

The YMCA of Darke County "Sharks" Swim Team had their first meet of the season in Celina at the Auglaize-Mercer YMCA on October 20<sup>th</sup>. The DCY swim team is off to a great start this season with 53 swimmers. Leading the swimmers again this year is head coach, Scott Smith. We also have three new coaches; Lauren Penrod, Andrea Townsend, and Shawn Agne, bringing in a lot of new talent and making for a very strong coaching group this season.

Our youngest sharks did well with the 8 and under girls swimming hard. Lexi Addington took 1<sup>st</sup> places in the 25-back with a time of 23.94 and the 25-breast with a 24.37. She also placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 100-free with a 1:56.82. Cassidy Kaiser swam to a 1<sup>st</sup> place finish in the 100-IM with a 1:53.13 (cutting an amazing 11.77 seconds), a 1<sup>st</sup> in the 25-fly with a 21.95, and a 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 25-breast with a 27.04 (cutting 1.2 seconds). New to the girls 8 and under are the following. Kate Burrell-Troutwine swam a 53.36 in the 25-back and 53.42 in the 25-free. Taylor Cordonnier started the year with a 4<sup>th</sup> in the 25-free with a 31.72. Isabella Gable took 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 25-free with a 25.65 and a 6<sup>th</sup> in the 25-back with a 30.97. Faith Wilker placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in both of her events with a 59.58 in the 50-free and a 28.11 in the 25-back.

Also new to the team are all of our 8 and under boys. We welcome Connor and Garrett Hart, Carter Puckett, Paul Smith, and Wills Troutwine. Connor Hart placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 100-free with a 3:04.19, 4<sup>th</sup> in the 25-back with a 33.13, and 5<sup>th</sup> in the 50-free with a 1:22.50. Garrett Hart swam to a 4<sup>th</sup> place finish in the 50-free with a 1:12.79 and took 5<sup>th</sup> in the 25-free with a 32.93. Carter Puckett swam his 25-free in 57.19 placing 6<sup>th</sup>. Paul Smith took 2<sup>nd</sup> place in his 25-back with a 27.31 and 4<sup>th</sup> in the 25-free with a 32.73. Wills Troutwine placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 25-breast with a 28.67 and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 50-free with a 53.18.

Our 9-10 girls also have a lot of new talent this year. Returning is Rachel Subler who placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in both the 50-breast with a 49.2 (cutting almost 8 seconds) and the 50-free with a 43.68. Rachel also took 5<sup>th</sup> in the 200-free with a 3:49.81. New 9-10 swimmers for us this year are: Ashlyn Cordonnier who placed 1<sup>st</sup> in her 50-back with a 45.97 and the 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 100-IM with a 1:43.84. Cassie Shellabarger took 3<sup>rd</sup> in multiple events including the 50-free (45.37), the 100-free (1:31.29), and the 200-free (3:19.75). Victoria Stump swam to a 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish in the 50-back with a 1:06.39 and placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the 50-free with a 1:02.21.

Our 9-10 boys swam well with Jose Badell placing 1<sup>st</sup> in two events including the 200-free (3:22.57) and the 50-free (40.9). Jose also placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 100-free with a 1:36.64. Casey Puckett came home with three 1<sup>st</sup> place finishes. His events included the 100-IM (1:46.35), the 100-free (1:27.07), and the 50-breast (53.14). New to the group this year is Harrison Detrick with a 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 50-back (1:00.08), a 5<sup>th</sup> in the 50-free (55.29), and a 5<sup>th</sup> in the 50-breast (1:02.72).

Our largest group this year is the 11-12 year old girls. Returning swimmers are Hannah Cloyd who took 6<sup>th</sup> in the 200-free with a time of 3:39.95. Sarah Green placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the 100-free (1:31.09), 5<sup>th</sup> in the 200-free (3:21.18), and 7<sup>th</sup> in the 50-free (37.03). Morgan McKinney placed in multiple events including taking 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 200-IM (1:29.84), 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 50-fly (44.47), and 4<sup>th</sup> in the 50-breast (45.2). Micayla Mendoza also placed in several events. She swam to a 1<sup>st</sup> place finish in the 50-back (42.54), 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 200-free (2:54.81) and 4<sup>th</sup> in the 50-fly (45.0). Carla Smith placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the 50-back (43.69), 4<sup>th</sup> in the 50-free (35.12), and 6<sup>th</sup> in the 50-breast (49.03). New to the 11-12 girls are Sarah Campbell, Jaclyn Kensinger, Amber Seibert and Rebecca Shaffer. Sarah Campbell swam a 45.9 in the 50-free. Jaclyn Kensinger placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the 100-free with a 1:32.63 and swam the 50-free with a time of 38.24. Amber Seibert took 4<sup>th</sup> in the 100-IM (1:36.81), 5<sup>th</sup> in the 50-breast (46.55) and 6<sup>th</sup> in the 50-free (36.08). Rebecca Shaffer swam the 50- and 100-free with times of 41.06 and 1:35.92.

Our 11-12 year boys are also showing a lot of strength with Simon Troutwine off to a great start qualifying for "AA" championships in the 50-fly with a time of 33.86. Simon also placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the 50-free (30.13) and the 200-free (2:38.03). Michael Detrick took 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 50-breast (53.31) and 6<sup>th</sup> in the 50-free (56.36). We welcome Mitchell Stover who swam to a 1<sup>st</sup> place finish in the 50-back (43.44), 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 100-free (1:25.14) and 4<sup>th</sup> in the 50-free (36.42).

Nicole Frantz carried the 13-14 girls with 1<sup>st</sup> place finishes in the 200-free (2:27.33) and the 500-free (6:56). She also placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 100-fly with a 1:19.51.

Betsy Moorman, first year swimmer with DCY, swam well in the 15 and older girls division. She took 1<sup>st</sup> in the 100-free (1:09.11) and 200-free (2:33.33). Betsy swam to a 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish in the 50-free with a 29.27.

The 15 and older boys also swam very well. Alex Kessler placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the 50-free (31.66) and in the 100-free (1:12.94). We welcome Mitch McCabe to the team this year. He took 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 50-free (26.86), 4<sup>th</sup> in the 100-free (1:03.63), and 4<sup>th</sup> in the 100-breast (1:30.94).

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