

Seton's Hill named top male swimmer
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Jameson Hill, a junior at Seton School in Manassas, was named the top male swimmer at the 2009 National Catholic High School Championships held last weekend at Villanova University near Philadelphia. Hill set meet records in the 100-yard freestyle (45.76) and 200-yard freestyle (1:39.53). The Seton boys finished in 10th place overall (90 points).

The Good Counsel girls (405 points) and Loyola Blakefield boys (432 points) finished first overall for the second straight year.

Bishop O'Connell senior Kayla O'Malley tied for first place overall with Blair Webb of Good Counsel and Jessica Donahue of Holy Cross. Donahue, who placed first in both the 200-free and 500-free, was named the female swimmer of the meet. O'Malley placed first in both the 100-butterfly (58.00) and 200-individual medley (2:09.77).

Other local girls who finished in the top 10 overall included Oakcrest junior Sarah Kenis (seventh), Seton sophomore Lauren Donohoe (seventh) and O'Connell freshman Elena Marsilli (10th).

The O'Connell girls finished third overall (295 points), while Seton placed fifth (209), Paul VI Catholic seventh (100) and Oakcrest ninth (83).

Bishop O'Connell senior Michael Flach was the only other local male swimmer to finish in the top 10. He placed second in both the 200-free (1:42.79) and 500-free (4:40.74) to finish tied for sixth. The O'Connell boys placed sixth overall (162 points). Paul VI, led by seniors Pat Lytle, Joe Clarke and Alex Spina, finished eighth overall (129).

Loyola Blakefield senior Sean Roddy also set meet records in the 200-individual medley (1:50.56) and 100-breaststroke (56.04). Georgetown Prep senior Brady Fox finished first in both the 100-butterfly (49.72) and 100-backstroke (50.30). Gonzaga senior Patrick Sullivan had terrific swims in both the 50-free (21.16) and 100-free (46.75).

Other results

Seton's Lauren Donohoe and Alex Doonis finished second and fourth respectively in the 50-yard freestyle. The two girls also finished third and fifth in the 100-freestyle.

Paul VI senior Natalie Fitz placed fourth in the 200-freestyle (2:01.63). O'Connell's Marsilli was fifth in that event (2:02.96), while Seton junior Carolyn Claybrooks finished eighth (2:10.64). Marsilli placed second in the 500-freestyle (5:22.07), while teammates Katie Wargo (5:42.27) and Meghan Aubrey (5:56.58) finished sixth and eighth, respectively.

In the 100-yard backstroke, O'Connell's Lucy Tamberrino and Bridget McGinley finished fifth and eighth, while Paul VI's Fitz finished sixth and Oakcrest's Elizabeth Kenis seventh. Kenis also finished fifth in the 100-yard butterfly (1:02.49).

In the 100-yard breaststroke, Oakcrest's Sarah Kenis was second (1:10.21), O'Connell's Elizabeth Kilgallin fourth (1:11.64) and Seton's Mary-Kate Kenna sixth (1:13.72). Kenis finished third in the 200 IM (2:15.19), while Kenna placed eighth (2:25.54).

The O'Connell girls' 200-yard freestyle relay (O'Malley, Van Horn, Umberger and Marsilli) finished second (1:44.00). The Seton girls (Doonis, Rogers, Talbott and Donohoe) placed third (1:44.29).

In the 400-yard freestyle relay, Seton (Doonis, Talbott, Claybrooks and Donohoe) finished fourth (3:52.71), O'Connell (Marsilli, Umberger, McGinley and Tamberrino) fifth (3:54.12) and Paul VI (Fitz, Quint, Young and Orsa) eighth (4:06.87).

In the 200-yard medley relay, O'Connell (McGinley, Kilgallin, O'Malley and Van Horn) finished second (1:56.01), Seton (Wunderly, Kenna, Claybrooks and Rogers) fifth (2:02.03), Paul VI (Fitz, Renom de la Baume, Quint and Young) sixth (2:03.13) and Oakcrest (DarJuan, Elizabeth Kenis, Sarah Kenis and Neubig) seventh (2:03.27).

On the boys' side, Paul VI's Lytle placed fifth in the 50-free (21.99) and seventh in the 100-free (49.92). O'Connell sophomore Ian Decker was sixth in the 500-freestyle (4:53.24), while Paul VI's Spina finished seventh (4:57.69). Paul VI's Clarke placed eighth in the 100-backstroke (55.90).

In the 200-yard freestyle relay, O'Connell (Timms, Decker, Meckley and Flach) finished fifth (1:31.14), while Paul VI (Clarke, Nasakaitis, Yelmgren and Lytle) was seventh (1:32.33).

In the 400-yard freestyle relay, Seton (Hill, Cook, Dunn and Basinger) placed seventh (3:23.86), while Paul VI (Lytle, Spina, Clarke and Yelmgren) was eighth (3:28.52).

The O'Connell boys (Flach, Nyce, Meckley and Timms) tied for fifth in the 200-yard medley relay (1:41.16), while Seton (Cook, Koehr, Basinger and Hill) placed eighth (1:44.28).