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## UCHS Year in Review: The players and moments that defined 2021

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Union County athletics underwent some trying times during the 2021 calendar year.

Coronavirus-induced cancellations impacted both the hardwood and the gridiron, resulting in a one-week basketball shutdown in January and a cancellation of August's football game opener vs. Commerce.

The stoppages came as the football and Lady Panthers basketball programs were in the process of breaking in new coaches. Upon returning from the 2020 holiday break, athletic director Mandy Hunter stepped into an interim role for girls' basketball coach Crystal Beach and later filled the position permanently ahead of 2021-22.

Meanwhile, football coach Michael Perry's first season saw its fair share of turmoil as COVID-19 protocols forced the Panthers to open the season with a thinned-out roster during a visit to defending Region 7-AA Champion Fannin County. One week later, Perry's squad could not dress enough varsity players to host Commerce in the 2021 home opener.

However, the fall sports season concluded with every UCHS program qualifying for the State Tournament, including volleyball's second straight Area title and Final Four appearance.

The Lady Panthers' softball program returned to the Elite 8 for the first time since 2015 with playoff wins over Pace Academy and Toombs County. Union cross country made its annual visit to the State Championships in Carrollton despite the girls competing without their No. 1 runner at Region and the guys losing their top runner ahead of State.

The aforementioned football program overcame its early-season hiccups to reach the postseason for the fourth straight year and eighth time in nine years.

Early in the year, UCHS completed a full spring season following an abrupt end to their respective 2020 campaigns. The guys' soccer program finished as 8-AA Champions, going undefeated against region competition. The Lady Panthers ended up second in 8-AA, despite fielding a young roster and losing key players to injury. Both squads advanced to the Sweet 16 before losing to private-school powerhouse Lovett.

The baseball team returned to State following a third-place finish in Region 8-AA and the track and field program fielded multiple region champions. The golf program featured a young squad and picked up some regular-season wins but



Senior Emma Roxbury fires up the UCHS softball team before a game in September. Photos by Todd Forrest (NGN - Sept. 29)

only qualified one individual, then-freshman Sofia McNabb, for the State match.

During the winter, Union County wrestling found success in both February and December when senior Eli Smith-Foot took home the 2020-21 Area title in the heavyweight division. Ten months later, Union County won its first-ever team tournament when they edged Area rival Banks County at Towns County's King of the Mountains.

The current 2021-22 basketball season just reached the halfway point but it seems as if both programs have flushed their disappointing 2020-21 campaigns. Last winter saw both UCHS basketball squads combine for just two total victories while battling COVID, midseason coaching changes and an inexperienced roster.

Fast-forward a year where the Lady Panthers briefly cracked the Class AA top-10 in early December with signature wins over Habersham Central, Cherokee Bluff, White County and reigning Lanierland Champion North Hall. Meanwhile, the Union men (with two freshmen starters) recorded season-defining victories over Habersham Central (twice), Chestatee and defending State champ Towns County.

Union County swimming is off to a fantastic start on the heels of a 2020-21 season that saw Hannah Sheffield and Hunter White earn a pair of State top-three finishes.

Below is the second annual, North Georgia News' Year in Review Awards (YIRAs) 2021 edition. The top team and individual performances for each sport from the 2021 calendar year were chosen. However, only individual performances earned a nod in cross country, golf, swimming and track.

The team and individual accomplishments were selected based on the overall quality

of play, along with the game's significance. For example, a double-double in a State playoff game carries more weight than a similar stat line during an early-season non-region contest. Additionally, a thrilling postseason win is favored over a regular-season blowout. However, the selections are not based solely on exciting finishes, but on each victory's overall importance to the season as a whole.

Each UCHS coach was consulted and their opinion weighed heavily into the decision. But at the end of the day, the final selection belonged to the *North Georgia News*.

### Fall Sports

**Softball:** Team performance - Union County's come-from-behind victory over Toombs County in Game Two of the Class AA Sweet 16.

(From the *North Georgia News* - Oct. 27) *Having already taken care of business 9-4 in game one, the Lady Panthers were on the verge of dropping game two and setting up a do-or-die game three the following day. Trailing 6-2 through four innings and 7-3 after five, Union County clawed to within a run with three in the sixth, setting the stage for a seven-run final frame that propelled the Lady Panthers to a 13-7 victory.*

*Gracie Gladding provided the big blow with two aboved and her team trailing 7-6 with one out in the top of the seventh. Behind 1-2 in the count, the sophomore catcher lifted a letter-high fastball over the centerfield fence for Union's first lead of the game.*

**Softball:** Individual performance - Emma Roxbury goes 3 for 4 with 3 RBIs and 3 runs in a bounce-back victory at Elbert County on Sept. 23.

Roxbury, the Lady Panthers' senior shortstop and emo-



Senior Morgan Fussell at State. Photo/TF (NGN - Oct. 27)

tional leader, helped keep Union in the hunt for the No. 1 seed in Region 8-AA with a stellar day at the plate during a 16-2 rout of Elbert County. While each of her senior teammates contributed mightily throughout the season, the win at Elbert, sparked by Roxbury's hot bat, helped erase an earlier home loss to the Blue Devils and cleanse the stain of a 5-3 loss to Banks County two days earlier in a key Tuesday night tilt.

**Football:** Team - Union County erases a late 14-point deficit to stun Gilmer in overtime on Senior Night.

*Union County (3-6) survived a 49-48 overtime thriller vs. Gilmer to punctuate the 2021 regular season with a come-from-behind Senior Night victory.*

*Trailing 42-21 with 9:55 to play, the Panthers rallied to even the score at 42-42 when Union County recovered a fumble deep in Bobcats' territory to set up a game-tying touchdown run from senior quarterback Logan Helcher with 1:18 to play. During the extra session, Gilmer needed only four carries to move 15 yards and take a 48-42 lead to open the first overtime period. However, questions surrounding the kicking game resulted in a Bobcats 2-point conversion run that the Panthers stuffed to remain within six points.*

*Union took over at the 15 with Helcher finding senior receiver Eli Peugh in the flat for 8 yards. On the next play, junior running back Cayleb Rogers powered his way inside the 3-yard line to set up Helcher's seventh score of the night - a keeper that knotted the score at 48-48.*

*Kyler Robbins' extra point split the uprights moments later, bringing the Panthers' sideline onto the field in celebration during a chilly evening at Mike Colwell Memorial Stadium. (NGN - Nov. 10)*

**Football:** Individual - Logan Helcher goes for six touchdowns and 351 total yards as Union clinches a postseason spot at Riverside.

Helcher may have put up video game-like numbers vs. Gilmer, but the win at Riverside resulted in Coach Perry's first win at UCHS and secured a playoff berth for the fourth-straight year.

Helcher also provided what is arguably Union County's play of the year when he tore off a 54-yard touchdown run on the final play of the first half, building a 28-14 cushion at the break when his team was playing it safe and trying to set up a field goal.

Picking up a block on a designed QB draw, the Union senior (instead of sliding and calling timeout) bounced outside and broke multiple tackles with zeroes on the clock, eventually finding his way into the endzone for six. Helcher's gamble paid



Logan Helcher keeps it himself at RMA. Photo/TF (NGN - Oct. 6)

off, sparking a 27-0 outburst to pull away from the Eagles 48-14 and end the program's five-game losing skid.

**Volleyball:** Team - Union County blanks Dade County in straight sets to lock up a second-straight Final Four appearance.

*The Panthers turned in their best performance of the postseason during a 3-0 sweep of Dade County during Wednesday's Elite Eight round in Blairsville on Oct. 27. (NGN - Nov. 3)*

Down two key players, Union County hosted its first Elite Eight match vs. what appeared to be, on paper, an evenly matched Dade County squad. But the Panthers immediately seized control, taking the first set 25-21 and surviving 25-23 in a thrilling second set.

The third set was all Union County, capping off an impressive 3-0 sweep of Dade with a 25-13 runaway to secure consecutive berths in the Class AA/A Final Four.

**Volleyball:** Individual - junior Kayleigh Ashcraft and senior Morgan Fussell (tie) lead Union in a 3-0 rout of Johnson-Augusta in the Sweet 16.

Ashcraft recorded a (likely) school-record 16 aces in Union's straight-round sweep of No. 2 seed Johnson. Meanwhile, Fussell notched 10 kills for the second time in three postseason matches (Area Championship vs. Lake Oconee Academy) to anchor the Panthers' front line on Oct. 23.

**Cross Country (Girls):** Shipes takes home gold in her first-ever race.

Union County's first-year junior runner Ashley Shipes paced the Lady Panthers during the season-opening race on Aug. 19 at Meeks Park, edging second-place Fannin County and third-place Rabun County in the team standings.

**Cross Country (Boys):** Gregory leads the Panthers to third with a broken foot.

With just under a half-mile remaining in Union's season-opening race at Meeks Park, Benton Gregory knew something wasn't right.

However, the Panthers' sophomore runner was able to fight through the pain and preserve a top-three finish, which



Benton Gregory finishes at Meeks Park minutes after breaking his foot. Photo/Lowell Nicholson

allowed his squad to take home bronze as well, fending off Gilmer, Rabun and Towns.

When the dust settled, Gregory learned that he suffered a broken foot while going down one of the final hills at Meeks Park. Gregory was able to race at the Region 8-AA Championships in late October, where he finished fifth to help Union County qualify for State the following week.



Ashley Shipes made an immediate impact. Photo/TF (NGN - Nov. 10)

### Winter sports

**Wrestling:** Team - The Panthers win their first-ever tournament at Towns County's King of the Mountains.

On Dec. 4, Union County edged Banks County during the day's final match when junior Wilson Walker scored a pinfall victory over Rabun Gap.

"This is one of the biggest wins [UCHS wrestling] has had," Union wrestling Coach Justin Byers said in the Dec. 8 edition of the *North Georgia News*. "In fact, I think this might be the first tournament that we've ever won. We've placed in the top-five, maybe finished third once, but as far as winning a tournament, I don't think we've ever done that before."

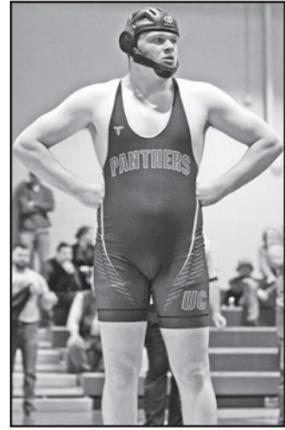
Asa Smith-Foot (145 pounds), Payton Legatt (152), David Heredia (170) and Sean Phillips (182) each earned a gold medal to help push Union County over the top. Anderson Clouse (132) and Lane Lance (220) each finished second. Coming in third for Union County were Kaiden Smith (120), Landon Clark (126), Brady Guild (160), Huck Whisenhunt (170) and Walker (195).

**Wrestling:** Individual - Eli Smith-Foot overpowers the field en route to program's first Area Championship.

For one night in February, then-senior heavyweight Eli Smith-Foot was a man among boys during the 2020-21 Area Tournament at Banks County.

*Headlining the day for UCHS was senior heavyweight Eli Smith-Foot, who claimed the program's first-ever Area Championship with a pinfall victory over Fannin County's Logan Long. (NGN - Feb. 10)*

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Eli Smith-Foot stands above the field at the 2020-21 Area Championships. Photo/TF



Union County volleyball celebrates back to back Area titles. Photo/Todd Forrest (NGN - Oct. 13)

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**Basketball (Girls):** Team - Union County stuns eventual 2021 Lanierland Champion North Hall, 60-58.

Following a 39-point loss at North Hall on Nov. 30 where the Lady Panthers allowed 15 treys, not many observers outside of Blairsville gave Union much of a chance against the 9-2 Trojans on Dec. 21.

But the Lady Panthers built an early 23-15 lead before North Hall stormed back to secure a 5-point third-quarter advantage with more red-hot shooting from long distance.

Union County would survive behind 15 second-half points from senior Ava Hunter as North Hall missed two free throws with three-tenths of a second left.

**Basketball (Girls):** Individual - Ava Hunter pours in a career-high 32 points at Cherokee Bluff.

In Union's final game before Thanksgiving, Ava Hunter feasted on the Cherokee Bluff frontcourt, scoring 32 points with 13 rebounds in a 72-57 victory on Nov. 23.

Union County overcame an early 8-0 deficit and three first-half fouls on both Ava Hunter and fellow-senior Rebekah Chambers to outscore Bluff 38-29 after halftime.

*[Ava] Hunter finished with her third double-double in four games, pulling down 13 rebounds to go with three steals. The University of North Georgia signee shot 11 for 19 overall, 2 for 2 from long distance and 8 for 10 at the charity stripe. (NGN - Dec. 1)*

**Basketball (Boys):** Team - Union County ends 15-game losing streak with a season-opening victory over Class 6A Habersham Central.

While the Panthers' wins over Towns County and Chestnut County could have easily taken this spot, getting that first win out of the way back on Nov. 16 -- a 58-50 win over Habersham Central -- took a lot of pressure off a program that had not won in 21 months.

*[Leading 34-25 at the break] the Panthers kept the Raiders at arm's length for the entire second half, never allowing the visitors to advance any closer than a 4-point margin during a 58-50 victory. (NGN - Nov. 24)*

Senior Landon Kight finished with 17 points and eight rebounds while freshman Jude Ellis was introduced to the GHSA with a 14-point, seven-board debut.

**Basketball (Boys):** In-



Lake Hughes finishes off a steal with a 3-point play at Towns. Hughes finished with 29 points and eight 3-pointers. Photo/TF (NGN - Dec. 22)

dividual - Lake Hughes' eight 3-pointers sinks defending State champs in Hiwassee.

Lake Hughes took his game to another level on Dec. 17 at the Bill Kendall Gymnasium, dropping a career-high 29 points while drilling eight treys through three quarters in a 67-60 win over Towns County.

Already owning a reputation as a deadly spot-up shooter, Hughes cemented his place in the Towns-Union rivalry by putting the Panthers on his back for the first three quarters before methodically choosing his moments to shine over the final eight minutes.

With his teammates starting to find their offensive game, Hughes picked up his defensive intensity, coming up with a key fourth-quarter steal that led to a 3-point play. The senior also welcomed the role of playmaker, getting other players involved with the Indians bound and determined to force someone else into making shots.

**Swimming (Girls):** Hannah Sheffield breaks her own school record at State in the 50-yard freestyle.

Competing at Georgia Tech, Sheffield finished the 50-yard freestyle event in 25.89 seconds, good enough for third in Class AA and a UCHS record.

Additionally, Sheffield placed fourth in the 100-yard freestyle with another school record performance.

**Swimming (Boys):** Hunter White comes in second at State meet.

White finished as the Class AA runner-up with a personal-best time of 1:03.02 in the 100-yard breaststroke. The second-place time capped off an impressive day that included a fourth-place showing in the 50-yard freestyle.

In all, Union County swimming set more than 100 personal-best times during the 2020-21 season.

### Spring sports

**Baseball:** Team - Union County takes the three-game series vs. Rabun County, securing Region 8-AA's No. 3 seed with a 6-2 home victory in game two.

All even at 2-2 in the

middle of the third, Union added one in the bottom half, two in the fourth and another in the fifth to win the second game of a best-of-three series vs. Rabun on April 16.

The Panthers already knocked off Rabun in Tiger earlier in the week and were one win away from clinching third in 8-AA. Then-junior Lake Hughes got the start and worked 6 2/3 innings, allowing two earned and fanning seven. At the dish, the lefty leadoff hitter went 2 for 4 with a run and two RBIs.

Union grabbed the lead for good when senior Zeke Swartz tripled in the third and came around to score on a Rabun error. RBI singles from Isaak Mullinack and Hunter Loyd built a 5-2 advantage in the fourth, then Hughes scored Connor Shields on a sacrifice fly in the fifth.

Swartz nailed things down, entering with two away in the seventh following a 110-pitch outing from Hughes.

**Baseball:** Individual - Swartz's arm and bat leads Union to game one victory in pivotal three-game set vs. Rabun County.

Swartz's first seven outs came via strikeout, en route to his second straight 12-K performance. In 5 innings, the senior left-hander surrendered just two hits and one walk while keeping the Wildcats off the board. (NGN - April 21)

At the plate, Swartz went 3 for 4 with two doubles and a pair of runs, helping Union score the first five runs in a 5-1 victory in Tiger on April 13. On



Zeke Swartz toes the rubber vs. Rabun County. Photo/TF



Fellow UCHS teammates show their appreciation and respect for senior goalkeeper Aaron Helton last spring following his final game with the Purple and Gold. Photo/TF (NGN - May 5)

the hill, the southpaw tossed just 72 pitches in five innings, allowing only four pitches to be put into play.

**Soccer (Girls):** Team - The youthful Lady Panthers return to Sweet 16 with 3-1 victory over Temple

*Sophomore Kaylee Helton scored two second-half goals and freshman keeper Kyra McKechnie turned away a late push by the third-seeded Tigers on Thursday at Mike Colwell Memorial Stadium. (NGN - April 28)*

Then-freshman Lara Turner granted Union an early lead before Helton scored two goals in 80 seconds during the second half for a 3-0 advantage.

Up 3-1 following a Temple goal in the 63rd minute, McKechnie turned away Temple three times between the 67th and 75 minute, helping clinch a berth in the Class AA's second round.

**Soccer (Girls):** Individual - McKechnie made her high school debut on Feb. 26 with 25 saves in a 3-0 loss at Class AAA-ranked Lumpkin County.

Despite the loss, McKechnie kept the Panthers close until deep into the second half when Lumpkin County finally broke through. Her 25 saves on that rainy night in Dahlonega are believed to be a school record and will go down as one of Union County's most remarkable freshman introductions.

**Soccer (Boys):** Team - Union County shows Region 8-AA who's boss with an 8-0 drubbing of second-place Riverside.

The Panthers welcomed RMA to Mike Colwell Memorial Stadium in near-monsoon conditions back on March 17, where they swamped the Eagles in an 8-0 rout. While the win wasn't as dramatic as Union's narrow win at RMA later in the spring, the blowout of RMA came on the heels of a 6-0 shellacking of Rabun. With those two convincing wins, the Panthers revealed themselves as head and shoulders above the entire region, sending a message to 8-AA that everyone would be playing for second place.

Kyler Robbins' brace may have led the way on the stat sheet, but senior keeper Aaron Helton's lone career goal will be forever remembered as the highlight of the day. The goal came via a second half PK that opened up a 6-0 advantage.



Then-freshman Kyra McKechnie with one of her 25 saves at Lumpkin. Photo/TF (NGN - March 3)

team of [Hannah] Gregory, Riley Allison, Allie Brey and Hannah Long picked up a region title with a season-best time of 4:29.60 - crossing the line 1.8 seconds quicker than Banks County. (NGN - May 5)

Gregory also picked up a Region 8-AA title in the 800M and Allison was first in the high jump.

**Track and Field (Boys):** Noah Underwood sets school record, places third at State meet.

Senior Noah Underwood headlined Union County's week with a third-place performance in the shot put event at the Class AA Track and Field State Championships hosted by McEachern High School.

Underwood's bronze medal distance of 45-feet, 8 inches set a new school record, topping last week's record-setting throw of 42-10 by almost three feet. (NGN - May 19)

**Golf (Girls):** Sofia McNabb qualifies for State at Atlanta's Wolf Creek GC.

McNabb fired a 116 at Area to advance to the State Championships in May. The then-freshman went on finish 22nd at the 2021 Class AA State Championships hosted by Southern Hills Country Club in Hawkinsville.

**Golf (Boys):** Braedon Gay shoots an 88 to lead Union County during the 2021 Area Championships at Wolf Creek GC.

In addition to turning in Union's best round at Area, Gay finished the spring as Union County golf's low-medalist, fending off Kyler Robbins for the honors.



Senior Noah Underwood at Area. Photo/TF (NGN - May 12)



Sofia McNabb during a March round at Old Union. Photo/TF

## Union County Swim team results: Dec. 4



The UCHS and UCMS seasons are in full swing.

The Habersham County Jingle Jam on Dec. 4 was the fourth swim meet of the year for our incredibly talented and motivated swimmers.

Their unofficial motto is "Swimming is my sport, the pool is my home, and the water is my friend!"

With 19 schools represented, the Panthers showed their pride with these incredible results:

Overall High School - fifth. Overall Men's team - seventh. Overall Women's team - third.

Overall Middle School - fourth. Overall Boy's team - fifth. Overall Girl's team - fourth.

**UCHS Men's Results:** 200 Medley Relay - fourth. 200 Freestyle (19 competitors): Blake Caputi - seventh. 100 Breaststroke (27 competitors): Hunter White - first and State qualifying Time.

100 Butterfly (Nine competitors): Caputi - fifth.

100 Freestyle (63 competitors): White - first/state qualifier. Nicholas Nushtayev - eighth;

Perron Preston - 27th. 50 Freestyle (71 competitors): Nushtayev - 10th.

**UCHS Women's Results:** 500 Freestyle (13 competitors): Lily Helton - fourth; Rachel Reid - sixth.

200 Medley Relay: Third and 13th place.

200 Individual Medley (20 competitors): Helton - second.

200 Freestyle Relay: Third and 17th place.

100 Breaststroke (44 competitors): Reid - second; Courtney Foster - sixth; Brooklyn Brown - 21st; Hannah Kazmierzak - 31st.

100 Backstroke (47 competitors): Hannah Sheffield - second; Anniston Howse - 20th; Lilly Collins - 26th.

50 Freestyle (97 competitors): Sheffield - second; Foster - 14th; Grace Cook - 19th; Kazmierzak - 33rd; Collins - 34th; Brown - 48th.

**UCMS Boy's Results:** 200 Medley Relay: Sixth Place.

200 Freestyle Relay: Fourth Place.

100 Individual Medley (13 competitors): Eli Gwynn - first.

100 Freestyle (16 competitors): Andrew Nushtayev - second.

50 Breaststroke (17 competitors): Andrew Nushtayev - second; Andrew Farmer - 10th.

50 Backstroke: Gwynn - first.

50 Freestyle (28 competitors): Farmer - 10th; Ian Lander - 13th; Wyatt Chandler - 17th.

**UCMS Girl's Results:** 200 Medley Relay: Fourth place.

200 Freestyle Relay: Third place.

100 Freestyle (28 competitors): Isabel Hoover - seventh.

100 Individual Medley (19 Competitors): Ava Serrano - fifth.

50 Backstroke (39 competitors): Clara Kazmierzak - 12th; Samantha Odom - 29th.

50 Butterfly: Reese Jones - fifth; Ava Wheeler - eighth.

50 Breaststroke (33 competitors): Jones - third; Serrano - sixth; Clara Kazmierzak - 11th; Wheeler - 13th.

50 Freestyle (47 competitors): Odom - 38th.

## Union County Swim team results: Nov. 20

The Habersham Central Pirate Plunge was the third swim meet of the year for our incredible athletes and took place on Nov. 20.

"If you think your sport is hard, try doing it while holding your breath."

With 11 schools represented, the Panthers showed their pride with these results:

Overall High School - fifth; overall Men - fifth; overall women - third.

Overall Middle School - third; Overall boys - third; overall girls - third.

**UCHS Men's Results:** 200 Medley Relay: Third place.

200 Freestyle Relay: Fifth place.

200 Freestyle (13 competitors): Grayden Cobb - seventh.

100 Freestyle (26 competitors): Gabriel Panter - 23rd.

100 Backstroke (18 Competitors): Nicholas Nushtayev - seventh; Preston Perren - 10th.

50 Freestyle (35 competitors): Nushtayev - third; Michael Leird - 13th; Perren - 14th; Panter - 22nd.

**UCHS Women's Results:** 500 Freestyle - Lily Helton first; Rachel Reid - third.

200 Medley Relay: Fourth and sixth.

200 Freestyle (23 competitors): Lilly Collins - seventh.

200 Freestyle Relay: Fourth and sixth place.

100 Breaststroke (20

competitors): Helton - fifth; Reid - sixth; Meghan Cory - eighth; Olivia Loyd - 10th.

100 Backstroke (36 competitors): Courtney Foster - seventh; Anniston Howse - eighth; Collins - 13th; Cassie Flowers - 19th.

100 Freestyle (39 competitors): Loyd - fifth; Howse - ninth; Cory - 12th; Hannah Kazmierzak - 14th; Brooklyn Brown - 16th.

50 Freestyle (37 competitors): Foster - 12th; Kazmierzak - 24th; Brown - 25th; Flowers - 26th.

**UCMS Boy's Results:** 200 Medley Relay: Third place.

200 Freestyle Relay: Fifth place.

100 Freestyle (13 competitors): Andrew Nushtayev - first.

50 Breaststroke (10 competitors): Andrew Farmer - fifth; Wyatt Chandler - seventh.

50 Backstroke: Andrew Nushtayev - first; Ian Lander - seventh.

50 Freestyle (17 competitors): Eli Gwynn - second; Lander - ninth; Farmer - 10th; Chandler - 12th.

**UCMS Girl's Results:** 200 Medley Relay: First place.

200 Freestyle Relay: First Place.

100 Freestyle (16 competitors): Isabel Hoover - second.

50 Backstroke (38 competitors): Ava Serrano - sixth; Clara Kazmierzak - seventh; Samantha Odom - 23rd.

50 Butterfly: Reese Jones - second; Ava Wheeler - sixth.

50 Breaststroke (22 competitors): Hoover - third; Serrano - fourth; Clara Kazmierzak - fifth; Wheeler - ninth.

50 Freestyle (31 competitors): Jones - first; Odom - 18th.