

2009 Southeastern Championships

Forty four teams made the trip to Nashville, TN. July 23rd thru the 26th for the Southeastern Swimming LSC Championship Meet. GPAC moved up two places from the last championship meet to finish 4th overall. GPAC swimmers Brian Jockers (400 free) and Zoe MacFarlane (200 IM, 200 back) finished with Southeastern Champion Honors finishing first in three events. Caroline Page swam her way to a "High Point Runner-up" title in the 13-14 girls age group. Both Caroline and Zoe qualified for the Southern Zone Age Group Championships July 28th thru August 1st in Orlando, Fl. Zoe, Caroline, and Brandon Funk qualified for the Junior National Championships in Federal Way, Washington this December. Zoe and Caroline both in the 100 backstroke and Brandon in the 100 fly.

GPAC swimmers making it back for finals were: Raymond Burch – 14th 400 IM, 14th 200 IM, 14th 400 free; Sophia Diagne – 5th 50 back; Chris Donahue – 12th 100 breast; Brandon Funk – 14th 200 back, 12th 100 fly; Alex Hernandez – 7th 200 free, 6th 400 free, 8th 100 free; Brian Jockers – 2nd 200 free, 3rd 50 breast, 6th 100 fly, 2nd 50 free, 1st 400 free, 3rd 100 free, 4th 100 breast; Jacque Kinman – 2nd 50 breast, 7th 200 IM, 2nd 100 breast; Maddie MacFarlane – 15th 200 free, 5th 100 back, 6th 200 IM, 4th 200 back; Zoe MacFarlane – 2nd 200 free, 2nd 100 back, 3rd 200 fly, 1st 200 IM, 1st 200 back, 4th 100 fly; Joshua McLamb – 6th 200 IM; Monet Mendez – 3rd 50 breast, 8th 200 IM, 3rd 100 breast; William Nevils – 8th 100 back; Caroline Page – 3rd 200 free, 4th 100 back, 2nd 50 free, 3rd 200 IM, 3rd 200 back, 2nd 100 free, 3rd 100 fly; Peyton Parra – 4th 100 fly; Laurel Rush – 5th 800 free; Brian Sanborn – 7th 800 free, 8th 400 IM, 11th 400 free, 6th 1500 free, 16th 200 back; Ethan Stone – 11th 200 breast; Jack Tona – 4th 200 free, 7th 100 breast, 2nd 400 IM, 2nd 200 IM, 5th 400 free, 5th 200 breast; Olivia Weekley – 7th 50 back, 6th 100 fly, 4th 50 fly.

Notable swims from other GPAC swimmers who made the trip: Chloe Berens 23rd 50 breast; Jett Crowdis – 21st 100 back; Adam Danley – 30th 200 back; Kelly Donahue – 22nd 50 back; Patrick Dunne – 11th 200 back; Jillian Flowers – 36th 400 free; Brittney Foster – 10th 100 free; Ryan Funk – 100 back; Abby Goram – 13th 50 free; Christopher Gunn – 15th 800 free; Jacob Gunn – 23rd 200 back; Logan Gurtowsky – 9th 200 fly; Emily Johnson – 36th 50 breast; Cameron Jones – 22nd 400 free; Cody Keenan – 14th 100 back; Anna Lundgren – 11th 50 breast; Tam Mai – 100 breast; Rachel Martin – 16th 100 breast; Grace Menzies – 35th 400 free; Stephanie Molchan – 34th 100 back; Garret Neel – 18th 400 free; Catherine Petruska – 15th 200 free; Nicholas Petruska – 10th 400 free; Sydney Rush – 37th 100 fly; Grace Sill – 41st 400 free.

After all the great swims by GPAC's best there were 144 life time best swims in the record books. Way to go GPAC!