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HCY STINGRAYS REACH MIDPOINT IN 2008-2009 WINTER SEASON

The HCY Stingrays reached the midpoint in their season on Saturday, November 22nd with all four teams in action. Both girls squads were on the road while the boys squads stayed home at RVCC. It was a first-rate weekend for the 'Rays, who won three out of the four meets.

The Girls A team swam at Lakeland Hills on Saturday afternoon where they swamped the competition. There were 18 HCY wins in the first 24 events. Six stingray women came home with two victories each: Emily Bardecker, Megan VanKirk, Naiyah Atulomah, Ana White, Kim Hwang, and Kathryn Coniglio. The following HCY ladies posted single wins: Alyssa Finn, Mason Spichiger, Madison Hynoski, Lauren Sukovich, Kara Millaci, and Cassidy Peterson. The results of the medley relays were unavailable at press time.

The Girls A record is 3-0 with three meets remaining in the season.

The Girls B team traveled to Ridgewood YMCA on Saturday afternoon to swim a short meet against the Breakers. The Stingrays won 13 of the first 23 events, with an especially good showing by the 8 and unders. Aziza Ganihanova, six, won both of her events, while Tara Teipel, eight, and Julia Hilty, seven, won one event each. Other firsts were posted by Maria Russo, Carmen Kuo, Emma Tracy, Sarah Cunningham, Katie Teipel, Holly Czarniecki, Katie Rice, and Caroline Paul. The meet ended early due to time restrictions, but the Stingrays ultimately came out on top.

The win updates the Girls B record to 2-1.

The Boys A squad met Summit for a late afternoon swim at RVCC. The Stingrays and the Seals tossed the lead back and forth for the entire meet, and were separated by one point going into the last event of the day, the 15-18 medley relay. Fortunately, the powerful team of Lang, White, Sukovich, and Razuk did not disappoint the Stingray fans, winning the race by nearly seven seconds. Four of the guys chalked up two victories each: Nolan Schneider, David White, John Thompson, and Jared Lang. Other swimmers claiming blue ribbons included: Zach Sokol, Ryan Storms, Bobby Spichiger, and Chris Sukovich.

The Boys A record is 3-1.

The Boys B team swam at home on Saturday morning, against a tough Fanwood-Scotch Plains team. The FSPY Piranhas bombarded the Stingrays, winning all but three of the first 24 events. Not to be discouraged, HCY firsts were earned by Tom Blythe, Jeffrey Hong, and Aughdon Breslin. FSPY swept the medley relay events, solidly defeating the Stingrays.

The Boys B record is 0-3.

"This was a nice weekend for us with the three wins," said HCY Head Coach Barbara Huey. "We had some great races from all the squads where we showed what we're made of. We've trained hard and trained well and our kids have a great competitive drive to keep it fun when we race."

HCY Girls A at Lakeland Hills YMCA

INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY: [9/10, 100] Emily Bardecker (1), Claire Lee (2), Ali Herman (6) [11/12, 200] Nicole Kirk (3), Julia Herman (4) [13/14, 200] Megan VanKirk (1), Tess Butt (3), Courtney Zullo (6) [15/O, 200] Alyssa Finn (1), Kim Romano (3), Chelsea Witherup (5)

FREESTYLE: [8/U, 50] Naiyah Atulomah (1), Emma Brennan (3) [9/10, 50] Ana White (1), Keileh Atulomah (2), Kyra Manson (5) [11/12, 100] Mason Spichiger (1), Kirstin Peterson (4), Jessica Ambrose (5) [13/14, 200] Kim

Hwang (1), Lauren Sukovich (2), Kenzie Matheny (4) [15/O, 200] Kathryn Coniglio (1), Courtney Cambria (2), Kara Millaci (4)

BREASTSTROKE: [8/U, 25] Kassidy Peterson (1), Maddie Voorhees (5) [9/10, 50] Emily Bardecker (1), Alyssa Geddis (3) [11/12, 50] Madison Hynoski (1), Hannah Bruzzio (3), Sophia Thompson (6) [13/14, 100] Megan VanKirk (1), Tess Butt (3), Courtney Zullo (4) [15/O, 200] Alyssa Finn (3), Kym Romano (4) Chelsea Witherup (6)

BACKSTROKE: [8/U, 25] Maddie Voorhees (3), Kassidy Peterson (5), Melanie Diaz (6) [9/10, 50] Ana White (1), Claire Lee (2), Dessy Bunce (6) [11/12, 50] Julia Herman (2), Megan Dodge (3), Mason Spichiger (5) [13/14, 100] Kim Hwang (1), Ryan Hughes (4), Sarah Powley (6) [15/O, 200] Kathryn Coniglio (1), Jackie Finn (5)

BUTTERFLY: [8/U, 25] Naiyah Atulomah (1), Hana Foster (4) [9/10, 50] Zoe Manson (2), Brianna VanKirk (3), Nicole Davison (5) [11/12, 50] Madison Hynoski (2), Rachel Weil (3), Verity Elliott (4) [13/14, 100] Lauren Sukovich (1), Kenzie Matheny (4), Ryan Hughes (5) [15/O, 100] Kara Millaci (1), Courtney Cambria (2), Jackie Finn (4)

Girls B. AT Ridgewood YMCA

INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY [9/10, 100] Katie Teipel (2), Caroline Paul (4) [11/12, 200] Maria Russo (1), Sarah Cunningham (3) Jasmine Davison (4) [13/14, 200] Emma Kaeser (3), Amy Petty (4) [15/O, 200] Maria White (2), Sydney Stoik (4)

FREESTYLE: [8/U, 50] Aziza Ganihanova (1), Julia Hilty (4) Amy Carosi (6) [9/10, 100] Carmen Kuo (1), Kelly Dineen (5) [11/12, 100] Maria Russo (3), Jessica Teipel (5) [13/14, 200] Ketaki Datar (3), Sydney Cartwright (4) [15/O, 200] Sydney Soja (4), Nicole Lewis (5)

BREASTSTROKE: [8/U, 25] Tara Teipel (1), Meg Weinstock (3) [9/10, 50] Emma Tracy (1) [11/12, 50] Sarah Cunningham (1), Christina Papini (3), Katrina Mendicino (4) [13/14, 100] Cayla Mabie (2), Amy Petty (3) [15/O, 100] Maria White (2), Tasha Walulik (3), Caroline Razuk (4)

BACKSTROKE: [8/U, 25] Aziza Ganihanova (1), Alyssa Katyan (3), Tara Teipel (4) [9/10, 50] Katie Teipel (1), [11/12, 50] Holly Czarnecki (1), Christina Papini (2) [13/14, 100] Emma Kaeser (4) [15/O, 200] Katie Rice (1), Kamila Ganihanova (2) Tasha Walulik (3)

BUTTERFLY: [8/U, 25] Julia Hilty (1), Shannon Hesse (2) [9/10, 50] Caroline Paul (1), Hana Omar (3) [11/12, 50] Holly Czarnecki (2) [13/14, 100] Cayla Mabie (3), Ketaki Datar (4)

Boys A VS. Summit Area YMCA

INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY: [9/10, 100] Bobby Spichiger (2), Zach Yeadon (5) Josh Schmeidler (6) [11/12, 200] Norbert Schmeidler (2) [13/14 200] Nolan Schneider (1), Gray Stoik (3), Jimmy McDonnell (5) [15/O, 200] David White (1), Matt Saur (2), Vinny Romano (4), Richard Zhang (6)

FREESTYLE: [8/U, 50] Matt Spichiger (1), Paul Woolhouse (4), Charlie Hanson (6) [9/10, 100] Zach Sokol (1) Sean Foster (4), Chandler Amato (5) [11/12, 100] Ryan Storms (1), Robert Vanacore (5) [13/14, 200] John Thompson (1), Dan Vanacore (3), Matt Thompson (4) [15/O, 200] Jared Lang (1), Victor Razuk (3), Chris Sukovich (4)

BREASTSTROKE: [8/U, 25] Greg Schwartz (3), Noah Willsey (4), Joe Papini (5) [9/10, 50] John Rinald (2), Josh Schmeidler (4), Ben Weil (5) [11/12, 50] Norbert Schmeidler (2) Will Kubas (5) [13/14, 100] Nolan Schneider (1), Brian Fellin (3), Nigel Lane (5) [15/O, 100] David White (1), Matt Saur (2), Eric Santos (4)

BACKSTROKE: [8/U, 25] Matt Spichiger (1), Will Hughes (4), Dixon Kahler (5) [9/10, 50] Zach Sokol (2), Sean Foster (4) [11/12, 50] Will Kubas (3), Robert Vanacore (5) [13/14, 100] John Thompson (1), Brian Fellin (5), Christian Berardo (6) [15/O, 100] Jared Lang (1), Vinny Romano (3), Michael Cuccio (4)

BUTTERFLY: [8/U, 25] Noah Willsey (3), Charlie Hansen (4), Jack Girardi (5) [9/10, 50] Bobby Spichiger (1), Sean Brennan (4), John Rinald (5) [11/12, 50] Ryan Storms (3), Liam Breslin (4), Chandler Amato (5) [13/14, 100] Gray Stoik (2), Matt Thompson (4), Christian Bernardo (5) [15/O, 200] Chris Sukovich (1), Victor Razuk (2), Luke Schneider (3)

MEDLEY RELAYS: [8/U, 100] P. Woolhouse, G. Schwartz, N. Willsey, M. Spichiger (1) [9/10, 200] Z. Sokol, J. Schmeidler, B. Spichiger, S. Foster (2), M. Spichiger, J. Rinald, C. Amato, Z. Yeadon (4), J. Willsey, B. Weil, O. Storms, S. Brennan (5) [11/12, 200] W. Kubas, R. Vanacore, R. Storms, N. Schmeidler (3) [13/14, 200] J. Thompson, N. Schneider, G. Stoik, D. Vanacore (1), C. Berardo, B. Fellin, M. Thompson, J. McDonnell (3), N. Lane, L. Breslin, R. Zhang, R. Vanacore (4) [15/O, 200] J. Lang, D. White, C. Sukovich, V. Razuk (1) V. Romano, J. Romano, B. Finn, M. Knepper (3), L. Schneider, E. Santos, M. Porretta, M. Cuccio (4)

HCY VS. Fanwood-Scotch Plains YMCA

INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY [9/10, 100] Ethan Amato (3), Allen Warner (4) [11/12, 100] Sam Huey (4) [13/14, 200] Tom Blythe (1), Steven Thomas (4) [15/O, 200] Lee McGeady (2), Jeff Thomas (3)

FREESTYLE: [8/U, 50] Erik Stevens (3), Riley Dineen (4), Aughdon Breslin (5) [9/10, 100] Ethan Amato (3), Kristof Szabo (5) [11/12, 100] Karcs Szabo (4), Michael Donetz (5) [13/14, 200] Chase Broten (2), Timmy Cuccio (3), Ryan Hodkey (4) [15/O, 200] Josh Pickell (2), David VanDoren (3), Ken Harris (5)

BREASTSTROKE: [8/U, 25] Alex Tryon (3), Jonathan Facinelli (4) [9/10, 50] Michal Breslin (4), Sam Denzer (5), [11/12, 50] Karcs Szabo (4) Arzan Dotivala (5) [13/14, 100] Chase Broten (3), Nick Jachim (4), Steven Thomas (5) [15/O, 100] Christian Kahl (2), David VanDoren (2), Josh Pickell (5)

BACKSTROKE: [8/U, 25] John-Erik Drwal (2), Yilan Xu (3) Preston Reep (4) [9/10, 50] Maanus Gulia (2), Ryan Reep (3), Kristof Szabo (5) [11/12, 50] Michael Donetz (3) [13/14, 100] Jeffrey Hong (1), Nick Jachim (3) [15/O, 100] Blake Woods (2), Christian Kahl (5), Donal McGeady (4)

BUTTERFLY: [8/U, 25] Aughdon Breslin (1) Yilan Xu (2) [9/10, 50] Maanus Gulia (2), Thomas Lezon (3), Allen Warner (3) [11/12, 50] Sam Huey (3) [13/14, 100] Tom Blythe (2), Erik Huey (4), Ryan Hodkey (5) [15/O, 100] Lee McGeady (3), Blake Woods (4), Donal McGeady (5)

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