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Beata Nelson leads Ridgewood to All City Swim Meet Victory

Madison, Wis. _ Ridgewood won the 54th Madison All City Swim Meet, behind record-setting swims Saturday by **Beata Nelson**, who beat a pair of her own marks set just two days earlier in the preliminary rounds. The three-day meet, which is the culmination of the summer recreational swim season, concluded Saturday.

Eleven All City records were broken Saturday, including two each by Nelson and Middleton's **Nate Lamers**. During the three-day meet, 18 All City records were set. All official results, including team scores, are posted on the All City website at <http://highpointallcity.com/swim/results/>

Ridgewood had 2,615 points to win the meet, its 18th victory in the past 20 years and its 41st in the 54-year history of the league.

Seminole came in second with 1,989 points while Shorewood, which won last year, placed third.

"From first-year swimmers to the elite, everyone swam their heart out in front of friends and family the past three days," said meet co-director Lisa Sanchez. "And just as importantly, everyone had a blast either hanging out in tent city or swimming with their teammates and friends in the pool."

Nelson, 16, beat her own All City mark from Thursday in the women's 15-19 100 meter freestyle by more than a full second with a time of 55.06, down from 56.74. She also beat her All City-best from Thursday in the 100 meter butterfly with a time of 58.87. That was down from 1:00.05 in the preliminary round.

Nelson finished just under 7-seconds faster than her nearest competition in the butterfly.

Nelson was also part of a Ridgewood 15-19 women's freestyle relay team that set an All City record with its time of 1:49.16, beating a mark that had stood since 2006. Others on the team were **Rose Parker**, 15, **Hannah Becker**, 16, and **Sophia Vaccaro**, 16.

Lamers bested his All City record from Thursday in the boys 11-12 50 meter freestyle with a time of 26.31, down from 26.76 just two days prior. And he also beat his Thursday record in the 100 meter IM with a new low of 1:06.00, down from 1:06.34.

Monona's **Bennett McDade**, 15, set an All City record in the men's 15-19 200 meter IM with a time of 2:08.88, beating the 2013 record of 2:09.18. And Monona's **Kozette Rosenthal**, 12, set an All City record in the girls 11-12 breaststroke with a time of 34.83. She broke a record set in 2011 by Beata Nelson.

Alex Moen, 12, of Maple Bluff set an All City record in the boys 11-12 breaststroke with a time of 35.70. That beat a record that had stood since 1987.

The Seminole Sharks 15-19 women's medley relay team set an All City record with a time of 2:02.95. They beat the 2011 record of 2:03.60 held by Ridgewood. The winning team consists of **Julia Ver Voort**, 17, **Kristi Larsen**, 16, **Sammy Seymour**, 18, and **Katie Feller**, 17.

The Ridgewood girls 13-14 relay set an All City record in the 200 meter freestyle relay with a time of 1:52.56, beating a 1989 record of 1:54.15. The team was **Katy Parisi**, 13, **Sara Stewart**, 13, **Megan Slattery**, 13, and **Malia Bissen**, 14.

The Parkcrest men's 15-19 freestyle relay team beat an All City record with a time of 1:37.57, beating a 2013 record. The team was **Justin Temprano**, 17, **Riley Patton**, 16, **Baird Miller**, 17, and **Amos Kaldor**, 17. They set the record in the final event of the meet.

All 13 pools combined to raise 143,458 meals for the Second Harvest Food Bank. The Seminole Sharks raised the most per swimmer at 217 meals. The pools raised \$43,164 in monetary donations, 182 in volunteer hours and 2,128 pounds of food.

The All City meet at High Point Swim Club brought together nearly 1,900 competitors from 13 Madison-area pools. An estimated 6,000 people attended the meet the past three days. High Point last hosted the meet in 2004.

"Pool members worked more than a year to organize the meet, and their efforts paid off," said meet co-director and High Point board president Gary Hartung. "We had hundreds of volunteers from High Point and other pools in the league who all came together to make the unparalleled event one to remember."

The All City Swim Meet began in 1962 at Hill Farm and included Shorewood Hills, Ridgewood, Maple Bluff and West Side pools. Since then, Nakoma, Monona, Middleton, Parkcrest, High Point, Seminole, Hawks Landing and Goodman pools have joined the league.

"We couldn't have done this without the support of our generous sponsors," said meet co-director Jack Young. "The Madison community always comes together for All City, and that's what makes it such a fun and unique event. We are very grateful."

The All City Swim Meet organizers would like to thank the meet's premier sponsors Dental Health Associates and Park Bank. We would also like to thank our platinum sponsors CUNA Mutual Group/TruStage Insurance, ESPN Madison, Madison Investment Advisors, Orthodontic Specialists of Madison, Sanchez Industrial Design, Sound Devices and TDS.

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