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Online

Welcome to the virtual swim team. Apparently Team Reps. Mrs. Bhargava and Rothstein didn't think the team was *unified* enough. Traditionalists of course beg to disagree. The dastardly guards have not bothered to "hear" thunder perhaps because they figured that the Foxes were swimming virtually. How do they miss the 80 10&unders splashing? (Former Gondoliers Cate McCaffery and Amelia Oliver have joined the Dark Side and earned enhanced hearing powers). There was, however, almost one Duck Club Day which allowed Will Mishkin to defeat the entire skulk. Maybe the frogs have kept the ducks away. (No wonder the Foxes are so good at breast.) Fox Fans were surprised that it was even sunny for the Pizza Party (and apparently so was the Pizza Man). The impatient hungry Foxes figured that the Bean Bag must be bringing the pizza. Gone as much as the Bean Bag lines was Chris.

Wildwood Manor

The 2010 season got off to a 8GHz fast start as Foxes won the first two events of the season against the traditionally powerful Wombats. Chris Cochran and Phoebe Bacon won the IMs. Radhika Mukerji and Laney Williams joined

Phoebe for the 1st of 7 sweeps. The very deep 9-10s girls accounted for 4. Our 15-18 women got the other 2. The Wombat relays joined Chris at . . . (i.e, anywhere but the Den) which made it easy for the Foxes to sweep the relays as well. Chris C. was there (Cochran that is) and swept his events with all best times. Becky Wolfson, Josh Wolfson, and Alex Zhang also swept their events. Ian Rosenthal had 3 1sts and a 2nd. Cate McCaffery, Radhika Mukerji, Sarah O'Brien, Amelia Oliver and Laney Williams won multiple events. In addition to Chris, 26 more swimmers had all best times. Finn Bacon, Sammy Daggett, Chris and Kelly Ervin, Maggie Hillman, Cate McCaffery, Malinda Messner, Eric Mollard, Nayantara and Radhika Mukerji, Michael (Vegas) and Olivia Palmer, Bettina Papageorge, Ceci Price, Ian and Shoshana Rosenthal, Darian Safiran, Nathan Subrahmanian, Juliet Twomey, Della Waldrop, Ben and Laney Williams, Becky and Josh Wolfson. Olivia Palmer led the Skulk with a 23 second drop in her 25 free. (That is almost 12 seconds per practice!). Maggie Hillman, Gaby and Josh Pilarski, Eli Schiff, Nick Sieg, also dropped more than 10 seconds in events. Newcomer Charlotte

Beauvais crashed her way right through the wall to Saturday's meet. Fox Fans were very *disappointed* to find very short lines at the tasty and Health Dept. approved Papageorge Taverna. With the Karner Sound System in Atlanta, Mr. Newburger kicked off a new one. Fox Fans were needlessly worried that Francisco would be AWOL while the Ensigns were in Boot Camp. In the virtual Navy, there is apparently no need for buzz cuts. Fortunately, Reid Bacon, Brooke and Kyle Barclay, Lawrence Redmond, and Andy Rothstein were AWOL from Boot Camp on Saturday morning.

Friday Activities

Virtual Fridays are similar but even better than Old School Fridays. Virtual Donuts are just as tasty (virtually no calories). And no one gets hurt in Virtual Mankillers. They don't draw as many spectators as the 20th century variety. Perhaps everyone was watching Strasburg pitch. And thanks to Team Unify and GPS no one got lost on their way to the Twomey Bowling Alley (except Chris). As a result a record 41 Foxes knocked down pins. Michael Palmer and mom had a little friendly wager on the games. Hopefully they were playing for virtual money. Dad

left the picture taking to Mrs. Beauvias. After some quick swimming, the Foxes headed to the Smelson Pan World Smorgasbord (bigger and better than ever). After dinner, the 15-18s continued the "longstanding" tradition of making posters for the Kit Foxes. Apparently the surprisingly clever Amelia Oliver will replace Chris (who?) as Chief Poster Maker - so long as she makes them for *free* instead of a *Price*. 2004 Champ Andy Rosenthal judged himself to be the winner of the Big Fox Free Throw Tournament. The Kit Foxes displayed an impressive amount of talent. Ian Rosenthal hit his 1st 5 shots on his way to victory. Sydney Levine made a whooping 7. Mei Mei Zuo, Jackson Resnick, William Mishkin gave stiff competition.

Woodcliffe

Foxes continued their roll through W Week against the surging Wahoos from Woodcliffe. Again the Foxes won the 1st event (the AWOL Andy Rothstein). The Foxes won both medley relays (Winston Liu, Andy Rosenthal, Chris Verboncoeur, Brian Boman, Amelia Oliver, Lisa Deng, Olivia Parven and Katy Verboncoeur). The middle was excellent too. The Foxes swept both the last event of the 1st half and opening of the second. (Lisa Deng, Evi Liu, Kerry Scott and Chris Verboncoeur, Winston Liu, Andy Rosenthal). In between, Abby Newburger

decided to join the fun. (A Wahoo timer, however, was having so little fun she joined Chris. Chris clearly wasn't lost in the delicious Liakakis Taverna lines which were not Bean Bagesque.) Indeed, the Foxes were busy cleaning the Den all morning. Lisa and Evi teamed up with Rachel Caplan to sweep both the IM and the breast. Reid Bacon, Chris Cochran and Adam Newburger also swept the breast. In 4 of 10 age groups, Foxes swept -- Phoebe Bacon, Lisa Deng, Andy Rothstein, and Chris Verboncoeur. In 3, Foxes also won the 5th event -- Rachel Caplan, Reid Bacon and Winston Liu. The record-breaking Wahoos spurred the Foxes on to fast swimming. Another 23 swimmers had all best times -- Sophie Bacon, Brooke Barclay, Lexi Cochran, Sammy Daggett, Samantha Danshes, Sydney Feyerick, Sydney Levine, Winston Liu, Cate McCaffery, Malinda Messner, David Mishkin, Eric Mollard, Nayantara and Radhika Mukerji, Indra Periwai, Lawrence Redmond, Andy Rosenthal, Cyrus Safiran, Kerry Scott, Brian Tsau, Katy Verboncoeur, Conway Xu and Alex Zhang. With a best time, Brian Tsau moved up from the 4th seed to win the breast. Malinda Messner, Katy Verboncoeur, Josh Wolfson, and Alex Zhang also picked up unexpected points for the Foxes. Mei Mei Zuo earned her 1st 2 all-star times. Phoebe

Bacon, Kyle Barclay, Rachel Caplan, Lisa Deng, Winston Liu, Andy Rothstein, Brian Tsau and Chris Verboncoeur earned all-star times. As good as 2010 looks, the future looks even better. 6-year-old Josh Wolfson and 7-year-old Cameron Barclay both swam the breast and fly legally. Anchoring a free relay, Josh fought off an venerable 8-year-old and outtouched him by just 3 tenths. 11-year-old Reid Bacon anchored the men's medley one heat after he swam the 100 IM. Kerry Scott skipped a climbing workout to contribute importantly. Samantha Danshes was late to her Dance Recital. It must be an artistic family as Anya Vinogradsky sang a beautiful rendition of our Anthem.

Records

Newcomer Lisa Deng broke a 30-yr-old team record in the girls 13-14 breast. Anya Vinogradsky, Connie Xu, Rachel Caplan and Phoebe Bacon broke a much more recent free relay record belonging to Rachel, Laney Williams, Olivia Parven and Brooke Barclay. Phoebe also broke a Suzy from the Boo record in the fly. In Wahoo style, Chris Verboncoeur continues to rewrite completely the record board setting Pool records in the IM and the fly.

Upcoming Events

On Wednesday, the Foxes finally go on the road to swim Montgomery Square. On Saturday, the Foxes head to Tanterra.