

GPAC Swimmers Post Best Times in Baton Rouge and Gulf Shores

Despite having only two weeks between meets, 30 GPAC swimmers headed west to race once more in 2011, splitting between meets in Gulf Shores and Baton Rouge. GPAC sent 19 members, mostly of Junior and Senior Team level to Baton Rouge, and 11 swimmers of the Blue and Green teams to Gulf Shores, and 100% of them swam a best time.

In Baton Rouge, **Tori Bindi**, 13, continued to descend her time in the 50-yd freestyle, resetting her own team record for the third time this season, and narrowly missing a Junior National qualifying time. Clocking an impressive 23.93 seconds, Tori went on to win four out of her six races, and was high point scorer in her age group. **Brooke Ferrara**, 13, was a two-event winner, swimming 58.80 seconds in the 100-yd backstroke, just missing the NCSA Junior National qualifying time by .21 seconds and gaining a 'AAA' time in the 200-yd IM.

Senior Teamer **Jacquie Kinman**, 15, posted best times in four of her events, including a 'AAAA' time in her 100-yd breaststroke, missing the team record by .20 seconds. She also won the 100-yd butterfly. **Tatiana Oberley**, 13, swam all life-best times, winning the 200-yd breaststroke and gaining two new Age Group Sectional qualifying times (100, 200 BR). **Grace Menzies**, 12, swam best times in eight out of nine events, posting a new Age Group Sectional time in the 50-yd breaststroke and gaining three new 'AA' times.

For the boys, **William Henderson** finished in the top-3 in all eight of his events, winning the 50-yd breaststroke, 50-yd backstroke, 100-yd breaststroke and 50-yd freestyle. **Logan Mead**, 13, went life-best times in all 7 of his events, dropping over a minute to gain his first SES qualifying time in the 1000-yd freestyle. **Nik Bindi**, 12, dropped time in five out of seven events and won the 50-yd backstroke in 33.43 seconds, good enough for an 'A' time.

In Gulf Shores, GPAC boasted several event winners. **Grace Sill**, 11, led the way for the GPAC squad by winning nine events in her division. Other divisional event winners were: **Jordan Barrett**, 9 (50 fr, 50 br), **Makayla Ludwick**, 10 (50 fly, 100 IM), **Nathan Mackey**, 8 (25 Br, 25 fly), **Gracie Matthews**, 10 (100 br, 100 fly), **Kirah Mills**, 12 (50 bk, 50 fly, 200 IM, 100 bk), and **Molly Power**, 13 (100 fr, 100 fly, 50 fr, 200 bk).