

## A small but mighty SMMAC team make waves at Dave Kensit Memorial Championship

A cohesive team of 9 swimmers under the coaching skills of Eve Fournier and Andrew Bignell represented the Sault Ste Marie Aquatic Club this past week-end at the Dave Kensit Memorial Championships in Sudbury. Even though they did not have the swimmers the larger groups had, they still managed to come in 4th for team rankings out of 14 other teams. All swimmers recorded personal best times and some even qualified for the provincial Championships at the end of the month in London.

Leading the way was Brian Lee with eight 1st place finishes and breaking a NEOR record for the 100 Freestyle at a time of 53.87 seconds which has stood the test of time for 15 years. Brian also achieved the high point trophy for boys aged 14 – 15 years. His younger brother, Steven, finished the week-end with three 1st place finishes in his 50m, 100m and 200m breaststroke and 5 top ten finishes. Not to be out done by her older brothers, Erin Lee placed 1st in her 50m backstroke and had seven 3rd place finishes.

Julia Turgeon came 2<sup>nd</sup> in high points for girls aged 13 –14 and led the SSMAC girls with three 1st place finishes in her 400m free, 100m and 200m backstroke, three 2nds, a 4th and 6th place finishes. Sarah Theodossiou recorded 4 top five and 6 top ten finishes while her younger sister Erinn, came home with 8 top ten placing. Rounding up the girl's portion of the team was Kalen Critchley achieving 3 top five and 5 top ten placing.

Completing the team were Shane Rock and Michael Lawrence. Shane swam away with a 1st in his 400 IM. He also had a 2nd, four 3rds and a 4th place finishes. His team mate, Michael, came 1st in the 1500m race as well as bringing home a 3rd, 4th, 5th as well as 4 more top ten finishes.