

The Meadowbrook Woods Sporting Times

Special Firecracker Edition

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Makos Conclude Holiday Weekend with a Bang!

With a nearly endless supply of daylight and sporting events occurring at almost every turn in the road, fans of the sporting life were in heaven last week. Going into the holiday weekend, the checklist was nearly complete and locals thought they had it all covered. But wait! Don't forget the Firecracker Relays on Monday morning.

Travel to Brookside for swim meet.....check
Watch Wimbledon.....check
Take a nap.....check
Go for a refreshing swim at the pool.....check
Play a round of golf.....check
Bake a cake.....check
Enjoy some fireworks.....check
Have a family picnic.....check
Water the tomato plants.....check
Walk the dog.....check
Play a set of tennis.....check
Watch Strasburg pitch.....check
Play a game of whiffle ball.....check
Toss a fishing line in the pond at dusk.....check
Have a scavenger hunt at dark-thirty.....check
Cheer for Makos at Firecracker Relays.....What!?

Now in its second year, the Firecracker Relay is an annual charitable fundraising event sponsored by *Best Buy* and hosted at Bridlewood. As the name implies, it is a relay-only event featuring the fastest swimmers from the top one-half of the swim teams in Prince William County. This year, a total of nine clubs were represented that included Lake Ridge, Braemar, Ashland, Bridlewood, Wellington, Piedmont, Kingsbrooke, Meadowbrook and Brookside.

Nearly every race was closely contested and some events had as many as four teams placing within a fraction of a second from each other. The Makos generally placed in the middle third and did well against some of the county's very best swimmers. Here's how they finished:

8U 100m

Carter Guice, Jade Beckett, Aidan-Claire Cudahy, Tyler Tolson – 5th in Mixed Medley at 1:33.47

Carter Guice, Nicholas Derderian, Jacob Ogden, Tyler Tolson – 7th in Freestyle at 1:29.07

Jade Beckett, Emily Heisen, Rachel Meltzer, Aidan-Claire Cudahy – 6th in Freestyle at 1:27.48

10U 100m

Jimmy Baumstark, Max Derderian, Nicholas Olsen, Jared Rouffa – 6th in Medley at 1:24.76, 3rd in 100m Freestyle at 1:09.94

Elizabeth Healey, Rachel Landry, Samantha Townsend and Avery Ouellette – 5th in Medley at 1:23.98, 5th in Freestyle at 1:12.84

12U 100m

Colin Turner, Hunter Herbert, Mathew Healey, Brock Cudahy – 3rd in Medley at 1:12.01, 5th in Freestyle at 1:04.87

Taylor Tolson, Riley Curry, Sabrina Townsend and Megan Garman – 7th in Medley at 1:14.06, 6th in Freestyle at 1:06.49

14U 200m:

Sean Rouffa, Tanner Curry, Nicholas Vaccaro, Joshua Ogden – 5th in Medley at 2:19.85, 5th in Freestyle at 2:00.19

Rebecca Baumstark, Shelby Ingram, Claire Loper, Lauren Sargent – 9th in Medley at 2:32.89, 6th in Freestyle at 2:09.46

18U 200m

Kevin Olsen, Philip Heil, Sean Gambarani, Trevor Heckman – 7th in Medley at 2:13.62, 4th in Freestyle at 1:50.17

Alycia Rouffa, Camille Derderian, Lindsay Sterling, Rachel Lund – 7th in Medley at 2:24.93, 6th in Freestyle at 2:05.50.



One of the most exciting events of the day was the crescendo relay that featured one swimmer from each age group in a five-legged relay. Shown here – from smallest to tallest – are Jared Rouffa (8U), Max Derderian (10U), Mathew Healey (12U), Kevin Olsen (14U) and Trevor Heckman (18U) that placed 6th. On the girls' side, Aidan-Claire Cudahy, Elizabeth Healey, Riley Curry, Lauren Sargent, and Rachel Lund also placed 6th.

Faces in the Crowd

