

GPAC TAKES 3RD AT PARADISE INVITE; BINDI NABS 6 MEET RECORDS, HIGH POINT

Virtually duplicating last years' performances in Panama City Beach, **Tori Bindi** led a strong GPAC squad to a third place finish at the Paradise Invitational September 23-25.

Tori, 13, won eight out of 13 of her individual events, capturing the meet's 13-14 girls' high point award, the second honor in a row. Last year she finished at the top of the 11-12 girls' standings. En route to this prize, Bindi set six new meet records (50 FR- 24.38, 100 FR- 52.42, 50 FLY- 26.36, 50 BK- 28.95, 50 BR- 32.20, 100 IM- 1:01.37) and swam life-best times in 11 of her events.

"I was extremely pleased with how Tori performed at this meet," said The Club Coach Steven Fair. "Those are pretty fast times for this early in the season."

Two other GPAC swimmers placed in the point standings. **Jett Crowdis**, 14, and **Walker Parra**, 10, were 3rd and 4th place, respectively, in their age division. Jett swam life-best times in all seven of his events. Walker posted a new SES qualifying time in the 100-yd freestyle.

Among the remaining 40 GPAC swimmers at the meet, 39 of those achieved life-best times in at least one event and GPAC boasted **62% best times in all events swam**. **Tatiana Oberly**, 13, swam best times in all 13 of her events and posted a new SES qualifying time in the 200-yard breaststroke. **Gabby Diehl**, 9, also swam all best times as did **Grace Overholtz**, 11. **Ethan Beaver**, 9, had best times in seven out of eight events, dropping a whopping 72 seconds overall and qualifying for Southeasterns in the 100-yd breaststroke. **William Henderson**, 9, also posted a new SES cut in the 100-yd breaststroke. **Sophia Diagne**, 12, swam best times in nine out of 10 events and posted three new SES cuts (200 IM, 100 Br, 500 Fr).

Several swimmers donned the GPAC cap for the first time and had outstanding meets. Brothers **Ethan** (12) and **Harrison Brock** (13), **Jake** (13) and **Sydney Brown**(9), sisters **Malia** (7) and **Makayla Ludwick** (10), **Saige Odom** (11), **Dylan Porter** (11), and **James Tracy** (10).