was eighth (2:22.82).

Seton sophomore Alex Doonis placed sixth in the 50-yard freestyle (25.27) and seventh in the 100-yard backstroke (1:02.97). Her teammate Lauren Donohoe was seventh in the 50-yard free (25.41) and sixth in the 100-yard free (55.45). For the boys, Ireton senior Sam Ellis finished fourth (21.96) in the 50-yard freestyle and eighth in the 100-yard freestyle (49.41).

Seton junior Bridget Wunderly placed seventh in the 100-yard butterfly (1:03.42). Ireton sophomore Maddie Zeigler was eighth in the 100-yard backstroke (1:03.83).

In the girls' 200-yard freestyle relay, Seton (Doonis, Cat Rogers, Laura Talbott and Donohoe) finished third (1:40.83) and O'Connell (Umberger, Kilgallin, Madeleine Bourne and Marsilii) placed sixth (1:46.06).

Ireton's Collins finished third in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:08.86), while Seton senior Jamie Mutolo placed sixth (1:11.57).

The Seton girls (Doonis, Carolyn Claybrooke, Rogers and Donohoe) finished fifth in the 400-yard freestyle relay (3:44.78). On the boys' side, Ireton (MacDonald, Buckeye Dougherty, Carey Natoli and Ellis) finished fourth (3:19.95). The Seton boys (Hill, Connor Cook, Catfish Dunn and David Basinger) placed sixth (3:21.38).