



## **SSMAC Super Swimmers bring home 28 medals from Sudbury's East Side Mario's Invitational**

Twenty swimmers from the Sault Ste. Marie Aquatic Club and their alumni coaches returned from Sudbury this past week-end bringing home 28 medals and 6<sup>th</sup> place in team standings.

Julia Turgeon (14) lead the senior girls with 2 **GOLDS** (100 & 200m back), 4-**SILVERS** (100, 400, 800m free, and 200 I.M.), and 1 **BRONZE** (200m free) with a 5<sup>th</sup> place finish in her 400m I.M.

The Lee family of Brian, Steven and Erin combined to bring home 17 medals of their own. Erin (10) completed the week-end with 1 **GOLD** (50m back) and 7-**SILVER** medals(50, 100, 200m free, 100, 200m back, 200m breast and 200m I.M.). Erin also won the **SPRINT SPECIALIST** award for girls 10 and under. This award is based on the combined FINA points for any two 50m events plus the 100m free. Brian (15) competing in the over 15 years age category swam away with 3-**GOLD** (200, 800m free and 50m back), 1-**SILVER** (100m free), 1-**BRONZE** (50m free), 4<sup>th</sup> and a 5<sup>th</sup>. Brian also won the **SPRINT SPECIALIST** award for the 15 and older male age group. Steven (12) wrapped up the family winnings with 2-**GOLD** (100, 200m breast), 1-**SILVER** (400m I.M.), 1-**BRONZE** (50m fly), as well as a 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> place finish.

A big surprise of the weekend was Dante Severini's (10) **SILVER** medal race in his first ever 200m breaststroke race at a long course meet. Dante had 3 more top 10 finishes.

Shane Rock (13) qualified for all his finals completing the weekend with a **BRONZE** medal in his 100m freestyle race. He also had 3-4<sup>th</sup> place finishes, 2-5<sup>th</sup> and 2-7<sup>th</sup> to round of his weekend.

Marina Fournier (14) captured a **BRONZE** medal in her 200m backstroke. In a very large age group (13 – 14 year girls), Marina also finished the weekend with 2-4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 2-7<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and a 10<sup>th</sup> place finish.

Kyle Matthews (16) finished the medal race for SSMAC with a **SILVER** medal in his 50m freestyle race. He also completed the weekend with 4-4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and a 7<sup>th</sup> place finish.

Kalen Critchley (11) had 2-4<sup>th</sup>, 3-5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> in a competitive 11-12 year old girls group.

Honourable mention should go to Rayne Fisher (13), Brendan Wilton (13), and Christopher Carlyle (13) for qualifying for finals in their respective races. Brendan had 3-top 10 results, Christopher had 2-top 10 results while Rayne ended the weekend with 2-top 20 results.

The junior swimmers deserve mention as well. Matteo Reich (10) and sister Charlotte (7) attended their first long course meet. Matteo swam to 5- top 10 finishes. Charollette being the youngest swimmer from SSMAC to compete swam her 3 races very well. Another brother sister combination is Aron (11) and Kate (9) Mohammadi. Aron had 3-top 15 finishes while Kate had one. Emily Boucher, Emily Elder, and Lexus Hall, all aged 10, completed the weekend with top 15 place results and preformed some personal best times. Last but not least, was Kailee Valois (13) who was a last minute addition to the group had some very good swims as well.

The next event for the mighty SSMAC swimmers is the Thunderbolt International Swim Meet in Thunder Bay May 23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup>. Go SSMAC Go!